



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Holy Communion
July 5, 2026

GATHERING

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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 20

One of a series of hymns the author wrote for children on the Apostles' Creed, this text (originally in seven stanzas) expands "Maker of heaven and earth." The first stanza became the refrain when the text was later set to a popular tune from the age of King Charles II.

PRELUDE

Albert L. Travis

Chorale Prelude on ROYAL OAK

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

The Spirit of the Lord is here;
let us humble ourselves.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

**Gracious and merciful God,
you bear our burdens
and break the chains that bind us.
Save us from the sin that we often fail to recognize.
Show us your path of love and justice,
that we might follow,
for your way is perfect,
now and forevermore. 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 20

ROYAL OAK

All Things Bright and Beautiful

CALL TO CONFESSION

God is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
Knowing that God is compassionate to all,
let us confess our sins.

20 All Things Bright and Beautiful

Refrain

All things bright and beau-ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,

all things wise and won-der - ful, the Lord God made them all.

1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
 2 The pur - ple-head-ed moun-tain, the riv - er run - ning by,
 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas-ant sum-mer sun,
 4 God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

God made their glow-ing col - ors; God made their ti - ny wings.
 the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright-ens up the sky:
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den, God made them ev - ery one.
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Faithful One,
Despite our best efforts,
we have not lived up to what we can do
or who we can be.
Even when our intentions are good,
our actions cause harm.
When we want to follow you more closely,
we end up turning away.
We are at war with ourselves,
and only you can bring peace.
Still our souls, order our steps,
guide our feet back to your way.

(Silent confession)

Kyrie

James MacMillan

(Organ introduction) **4** 1st-Choir/2nd-Congregation

Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have
mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy, Christ, have
mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy.

1st-Choir/2nd-Congregation

All sing

Call to and Prayer of Confession

A call to confession expresses God's initiative in calling for repentance and promising forgiveness in Christ. As members of Christ's body, we confess the reality of sin, captivity, and brokenness in personal and common life and ask for God's saving grace.

About the Kyrie
The Kyrie (Greek "kyrios" [Lord]) is a corporate musical prayer for grace.

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.")*

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 in response to the Assurance of Pardon as the last phrase.

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.

***ACT OF PRAISE (Hymn 513)**

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

This Is the Feast of Victory

(The congregation is invited to sing with the choir.)

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation. **Refrain.**

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

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

Romans 7:15–25a

(New Testament, page 157 in your pew Bible)

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

Psalms 145, Hymn 42

WINCHESTER NEW

Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30

(New Testament, page 11 in your pew Bible)

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

SERMON

"What do you want?"

Nathan Scott

(A moment for meditation)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**The life, death, resurrection,
and promised coming of Jesus Christ
has set the pattern for the church's mission.
His human life involves the church
in the common life of all people.
His service to men and women
commits the church
to work for every form of human well-being.
His suffering makes the church sensitive
to all human suffering
so that it sees the face of Christ**

Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure 42

(Psalm 145)

1 Your faith - ful - ness, O Lord, is sure in
 2 The eyes of all are fixed on you; by
 3 Lord, you are just in all your ways, and
 4 My mouth shall speak your praise, O Lord; my

all your words, your gra - cious deeds; you gen - tly lift all
 you their wants are all sup - plied; your o - pen hand is
 kind in ev - ery - thing you do; for - ev - er near you
 soul shall bless your ho - ly name; let all things liv - ing

bur - dened souls and well pro - vide for all our needs.
 boun - ti - ful and ev - ery soul is sat - is - fied.
 stand to hear and help all those who call on you.
 join the song of praise, from age to age the same.

This paraphrase of verses from the latter part of Psalm 145 celebrates God's providential care for all creation, especially for those in any need or trouble. This anonymous German tune was apparently introduced to English hymnody by John Wesley in a 1742 music collection.

in the faces of persons in every kind of need.
His crucifixion discloses to the church
God's judgment on the inhumanity
that marks human relations,
and the awful consequences
of the church's own complicity in injustice.
In the power of the risen Christ
and the hope of his coming,
the church sees the promise
of God's renewal of human life in society
and of God's victory over all wrong.
The church follows this pattern
in the form of its life
and in the method of its action.
So to live and serve
is to confess Christ as Lord.

Adapted from *the Confession of 1967, 9.32–33*

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

Anthem

arr. Tom Trenney

How Firm a Foundation

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!
What more can be said than to you God hath said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
for I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake.”

Offering

The collection of tithes and offerings takes place as a response to the Word. These actions are signs of our gratitude for the grace of God proclaimed in the gospel.

To give, please scan the QR code below:



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

***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!**

***GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God:
In the covenant of your steadfast love for your people,
you draw us into new and loving relationships,
with you, and with one another.

Therefore we praise you, joining the song
of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

ALL:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord. God of
pow - er and might. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san -
na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est! Bles - sed is
he who comes, he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est!

(The congregation may be seated.)

Blessed is Jesus Christ, our Savior:
Jesus invites us to come and find rest for our souls.
With gentleness and humility, he calls us
to take up his yoke and learn from him.

Remembering your goodness and grace,
we offer ourselves to you with gratitude
as we share this joyful feast.

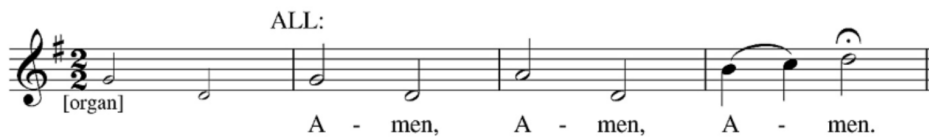


Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and cup;
make us one in the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rescue us, O Lord, from the wretched body of death,
and give us a place in the glorious body of Christ,
whose law is love, whose word is life.

Through the Lord Jesus Christ,
in the unity of the Spirit,
we bless you, God of glory,
now and forever.



*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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Music during Communion

The bread served in
today's communion
is gluten-free.

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto me and rest;
in me your soul will find its peace,
in me you draw each breath.”

I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary and so worn;
I found in him a resting place,
where peace and hope are born.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold I freely give;
I am the living water, quench your thirst,
come drink and live.”

I came to Jesus, and I drank
from that life giving stream;
my thirst was quenched,
my soul renewed,
and now I live in him.

Speak now, Spirit, come, speak now,
O Spirit come speak now,
now, come and speak!

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am this dark world’s light;
look unto me, and night will fade,
and all your mornings rise.”

I come to Jesus, and I find in him
my star, my sun.
And in that light of life I’ll walk
‘til trav’ling days are done.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am life, I am light, I am love,
now come and live.”

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

***HYMN 340**

This Is My Song

FINLANDIA

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Improvisation

About the Postlude

The Postlude is
considered the final
Alleluia of worship.

*(Those who are able may stand.)

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This Is My Song

1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
 3 This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king - doms:

a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
 and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
 thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
 But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
 Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
 and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

The first two stanzas of this hymn were written between the 20th century's two world wars and focus on the theme of international peace. The third stanza, by another author and added later, uses the language of the Lord's Prayer to voice a distinctly Christian perspective.

but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
 So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions:

with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
 a song of peace for their land and for mine.
 my - self I give thee; let thy will be done.

Today @ Westminster

Worship Leaders

Preaching

Nathan Scott
Youth Ministry Intern

Liturgist

Rev. Stephanie Boaz
Associate Pastor for Congregational Care

Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Jane Kirchner
11:00 AM Bill Christie

Communion Preparation

Debbie and Mike Sandwith

Music

Jane Kirchner, flute
8:30 AM Chamber Choir
11:00 AM Summer Choir

John Semingson
Director of Music Ministries

Stephen Z. Cook
Organist

Hearing Assistance

We offer two options to assist with hearing during services. 1.) Download the Sennheiser MobileConnect app. 2.) Personal FM receivers with an earpiece. Receivers and instructions for both options are located in the Narthex and on the Welsh Dresser in the Parlor. Please see an Usher if you need assistance.

Large Print Hymns

Looking for large-print hymns? They can be found in the Narthex at the Sanctuary entrance or in the Parlor on the Welsh dresser.

Recorded Worship Services

To watch a service at a later time, go to www.nashvillewpc.church and scroll down to the Worship Service Archive. Click on the service you would like to view.

Dial-a-Sermon

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

Childcare

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

Nursery - Room 146

Toddlers & 2s - Room 152

3s - 5s - Room 151

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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



**LIVING
OUT THE
WORD**

LOVE
RECONCILE
SHINE
TRANSFORM

"Come to me, all you who are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28

What would you compare this current generation to?

What are ways God might be reaching out to you that you're not responding to?

How can you take on Christ's easy and gentle way of life?

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 one of the pastors on staff by calling 615.292.5526, the church office.

Having trouble hearing during the service?

We have hearing aids available in the Narthex and instructions to download the Sennheiser MobileConnect app. The Sennheiser MobileConnect app is a Wi-Fi audio streaming solution that turns smartphones into personal listening and communication devices. It provides barrier-free hearing assistance and live translation directly through your personal headphones or hearing aids.

Summer "Drop-In" Choir

Every week, Sunday, July 5 through August 16

Come sing with us whenever you can. Rehearsal is at 9:45 - 10:45 AM, and the choir sings for the 11:00 AM worship service. Anthems will be based on mostly familiar hymns.

Questions? Contact John Semingson, Director of Music, jsemingson@nashvillewpc.org. Come and make a joyful noise with us this summer.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School • 9:45 AM

Adults

Covenant Class | Goodpasture Hall | "Journey in Genesis"

Join us this summer in Goodpasture Hall as we explore the Old Testament lectionary readings from the book of Genesis. Each week a different pastor will lead a casual conversation about Sunday's text as we explore this ancient story and how it still speaks to our lives today.

Led by Sarah Kneff

Murdoch MacLeod | Library

Journeys | Fellowship Sunday

Youth Donuts and Devos led by Jessie King

Children Enjoy time with family

Nursery Room 146: Nursery; Room 152: Toddlers & 2s; Room 151: 3s - 5s

The Nursery is available from 8:15 AM to 12:00 PM.



Westminster Café

• Tuesday - Friday | 8:00 AM - Noon

Be our guest! Park in the north entrance parking lot by the blue outdoor umbrella. Enjoy specialized coffees, various teas, and cold drinks along with homemade yummys.



RISE Against Hunger

• July 12 | 3:00 PM | Café

• Help us pack 20,000 meals - All ages invited!

Register by scanning the QR code.



Pottery Class - Bee Watering Station

• July 10, 24, & 31 | 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM • Meet at the North Entrance

• \$30.00 - includes all supplies | Bring your own lunch



Youth Activity | NSC Game & Fireworks!*

• Friday, July 17 | 6:15 - 11:00 PM

• Meet at WPC North Entrance. Cost is \$20. RSVP to Hannah Norris, hnorris@nashvillewpc.org. Bring cash or pay online by scanning the QR code to the right.

*Bring \$\$ for dinner or snacks. Please note Geodis is cash-free.





Sunday, July 12

3:00 p.m.

Koinonia Youth Café

5:00 p.m.

Blue Monkey Shaved Ice

North Parking Lot

Register Today!



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