

July 31, 2022 The Order of Worship 10:00 A.M.

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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 Wer nur den lieben Gott läßt walten, BWV 642

J. S. Bach If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee

(from the *Orgelbüchlein*)

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

Rev. Gradye Parsons

(Based on Psalm 49:1-15)

Leader: Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all inhabitants of the world:

People: We are both low and high; we are rich and poor together;

Leader: Listening for wisdom, longing for understanding,

People: We incline our ears to hear God's word, to find God's voice in song.

Leader: Why should we fear in times of trouble? Or be jealous of those who

have everything?

ALL: God will ransom us from the power of death, will receive us into life

everlasting.

CALL TO WORSHIP

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 624 (Glory to God hymnal) I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

Toulon

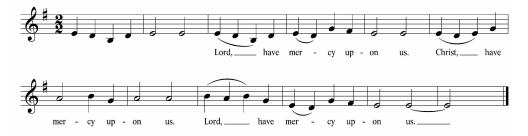
*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Holy God, our lives are so often dictated by fear. We are driven by anxiety about the future, and spend nights wondering whether we will have enough wealth, enough health, enough protection to shield us from coming danger. We cut ourselves off from others and from you, and turn our backs on others in far greater need. Yet, you promise abundance of your own design and hold our times and circumstances in your very hands. Forgive us, Holy God, when we hoard and fret. Free us to trust you with the future, to follow Christ with all we have, and to live with your generosity and grace toward one another and toward the world you love. We pray in your holy name. Amen.

*KYRIE ELEISON

arr. David N. Johnson

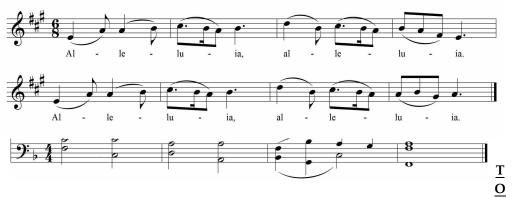


*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News! People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE Celtic Alleluia (sing twice)

Fintan O'Carroll



EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ..

SCRIPTURE Hosea 11:1-11 TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Mary Sophia Hawks

Children age 4 through 4^{th} grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children's Worship.

SCRIPTURE Luke 12:13-21

SERMON "The Pathos of God" Rev. Anne McKee

*HYMN NO. 351 (Glory to God hymnal) All Who Love and Serve Your City

Charlestown

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) (From A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,

healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register, your holding and passing the offering plate is an act of blessing and dedication to our life together in Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee Georg Neumark Setting by Jody W. Lindh

Daniel Berry, Bass

*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. 720 (Glory to God hymnal) Jesus Calls Us

Galilee

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Amen

Danish melody

*POSTLUDE Toccata in E Minor, POP 281

Johann Pachelbel

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Lisa Oros and Chris Van Beke CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR JULY: Bonny Naugher and Brenda Seip LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from the 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

GREETERS: Tom and Georgann Byerley **LITURGIST**: Rev. Gradye Parsons **SHEPHERD'S TEAM**: William Milam

SENIOR USHER: Bonny Naugher

USHERS: Kathy Huck, Casey Page, Ken Hughes, Charlie Mercer, Judy Jorden

<u>FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY</u> are given by Brad and Cindy Pearman in honor of all the staff at Westminster Presbyterian.

OUR THANKS to Dan Berry for his enrichment of our worship this morning and Theresa Pepin for serving as organist while Peter Van Eenam is on vacation.

<u>ADULT BIBLE STUDY</u>, led by Scott Brunger, continues to meet during the summer at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. They are currently studying the book of Deuteronomy.

CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS TODAY:

- 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 Children's Worship.

WESTMINSTER NIGHT AT SMOKIES STADIUM

August 12, 2022

TODAY IS THE FINAL DAY TO REGISTER AND PAY FOR YOUR TICKETS!!!



Join us for baseball on August 12, 2022. 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 no later than July 31** and note on the check that it is for the Smokies Baseball game as soon as possible. The Fellowship Team is sponsoring this event. So far we

have 41 people signed up to join in on the fun!!! ☺

<u>ABBEY DEADLINE</u> is today at 5pm. Please submit any and all articles to Debbie Bendy by today at 5 pm. <u>unitedprinters@comcast.net</u>

SHARE THE BOUNTY table is in the Schilling Gallery. 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.

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT TEAM: Is anyone looking for a short-term mission challenge? We need a few good folks. We are in the planning stage of partnering with Lake Hills Pres to host a refugee family. It will be about a 6 month commitment starting sometime this fall. It could be for a Ukranian family, but we won't know for sure. Tasks include: showing them how appliances work, reading in English to children, helping with transportation to appointments, answering questions about life in the USA, etc. There will be some training and we need 4-6 folks (or more). Teenagers are allowed to help. Please contact William Milam wtmilam@ieee.org with questions or willingness to serve. As always, let me know if you have questions. William



PHOTO DIRECTORY: Many thanks to all of you who are sending in a current photo of your household. We appreciate you! If you'd like to participate, you can email Renee Wiesehuegel your photo and she will make sure to update the directory. renee_wpc@comcast.net.

CHECK OUT THE BULLETIN BOARDS IN THE SCHILLING GALLERY! We

hope you will take a few minutes to look at both the collections of pictures taken this summer of our youth's experiences together as well as the group that hiked together to LeConte last weekend.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE SESSION

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Jaclyn Beeler	Josh Birdwell	Ed Babelay
Jack Carley	Gloria Borum	Wendy Collins
William Milam	Melanie Lewis	Janet Drumm
Penny Tschantz	Lisa Oros	Stephen Fortney
Bill Wiesehuegel	Chris Van Beke	Barbara Froula
Youth Elder: Meghan Oros	Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap	

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