



TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 281 (blue hymnal) Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah *Cwm Rhondda*

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Gracious God, source of all life, Lord of mercy and grace, hear our prayer. We come before you in need of healing: The healing of our bodies and souls, The healing of our relationships, The healing of our pride and fear and apathy. We know that with you, nothing is impossible, not even our healing, Not even the restoration of the whole world. We pray that you will heal us, that you will heal our world, So that we will be freed to serve and love As Christ calls us. Amen.

*KYRIE ELEISON NO. 574 (blue hymnal) arr. David N. Johnson

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE Celtic Alleluia (*sing twice*) Fintan O'Carroll

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ... The Lord's Prayer

During the Prayers of the People there will be a time of silence. You are invited to use this time for personal reflection, confession, thanksgiving, and prayer.

THE OFFERING

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(9:00) Zion's Walls (Revivalist Song) adapt. Aaron Copland

Come fathers and mothers, Come sisters and brothers, Come join us in singing the praises of Zion. O fathers don't you feel determined to meet within the walls of Zion. We'll shout and go round the walls of Zion.

John G. McCurry

(11:00) Psalm 150

John Harper

Alleluya, Alleluya. Praise God in his holy place, Praise him in his mighty heav'ns, Praise him for his powerful deeds, Praise his surpassing greatness. Alleluya, Alleluya. O praise him with sound of trumpet, Praise him with lute and harp, Praise him with timbrel and dance, Praise him with strings and pipe. Alleluya, Alleluya. O praise him with resounding cymbals, Praise him with clashing of cymbals. Let ev'rything that lives and that breathes give praise to the Lord. Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya.

*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology *Old Hundredth*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 555 (blue hymnal) (11:00) Now Thank We All Our God

Nun danket alle Gott

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen Danish melody

*POSTLUDE

(9:00) Praeludium in F, BuxWV 145

Dieterich Buxtehude

(11:00) Prelude and Fugue in a, BWV 543

J. S. Bach

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

The Order of Worship

May 8, 2022

9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

Welcome to Westminster Church! We are a family of Christians gathered from many traditions and neighborhoods, worshipping here with the goal of connecting faith and life. If you are a visitor, we pray you will feel welcome and blessed by our worship. We invite you to consider making Westminster your church home. Please let us have your contact information so we may be in touch. When the prelude begins let us quietly prepare for the worship of almighty God.

PRELUDE

(9:00) Fancy for Two to Play Thomas Tomkins

John Brock and Peter Van Eenam, Harpsichords

(11:00) Rhosymedre (Lovely) Ralph Vaughan Williams

(from *Three Preludes Founded on Welsh Hymn Tunes*)

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the darkest valley,

People: at the banquet table;

Leader: in the hard work of life,

People: at the moments of ease;

Leader: in our day-to-day reality,

People: at times set aside-

Leader: like this time, now-

People: for worship, for listening, for paying attention;

Leader: with every step we take:

People: goodness and mercy follow us; our cups overflow.

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 7:9-17

CANTICLE (11:00) Jubilate Deo

Anglican chant

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God; it is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth from generation to generation. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Chancel Choir

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Daniel Lewis

Children age 4 through 4th grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in

Children's Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 9:36-43

SERMON "The Endless Song"

Rev. Dr. Anne McKee

*HYMN NO. 175 (blue hymnal) The Lord's My Shepherd, All My Need *Evan*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) *The Apostles Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Sophia Manrod and Bob Albiston
CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR MAY: Susan McKeehan and Lana Daverman
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from ushers.
PLEASE place your bulletin into a blue recycling bin located at the Narthex door if you do not care to take it home.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES (11:00): Eli Everett and Cooper Kringen

GREETERS (11:00): Bud and Carolyn Cunningham

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Erik Kringen

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Chancel Choir

SENIOR USHER: Buz Johnson

USHERS:

(9:00) Suzanne Graham and David Woodall

(11:00) Linda Van Beke, Tim and Joyce Ryan, Tom and Georgann Byerley

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Berta Bergia in memory of her parents, Victor and Berta Bergia.

THE BIRTH CANDLE is lit today in celebration of Rosie Carey Brewington born to Allie and Steven Brewington, and sister Lila and brother Jack on May 3, 2022.

THIS MORNING, at the 11:00 service, the Chancel Choir is reintroducing to our worship the singing of Anglican chant, a practice dating back to our congregation's earliest days and nurtured by my friend and predecessor, William Brice. Wikipedia offers a clear and understandable explanation of this type of chant: "Anglican chant, also known as English chant, is a way to sing unmetrical texts, including psalms and canticles from the Bible, by matching the natural speech-rhythm of the words to the notes of a simple harmonized melody." Though the choir will sing the Jubilate Deo this morning, the congregation will be invited to join in hereafter.

Peter Van Eenam

SHARE THE BOUNTY table is back in the Schilling Gallery for the summer and is starting to provide produce. If you are not familiar with this, our table provides a space to share the bounty from our personal gardens and our very own Westminster organic garden. You are more than welcome to help yourself to what is provided on the table. If you have a bit too much of something from your garden, bring it in to share. You may find here flowers and herbs, as well as vegetables. It changes every week, so take a look and take some home. There is also a donation basket with any contributions this year going to our Presbytery's Carbon Footprint Fund. Also, take a walk around our organic veggie garden located behind the sanctuary – it's amazing what good things can come from a small space.

The Environmental Ministry Team

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING has been called for Sunday, May 15 after 11:00 am worship, for the purpose of approving a loan to finance repairs to the Fellowship Hall.

9:00 AM PAVILION WORSHIP continues through May 22, leading up to our Summer Worship schedule. Summer worship schedule begins May 29 with a single service at 10:00 am in the sanctuary.

ART IN THE SCHILLING GALLERY for May and June are Michelle Barillaro and Charles Osten. Michelle Barillaro paints mainly with acrylics or oil and cold wax. She enjoys doing ethereal and moody abstracts because they allow the viewer to see something which relates to their own personal experiences and dreams. The gorgeous jewelry in the showcases is designed by Charles Osten. His jewelry is unique, influenced from the shapes and textures found in nature. The gemstones add to the enhancement and accentuates the textural shapes. Enjoy the beauty of these works. If you would like to have a closer look at an item please check with Melissa or Renee to open the case for you.



CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS ON SUNDAYS: There are so many ways for children to be involved on Sunday mornings!

- **9:00 Worship:** Children 0-5 are welcome in the Nursery. Children 6+ remain in Worship
- **10:00 Hour:** Children 0-3 are welcome in the Nursery. Children 4-10 are invited to Fellowship Time downstairs.
- **11:00 Worship:** Children 0-3 are welcome in the Nursery. Children age 3-4th grade remain in Worship until Time with the Children, then are walked downstairs for Primary and Intermediate Sunday school.

MEN'S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP: This Thursday at 8am in the Fellowship Hall the men of the church will gather for a meal, fellowship, and a speaker. This week's speaker comes all the way from Tanzania, Africa. His name is Dr. Robert Marks Moshi and he is the Managing Director of the Saint Marks Children's Home & Orphanage where he and his staff provide a loving, safe home for Maasi children. You won't want to miss Dr. Moshi's presentation. As is our custom, we will provide coffee and a sausage biscuit if you order from Tim Crais via phone (), text, or email () by noon on Wednesday. So, come join us on Thursday and bring a friend.

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT is May 10. Everyone meets in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments at 6:30 pm, then breaks up for group meetings at 7:00. Want to join a ministry team? See Barbara Adamcik for more information.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: If you would like to serve the church by being an usher or a shepherd during our worship services, please email melissa_wpc@comcast.net. The next schedule, July-December 2022 will be published soon. (Greeters schedule is a year long schedule, which we'll recruit for in November.)

THE FUNERAL COORDINATORS are also recruiting for more help. If you'd be interested in serving as a funeral coordinator occasionally, we would love to have you. There will be a very informative meeting May 24 at 7:00 pm for all interested parties. You may also email melissa_wpc@comcast.net, for more information.

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ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

All classes meet at 10:00 am

Feasting on the Word, a lectionary-based study, meets in person in the Fellowship Hall. The class looks at scriptures that are from the lectionary readings for each week.

Adult Bible Study class chooses books of the Bible for in-depth study each Sunday. The class meets in person in the McKinnon Room AND on Zoom.

The Wired Word class receives an email with the week's current events topic that is discussed with an eye and ear toward scripture. The discussion is always lively. Jump in! The class is meeting in the library to allow for more distancing. If you don't already receive emails and would like to, let Mary know.



THE SESSION

Class of 2022

Bob Albiston

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Colleen Manrod

Charlie Mercer

Leslie Versen

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Jack Carley

William Milam

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Bill Wieseuegel

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