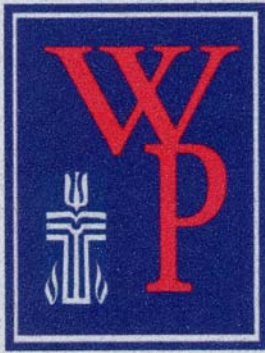


Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth. Isaiah 43:19



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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2010

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music – *Choral*

Jongen

Prayer of Preparation (*you may wish to prepare for worship by praying silently*)

Speak to me, Lord, in the fullness of this hour and let me experience your love and your desire to bless me and use my words and actions to draw others to you. Amen

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements

Gene Owens

Call to Worship – Psalm 97 (*responsive*)

The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!

Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

Fire goes before him, and consumes his adversaries on every side.

His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord, before the Lord of all the earth.

The heavens proclaim his righteousness; and all the peoples behold his glory.

All worshipers of images are put to shame, those who make their boast in worthless idols; all gods bow down before him.

Zion hears and is glad, and the towns of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O God.

For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

The Lord loves those who hate evil; he guards the lives of his faithful; he rescues them from the hand of the wicked.

Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

Come, let us worship the Lord, our God!

* Hymn of Praise – *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise* (*see next page*)

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Our lives are cautious, self-centered, and small. We have not grasped the power and the joy of the Resurrection. Forgive us. Inspire us. Disciple us, so we will receive your power and speak boldly in your name. Forgive these sins we have named, and those we name now in silence

- * Assurance of Pardon
- * The Congregation's Response: Hymn 579 – *Gloria Patri*

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson – Acts 16:16-34

(pew Bible pg. 900)

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem – *I Waited for the Lord* from *Hymn of Praise*

Mendelssohn

Jenny Maul and Connie Roberst, soloists

Sermon – *You Will Receive Power . . . and You Will Be My Witnesses* Rev. Stephen Ramp

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

- * Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles' Creed (*unison*) (Hymnal pg. 14, Traditional)
- * Hymn of Thanksgiving – *Change My Heart, O God* (*see next page*)
- Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer
- Offertory – *Be Still, My Soul* Ham
- * The Doxology – Hymn 592
- * Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

- * Hymn of Consecration 423 – *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*
- * Charge and Benediction
- * Postlude – *Allegro Maestoso* Mendelssohn



- * *Please stand at the * as you are able. Unison readings are **printed in bold**. Also, please take your bulletin and papers home or place them in the recycling basket in the narthex.*

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

1 Hail the day that sees him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 There for him high tri - umph waits, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 See! the heaven its Lord re - ceives, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 See! he lifts his hands a - bove! Al - le - lu - ia!


to his throne a - bove the skies; Al - le - lu - ia!
lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates, Al - le - lu - ia!
yet he loves the earth he leaves, Al - le - lu - ia!
See, he shows the prints of love! Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ, the Lamb for sin - ners given, Al - le - lu - ia!
he has con - quered death and sin. Al - le - lu - ia!
though re - turn - ing to his throne, Al - le - lu - ia!
Hark! His gra - cious lips be - stow, Al - le - lu - ia!


en - ters now the high - est heaven. Al - le - lu - ia!
Take the King of glo - ry in! Al - le - lu - ia!
still he calls the world his own. Al - le - lu - ia!
bless - ings on his church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!

Change My Heart, O God

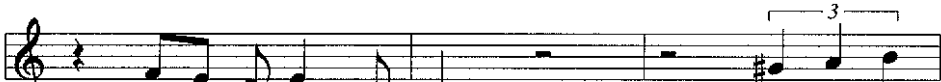
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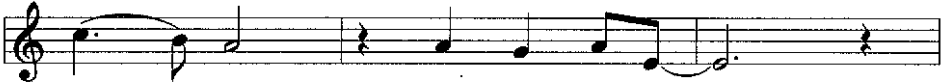
Change my heart, O God, — make it ev-er true. —



— Change my heart, O God, —



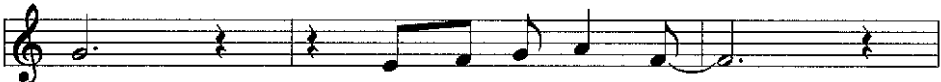
may I be like you. — You are the



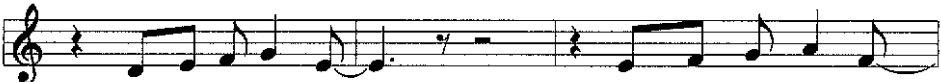
Pot - ter, I am the clay. —



Mold me and make me, this is what I



pray. Change my heart, O God, —



make it ev-er true. — Change my heart, O God, —



— may I be like you. —

SCRIPTURE READINGS

May 17-22, 2010

Monday, May 17	Ephesians 3:1-13 Matthew 8:5-17
Tuesday, May 18	Ephesians 3:14-21 Matthew 8:18-27
Wednesday, May 19	Ephesians 4:1-16 Matthew 8:28-34
Thursday, May 20	Ephesians 4:17-32 Matthew 9:1-8
Friday, May 21	Ephesians 5:1-32 Matthew 9:9-17
Saturday, May 22	Ephesians 6:1-24 Matthew 9:18-26

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

Sandra Armstrong, friend of Audra Cummings – cancer
Nina Auker, friend of the Reidenbachs – continuing fight against ALS
Julie Barkurn, neighbor of the Harris family – cancer
Janet Burke, heart tests
Iola Cannedy – fell, hurt hand
Michelle Gibbs, Peggy Speed's friend – breast cancer
Becky Morgan, McComb friend of the Ramps – liver cancer
Bobby Dossett, Sam Dossett's brother – experimental treatment for aggressive cancer
Judy, friend of the Hickmans – lung cancer, massive chemotherapy
John Menefee – recovering from cancer
Yvonne Owen, friend of the Greggs – recurrence of cancer
Bruce Rogers, friend of the Scheetz family – cancerous tumor in eye
Lynn Rouse, Cursillo brother – broken leg from motorcycle accident
Jack Seale, Pam Dossett's brother – radiation for bronchial and brain cancer
Shirley Smith, Janeil Harris' mother – valve replacement surgery in May
Solomon Joel Smith, Kathryn Smith-Rivers' 2 week old nephew – tracheotomy on May 10

PRAYERS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Rachel Harris, Mary Kathryn Nobles, Amy O'Steen, and Frank Powell

PRAYERS FOR FLOOD VICTIMS IN NASHVILLE

Ray and Kelly Scheetz family
Johnny and Kathryn Massey, friends of Robert Cummings

PRAYERS FOR GULF COAST PEOPLE, CREATURES AND HABITAT

For protection from oil

Greeting and Announcements



Welcome to Westminster! We hope you will hear God's word and sense God's presence today. If you are looking for a church home, please let us know. Brochures giving an overview of Westminster are in the pew racks. The majesty, sovereignty, and holiness of God are hallmarks of Reformed worship. *Please turn your cell phone off and attune your heart to hear God calling.*

The **Youth** meet tonight at 6 pm.

PW Prayer Group meets Tuesday, May 18.

Adult co-ed softball playoffs start this week. Days and times have not yet been announced.

There will be no Wednesday night supper or service this week. The next Wednesday potluck supper will be **June 9**.

The **Officer Nominating Committee** meets Wednesday, May 19 at 6:30 pm.

Westminster will host an **Ultreya** on Saturday, May 22.



Next Sunday, we will accept the **Pentecost Offering**. In 2009, Westminster used our 40% of the offering to help offset the visiting Brazil missionaries' expenses and to send a young girl to daycamp that would not have been able to attend otherwise.

Submissions to the **Westminster Standard Newsletter** are encouraged! The summer edition will be published the last week of May, so all articles of interest are due to Kay Salter by Sunday, May 23.



Baobab Blast Vacation Bible School will be June 7-11. Be sure to invite friends and neighbors to attend this fun-filled week of crafts, singing, Bible study and snacks. Registration forms are in the narthex or can be downloaded from the church website. Registration deadline is Friday, May 31.

Flooding in Nashville, TN damaged property and dislocated families. Ray and Kelly Scheetz's home took three feet of water. They were told they did not need flood insurance, so flooring, electrical, sheetrock, etc. will need to be replaced. We do not have an estimate of the cost yet. The Session voted to assist this family as they regroup and recover. If you feel led to contribute to this relief effort, please make a check payable to Westminster and note "Nashville Flood" in the memo. Your support is much needed and deeply appreciated.

Just as the human body needs eyes, hands, ears, lungs, etc., so does the Body of Christ. We have many small group opportunities for growth, fellowship and service here at Westminster. We encourage members to use their gifts to participate in the mission of this congregation and to invite others to join us in serving Jesus Christ.



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The Dove – The Holy Spirit

The Intersection – Baptismal Font or
Communion Cup

Flames – Implied triangle, the Trinity

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