



The Order of Worship

**May 7, 2023
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

FIFTH 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) Morning Has Broken arr. Hugh Livingston, Jr.
 (11:00) Thee We Adore *Adoro te devoto*
arr. Cathy Moglebust

Members of the Handbell Choir

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread *St. Flavian*
 Be known to us in breaking bread, But do not then depart; Savior, abide with us, and spread Thy table in our heart.

There sup with us in love divine; Thy body and Thy blood, That living bread, that heavenly wine, Be our immortal food.

James Montgomery, 1825

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God, in your house there are many dwelling places – room for all your Beloved. Barbara Adamcik

All: We belong to you.

One: Christ, you prepare a place for us and come for us and take us into yourself.

All: We come to you,

One: We are in you, and you are in us, and we are in Christ.

All: We worship you. Alleluia!

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**

Steadfast God, we confess Jesus as the way, the truth and the life, yet we often fail to follow him, too often gone our own way, distorted the truth and led deadly lives. Forgive us for falling short of your purpose for our lives. Give us courage to follow Jesus, who continues to show us the way.

***KYRIE ELEISON NO. 574** (blue hymnal) 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

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING I Peter 2:2-10

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Julia Whipple

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

SCRIPTURE READING John 14:1-14

SERMON "The Only Path?" Rev. Dr. Anne McKee

***HYMN NO. 724** (*Glory to God* hymnal) O Jesus, I Have Promised *Angel's Story*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) from *A Declaration of Faith*

In forming his people and sending them into the world Jesus called individuals to be disciples. They were to share the joy of his companionship, to understand and obey his teachings, and to follow him in life and death. We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship. Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ is God's undeserved gift to each of us. It is also God's demand upon every one of us, never perfectly fulfilled by any of us.

Forgiven by God and supported by brothers and sisters, we strive to become more faithful and effective in our daily practice of the Christian life.

THE OFFERING

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle. Though many of us contribute online or by a check in the mail, 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) Thee We Adore *Adoro te devoto*
 (11:00) The Holy Eucharist William H. Harris
 Him holy In him abide Eternal soul In him you hide All your sin On God laid bare Receiving life He longs to share.

Him holy In him abide O Christian souls His body live Who in him To Father make The sacrifice Of Incarnate.

Him holy In him abide Heaven home In him alive Holy love One body make Joying souls New blessing wake.

Douglas J. L. Bean

***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**

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (responsive)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

(Prayer continues).....Your covenant to be with us in love always, and so we gratefully sing your praise,

People: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.**

(Prayer continues).....*in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of our faith,*

People: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE SACRAMENT

Beginning from the front of the sanctuary, we will come forward by the center aisle, take a morsel of bread and cup of juice. We return to the pew by the side aisle.

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.

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION (11:00) Da Jesus an dem Kreuze stund, Verse 3

Samuel Scheidt

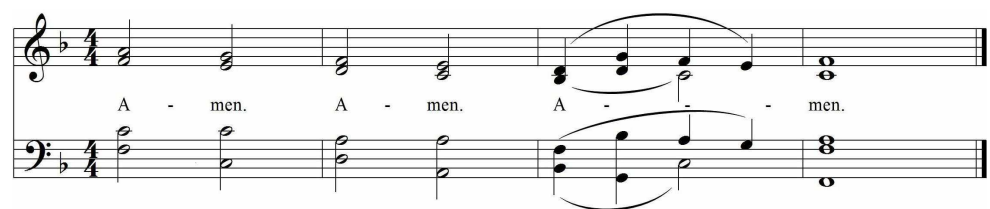
As Jesus Hung on the Cross

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Amen**

Danish melody



***POSTLUDE**

(9:00) All Creatures of Our God and King

arr. Robert Vandall

(11:00) Präludium in F, RhWV deest No. 9

Josef Rheinberger

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

CARE TEAM COORDINATORS FOR MAY: Brenda Seip and Bonny Naugher

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Melanie Lewis and Chris Van Beke

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from the 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) James Gilbert and Nolan Oros

GREETERS: (11:00) Rick and Janice Rawe

LITURGIST: Barbara Adamcik

MINISTRY OF MUSIC:

(9:00) Members of the Handbell Choir

(11:00) Chancel Choir and members of the Handbell Choir

SHEPHERD’S TEAM: Hap McSween

SENIOR USHER: Buz Johnson

USHERS:

(9:00) Ken Hughes and Casey Page

(11:00) Ron Alexander, Wanda Barber, Brenda Seip, Tom Byerley, Georgann Byerley

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given in memory of Mary McKeehan and in grateful appreciation for her Westminster caregivers.

THE FLOWERS IN THE PAVILION are given to the glory of God and in joyous celebration of the wedding of Margaret Sharp and Will Rothermel; and in loving memory of Margaret’s godmother Ruthie Landis Carey.

OUR THANKS to Mary Lou Holt for serving as the pianist this morning at the 9:00 service.

SIR WILLIAM HENRY HARRIS (1883-1973), English organist, choral conductor, and composer, studied the Royal College of Music, where his teachers included Sir Walter Parratt, Charles Wood, and Henry Walford Davies. He went on to hold positions in Oxford at New College and Christ Church, followed by an appointment at St. George’s Chapel, Windsor, in 1933. While there he conducted at both the 1937 and 1953 coronations.

CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS AT WESTMINSTER

During 9:00 Worship: Nursery available for children 0-5 years old

During 10:00 Hour: Nursery available for children 0-5 years old; Fellowship time for kids 1st-4th grade

During 11:00 Hour: Nursery available for children 0-3 years old

Primary Sunday school for children 4 years old.-Kindergarten

Intermediate Sunday school for children 1st-4th grade

(Children will be walked to Sunday school classes following the

Time with the Children during the 11:00 worship service)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 a.m.

• **Adult Bible Study:** McKinnon Room

• **Feasting on the Word:** Lisa Kaufman Hall

• **The Wired Word:** Library

• **SHOW (High School):** • **WAMS (Middle School 5th-8th):** Youth Rooms

LEARN MORE ABOUT FAMILY PROMISE and Westminster's role in serving families experiencing homelessness in our community, TODAY from 12:15-1:15 in the McKinnon Room. A light lunch will be provided.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP: Our youth will be cooking dinner (and doing other very special things tonight to celebrate our moms. Starting at 4:00, the youth will start preparing, cooking and baking a special meal for moms. With the help of culinary legends Betty McKeehan and Mary Jo Mann, they will be creating a masterpiece dinner worthy of their wonderful mothers!! Their moms should arrive at 6:00pm for a lovely dinner. WE CAN'T WAIT TO CELEBRATE OUR SPECIAL MOMS!!!!

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT will be held Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30pm in the Lisa Kaufman Hall.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST will meet this Thursday, May 11, at 8:30am in the McKinnon Room. Our speaker will be Tim Crais who will present a program entitled "The Holy Land - Beauty and Conflict". Tim will show a few pictures from a recent trip to the Holy Land and also present some of the Presbyterian positions on the Israeli / Palestinian struggles. Tim will also provide the breakfast. We hope you will be able to join us and perhaps bring a friend.

THE WEST HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP will meet on Sunday, May 21 from 5:30-7:30 pm at the Ruthie Carey Pavilion for a time of fellowship. If you are living in our 37909 zip code, you are included. Please bring an appetizer to share. Paper goods and drinks will be provided. RSVP to Anne Crais (865)360-9008 or Gail Bruner (865)363-6222. Thanks and we are looking forward to seeing you there. Happy Spring!

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Allie Brewington, Director of Children's Ministries

Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2023!

WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

Date: June 12-15 (M-TH)

Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Ages: Pre K - Rising 5th graders

Volunteers: Youth and Adults!

Cost: \$20/child for the week

Register your child using the link in our weekly

E-news or contact Allie Brewington.

Allie_wpc@comcast.net

OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 7

9:00am - Worship in RCP

10:00am - Sunday School

10:00 - PNC in downstairs Fellowship Hall

11:00am -Worship in Sanctuary

12:15 - Family Promise Informational Gathering - McKinnon Room

2:00 pm - Receiving of Friends for Terry Jones - RCP

4:00 pm - Youth Fellowship

6:00 pm - Mother’s Day dinner for Youth Fellowship mothers

Tuesday, May 9

6:30 Ministry Team Night

Wednesday, May 10

4:30pm - Companions in Christ

4:45pm - Boys’ and Girls’ Choirs

7:45pm - Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 11

8:30 Men’s Fellowship Breakfast

1:00 FISH Deliveries

4:30pm - Brass Choir