



"In the beginning, God" mural painted by 2024 Confirmation Class

**The Order of Worship**

**May 5, 2024  
11:00 A.M.**

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY**

**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** Choral cistercien "Pour une élévation" Jehan Alain

**OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (from the 2024 Confirmation Class) Kathy Parsons

Leader: God has been here from the beginning and will always be there for us!

**All: We are here to celebrate God's forever love!**

Leader: Jesus is Alive!

**All: We are here to celebrate the Good News of Easter!**

Leader: The Holy Spirit is in us and guiding us!

**All: We are here to celebrate the light of the Holy Spirit that shines**

**bright through all of us! Come, let us worship together.**

**TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...**

**\*HYMN NO. 263** (Glory to God hymnal) All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

*Coronation*

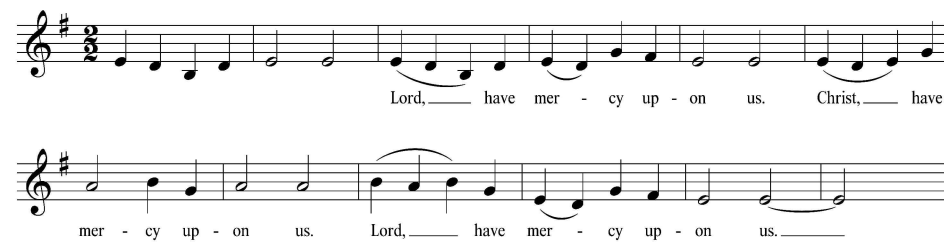
**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison) (from the 2024 Confirmation Class)

Loving God, the challenges that life presents are often difficult. Rarely is it simple to be strong or courageous. Help us learn to trust you in our trials and

praise you in our triumphs. Help us learn to walk with you, accepting your support and nurturing through all our hardships and prosperities. Forgiving God, in our hearts we know that every person born has a right to be loved, yet we are slow to stand up and advocate for your suffering children who are in need of care. Help us be generous with the love we show everyone. Give us strength to take our faith, go out into the world, and reflect Jesus in all our actions. Help us listen to your call rather than ignore it. Forgive us, God and make us whole again. In the name of the One who came to save us we pray. Amen.

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

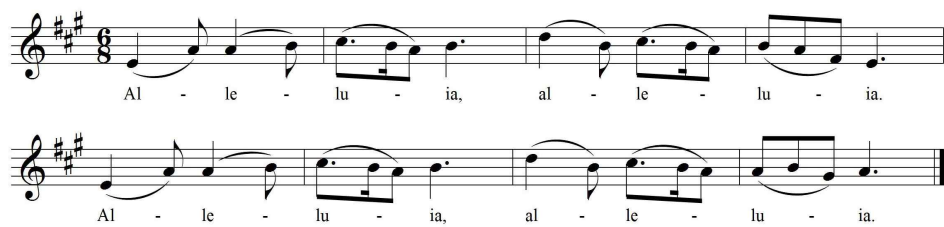


**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

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 ...**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**CHORAL RESPONSE** Alleluia Incantation Andrew Miller

Alleluia, amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING** 1 John 5:1-6

**A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN** Melanie Lewis

**INTRODUCTION OF CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2024**

<b>Confirmand</b>	<b>Mentor</b>
Daja Gary	Pam Potocik
James Gilbert	Daniel Lewis
Jewel Jennings	Sarah Fortney
Ella Jones	Melissa Everett
Katie Jones	Mary Boyd
Cooper Kringen	Dave Krahl
Katie Manrod	Lisa Oros
Lucy Powell	Jaclyn Beeler
Grace Salsbery	Allie Brewington
Sarah Salsbery	Kathryn Oakes
Rebecca Shelby	Jan Barber
Anna Van Beke	Melanie Lewis

*Children age 4 through 5<sup>TH</sup> grade are invited to go downstairs for Children's Church.*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Acts 10:44-48

**SERMON** The Astounding Spirit Rev. Dr. Richard Coble

**\*HYMN NO. 69** (Glory to God hymnal) I, the Lord of Sea and Sky Here I Am (Schutte)  
(The choir sings the verses, the congregation the refrain.)

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Daja Renee Gary

Jewel Margaret Jennings

Anna Fromson Van Beke

*Presented to the congregation by Elder Pam Potocik*

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

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

**CONFIRMATION LITURGY AND PRAYER**

**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** Ecce Panis Albert Alain

Ecce Panis Angelorum, Factus cibus viatorum Vere panis filiorum, Non mittendus canibus. In figuris praesignatur, Isaac immolatur, Agnus Paschae deputatur, Datur manna patribus. Bone Pastor, panis vere, Jesu, nostri miserere: Tu nos pasce, nos tuere, Tu nos bona fac videre In terra viventium. Amen.

*Behold, the Bread of the Angels became the food of wanderers, the true bread of the children of God, not to be wasted. It was previously symbolized in this form: Isaac was sacrificed, the Pascal Lamb was chosen, and manna was given to the fathers. Good Shepherd, true Bread, Jesus, have mercy on us. Sustain us, watch over us, and make us see the good in others living on the earth. Amen.*

St. Thomas Aquinas

**CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION**

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**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.**

Leader: We give you thanks and praise, O God, for your saving love poured out in human history - the blessing of your Word and Spirit at Creation, the deliverance of your people through the sea, the way your justice rolls down like water, the river of life that flows from your throne.

**People: We give you thanks and praise, O God, for Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord - how he poured out his life in love for the world through the baptism of his death and resurrection; how he feeds us through the bread and cup we share in his name.**

Leader: Now pour out your Holy Spirit, O God, to transform us for your service - through the gospel of salvation, through the font of new creation, through the feast of our redemption, until your glory comes.

**People: We give you thanks and praise, O God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, in the unity of your Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**BREAKING OF BREAD**

Congregation will come forward to receive the elements.

All pre-cut bread is gluten free.

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION** O Haupt voll Blut und Wunden

Hans-Heinz Haase

*O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (The Lord's 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.**

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

\***HYMN** I Have Called You by Your Name

*Kelly*

*(See insert)*

\***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

\***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** Threefold Amen for Two Voices

Peter Van Eenam

Women of the Chancel Choir

\***POSTLUDE** Tuba Tune in D, Op. 15

C. S. Lang

\*Please stand in Body or Spirit

**NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY**

**PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK:** Kathryn Oakes and Bill Farnham

**CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR MAY:** Deb McGaugh

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

**SERVING TODAY**

**ACOLYTES:** Caroline Anglin and Katie Manrod

**GREETERS:** Colleen and Ehren Manrod

**LITURGIST:** Kathy Parsons

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC:** Women of the Chancel Choir

**SHEPHERD'S TEAM:** Jack Carley

**SENIOR USHER:** Buz Johnson

**USHERS:** Penny Tschantz, Tom Byerley, Kathy Shilling, Josh and Elizabeth Birdwell

**FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY** are given by Barbara Cline, to the glory of God in memory of Jennings.

**PRAYER LIST** (Please keep the following names in your prayers this week)

Juanita Campbell, Shirley Draper, Sonja Jones, Judy and Joseph Moon, Lalla Phillips,

Kitty Rasa, Doris Solomon

**THE NAME ALAIN** holds a prominent place in twentieth-century French organ culture. Though his son, Jehan, is perhaps more recognizable as an organist and composer, and his daughter, Marie-Claire, as an organist and teacher, Albert Alain (1880-1971), too, was an organist, as well as a composer and amateur organbuilder. His teachers include Fauré, Guilman, and Louis Vierne. This morning's anthem is a lovely setting of Gregorian chant.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 am**

**Adult Bible Study:** The Sunday Bible Class is studying the gnostic Gospel of Thomas, comparing it to Matthew, Mark, Luke and John in order to determine which of its teachings were recognized in the official gospels and which reflected gnostic beliefs that were eventually rejected by the Christian Church. (McKinnon Room)

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

Sunday School for Preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade

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

Children's Church for children preschool through 5<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 (Westminsters Awesome Middle Schoolers) - 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grades** in the WAMS room.

**Confirmation Class - 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grades** in the downstairs Fellowship Hall.

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

**LISTENING SESSION FOR WPC MUSIC PROGRAM** The Worship, Music, and Arts Ministry Team and Richard will be holding two listening sessions about your vision, hopes, and concerns about the coming music search at Westminster. These conversations will be open, positive, and forward looking. The staff and WMA are interested in hearing and learning from you as we begin to formulate what the search will look like. There will be two opportunities: Tuesday, May 7 at 12pm and Sunday, May 19 at 7pm.

**DEAR YOUTH MOMS** We love you so much! We would like to thank you by making a feast to celebrate you a week early! Send your youth (5<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade) to prepare our fiesta feast at 4pm then you will arrive at 6pm for great food, pics with mom, and a lavish feast made with love!! We hope to see you this Sunday, May 5! Pro tip: If you also come to the All-Church picnic for lunch, you may not have to cook any meals on Sunday! Love, Your adoring and "practically perfect" children!!

**NO WORRIES: LEARNING TO LIVE THE KIWI LIFE** Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am. Jean and Brian Bonnyman will be sharing their observations and experiences from having lived in New Zealand during the year 2023. More than a travelogue, their presentation will touch on a variety of topics including healthcare, politics, parenting, nature, small-town life, kiwi slang, religion and indigenous Māori culture. Mike Casey will serve as breakfast chef. Pick up a friend or new member and come join us for the trip of a lifetime. May 9th at 8:30am in the McKinnon Room. Don't miss it!

**WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP** will meet next on May 21 at 10:30am to discuss the book *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt, discussion leader is Ginger Williams.

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Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Joanna Warren, Administrative Assistant

Linda Judge McRae, Parish Nurse

Debbie Bendy, Abbey Editor

Arthur Collins, Worship Tech

**WPC HIKE FOR MAY** Goldmine Trail in the Smokies, May 6. This is an out-and-back trail totaling 2 miles with rocky sections. First mile is downhill to the intersection with the Cooper Road trail thus the return is uphill (~300'). Hopefully we'll see Pink Lady's Slippers, which typically bloom in early May. Hike can be extended onto Cooper Road trail to Hatcher Mt intersection (making hike a total of 7 miles) for those so inclined. We'll gather at the KARM Parking Lot (140 North Forest Park Blvd) at 8:30am to organize carpools and then drive to the Top of the World Recreation Center. Anyone driving on their own should meet us at this lot at 9:20am. We will take as few cars as possible to the trailhead, which is nearby. All directions will be provided to drivers. Please let Cindy Spangler know if you plan to hike.

**SHARE THE BOUNTY** table is back in the Schilling Gallery for the summer. The table provides a space to share the bounty from our personal gardens as well as 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 that zucchini (or any other vegetable, fruit, or plant) from your garden, bring it in to share. You may find flowers and herbs, as well as vegetables at our table. It changes every week - so take a look and take some home. All proceeds placed in the donation basket will be going to help support a ministry that the Environmental Concerns team chooses. We also encourage you to take a walk around our gardens - they are really thriving. Several of the plants now growing in the Prayer Garden as well as our Labyrinth have come from the table. We appreciate members of the Environmental Concerns Ministry Team for making this ministry possible! It is a beautiful thing to witness!!

**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

**Class of 2026**

Bill Farnham

Lee Ingram

Lucy Johnson

Kathryn Oakes

Richard Ward

Clerk of Session: Bitsy Ingram

**TRUSTEES**

Ron Alexander

Alice Mercer

John Smartt

OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

**Sunday, May 5**

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Sanctuary Worship

12:15pm - Choristers

12:15pm - All Church picnic

12:15pm - Trustees - Library

4:00pm - Youth Group

5:30pm - Chancel Choir with Richard (RCP)

6:30pm - Crafting Theology - Marble City

**Tuesday, May 7**

10:00am - Staff Meeting

12:00pm - Listening Session with Richard

**Wednesday, May 8**

3:30pm - Playground Task Force Meeting

4:30pm - Companions

9:00pm - Wombats softball game

7:45pm - Chancel Choir

**Thursday, May 9**

8:30am - Men's Breakfast

1:00pm - FISH

4:30pm - Brass Choir

6:00pm - Recorders

7:00pm - Handbells

7:00pm WMA Meeting

**Friday, May 10**

4:00pm - Boys' and Girls' Choirs

# I Have Called You by Your Name

KELLY 10.11.7.7.11.

Daniel Charles Damon, 1989

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1. I have called you by your name, you are mine;  
2. I will help you learn my name as you go;  
3. I know you will need my touch as you go;  
4. I have giv - en you a name, it is mine;

I have gift - ed you and ask you now to shine.  
read it writ - ten in my peo - ple, help them grow.  
feel it puls - ing in cre - a - tion's ebb and flow.  
I have giv - en you my Spir - it as a sign.

I will not a - ban - don you; all my prom - is - es are  
Pour the wa - ter in my name, speak the word your soul can  
Like the wo - man reach - ing out, choos - ing faith in spite of  
With my won - der in your soul, makes my wound - ed chil - dren

true. You are gift - ed, called, and chos - en; you are mine.  
claim, of - fer Je - sus' bod - y giv - en long a - go.  
doubt, hold the hem of Je - sus' robe, then let it go.  
whole; go and tell my prec - ious peo - ple they are mine.