



The Order of Worship

August 13, 2023
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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) Intrade (from *Six Pieces*) Johann Pezel
 Brass Choir

(11:00) Intrade, Courente, and Bal (from *Six Pieces*) Johann Pezel
 Brass Choir

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) All Glory Be to God on High *Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr*
 All glory be to God on high, and peace on earth from heaven, and God's goodwill unfaithfully to all folk be given. We bless, we worship you, we raise for your great glory thanks and praise, O God, Almighty Father.

Nicolaus Decius
 trans. F. Bland Tucker

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 105)

Rev. Gradye Parsons

One: O give thanks to the Lord,
All: Call on God's name, make known the Lord's deeds among the peoples.
 One: Sing to the Lord,
All: Sing praises to God; tell of all God's wonderful works.
 One: Glory in God's holy name;
All: Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

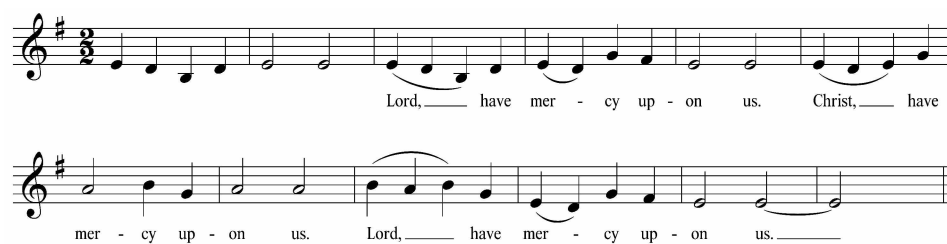
***HYMN NO. 393** (*Glory to God* hymnal) O Day of Rest and Gladness
Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Save us, O God, for we sink in deep mire, where there is no foothold; we have come into deep waters, and the floods sweep over us. We are weary; our eyes grow dim with waiting. When the storms of life swirl around us, we forget your unfailing goodness and power to save us. When we hear Jesus say, "Come," we make excuses about why it is too hard to follow him, especially when the way seems dangerous and challenging. Forgive our sins, Lord, and help us to step out in faith. Be merciful to us when we cry out, "We believe; help our unbelief!" In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

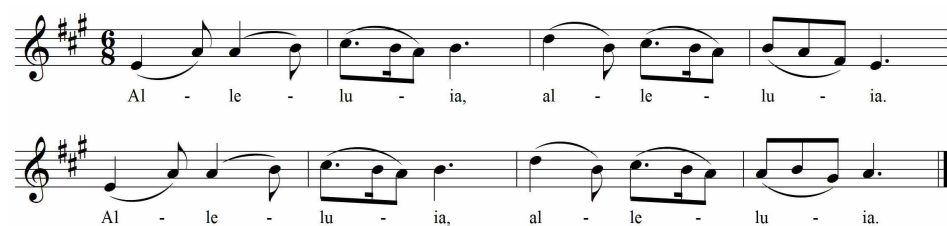
***KYRIE ELEISON** arr. David N. Johnson



***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

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

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



TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Psalm 85:8-13
 Ellen Anderson
Children ages 4 through 3rd grade are invited to go downstairs for Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON "Little Faith" Rev. Dr. Richard Coble

***HYMN NO. 306** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Blest Be the Tie That Binds Dennis

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) (From The Confession of 1967, inclusive)

The Spirit brings God's forgiveness to all, moves people to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ. The new life takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves and accepts them. They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.

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.

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) Courente (from *Six Pieces*) Johann Pezel
 Brass Choir

(11:00) All My Hope on God Is Founded Herbert Howells
 All my hope on God is founded; He doth still my trust renew. Me through change and chance he guideth, Only good and only true. God unknown, He alone Calls my heart to be his own.

Pride of man and earthly glory, Sword and crown betray his trust; What with care and toil he buildeth, Tower and temple, fall to dust. But God's power, Hour by hour, Is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness aye endureth, Deep his wisdom, passing thought: Splendour, light, and life attend him, Beauty springeth out of naught. Evermore From his store Newborn worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th' Almighty Giver Bounteous gifts on us bestow; His desire our soul delighteth, Pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand At his hand; Joy doth wait on his command.

Still from man to God eternal Sacrifice of praise be done, High above all praises praising For the gift of Christ his Son. Christ doth call one and all: Ye who follow shall not fall.

Robert Bridges

***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**

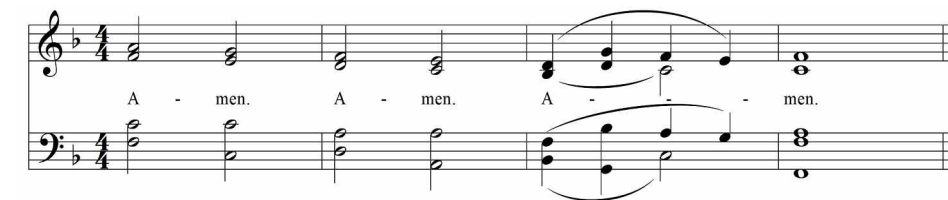
TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 761** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Beecher

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** (9:00) Amen Danish melody



(11:00) Hymn No. 748 (*Glory to God* hymnal) Go with Us, Lord *Tallis' Canon*
(Sing in canon, with the pulpit side of the congregation beginning)

***POSTLUDE**

(9:00) Bal (from *Six Pieces*) Johann Pezel

Brass Choir

(11:00) Canzona Franz Tunder

*Stand in Body or Spirit

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Barbara Froula and Bill Farnham
CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR AUGUST: Bonny Naugher and Brenda Seip
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS/ HEARING DEVICES are available from the ushers.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES: (11:00) Eli Everett and Jason Birdwell

GREETERS: (11:00) Debbie Cruze and Lana Daverman

LITURGIST: Gradye Parsons

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: (9:00) Brass Choir; (11:00) Brass and Chancel Choirs

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Bill Oros

SENIOR USHER: Alice Mercer

USHERS: (9:00) Doug and Bonny Naugher

(11:00) Betty McKeenan, Shirley Wittman, Gary Rowcliffe, Rob McKeenan,
Susan McKeenan

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Anne Davidson in honor of and welcome to Rev. Dr. Richard Coble and his family, Lindsey Williford, Joseph and Auden.

OKTOBERFEST Sunday, September 24, 2023 from 5-8 pm at the Ruthie Carey Pavilion; Adults only. \$15 per person due in advance. Capacity of 120 people DO NOT MISS THIS!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00am (starting 8/20)

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

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

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

LADIES BOOKCLUB will be meeting August 15 at 10:30am in the Library to discuss Jodi Pucoult's novel *Wish You Were Here*. Pat Herzog will lead our discussion of this novel.

SHARE THE BOUNTY is held in the Schilling Gallery for the summer. Our Dave Dungan organic garden at the church is growing heartily. 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. There is also a donation basket with any contributions this year going to our Presbytery's Carbon Footprint Fund.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY will meet Thursday, September 7, at 10:30am. We will be doing a book study on *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again* by Rachel Held Evans. The books are to be picked up at the first meeting where Mary Boyd will give some background on the author and introduction to her work. You do not need to read anything before then. The same class will also be offered on the second Sunday of each month during the 10:00am Sunday school hour beginning September 13.

FAMILY PROMISE of Knoxville is hosting a Pasta and Bluegrass Festival on August 26 from 6pm-8pm at Sacred Heart School to benefit families experiencing homelessness in Knoxville. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children. Tickets will be sold today as well as online. See Gail Clark for further information.

MEAL TRAIN FOR COBLE-WILLFORD FAMILY Let's give them a gift of a home-cooked meal. If you would like to volunteer to bring a meal to Richard, Lindsey, Joseph and Auden go to <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/wdok6q> and sign up. *Note:* Joseph has a severe cashew allergy - so please no tree nuts.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST will begin the Fall season on August 24 at 8:30am in the McKinnon Room. Our speaker will be Sky Huck (of WPC) to discuss his book, *Golden Advice from Global Icons*.



RALLY DAY IS TODAY!! This is when the church begins our regular schedule:

9am - worship service in the Ruthie Carey Pavilion

10am - Sunday School Hour *

11am - worship service in the Sanctuary

*The Sunday School hour today will be a time for us to learn all about what each ministry team offers as well as a display of all the classes that will be offered beginning August 20. (Schilling Gallery)

HIKING WITH WPC Join us for a hike at Seven Islands State Park on August 20 after church. It will be a moderate hike, approximately 5.5 miles long. Hikers can bring their lunch and eat in the McKinnon Room, change clothes and then load up for carpools around 12:45. Non-carpoolers can meet at the parking lot at 1:15.

WESTMINSTER NIGHT AT THE SMOKIES Come and enjoy the baseball game with friends!! Smokies vs. Rocket City Trash Pandas, September 15. Tickets are \$14/person via the church office. Checks can be made out to 'WPC' with 'Smokies baseball' in the memo line.

JOHANN PEZEL (1639-1694) was a violinist, trumpeter, and composer, living both in Leipzig and Bautzen. He is best known for his instrumental music, published in a large number of collections, though he also wrote sacred choral music and theoretical works. In 1672, during his time in Leipzig, he entered an Augustinian monastery in Prague, though he soon left to become a Protestant. The Brass Choir has enjoyed playing a number of his many sonatas and dances, which are staples of the brass literature.

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ABBHEY DEADLINE is this afternoon at 5pm. Please email your articles to Debbie Bendy at unitedprinters@comcast.net.

OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, August 13

9:00am - Pavilion Worship

10:00am - Rally Day

11:00am - Sanctuary Worship

5pm - *Abbey* Deadline

Tuesday, August 15

10:00am - Staff Meeting

10:30am - Ladies Book Club

12:00pm - Sage-ing Class

6pm - Youth Pilgrimage Pool Party

Wednesday, August 16

4:30pm - Companions (Prayer Room)

7:45pm - Chancel Choir

Thursday, August 17

4:30pm - Brass Choir

THE SESSION

Class of 2024

Josh Birdwell

Gloria Borum

Melanie Lewis

Lisa Oros

Chris Van Beke

Youth Elder: Arthur Collins

Class of 2025

Ed Babelay

Wendy Collins

Janet Drumm

Stephen Fortney

Barbara Froula

Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

Class of 2026

Bill Farnham

Lee Ingram

Lucy Johnson

Kathryn Oakes

Richard Ward

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