



The Order of Worship **January 21, 2024**
11:00 A.M.
Sacrament of Baptism

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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.

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRELUDE Canzona prima á 5 Giovanni Gabrieli
(from *Canzoni e Sonate con ogni Sorte de Instrumenti*, Venice, 1615)
Brass Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 62) Mary Sophia Hawks

One: For God alone the soul waits in silence,
All: for our hope is from God.
One: God alone is our rock and our salvation,
All: our fortress; we shall not be shaken.
One: Trust in God at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before the Lord;
All: God is a refuge for us.
One: Let us worship God!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 410** (*Glory to God* hymnal) God Is Calling through the Whisper

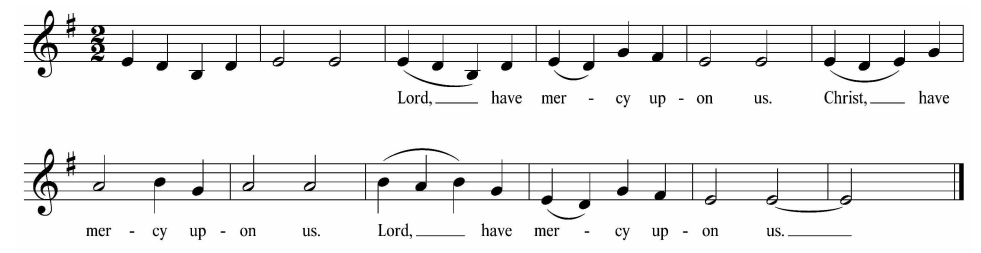
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***CALL TO CONFESSION** Rev. Gradye Parsons

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

God of rhythms, we confess: our faith would not be what it is without rituals. Unlike you, we depend on bread and water. We have to return to this space again and again to hear old, familiar stories. For if we stopped, we know it would not take long before we lost our way. Forgive us for our fragility, and thank you for giving us ordinary rituals and rhythms to hold onto. With grateful and humble hearts 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**

Hymn No. 132 (*Glory to God* hymnal) Good Christian Friends, Rejoice *In dulci jubilo*

**Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;
now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!**

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Jonah 3:1-5, 10
A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Melanie Lewis
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Jackson Robert Piel

son of Jennifer and Nathaniel Piel
Children age 4 through 5th grade are invited to go downstairs for Children's Church following the Baptism.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

**the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 1:14-20

SERMON "Jesus Calling" Rev. Dr. Richard Coble

***HYMN NO. 757** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples *Kingsfold*

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 The Glory of the Father Egil Hovland

The Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us. We beheld the glory of the Father, full of grace and truth. In the beginning was the Word. The Word was with God. In Him was life; and the life was the light of all. He came to his own, and his own received him not.

adapted from John 1

***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.

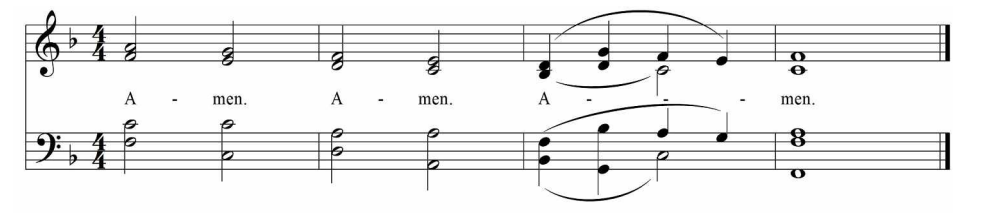
***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

***HYMN NO. 475** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing *Nettleton*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Amen Danish melody



***POSTLUDE** Praeambulum in F, WV 39 Heinrich Scheidemann

*Please stand in Body or Spirit
**Prayer of Confession from by Rev. Sarah (Are) Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Kathryn Oakes and Chris Van Beke
CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR JANUARY: Janet Tortorelli
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS/ HEARING DEVICES are available from the ushers.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES: Monroe and Mason Carley

GREETERS: Brenda Seip and Cindy Spangler

LITURGIST: Mary Sophia Hawks

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Brass and Chancel Choirs

SHEPHERD'S TEAM: Lee Ingram

SENIOR USHER: Barbara Froula

USHERS: Rob and Susan McKeehan, John Salsbery, Elizabeth and Josh Birdwell

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Ibbie and John Muntz in gratitude for and memory of daughter Laura Joy Muntz on the anniversary of her birth.

EGIL HOVLAND (1924-2013) is one of Norway's most prolific composers, and, perhaps, best known. He has written symphonic works, concerti, chamber music, choral works, and a great number of sacred works, including a church opera, church ballets, and music to modern biblical plays. A graduate of the Oslo Conservatoire, he held the position of organist and choirmaster at the church of Glemmen in Fredrikstad from 1949 until his death. Among his teachers were Aaron Copland at Tanglewood and Luigi Dallapiccola in Florence.



SIGN-UP NOW Westminster, Emmanuel Presbyterian and Presbytery's Social Justice Task Force are taking a Civil Rights trip to Atlanta, **February 23-25**. This trip is for ages 1-110. We will be visiting the MLK National Historic Park and birthplace, the Atlanta Center for Civil and Human Rights, the Apex Museum, and worship at Ebenezer Baptist with Rev. (Senator) Raphael Warnock. Questions? Ask Barbara@wpcknox.org. The website for the Civil Rights trip

sign-up is: <https://www.presbyteryeasttn.org/racial-justice-task-force>

LADIES BOOK CLUB has been rescheduled for January 23 at 10:30am in the Library. They will be discussing *Tom Lake*, a new novel by Ann Patchett. This story begins with reminiscences of a mother to her daughters about the summer she was an actress at Tom Lake, a summer theater site in Michigan.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST will meet on Thursday, January 25th, at 8:30am in the McKinnon Room. Our speaker will be Steve Hoadley, who is a retired Cardiologist. During part of his career Steve spent a year each in 4 different places around the U.S. Steve will share what it was like to work with a variety of patient populations, different work environments, and to experience beautiful surroundings. Our breakfast will be prepared by Phil Barnette. We hope you will join us this Thursday morning for a very interesting program and a delicious breakfast. See you then.

SCHILLING GALLERY Joanna Warren, our very own Administrative Assistant, is displaying her unique leather art. She is a self taught leather artist and her work reflects her Scandinavian heritage. She strives for practicality and utility in her designs while adding texture and color for interest. Everything is totally made by hand from start to finish and her attention to detail is obvious in her exquisitely finished product.

Allen Monsarrat is an oil painter who continues to develop his representational skills in painting landscapes and strong compositions viewed on his visits to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. He shows an artist's eye for painting tonal values ranging from darks to lights amidst sweeping patterns of water, rocks and seasonal foliage. He has stated that his recent paintings have a more painterly feel as opposed to his earlier photorealism works, and he certainly continues to successfully capture the quiet beauty of the mountains.

BETTER TOGETHER WORSHIP TO HONOR BLACK HISTORY

Sunday, February 4 at 3:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to celebrate the start of Black History Month with a Civil Rights Better Together Worship to Celebrate Black History. This event will be filled with good singing, meaningful prayers, and lots of Good News! Emmanuel's new minister, Rev. Paul Taylor will be preaching and many other presbytery ministers and friends will be leading our service. We are also recruiting a choir!! Contact Barbara Adamcik if you can sing one or two songs with our Emmanuel and presbytery friends. After the celebration service, we will be sharing a community meal. We're asking everyone who is interested to bring their favorite southern dish or dessert. WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER!!

YOUTH CONNECTION TONIGHT from 4-6 p.m., our SHOW (High School) and WAMS (5th-8th grades) youth will be gathering to connect with two awesome people from our Westminster community. John Muntz and Melanie Lewis will be sharing their faith stories with us! We will also be sharing a delicious Betty McKeehan meal, and Melanie will be teaching us a really fun game called FISHBOWL! This Faith Story evening is always amazing, and always one of our favorites!!! We hope to see y'all there!! **NOTE:** if the 11:00am worship service is cancelled we will reschedule this event for the next Sunday

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY The Enneagram System of Personality & Essence class will be held in the McKinnon Room January 28 - March 17. The Enneagram is a dynamic system which identifies nine personality types: ennea is Greek for nine and grammos is Greek for written symbol. Although the symbol has been around for centuries, the Enneagram of Personality was "discovered" in the 20th century and is studied throughout the world. The enneagram map is spiritually rich because of its commitment to transformative growth and its ability to name personality habits and patterns which keep us from living more authentically. Knowing and working with our ennea-type enhances how we show up in relationships, in work and in the world. We will learn about the 9 personality types and 27 subtypes using the Narrative approach. This means we will explore together the type and subtype of each class participant in a spirit of compassion and curiosity. Facilitated by the Rev. Carol Hovis, Presbyterian minister and spiritual director. Rev. Hovis has studied the enneagram for 30 years and is certified by the Enneagram Studies in the Narrative Tradition (TNE).

NOTE: The Bible Study will be moving to the LKH foyer from January 28-March 17.

Please let the church office know if you are planning on attending this series by either calling Renee 865-584-3957 ext 100 or emailing her renee@wpcknox.org.

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ABBEY DEADLINE is this afternoon at 5pm.

Please email your articles to Debbie Bendy at unitedprinters@comcast.net.

OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, January 21

11:00am - Sanctuary Worship

12:10pm - Choristers

4:00pm - Youth Group

5:00 pm - *Abbey* deadline

Tuesday, January 23

10:00am - Staff Meeting

10:30am - Ladies Bookclub

Wednesday, January 24

4:30pm - Companions in the Prayer Room

4:30pm - Rainbow Choir

5:00pm - Young Musicians

7:45pm - Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 25

4:30pm - Brass Choir

6:00pm - Recorder Ensemble

7:00pm - Handbells Choir

Friday, January 26

4:00pm - Boys' and Girls' Choirs

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: Bitsy Ingram

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