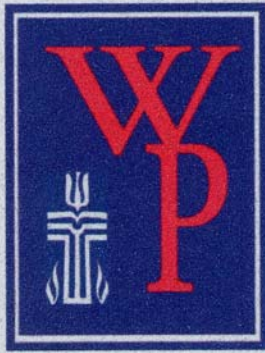


Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth. Isaiah 43:19



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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Pentecost

May 23, 2010

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music Canzona, *La Spiritata* Gabrieli
 Come, O Spirit Powell

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

Come, Holy Spirit, inflame my heart with love: the love that the Father has for the Son, and for all sons and daughters, and the love the Son has for the Father, and the whole family of God. Ignite my faith and open my spirit to receive and believe and celebrate love divine, all loves excelling!

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements

Rev. Stephen Ramp

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

God's Spirit has been poured upon all flesh;

God's Spirit rests upon us like flames of fire,

That we may be light in a world that is troubled and dark,

That we may be warmth in a world that is cold.

God's Spirit has been poured upon us like a mighty wind,

Refreshing us in love and renewing us in power,

And leading us to serve in love.

God's Spirit has been poured upon us as a gift.

Come, let us worship God with confidence and great joy!

- * Hymn of Praise – *O Holy Spirit, Root of Life* (*see insert*)
- * Call to Confession
- * Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Gracious God, you have given us everything: life, health, food, shelter, loved ones, community, freedom, wisdom, time, treasures, not to mention Your perfect Son and Your Holy Spirit. We are blessed beyond our ability to measure blessings. Our hearts should be bursting with gratitude and praise. Instead, we are experts at finding fault, spotting problems, and expressing dissatisfaction with how you are running the universe. Forgive us.

Ignite our hearts with your loving Spirit and cause us to sing for joy at the very thought of being saved by grace. Grant us new hearts and the Spirit of Christ. Forgive, also, our secret sins we dare not name aloud

* Assurance of Pardon

* The Congregation's Response: *We Are Forgiven*

The image shows three staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a forte 'f' dynamic marking. The lyrics are: 'We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. — Thanks be to God.'

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Children's Sermon

Sarah Nobles

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson – John 14:8-17

(pew Bible pg. 877)

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem – *Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me*

Scott

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
 Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
 And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;
 And, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.
 Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
 Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
 And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
 And, with actions brotherly, speak Christ's sincerity.
 Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
 Show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee.
 Separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good,
 And whatever I can be give him who gave me thee.
 Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
 Help me now thy pow'r to see, I would be like thee;
 'Gainst all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;
 Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory
 Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would be like thee!

Second Lesson – Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

(pew Bible pg. 483)

Third Lesson – Acts 2:1-21

(pew Bible pg. 885)

Sermon – *Seeing Your Breath*

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

- * Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed (*unison*) (Hymnal pg. 14, Traditional)
- * Hymn of Thanksgiving 319 – *Spirit* (vv. 1-3)
- Prayers of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer
- Offertory – *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart* Hustad
- * The Doxology – Hymn 592
- * Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD’S NAME

- * Hymn of Consecration – *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling* (see insert)
- * Charge and Benediction
- * Congregational Benediction – *Spirit*
Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free.
Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.
You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,
From the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams;
Our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise. (*repeat chorus*)
- * Postlude – *Rondeau* Mouret



- * 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.

O Holy Spirit, Root of Life

1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, root of life, cre - a - tor,
2 E - ter - nal Vig - or, Sav - ing One, you free us
3 O ho - ly Wis - dom, soar - ing power, en - com - pass

cleans - er of all things: a - noint our wounds, a -
by your liv - ing Word, be - com - ing flesh to
us with wings un - furled, and car - ry us, en -

wak - en us with lus - trous move - ment of your wings.
wear our pain, and all cre - a - tion is re - stored.
cir - cling all a - bove, be - low, and through the world.



Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

1. Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er dwell - ing in the ho - liest realms of light;
2. Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er breath - ing on the church the breath of life;
3. Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er work - ing through the church's min - is - try —

1. Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood - ing o'er a world of gloom and night;
2. Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing through her in a cease - less strife;
3. quick - 'ning, strength - 'ning, and ab - solv - ing, set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free;

1. Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er rais - ing earth - bound souls to thrones on high;
2. Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er form - ing in the church the mind of Christ:
3. Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er bind - ing age to age and soul to soul

1. liv - ing, life - im - part - ing Spir - it; thee we praise and mag - ni - fy.
2. thee we praise with end - less wor - ship, for thy fruit and gifts un - priced.
3. in a fel - low - ship un - end - ing, thee we wor - ship and ex - tol.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

May 24-29, 2010

Monday, May 24	I John 3:18-4:6 Matthew 11:1-6
Tuesday, May 25	I John 4:7-21 Matthew 11:7-15
Wednesday, May 26	I John 5:1-12 Matthew 11:16-24
Thursday, May 27	I John 5:13-21 Matthew 11:25-30
Friday, May 28	II John 1-13 Matthew 12:1-14
Saturday, May 29	III John 1-15 Matthew 12:15-21

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 catheterization on June 1
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
Rev. Dennis Rhodes, pastor at St. John – surgery to reactivate nerves in leg
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

PRAYERS FOR OFFICER NOMINATING COMMITTEE

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING FOR NEW BIRTH

Jillian Hope Crane, born May 14 – daughter of Jason and Jennifer Crane
(505 Sweetwater Bridge Circle, Douglasville, Georgia 30134)
granddaughter of John and Cathy Dudley

PRAYERS FOR A JOYOUS WEDDING AND BLESSED MARRIAGE

Sharley Mills and Josh Speed (Peggy Speed's grandson)
May 29 in Gautier, Mississippi

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.*

We welcome **Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller** to Westminster today. Lynn has just turned in grades and cleaned her classroom, and she was happier about summer vacation than any of her students were.

We will receive the **Pentecost Offering** today to help children at risk, youth, and young adults. Westminster will retain 40% of the offering to help children at risk in our own community. If you are aware of a specific need in our community, see Butch Nobles or Sharon Potin.



Submissions to the **Westminster Standard Newsletter** are due today! The summer edition will include June, July, and August, so please send your information to Kay Salter at wstminsterpres@bellsouth.net.

The **Youth and Young Disciples** will have a cookout today at 6 pm at the Ruff's house. Final plans for the youth mission trip to the Yucatan will be discussed.



Audio CDs (\$10 each) of the **organ rededication concert** are now available! All proceeds go to the organ fund. To obtain your copies, contact the church office or Randall Harris (randallkharris@gmail.com).

Adult co-ed softball playoffs continue this week. Westminster plays Tuesday at 6:30 pm and Thursday at either 6:30 pm or 7:30 pm, depending on Tuesday's outcome.

The **Long Range Planning Task Force** meets Wednesday, May 26 at 5:30 pm.



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

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



Flooding in Nashville, TN damaged property and dislocated families. Ray and Kelly Scheetz's home took three feet of water. 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 needed and 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.



The Seal of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

A Symbolic Statement of the Church

The Cross – Christianity

The Transept – Bible and Pulpit

The Dove – The Holy Spirit

The Intersection – Baptismal Font or
Communion Cup

Flames – Implied triangle, the Trinity

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