

The Order of Worship

May 22, 2022 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE CHURCH GATHERS...

Welcome to Westminster Church! We are a family of Christians gathered from many traditions and neighborhoods, worshiping 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) Chorale No. 2 in b César Franck (11:00) Morning Hymn Christe sanctorum arr. Sondra K. Tucker

Handbell Choir

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

MINUTE FOR MISSION Nominating Committee **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Dan Berry Psalm 67

Leader: May God be gracious to us, and bless us, and cover us with the

radiance of grace.

People: May your way be known everywhere, God:

Leader: in the hidden places of our hearts; People: in the comfort of our homes; Leader: in every corner of our world; People: in the farthest reaches of creation.

Leader: You transform us; you heal our lives; you renew the earth and

every creature:

People: Let our praise for you shake the rafters with songs of joy!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 267 (Glory to God hymnal) Come, Christians, Join to Sing Madrid

*CALL TO CONFESSION *PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Loving and gracious God, you are so patient with us. We run away, and you seek us. We make foolish choices, and you teach us the better way. We hurt you and others, and instead of hurting us back, you forgive us. Help us, we pray; help us reveal your glory and goodness in our living, That we will bear the imprint of Christ throughout the world. 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

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

MUSIC FOR HANDBELLS (11:00) Pastorale on a Scottish Air Candler

arr. Susan Rucker

Revelation 21:10, 21:22-22:5 **SCRIPTURE READING** *CANTICLE NO. 565 (red hymnal) (11:00) Jubilate Deo Anglican chant A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Julia Whipple

Children age 4 through 4th grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children's Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 16:9-15

SERMON "Shall We Gather at the River?" Rev. Dr. Anne McKee *HYMN NO. 722 (Glory to God hymnal) Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

Canonbury

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

based on the Belhar Confession

We share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one Name, are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope. Together we come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ; are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity; know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ that we need one another and up build one another, admonishing and comforting one another; that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness.

Together we pray; together we serve God in this world.

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) Sing Ye a Joyful Song

Antonín Dvořák

Sing ye a joyful song unto the Lord, who hath done marvelous, marvelous things! Praise the Lord, all the earth! Sing praises, shout and be joyful!

Let the sea roar and all that is therein, the round world and all they that dwell there! Lift your voices, floods and tempests! Mountains, clap your hands for joy!

Let the fields laugh and sing with waving corn, and let all the trees of the forest be joyful!

Psalm 98:1,4, 7-8

Bettie McDavid Mason, Soprano Margaret Harrison, Piano

(11:00) Rise Up, My Love

Paul Laubengayer

Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away, Oh, come away. For, lo, the winter now is past, the rain is over and gone; The flow'rs appear on the earth; the time for singing birds has come, and the voice of the turtle dove is heard in the land.

Song of Solomon 2:10-12

*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology

Old Hundredth

Thaxted

Danish melody

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. 341 (Glory to God hymnal) O God, Show Mercy to Us

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (9:00)

Hymn No. 586 (blue hymnal) Amen

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (11:00) Old Celtic Blessing Thomas McCracken May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be always at ewer back, may the sun shine warm upon ewer face, may the rain fall soft upon ewer field, and until we meet again may he hold you in his hand, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

Traditional

Chancel Choir

*POSTLUDE

(9:00) Grand Dialogue a 4 Choeurs

Jacques Boyvin

(from Suite on the Third Tone, Book II)

(11:00) Plein jeu (from Suite on the Third Tone)

Jean Adam Guilain

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS * * * * * * * * * *

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Jaclyn Beeler and Charlie Mercer CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR MAY: Susan McKeehan and Lana Daverman

<u>LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES</u> are available from ushers. <u>PLEASE</u> 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): Josie Chattin and Lucy Powell GREETERS (11:00): Gloria Borum and Mary Jo Mann

LITURGIST: Barbara Adamcik SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Hap McSween

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: (11:00) Chancel and Handbell Choirs

SENIOR USHER: Buz Johnson

USHERS:

(9:00) Lucinda and Bob Albiston

(11:00) Mike Kaufman, Rob and Susan McKeehan, Jaclyn Beeler

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Jordan and Virginia Knight in honor of Hollis Knight's 2nd birthday.

<u>OUR THANKS</u> to Bettie Mason and Margaret Harrison for their enrichment of our worship this morning at the 9:00 service and to Bettie for providing notes on the composer and music.

THE CZECH COMPOSER ANTONÍN DVOŘÁK (1841–1904) lived in the United States from 1892 until 1895, while he was director of the National Conservatory of Music in New York City. Among his compositions from this period are the *Biblical Songs*, ten settings of verses from the Book of Psalms, one of which is the offertory anthem at this morning's 9:00 service. The original version of the songs had the texts in Czech, but also included English and German translations that Dvořák made sure would work well with the vocal lines.

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

<u>LIBRARY HELPER</u>: Would anyone be interested in volunteering to upkeep our library in the education wing? See Renee or Mary for more information.

<u>CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS TODAY:</u> 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.



NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP GATHERINGS

Bluegrass NG in the Pavilion: May 22, 5:30 pm Westminster NG in the Pavilion: June 4, 5:00 pm Sequoyah/Westmoreland NG at the Schmid home: June 5. 5:00 pm

THE FUNERAL COORDINATORS are 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.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST will meet this Thursday at 8am in the McKinnon Room instead of the Fellowship Hall. Our speaker will be David Bolt, creator of Sustainable Future, a local nonprofit based in South Knoxville. David was recognized by then President Barack Obama as a Champion of Change for his work in corporate environmental leadership. We will have coffee available and will provide a sausage biscuit to anyone who texts Charlie Van Beke by noon this Wednesday. We hope you will join us for what should be a very interesting presentation on this final Men's Breakfast until next fall.



WESTMINSTER NIGHT AT SMOKY STADIUM: Join us for baseball on August 12, 2022. RSVP deadline is July 31st. This will allow us to have enough tickets blocked off so that we can sit together in one section! Send in \$11 per ticket to the church office and note on the check that it is for the Smokies Baseball game. The Fellowship Team is sponsoring this event. How fun!!!



FRIENDS OF FISH: Come help us stock those groceries on Tuesday, May 24. The truck from Second Harvest will be there about 9:30. Address: 934 Weisgarber Rd., Church of the Savior. We hope you can join us. YOU are needed! Please get with Linda Van Beke for any further information. We are grateful for her AMAZING heart for mission in our community!!

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

10:00 AM SUMMER SCHEDULE starts next week, May 29 in the sanctuary.

STATED SESSION MEETING in the McKinnon Room immediately following worship at 12:00.

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Arthur Collins, Worship Tech

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.

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

<u>The Wired Word</u> 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.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY will be offered Sundays, May 29 through September 4 at 9:00 am.

<u>THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AND PLAYGROUND</u> will be under construction and closed during May 23-27.

THE SESSION				
Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024		
Bob Albiston	Jaclyn Beeler	Josh Birdwell		
Janet Drumm	Jack Carley	Gloria Borum		
Colleen Manrod	William Milam	Melanie Lewis		
Charlie Mercer	Penny Tschantz	Lisa Oros		
Leslie Versen	Bill Wiesehuegel	Chris Van Beke		
Youth Elder: Sophia Man	rod Clerk of Se	ession: Leigh Dunlap		

TRUSTEES

Cile Mathews Robert McKeehan Ron Alexander

*Indicates standing.

PNC NOMINATING: The next step in the process of calling a pastor is to elect a Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) the group of people who will do the heavy lifting on the search process. They will lead the congregation through thinking about its priorities, write the Ministry Information Form (MIF), review Personal Information Forms (PIF's) from ministers who are interested in learning more about us, conduct interviews, and ultimately select someone for the congregation to vote on as the next pastor. All this will be done in partnership with the presbytery. Members of the PNC must be spiritually mature and faithful, have a deep understanding of Westminster's mission and needs, keep confidentiality, and be willing and able to give a substantial amount of time over the next year or so, however long the process will take. The PNC must reflect the broad range of ages, length of membership, interests, and life-situations of the congregation. Folks who have served on PNC's invariably talk about how much they learn, what fun they have, and how honored they are to serve in this important role. The congregation's nominating committee will propose a strong and balanced PNC for the congregation to elect, and, to start out, they want your input on whom you believe would be a good member of this group. If you feel called to serve, or if you know someone you would like to suggest, either use the tear-off portion of the bulletin next Sunday, or reach out to the Nominating Committee chair, Colleen Manrod, wemanrod@msn.com, with a name and a sentence about what gifts they bring. Other members of the nominating committee are George Barber, Dan Berry, William Milam, and Elizabeth Salsbery, so feel free to reach out to any of them, as well.

would like to nominate _		
For PNC because	 	