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About the Prelude

The Prelude is a musical offering to help move the hearts and minds of the gathering community from the daily struggles of life to the worship of God. This familiar Irish melody and its ancient and beloved text offer a moment of thanksgiving for our church and a prayer for God's guidance.

Worship on the Lord's Day

Worship begins as the people gather - greeting one another, praying in silence, or offering music to the glory of God. The act of assembling in Jesus' name bears witness to the Church's identity and mission as Christ's body in the world.

GATHERING

(Silence during the Prelude is requested in preparation for worship.)

PRELUDE

Be Thou My Vision arr. Larry Shackley

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

God is a rock of refuge:

a fortress against threat and shame.

God has held us since our birth.

So we are never in the full grasp of the unjust and cruel.

In love, God saves and supports us.

Trusting in God, we continually offer our praise!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

God of life, death, and resurrection, we are grateful for life and all its gifts. Increase in us the stuff that life is made of faith, hope, and love, but especially love that we may abide with you eternally through the one who is love, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 630

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADERS' HYMN

CALL TO CONFESSION

In contrast to God's word,
our faults and failings
may remain hidden from others
and even from ourselves.
Confession before God
can clear our eyes and cleanse our hearts,
for God's mercy is as wide as the firmament of heaven.



Please wear your mask when singing.

About Hymn 630

Franz Liszt used this melody for a "Crusaders' March" in an oratorio, but this hymn had nothing to do with the Crusades. No record of the German text exists before the middle of the 17th century or of the Silesian folk melody before the first half of the 19th century. TEXT: Münster Gesanbuch, 1677; MUSIC: Silesian folk melody, Schleische Volkslieder, 1842.

Prayer of Confession

Having praised the holiness of God, we must also face the errant state of the world and of our lives, confessing our unworthiness to enter into God's presence. Nevertheless, we approach God with confidence, trusting in the mercy of Jesus Christ. This turn from communal praise to corporate confession, established on the promise of God's grace, is one of the hallmarks of the Reformed tradition.

Assurance of Pardon

A declaration of forgiveness proclaims the good news of God's mercy and offers the assurance of pardon in Jesus' name. The liturgist pours water into the font, which reminds us of the grace and cleansing of our Baptism, and the baptismal call to new life in Christ.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of life,
we admit to you and to each other
that we have not always lived lives of love.
We have lost patience and been rude.
We have been irritable
and insisted on our own way.
We have even let love end.
Forgive us and heal us, dear God,
through Jesus Christ, your love incarnate. Amen.

(Silent confession)

Kyrie

Hal H. Hopson

(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the Good News: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*The Peace

Since God in Christ has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

(Please exchange the peace with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you.")

*ACT OF PRAISE Glory to God in the Highest John Weaver

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship You, we give You thanks,
we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

receive our prayer.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! Our ears are open.

Luke 4:21-30

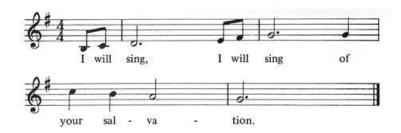
(New Testament, pages 61-62 in your pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Psalm 71:1-6

David Haas

Refrain



In you, O God, I place my fears; protect me from all shame. Save me from my guilt; listen to me, Lord. *Refrain*.

In you, O God, my hope returns, the trust of my youth. To you I pray, for you are my strength. *Refrain*.

My mouth shall proclaim your name, your praises day by day. O God, you are my song; forever I will sing. *Refrain*.

1 Corinthians 13

(New Testament, page 175 in your pew Bible)

SERMON

"Knowing What You Don't Know" Donovan Drake

(A moment for meditation)

Prayer for Illumination

This prayer calls on the Holy Spirit to empower the reading, understanding, proclaiming, and living of God's word. This sense of utter reliance on the illumination of the Spirit is an important and distinctive mark of the Reformed tradition.

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About Hymn 629

The sweetness celebrated in this anonymous 12thcentury Latin poem is not cloying or sentimental; it is more like an antidote to bitterness and a source of hope and healing. The best-known 19th-century translation is set here to a tune composed especially for these words. TEXT: Latin hymn, 12th cent.; MÚSIĆ: John Bacchus Dykes, 1866.



*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:30 a.m.)

(See "Profession of Faith" on page 7.)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM $(11:00 \ a.m.)$

Presentation

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ...

Obeying the word of our Lord Jesus, and confident of his promises, we baptize those whom God has called.

In baptism God claims us and seals us
to show that we belong to God.
God frees us from sin and death,
uniting us with Jesus Christ in his
death and resurrection.
By water and the Holy Spirit,
we are made members of the Church,
the body of Christ, and joined to Christ's ministry
of love, peace, and justice.
Let us remember with joy our own baptism,
as we celebrate this sacrament.

Questions to the Parents, Congregation and Children of the Church

*Profession of Faith

Through baptism we enter the covenant...

With the whole Church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven; he is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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. The Baptismal Rite

The Apostles' Creed: The oldest surviving baptismal liturgy, dating from around the year 200 C.E., déscribes the candidate for baptism standing in water and affirming the faith by responding to three questions. Each question corresponds to one person of the Trinity. The Paschal Candle is symbolic of Christ's death and resurrection. The Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, is our Paschal sacrifice. The Paschal Candle also symbolizes the light of the risen Christ, shining in the world. The use of this symbol dates from the early days of the Church. New Christians were given a lighted candle, symbolic of their having died and been raised to new life in Christ through baptism.

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal and gracious God...lives and reigns forever. Amen.

The Baptism

Welcome

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into the body of Christ.

Live as a child of the light and let your light shine before others. Amen.

Baptismal Anthem (11:00 a.m.)

See This Wonder in the Making Robert Hobby

See this wonder in the making: God Himself each child is taking As a lamb safe in His keeping, His to be, awake or sleeping. Children of the heav'nly Father Safely in his bosom gather; Nestling bird or star of heaven Such a refuge ne'er was given.

Miracle each time it happens, As the door to heaven opens And the Father beams: "Beloved, Heir of gifts a king would covet!" God His own doth tend and nourish, In His holy courts they flourish.

> From all evil things He spares them, In His mighty arms He bears them.

Far more tender than a mother, Far more caring than a father, God, into Your arms we place them,

With Your love and peace embrace them.

Neither life nor death shall ever From the Lord His children sever; Unto them His grace He showeth, And their sorrows all He knoweth.

Here we bring a child of nature, Home we take a newborn creature, Now's God's precious son or daughter, Born again by Word and Water. Though He giveth or He taketh, God His children ne'er forsaketh; His the loving purpose solely To preserve them pure and holy.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

Anthem $(8:30 \ a.m.)$

Hal H. Hopson

We are singing, for the Lord is our light.

The Lord is the strength of our lives: of whom shall we be afraid? Though foes may be near to destroy; the Lord will be our light. We are singing ...

One thing have we asked of the Lord, yes, this is the thing we seek: To dwell in the house of the Lord; to live with God forever. We are singing ...

When burdens are heavy to bear, our shelter is God alone. Our feet are lifted high; yes, high upon a rock. We are singing ...

We walk in the strength of the Lord. God's love is ever sure. We shout that the world may hear, we sing joyful song. We are singing ...

Anthem (11:00 a.m.)

Godfrey Sampson

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life! Such a Way as gives us breath. Such a Truth as ends all strife. Such a Life as killeth Death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength! Such a Light as shows a feast. Such a Feast as mends in length. Such a Strength as makes his guest.

Come my Joy, my Love, my Heart! Such a Joy as none can move, Such a Love as none can part, Such a Heart as joys in love.

*DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! To GIVE, please scan QR code below:



*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God,
we give you thanks and praise.
May your love help us to bear all things.
May the love of Christ enable us to believe all things.
May the love of the Holy Spirit
inspire us to hope all things,
so that we may abide in
faith, hope, and love this day and forever. Amen.

*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. Amen.

SENDING

*HYMN 722 Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak CANONBURY

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Allegro Thomas Arne

About the Postlude
A sprightly middle
movement of an
organ concerto
from the 18th
century - a time
when English
organs were
without pedals sends us out into
our daily lives
with joy.

 $^{*(}Those\ who\ are\ able\ may\ stand.)$

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About Hymn 722

Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th -century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes. TEXT: Frances Ridley Havergal, 1872; MUSIC: Robert Schumann, 1839.





Our Mission

Ordinary people testifying to the extraordinary light found in our Lord Jesus Christ.

"For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us."

(2 Corinthians 4:6-7)

TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Worship Leaders

Preaching

The Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake *Pastor*

Liturgist

T.J. Piccolo

Associate Director of Youth

Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Hamilton Proctor 11:00 AM Bob Hines

Presenting Elder

11:00 AM Ann Schulze

Music

8:30 AM Laudate Youth Choir 11:00 AM Westminster Choir

Dr. John Semingson

Director of Music Ministries

Carol Tate Interim Organist

Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of James Michael Kaminski by his family.

Baptisms

The sacrament of baptism will be administered today at the 11:00 AM worship service to

Charlotte Miller, daughter of Julie Yriart and Will Choppin.

Childcare Room Locations

Classroom 146 - babies

Classroom 152 - toddlers

Classroom 151 - 2s and 3s

Classroom 160 – 4s, 5s and kindergarten

TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

WORSHIP

Welcome

Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Any who are interested in joining us in this journey are invited to contact:

Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, 615.292.5526; hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org

Worship Services

To watch a service later in the day or the week, go to nashvillewpc.church and look for a Past Services box, go to Worship Service Archive and click on the service you would like to watch.

Mask Policy

An update from Session:

Mask-wearing is strongly-encouraged at the 8:30 AM service and mandatory at the 11:00 AM worship service. The balcony remains open only for people wearing masks.

BAPTISM



Baptism Sunday is the second and fifth Sundays of each month except during Lent.

If you would like more information about baptisms at Westminster, please contact Sophie Maness, 615.292.5526, smaness@nashvillewpc.org.

If you would like to schedule a baptism, please contact Hannah Sims, 615.292.5526 hsims@nashvillewpc.org.

GENEROSITY 2022



Please scan the QR code below to make your 2022 pledge.



We are so lucky at Westminster. We have been blessed by the wisdom, effort, perseverance and talents of our pastoral team and church staff to navigate the last two years amid an unrelenting pandemic. Through it all, Westminster has reminded us how to put love into action and demonstrate the love and teaching of Jesus Christ. We are enabled to be the hands and feet of Jesus and share that love and grace with the world.

In gratitude for the innumerable ways in which Westminster pastors and staff have been there for us, let's tangibly demonstrate our support and appreciation. We offer a reminder that we are wrapping up the 2022 pledge campaign this month can we still have a ways to go to meet our goal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please do so as soon as possible to avoid adjusting departmental budgets to reflect the shortfall.

We offer thanks for your generosity that transforms lives and promotes positive and lasting hope for our community in the world.

- Kelly Christie, Generosity Chair

MINISTRIES

ADULT EDUCATIONClasses begin at 9:45 AM

Today's Classes:

Faith & Fellowship ● 214

Why are there 4 Gospels? What makes them different? For whom were they written?

Leading up to Easter, we will explore the similarities and differences that make up the wonderful Gospels that give us the stories of the Life, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus.

Please join us in person in room 214 at 9:45 AM Sundays or join us via Zoom.

Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85388960889

Search

This class is in the process of exploring it's next steps. More info to come.

The CALLING • Goodpasture Hall

Prioritizing Prayer in the New Year.

Young Families • Overlook Room

Theology of and within U2's Music A discussion with David Dark, Assistant Professor of Religion and the Arts, Belmont University.

Covenant Class January 30 • 9:45 AM Room 10

The Rev. Claire Berry, who grew up at WPC and is now serving UKirk Nashville, the Presbyterian campus ministry for Vanderbilt and Belmont Universities, will join the class on Sunday, January 30. Claire will share about her journey to college ministry and the unique role that UKirk plays in the lives of local students and the larger church, with WPC's support.

To join this class, please go to Zoom.com.

Enter Meeting ID: 85939587119

Passcode: 516394

Westminster Academy

February 2 7:00 pm ● Zoom

Death Comes for the Archbishop by Willa Cather

A discussion with Sue Tully Trout.

"In the Footsteps of Paul" Study Trip to Greece and Turkey Planned for This Fall

Rev. Guy Griffith and Keith Cole will be co-leading a study trip to Greece and Turkey from September 29 – October 12, 2022. Information and sign-ups will be available in January.

For more information or a brochure, contact Guy, ggriffith@nashvillewpc.org, or by calling (615) 292-5526 x226.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Waverly Trip Scheduled

Our next work dates are February 10 and 11, Thursday and Friday. Please plan to participate on these dates. Your help is needed to restore homes in Waverly. More details will be sent as the dates draw near.

In addition to the work of our Westminster volunteers, we are busy distributing donations received by the church for Waverly. A multidenominational/agency committee chaired by the Community Fund of Middle Tennessee is reviewing applications for assistance, confirming the need and making commitments of the funds we have received. These funds are critical to filling the gaps where FEMA and insurance fall short. Our volunteer activities help to stretch the usefulness of these funds. Thanks to the many of us who have donated funds and provided hands on help.

For more information, please contact Joe Gaines, joegaines12@gmail.com.

Yoga Workshop Returns to Westminster!

We are excited to announce that Claire Coenen is leading a yoga workshop again at Westminster on Tuesdays. The classes are from 5:30 - 6:30 PM via Zoom.

If you have questions, please contact Susan Hassell, shassell@outlook.com.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Children's Choirs Resume

Save the Date!

Children's choirs will resume on Sunday, February 20, @4:00 рм.

For more information, contact Sally Mae Arnn, sarnn@nashvillewpc.org.

Summer Music Camp at Westminster

For kids in rising K – rising 8 July 10 – 17, 2022

Get A Life!

Words by our very own Donovan Drake. Music by our very own John Arnn. Performance on Sunday morning, July 17, 2022.

Afghan Refugees

Thanks to all who have donated their time, their treasures, and their money to help the Afghan Refugees.

For weeks, we have collected home goods to help these folks create a new place to call their own. But, we need just a few more items — and please just the items listed in this message.

If you have:

A set of matching kitchen/dining chairs (4 or 6), a dining table, a sofa or a love seat (not a sleeper), we could use them. To arrange a drop-off time, please contact Jackie Shrago, jshrago@comcast.net.

All donated items need to be collected by February 5.

THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, January 30

8:30 AM Worship

9:45 AM Children's Sunday School

Youth Sunday School

Covenant Class
Faith & Fellowship
The CALLING
Young Families

11:00 AM Worship

5:00 PM Journey with Jesus

Laudate Choir Rehearsal

6:00 рм Youth Group

Monday, January 30

11:45 AM Centering Prayer

Tuesday, February 1

7:00 AM Day Break Believers

7:30 AM Bible Study

9:00 AM Harvard Handbells Rehearsal

12:30 pm Caring Connection Ministry Mtg

5:30 рм Yoga via Zoom

Wednesday, February 2

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

9:30 AM Ladies Bridge

10:00 AM Tom McDow Bible study

11:00 AM Pastor's Aides Committee Mtg

4:00 PM Independent Living Care mtg

5:00 рм Prayer Ministry Mtg

6:00 PM RITI

7:00 PM Westminster Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 3

9:30 AM Women's Bible Study

7:00 рм Families with Young Children

Committee Mtg

Friday, February 4

7:00 ам Men's Bible Study

Saturday, February 5

10:00 AM Youth PTM Party

11:00 AM Memorial Service: June Stewart

11:30 AM AA

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If you have questions about a certain event listed on our calendar, please contact a member of our program staff.

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