



Westminster Presbyterian Church

*So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new
creation—everything old has passed away;
see, everything has become new!”*

II Corinthians 5:17

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 28, 2017

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music – Three Settings of "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

I. Paul Manz

II. David Lowe

III. Lani Smith

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

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, grant me ears to hear, a mind to understand, and a heart to know you and your great love for me. Amen

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements

Kenny Harrell

Call to Worship – Psalm 68:32-35 (*responsive*)

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord, O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens; listen, he sends out his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; and whose power is in the skies.

Awesome is God in his sanctuary, the God of Israel; he gives power and strength to his people.

Blessed be God!

* Hymn of Praise 816 – *If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee*

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession (*unison*) The Leonine Sacramentary

Grant us Lord, not to mind earthly things but to seek things heavenly; so that though we are set among scenes that pass away, our heart and affection may steadfastly cleave to the things that endure forever. Grant us pardon for when we stray and follow things that perish and corrupt, through Jesus Christ our Lord. (Time of Silent Reflection) Amen.

* Assurance of Pardon

* The Congregation's Response: *Gloria Patri*

Hymn 581

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Time with Children

Tommy Suttle

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson – John 17:1-11

pew Bible pg. 879

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem – *The Lone, Wild Bird*

arr. David N. Johnson

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight is still with thee, nor leaves thy sight.

And I am thine! I rest in thee. Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

The ends of earth are in thy hand, the sea's dark deep and far off land.

And I am thine! I rest in thee. Great Spirit come, and rest in me.

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight is still with thee, nor leaves thy sight.

Second Lesson – Acts 1:6-14

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Sermon – *Hanging Together*

Rev. Dr. Mike Anderson

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

* Affirmation of Faith The Scots Confession (*unison*)

Chapter 16

The Kirk (church)

As we believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, so we firmly believe that from the beginning there has been, now is, and to the end of the world shall be, one Kirk, that is to say, one company and multitude of men chosen by God, who rightly worship and embrace him by true faith in Christ Jesus, who is the only Head of the Kirk, even as it is the body and spouse of Christ Jesus. This Kirk is catholic, that is, universal, because it contains the chosen of all ages, of all realms, nations, and tongues, be they of the Jews or be they of the Gentiles, who have communion and society with God the Father, and with his Son, Christ Jesus, through the sanctification of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

* Hymn of Thanksgiving 753 – *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*

Prayers of Intercession and 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.

Offertory – *Be Thou My Vision*

Larson

- * The Doxology – Hymn 606
- * Prayer of Dedication

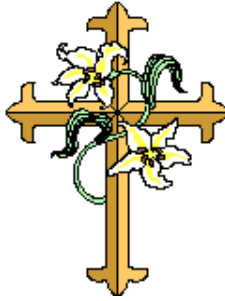
GO IN GOD'S NAME

- * Hymn of Consecration 263 – *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*
- * Charge and Benediction
- * Postlude – *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Linker



- * Please stand at the * as you are able. Unison readings are **printed in bold**. Please remove all papers from the sanctuary when you leave.



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

Mary Ariail – upcoming surgery
Marilyn Bowen, Sam Dossett's sister – colon cancer
Brandy Zachary Carter, friend of Nancy Johnson – inconclusive cancer scans
Noelle Carter, 1st grader at PCS – diagnosed with liver cancer in December, received a liver transplant
Becky Dahle, friend of Nancy Johnson – inflammation with side effects of medicine
Sam Dossett – at home
Sandy Hendrix, friend of Gene Fair – on hospice
Carolyn McLarnan's niece, Saira Reid Lee, husband Simon & new daughter Aneesa, who was born at 30 weeks and is in NICU in Glasgow, Scotland
Kimmie Medina Early, friend of Nancy Johnson – high-risk pregnancy
Mary Halliwell, friend of Mary and Dean Cromartie– pancreatic cancer
Col. Bryan Hernandez – deployed to Baghdad
Crystal Miller, friend of Nancy Johnson – at home after heart & lung transplants
Dixon Montague, Frank and Mary Montague's son – diagnosed with cancer
Pat Jefcoat, friend of Janet Burke – in remission
Richard Potin – continued prayers during chemo
James Reid, Carolyn McLarnan's brother – at home, total bed rest
Ray Robinson III, Ray's son – diabetes
Sharon Sabin, friend of Mary and Dean Cromartie – advanced cancer and Parkinson's
Margaret Suttle – resuming chemotherapy

Annual Budget Amount	Giving Year to Date	Budget Year to Date	Previous Week's Giving
\$456,500.00	\$150,401.68	\$177,936.84	\$2,114.00



Greeting and Announcements

Welcome to Westminster! We're very glad to see you in worship. We hope you will sense Christ's presence. If you are looking for a place to grow and serve, we'd love to tell you more about us. Please silence your cell phone during worship.

The May/June Today devotionals are in the narthex.

No Youth activities today.

Brown Bag Bible Study meets Tuesday at noon. We will be studying I Kings 20.

Choir will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet Thursday, June 1, at 6:30 a.m. at **Shoney's**.



The **church office** will be **closed** May 29 for Memorial Day.

Family Vacation Bible School June 4-6



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Sunday, June 4, 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship/ VBS Kickoff, Lynn Miller preaches
 5:30 p.m. Supper for everyone
 6:00 p.m. Adults meet with Lynn Miller in Montague Hall
Children upstairs in Children's Suite and Youth upstairs in Youth Suite
 7:30 p.m. Dismiss
- Monday, June 5, 12 noon Luncheon/Lynn Miller, speaker
 1:00 p.m. Dismiss
 5:30 p.m. Supper for everyone
 6:00 p.m. Adults meet with Lynn Miller in Montague Hall
Children upstairs Children's Suite and Youth upstairs in Youth Suite
 7:30 p.m. Dismiss
- Tuesday, June 6, 12 noon Luncheon/Lynn Miller, speaker
 1:00 p.m. Dismiss
 5:30 p.m. Supper for everyone
 6:00 p.m. Adults meet with Lynn Miller in Montague Hall
Children upstairs Children's Suite and Youth upstairs in Youth Suite
 7:30 p.m. Dismiss

BBQ Jam Cancelled

There will not be a BBQ Jam this year. All who bought tickets will have their money refunded. A number of circumstances contributed to the cancelation including difficulty with vendors and low ticket sales. Thankfully, we have received a \$12,000 gift from the presbytery for our Living Waters for the World mission project. Stay tuned for next year's BBQ jam.

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

THE SESSION

Class of 2017

Mac Forsyth
Jeff Haydel
Karen Reidenbach

Class of 2018

Gene Owens
Michael Raggio
Robin Roberts

Class of 2019

Althea Jerome
J. T. Johnson
Cindy Nobles

THE TRUSTEES

Franklin Bryant Gene Fair Wally Gregg

THE DEACONS

Class of 2017

Dan Davis
Lisa Forsyth
Larry Royals
Dudley Westbrook

Class of 2018

Shane Brooks
Kathy Cain
Howard Keever
Beth Richmond

Class of 2019

David Daves
Janeil Harris
Butch Nobles
Susan Turner
Youth Representative
Drew Suttle

CHURCH STAFF

Mike Anderson, Interim Pastor
Martha Davis, Church Administrator
Connie Roberts, Chancel Choir Director
Amy Ruff, Children/Youth/College Ministry
Jenny Maul, Children's Music Director

Tommy Suttle, Director of Discipleship
Sinclair Lundy, Financial Secretary
Randall Harris, Organist
Wes Brooks, Communications
Ray Robinson, Sexton