

**FAITH, FOUNDERS AND FRIENDS:** This Fall, we are reflecting on Westminster's story. Here is the remaining schedule:

**October 25:** There will be a panel of folks who have been at Westminster almost from the beginning who will share their stories about Founders, Faith and Friends. We will have a 6-6:30 hospitality time (you are asked to bring finger food). The program will be from 6:30-7:30.

**November 1:** (All Saints Day) There will be a catered dinner where we will toast the founders of WPC and play Knoxville Westminster Trivia (nursery provided).

**YOUTH ACTIVITIES** We have play practice today at 12:10pm with lunch provided!! We will be practicing until 2pm. Evening Youth activities will resume next week with Trunk or Treat!! All youth are needed to help lead games for Trunk-or-Treaters!!!

**TRUNK-OR-TREAT** is October 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm. Along with trunk-or-treating, the Youth will host games and the Fellowship team will have dinner. We will be serving our traditional fall event menu---hot dogs, chips, apple slices, mini carrots, and pumpkin Oreos. Remember to pull into the church parking lot from Lyons Bend Road. The entrance from Northshore will be closed because we will have little ghosts and ghouls trunk-or-treating. If you would like to decorate your trunk, then please pull into the parking spots close to the front of the church along the fountain and you can decorate. (If you need ideas, there are packages for decorating on Amazon & at Oriental Trading.) *Please arrive at 4:30 pm if you are planning to host a decorated trunk.* Fun for all ages!! We look forward to seeing everyone there!!

**JUSTICE KNOX** Want to be a part of a social movement that is achieving results? Justice Knox (JK) is kicking off a new season and inviting you to attend TODAY right after the 11 o'clock worship service. This is a time for existing team members, supporters, and visitors to gather together and listen to each other's concerns about community problems and what might be issues that keep participants up at night. In the past, JK has dealt effectively with problems such as homelessness, mental health, education, gun violence, and inequitable transportation opportunities. Live out our faith with JK by "walking the talk" with tangible, realistic action. Mark your calendar to join Andrew MacDonald. Meeting will be held in the Schilling Gallery.

**READING RACE & FAITHFUL CONVERSATIONS** every Tuesday through November 7th; 12:00 noon-1:00 p.m. in the McKinnon Room led by Richard Coble, Pastor/Head of Staff. We will be working through *Waking Up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race* by Debby Irving. The books, along with a number of other tools, will be utilized as starting points for us to examine how we — as individuals, as a community, and as Christians — are impacted by, complicit in, and faithfully resisting the forces of structural racism that we have inherited.

**NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP MEETINGS WITH RICHARD COBLE**

**Farragut and Rocky Hill Neighborhood Groups (RCP)** October 22 at 5pm

**Cedar Bluff Neighborhood Group (RCP)** October 29 at 12:15pm

**Bluegrass Neighborhood Group** will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 8th, at the Tortorelli's home for supper and fellowship with our pastor, Richard Coble, Lindsey Williford, and their children Joseph and Auden.

**BREAKFAST IN THE SMOKIES:** We have secured a lovely spot at Norris Dam State Park for this year's early morning feast. Originated by the late and beloved Don Byerly, this event has brought together members of our congregation to celebrate the

memory of Matt Mathews, while enjoying good food, fellowship, and the beautiful outdoors. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, November 11, and look for more detailed information in future weekly newsletters and the Westminster Abbey. Sign up sheets are located on both bulletin boards in the Schilling Gallery.

**THE NEXT WPC HIKE** will be to Mt. Cammerer on Monday, October 30. This hike is 11.1 miles long, 3149' elevation gain, and is rated DIFFICULT. We'll meet at the Strawberry plains Cracker barrel parking lot (side closest to the Weigel's) at 8am. Confirm your participation with Cindy Spangler (spangler2@gmail.com).

**ICEBEARS GAME** All are welcome to attend the January 26 Friday Night Ice Bears hockey game on Wands and Wizards Night. The fun starts at 7:35pm at the Knoxville Civic Auditorium and Coliseum. To reserve your place please bring or mail \$22.00 to the church office no later than October 31. Seats sell out fast and we can't guarantee a spot after that. Let us know if you'd like to carpool.

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST** will meet this Thursday, Oct. 26th, at 8:30am in the McKinnon Room. Our speaker will be Knoxville resident, John Quillen, who successfully climbed Mt Everest in 2018. However, his "climb to the summit of Mt Everest wasn't typical." To find out why his climb was not typical, you will need to join us this Thursday morning. Our breakfast will be provided by Charlie Van Beke. Come join us and bring a friend.

**FOURTH UNITED PRESBYTERIAN INVITATION** Ron Sharpe reached out on behalf of Session to invite friends at Westminster to join us for our rededication celebration and potluck scheduled for Sunday November 5. The rededication of our recently restored 1914 sanctuary will take place during the regular 11:00 service and the potluck will follow at noon(ish). They would be delighted to welcome friends to the potluck even if they are unable to join us for the service.



**The Order of Worship**

**October 22, 2023  
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.**

**TWENTY-FIRST 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** O Gott, du frommer Gott Johannes Brahms  
*O God, Thou Faithful God*

Chorale text: O God, you just God, source of all gifts, without whom nothing is which is, from whom we have all things, give me a healthy body, and in that body an unwounded soul and a conscience which remains clean.

Johann Heermann, 1630  
literal trans. Mark Bighley

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**CALL TO WORSHIP\*\*** Mary Sophia Hawks

One: In this sacred hour of worship when we name things for what they really are,

**All: We give to God what is God's.**

One: Between the demands of this last week and the demands of the one ahead

**All: We give to God what is God's.**

One: With open hearts and hands and minds, every innate gift from our loving Creator,

**All: We give to God what is God's.**

**Let us worship the Lord.**

**TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 385** (*Glory to God* hymnal) All People That on Earth Do Dwell

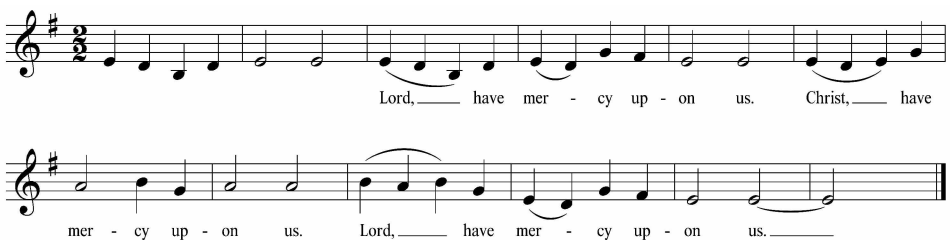
*Old Hundredth*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison) \*\*

Creator God, we are commanded  
to give to you what is branded as yours.  
But since we cannot see your face,  
we confess to a miserable confusion.  
Where is your image printed?  
Not on our coinage or our calendars.  
Not on any of the things we buy in the store  
or in the ad-laden videos that stream by us.  
No, the only place we can see your face,  
is in our neighbor and in the mirror.  
We're the ones created in your image.  
Honestly, we'd rather pay you taxes, God, than give up our whole selves.  
But if we are what you want,  
heart, mind, soul, and strength -  
we'll do our best, God.  
We'll give our all to you.  
Amen.

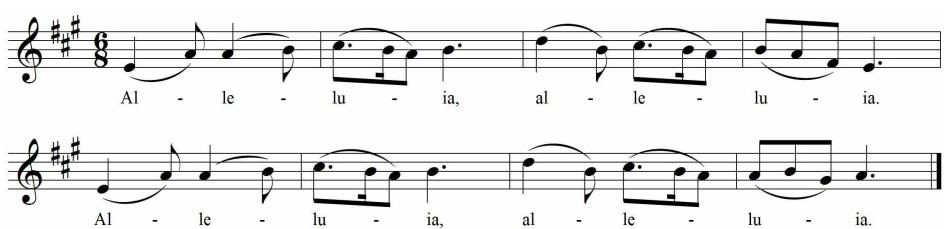
**\*KYRIE ELEISON** arr. David N. Johnson



**\*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 ...**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Exodus 33:12-23

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN** (11:00)

Wanda Barber

*Children age 4 through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited to go downstairs for Children's Church.*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 22:15-22

**SERMON** "Render unto Caesar"

Rev. Dr. Richard Coble

**\*HYMN NO. 716** (*Glory to God* hymnal) God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

*Beach Spring*

**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.**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

9:00 Phil Barnette; 11:00 Jaclyn Beeler

**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) Farewell, Dear Love Robert Jones

Recorder Ensemble

(11:00) Mercy and Truth Are Met Ned Rorem

Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed.

Truth shall spring out of the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven. Yea, the Lord shall show loving kindness, and our land shall yield her increase. Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be the pathway of his steps. Amen.

Psalms 85:10-13

**\*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.

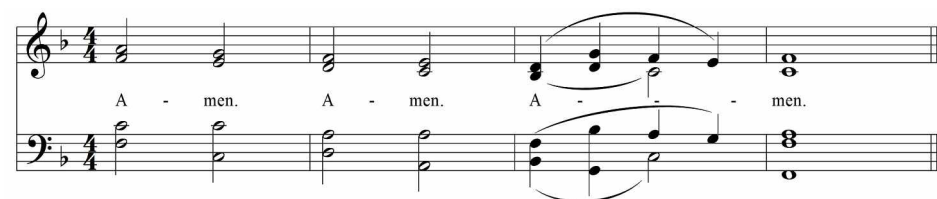
**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 719** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Come, Labor On *Ora Labora*

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Amen Danish melody



**\*POSTLUDE** Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren Max Reger

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation*  
(from 30 kleine Choralvorspiele für Orgel, Op. 135a)

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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*\*Please Stand in Body or Spirit*

**\*\*** Liturgy by the Rev. Carol Holbrook Prickett, *The Presbyterian Outlook*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Wendy Collins and Richard Ward  
**CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR OCTOBER:** Deb McGaugh  
**LARGE PRINT HYMNALS/ HEARING DEVICES** are available from the ushers.

**SERVING TODAY**

**ACOLYTE:** (11:00) Mason Carley

**GREETERS:** (11:00) Rob and Susan McKeegan

**LITURGIST:** Mary Sophia Hawks

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** (9:00) Recorder Ensemble; (11:00) Chancel Choir

**SHEPHERD'S TEAM:** Bill Wiesehuegel

**SENIOR USHER:** Tim Ryan

**USHERS:** (9:00) Ehren and Colleen Manrod  
(11:00) Tom and Georgann Byerley, Janet Drumm, Melissa Everett, Ken Hughes

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Melanie and Daniel Lewis in honor of their 10th wedding anniversary and their daughter Adelina's 9th birthday.

**ROBERT JONES (c. 1577-1617)** was an English lutenist and composer, who along with Thomas Campion, was one of the most prolific of the English lute song composers. He received the degree of B.Mus from Oxford in 1597 (St. Edmund Hall) and was recorded as a Gentleman of the Chapel Royal in 1612. He published five volumes of simple and melodious lute songs, and one of madrigals.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 am**

**Adult Bible Study:** The Bible Study class is reading and discussing every part of the Gospel of John. We compare many different translations to learn what the words meant to the followers of Jesus and to us now. (McKinnon Hall)

**Feasting on the Word:** Studies scriptures used in Worship (LKH)

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

**CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS AT WESTMINSTER**

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

During 10:00 Hour - Nursery available for children ages 0-3 years old

Sunday School for kindergarten through 5th grade

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

Children's Church for children preschool thru 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

*Children will be walked to Children's Church classes following the Time with Children during the 11:00 worship service.*

**YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES**

**WAMS (Westminster's Awesome Middle Schoolers)** - 6th & 7th Grades in the WAMS room.

**Confirmation Class** - 8th & 9th Grades in the downstairs Fellowship Hall.

**SHOW (Senior Highs of Westminster)** - 10th-12th Grades in the SHOW room.

**STATED SESSION MEETING** after the 11:00 service today in the McKinnon Room.

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