



Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 18, 2023

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WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN

GATHERING

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

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.

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.

About Hymn 49

Shaped by its traditional Jewish tune, this selection of English stanzas conveys the essence of the *Yigdal*, a canticle based on a medieval Hebrew statement of faith about the nature of God and often used in synagogue worship, alternately changed by cantor and congregation. TEXT: Moses Maimonides, 12th cent; MUSIC: Jewish melody, 17th cent.; adapt. Meyer Lyon and Thomas Olivers, 1770.

PRELUDE

Pièce d'Orgue, BWV 572

J. S. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**Serve the Lord with gladness;
come into God's presence with singing.**

Know that the Lord is God.

God made us, and we belong to God.

Give thanks, and bless God's name!

(Psalm 100:1-3a, 4b)

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

**Living God, Holy One,
throughout the ages**

**you have led ordinary people
from scarcity to abundance,
from bondage to freedom,
and from death into life.**

**Help us to follow your lead,
living a love that casts out fear**

**and proclaiming the gospel of hope
for the sake of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

*(The Cross and Bible lead the procession, symbolic of the centrality
in worship of Jesus Christ - the Living Word,
and the Bible - the written Word.)*

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 49

LEONI

The God of Abraham Praise

CALL TO CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just,
will cleanse us of all unrighteousness.** (1 John 1:8-9)

Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious and loving God,
like a compassionate shepherd,
you provide and care for us;
and yet, we are slow to extend
the tender love you have shown us
to those in our midst who most need it.
Too often, we have been complacent,
missing opportunities to join in your work.
Forgive us, and remind us of our calling:
to be, above all, your disciples,
laboring for your kingdom and
your glory here on earth.**

(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. **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.")*

Call to and 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. Still, 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.

Act of Praise

The Act of Praise brings together the choir and congregation to sing God's praise.

Scripture

The scriptures bear witness to the word of God, revealed most fully in Jesus Christ, the Word who "became flesh and lived among us." (John 1:14) Where the word is read and proclaimed, Jesus Christ the living Word is present by the power of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, reading, hearing, preaching, and affirming the word are central to Christian worship and essential to the Service for the Lord's Day.

About Hymn 716

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia. TEXT: Robert L. Edwards, 1961; MUSIC: *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. James H. Wood, 1958.

***ACT OF PRAISE**

GLORIA PATRI

(Singing together Hymn 581)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*(Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship pad,
which is located at the center aisle end of each pew.)*

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! **Our ears are open.**

Exodus 19:2-8a

(Old Testament, page 65 in your pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Psalms 100

Jubilate Deo

Peter Anglea

Jubilate Deo, omnis terra;
servite Domino in laetitia.
Introite in conspectu ejus
in exultatione.

Make a joyful noise unto
the Lord, all ye lands.
Serve the Lord with gladness:
come before his presence with
singing.

Quoniam suavis est Dominus:
in aeternum misericordia ejus,
et usque in generationem
et generationem veritas ejus.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting;
and his truth endureth
to all generations.

Matthew 9:25-10:8

(New Testament, pages 9-10 in your pew Bible)

SERMON

"Start in the Middle"

Claire Berry

(A moment for meditation)

***HYMN 716**

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel...

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

(From A Brief Statement of Faith)

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 Will You Come and Follow Me John L. Bell

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, Will you let my love be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoner free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

*To GIVE, please scan
the QR code below:*



Will you love the “you” you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you’ve found To reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Doxology

A short hymn of praise to the triune God (God, Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit).

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God’s grace elicits our heartfelt gratitude. We respond to the good news of forgiveness with joyful acclamations of praise!

About Hymn 320

In this challenging text by a British Methodist minister, the odd-numbered stanzas develop the image of “the servant Church,” while the second surveys the many needs and the fourth describes the true source of strength for the task. TEXT: Fred Pratt Green, 1969; MUSIC: William Knapp, 1738.

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

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***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!**

***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.

**God of love,
we give you thanks for your abundant grace
and covenant promises;
for the truth and freedom we know in Christ;
and for the power we receive
from your Holy Spirit to proclaim,
with the gifts we bring and with all we do and say,
that your reign is ever near. Amen.**

THE LORD’S PRAYER *(singing together)

*(See the inside back cover of your hymnal
for the words and music to this prayer.)*

SENDING

***HYMN 320** The Church of Christ in Every Age WAREHAM

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Jubliation on LAUDA ANIMA Alice Jordan

**(Those who are able may stand.)*

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

Rev. Claire Berry

*Ukirk Nashville, Campus Minister and
Executive Director, Affiliate Presbyterian
PC (U.S.A.) Chaplain at Vanderbilt and
Belmont Universities*

Liturgist

Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler

Associate Pastor for Congregational Care

Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Jennie Renwick

11:00 AM Hamilton Proctor

Music

8:30 AM Sarah White, Emily Harrison,
Vineecia Buchanan, Colby White,
Jeremy Holland

11:00 AM Summer Choir

Dr. John Semingson

Director of Music Ministries

Shelia Pugh

Guest Organist

Flowers

*The flowers in the Sanctuary
are given to the glory of God
and in celebration of the marriage of
Courtney Hana Lyle
and
Brett Michael Jackson
on Friday, June 16, 2023.*

*The flowers in the Parlor
are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Father's Day and
my father, Richard Farrell,
on his 80th birthday
by his daughter, Kirsten Crosby.*

Sanctuary and Parlor Flowers— make your reservations today!

Honor or celebrate your loved ones with beautiful arrangements by our talented Flower Guild members. The Sanctuary is available on September 3, October 1 or 22, and November 26. (\$150)

The Parlor is available on multiple dates. (\$75)

Email Terri Eckert to reserve your date!
teckert@nashvillewpc.org

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.

Mask Policy

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville is mask optional. The balcony will remain masks required.

Recorded Worship Services

To watch a service later in the day or the week, go to nashvillewpc.church and scroll down to the *Worship Service Archive*. Click on the service you would like to watch.

Looking for large-print hymns? They can be found on the Welsh dresser in the Parlor and by the window in the Narthex.



Dial-A-Sermon

Dial 629.206.1073 after 10:15 AM each Sunday morning to listen to the sermon. The sermon is available all week.

Living Out
the **WORD**

As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near."

Matthew 10:7

Consider a time when you had to do something important before you were fully prepared. What happened? What did you learn or receive from that time?

What are you in the middle of right now? What might Christ be inviting you to do next in that situation?

TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Adult Education

Classes start at 9:45 AM

Covenant Class

9:45 AM • Fellowship Hall

As a girl, Frances Cutler Hahn thought her mom abandoned her by taking her to a children's home when the Nazis occupied their home country of France.

Join us for a discussion with Frances, who has had two religions, five names, seven homes, and eight families—all tools for survival for a hidden child during the Holocaust.

Faith & Fellowship • 214

The Gospel of John

From the Prologue to the miracles. The unique name and title used by Jesus in John. The Last Supper. Resurrection.

What are the theological goals of John?

Murdoch MacLeods • Library

We will discuss this week's gospel lesson.

Youth Ministry

All Youth are invited to attend the discussion in Fellowship Hall.

Children's Ministry

9:45 AM • Summer Sunday School for preschool and elementary children

June 25 - Melting Bullets into Bells in the Fellowship Hall, more info to come on this exciting event. Preschool Sunday School classes will meet in their regular rooms.

Childcare

Classroom 146 - Babies

Classroom 152 - Toddlers & 2s

Classroom 151 - 3s, 4s & 5s

Childcare is available on Sundays from 8:15 AM to 12:00 PM.

JOIN US



Tuesdays through Thursdays
Westminster Café

Where you find that 2 or 3 are gathered... "I'm there!"
Matthew 18:19-20

June and July
Summer Hours for the Café
8:00 AM • Westminster Café

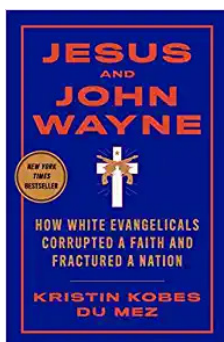
The Café will be open Tuesdays through Thursdays, 8:00 AM to Noon and closed on Fridays. We will open back up on Fridays in August!

Come out of the heat and enjoy a specialized hot coffee, iced coffee and homemade pastries!

Thursday Mornings in June and July
Special Teen Activities in the Café
10:00 AM - Noon
Westminster Café

If you are between the ages of 10 and 15, you are welcome to get together and have fun with us in the café. Activities include crafts, ping-pong, foosball, and table games.

For more information, please contact Kimberly Dillard, kwdillard@gmail.com.



Thursdays • Summer Book Study
9:30 AM • Goodpasture
Led by Guy Griffith

Jesus and John Wayne is a sweeping account of the last seventy-five years of white evangelicalism, showing how American evangelicals have worked for decades to replace the Jesus of the Gospels with an idol of rugged masculinity and Christian nationalism or in the words of one modern chaplain, with "a spiritual badass."

FAFF RETURNING in JUNE

Our summer Faith and Film Festival (FAFF) will return in June for a limited run of two weeks on 6/21 and 6/28 at 7:00 in Goodpasture Hall.

Rev. Guy Griffith will show the movies *Jesus Revolution* and *A Man Called Otto* followed by conversation. As in other years, those who would like to bring a brown bag dinner are invited to come at 6:15 PM and enjoy community and conversation over dinner before the movie begins.

6/21 *Jesus Revolution* (2023)
6/28 *A Man Called Otto* (2022)

For more information, contact Guy (ggriffith@nashvillewpc.org).

THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, June 18

8:30 AM Worship
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
5:00 PM Focus Group

Monday, June 19

- church campus closed -

Tuesday, June 20

7:00 AM Daybreak Believers
7:30 AM Bible Study
8:00 AM Westminster Café

Wednesday, June 21

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
8:00 AM Westminster Café
12:00 PM Discernment Meeting
6:15 PM Faith & Film
7:00 PM Men's Basketball

Thursday, June 22

8:00 AM Westminster Café
9:30 AM Summer Book Study
10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting
6:00 PM Parents of Young Families Co Mtg

Friday, June 23

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
5:00 PM Pickleball

Saturday, June 24

11:30 AM AA

Contacts:

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

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Special Class Presentation

Making Bullets Into Bells

Turning an object that has caused harm into something that is peaceful with artist Stephanie Mercedes.

Sunday, June 25

9:45 a.m. · Fellowship Hall

For more info, please contact Sophie Maness, smaness@nashvillewpc.org.

49 The God of Abraham Praise



1 The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a-bove,
2 Your spir - it still flows free, high surg - ing where it will.
3 Your good-ly land we seek, with peace and plen - ty blest,
4 You have e - ter - nal life im - plant - ed in the soul;



the An - cient of E - ter - nal Days, the God of love!
In proph-et's word you spoke of old and you speak still.
a land of sa - cred lib - er - ty and Sab - bath rest.
your love shall be our strength and stay, while a - ges roll.



The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con-fessed,
Es - tab-lished is your law, and change-less it shall stand,
There milk and hon - ey flow, and oil and wine a - bound,
We praise you, liv - ing God! We praise your ho - ly name:



we bow be - fore your ho - ly name, for - ev - er blest.
deep writ up - on the hu - man heart by your strong hand.
and trees of life for - ev - er grow with mer - cy crowned.
the first, the last, be - yond all thought, and still the same!



God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D) F (Bm) Dm (G) B \flat

1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
 2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
 3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D) F (Bm) Dm

end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
 Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
 grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G) B \flat (D) F (A) C

cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
 joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
 spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

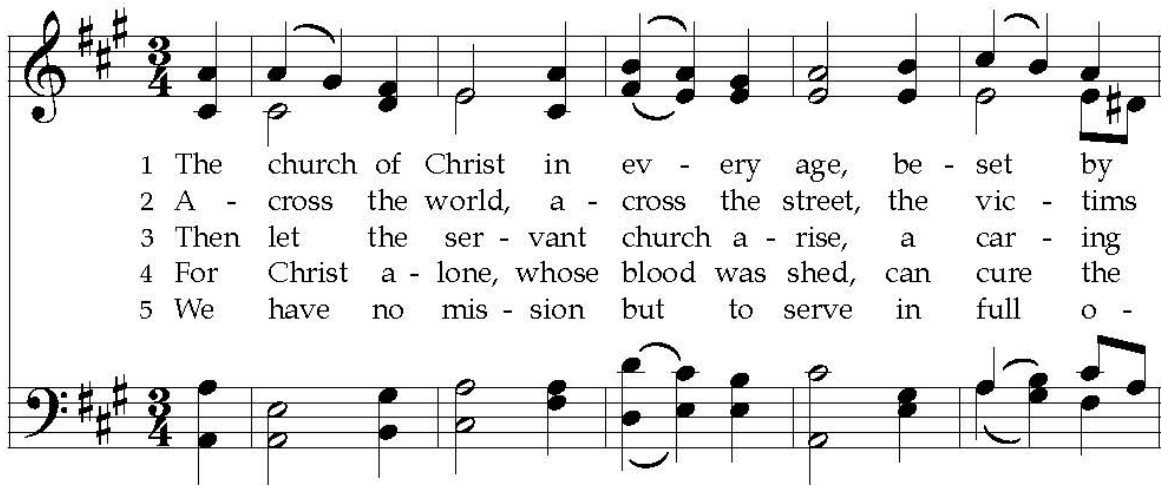
(Bm) Dm (F \sharp m) Am (Bm) Dm (G) B \flat (A) C (D) F

to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
 la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
 shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm) Dm (G) B \flat (D) F

rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
 make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
 and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

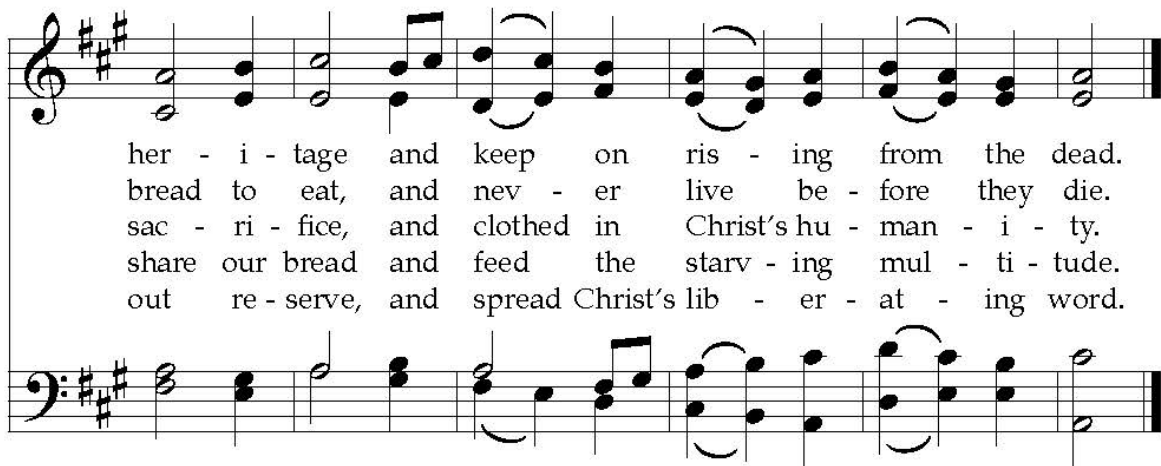
320 The Church of Christ in Every Age



1 The church of Christ in ev - ery age, be - set by
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
4 For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
be - dience to our Lord: to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
out re - serve, and spread Christ's lib - er - at - ing word.

