



The Order of Worship

March 12, 2023
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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 Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein Johann Pachelbel
When in the Hour of Utmost Need

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Kathy Parsons

- One: Like the woman who came to draw water at a well,
- All: We come to draw life from you, O God.**
- One: Jesus, as you spoke to her, so you speak to us now.
- All: Fill us with your grace, and help us to worship in spirit and in truth.**
- One: May your grace become a spring of living water in us,
- All: Gushing up to eternal life. Let us worship God.**

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 65** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah
Cwm Rhondda

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Gracious God, before you there are no secrets. Our sins are clear. Our wounds are open. You see us as we truly are. O God, we repent and turn to you, for we are thirsty for your grace, and hungry for the life that you alone can give. Accept us, O God, and forgive our sins. Heal our wounded spirits. Wash us in the living spring of your grace, so that guided by your Word, we may go forth to serve you in holiness and joy. We pray in the name of the Crucified and Risen Christ. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON John L. Bell
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Choir: **ALL:**

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

Choir: **ALL:**

Chri - ste e - lei - son. Chri - ste e - lei - son.

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***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

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

***RESPONSE** Of the Father's Love Begotten Divinum mysterium

Christ, to Thee with God the Fa - ther, And, O Ho-ly Ghost, to Thee,

Hymn and chant and high thanks-giv - ing And un-wea-ried prais - es be:

Hon-or, glo-ry, and do-min - ion, And e - ter-nal vic-to-ry,

Ev - er-more and ev - er - more!—

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 17:1-7
***CANTICLE** (11:00) To My Humble Supplication *Mon Dieu, prête-moi l'oreille*

To my hum-ble sup-pli - ca - tion, Lord, give ear and ac-cep - ta - tion;

Save thy serv-ant that hath none Help nor hope but thee a - lone.

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Rachel Powell
Children age 4 through 4th grade are invited to go downstairs for Sunday School.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: (11:00) Brooks "Beck" Ellis Quinn
 son of Carolyn and Connor Quinn

SCRIPTURE READING John 4:5-42
MEDITATION "That Awful Place of Grace" Rev. Dr. Anne McKee
***HYMN NO. 479** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Ho, All Who Thirst *Jacob's Well*

PASTORAL PRAYER ... 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.

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 found on the pew nearest the center aisle. Your holding and passing the offering plate is an act of blessing and dedication to our life together in Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (9:00) La Volta William Byrd
 Harpsichord

(11:00) Lead Me, Lord S. S. Wesley
 Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face. For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.
 Psalms 5:8 and 4:9

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology No. 608 (*Glory to God* hymnal) *Tallis' Canon*
 (Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 748 (*Glory to God* hymnal))
 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 486** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Child of Blessing, Child of Promise
Kingdom

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**
***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Amen Danish melody

A - men. A - men. A - men.

***POSTLUDE** Verbum supernum (O Salutaris) Marcel Dupré
O Heavenly Word (O Redeeming Sacrifice)
 (from *Eight Short Preludes on Gregorian Themes*)

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Lisa Oros and Jack Carley

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR MARCH: Janet Tortorelli

SERVING TODAY

GREETERS: (11:00) Buz and Lucy Johnson

LITURGIST: Kathy Parsons

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: (11:00) Chancel Choir

SHEPHERD’S TEAM: Jay Schmid

SENIOR USHER: Melissa Everett

USHERS: (9:00) Bonny and Doug Naugher

(11:00) Jack Carley, Kathy Shilling, Penny Tschantz, Brenda Seip, Ron Alexander

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS/ HEARING DEVICES are available from the ushers.

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in loving memory of Clark by Carol Beilharz, children, and grandchildren.

SAMUEL SEBASTIAN WESLEY was one of the most important of the Romantic English choral composers. His father was the composer Samuel Wesley, who like Felix Mendelssohn, was largely responsible for bringing the music of J. S. Bach back into the mainstream repertoire. Samuel Sebastian’s grandfather was the hymn writer Charles Wesley. As an organist, Samuel Sebastian held many of England’s major cathedral posts at a time when sacred music in England was in decline. These include Hereford, Exeter, Winchester, Gloucester, and Leeds Parish Church.

BAPTISM: This morning we are delighted to baptize Brooks "Beck" Ellis Quinn, son of Carolyn and Connor Quinn, and grandson of Reed and Lisa Ellis. Carolyn grew up at Westminster, and the Quinn family now resides in Nashville.

MARYVILLE COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR: All are invited to return to Westminster this evening for a performance of the Maryville College Concert Choir, beginning at 5:00 in the sanctuary. Dinner will follow in the Lisa Kaufman Hall (catered by Abundant Life Catering – a ministry of KARM). The concert is part of the choir's "Homeward Bound" spring tour, providing us a chance to hear beautiful music and support young people in the arts.

BIG, SCARY QUESTIONS will resume conversation about Mental Health Ministry and the Church on Tuesday, March 14 at noon. All are welcome.

LENTEN SERIES continues Wednesday March 15, with a soup supper at 5:45 followed by prayer and reflection at 6:15. This week Mark Hulsether will share his music with the group.

TUESDAY MORNING BOOK GROUP will meet March 21 at 10:30 to discuss *Traces*, by local author Patricia Hudson. Contact Linda Rutherford at scottlindatn@gmail.com, with questions.

A VERY SPECIAL CHORAL CONCERT will be given Sunday afternoon, March 26, at 5:00, in our sanctuary. The Parish Choir of the Episcopal Church of the Ascension will join our Chancel Choir in the singing of Ralph Vaughan Williams’ *Mass in G Minor*, along with two other glorious English works. It is a most rewarding and fulfilling undertaking by the choirs and I hope you will join us!

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING: will be collected during the Season of Lent. Through this long standing, ecumenical effort, Presbyterians share God’s love through ministries that provide relief to those affected by disasters, food for the hungry and support toward the self-development of poor and oppressed communities.

ALZHEIMER’S TN WALK is April 22, from 10-12 at UT gardens. Registration is free. You are invited to raise funds to support research and education. Sign up as an individual in or you're welcome to join the Morning Pointe team. Contact Lisa Ellis at 865-719-4690, with questions.

WESTMINSTER'S ANNUAL PROGRAM REPORT for 2022 is up on our website. Check it out at wpcknox.org.

ABBEY DEADLINE is March 19th. Email articles to unitedprinters@comcast.net.

YOUTH ART, GIFTS AND SERVICE AUCTION to fund the 2023 Ghost Ranch pilgrimage will take place on April 23. The Schilling Gallery is filled with art from our WPC community’s artists. You can bid on the art and other items (like UTK tickets, etc.). If you have an item you would like to donate (for example: a night in a cabin, cooking a meal, or a donated service - like technology expertise), please contact Barbara Adamick. Let’s help our youth get to Ghost Ranch!

WESTMINSTER PLAYERS: will be presenting Neil Simon’s *Barefoot in the Park* this spring – March 31 (7pm), April 1 (7pm), and April 2 (3pm).

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 a.m.

Adult Bible Study: Chooses a book of the Bible to unpack (McKinnon Hall).

Feasting on the Word: Studies the scriptures used in Worship (Lisa Kaufman Hall).

The Wired Word: Discusses current events with a theological eye (library).

SHOW (High School): Exploring *The Way of Pilgrimage*

WAMS (Middle School 5th-8th) STIR curriculum- who, what, why are we here?

CHILDREN’S OFFERINGS AT WESTMINSTER

9:00 to Noon - Nursery available for children 0-5 years old

10:00 - Fellowship time for kids 1st-4th grade

During 11:00 Hour: Sunday school following Time with the Children



2026 ELDER NOMINATIONS: It is now time to take the next step and make suggestions for our next class of officers for the Class of 2026. We will be nominating (5) Elders for Session, One Trustee, and one Youth Elder. Please submit names to William Milam (Chair), Gloria Borum (Vice Chair), or our at-large members: Debbie Schmid, William Gibbons, and Amy Reddick. Please submit your suggestions by March 20th.

I would like to nominate _____

for Elder/Youth Elder/Trustee, because _____

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Rev. John Linton Muntz, Parish Associate Emeritus

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Barbara Adamcik, Director of Youth and Connectional Ministries, CLP

Allie Brewington, Director of Children's Ministries

Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Deborah McGaugh, Administrative Assistant

Sarah Rackley, Youth Assistant

Linda Judge McRae, Parish Nurse

Debbie Bendy, Abbey Editor

Arthur Collins, Worship Tech

OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 12

9:00am - Worship

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Sanctuary Worship

12:15 - Pastor Nominating Committee - Library

2:00pm - Play Practice

5:00 pm - *Abbey* deadline

5:00pm - Maryville College Choir Concert and dinner

Monday, March 13

Congregational Zoom with Barnettes

Tuesday, March 14

6:30pm - Ministry Team Night

Wednesday, March 15

4:30pm - Companions in Christ

5:45pm - Lenten Soup and Service - Lisa Kaufman Hall

7:45 Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 16

4:30pm - Brass Choir

6:00pm - Play Practice

7:00pm - Handbell Choir

THE SESSION

Class of 2022

Jaelyn Beeler

Jack Carley

William Milam

Penny Tschantz

Bill Wiesehuegel

Youth Elder: Meghan Oros

Class of 2024

Josh Birdwell

Gloria Borum

Melanie Lewis

Lisa Oros

Chris Van Beke

Class of 2025

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Janet Drumm

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