



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

Day of Pentecost

June 4, 2017

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music – *Come Into His Presence* Baird

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

Holy Spirit, transform us so we will love God and speak boldly in His name. Amen.

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements Rev. Dr. Mike Anderson

Call to Worship

Celebrate all nations; rejoice all peoples, the Holy Spirit has been poured out upon us.

The fresh wind of the Spirit gives us thoughts above our thoughts.

The discerning light of the Spirit shows us the hidden recesses in our hearts.

As we worship, let the presence of the Spirit teach us, inspire us, and loosen our tongues in praise!

* Hymn of Praise 289 – *On Pentacost They Gathered*

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession (*unison*) Nerses of Clajes (d. 323)

O Holy Spirit of God, very God, who descended on Christ at the river Jordan and on the apostles in the upper chamber, we have sinned against heaven and before you; purify us again, we ask you, with your divine fire, and have mercy on us; for Christ's sake.

(time for silent reflection) Amen.

* Assurance of Pardon

* The Congregation's Response *Gloria Patri* Hymn 581

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Time with Children Mike Anderson

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson – Exodus 35:30-36:1

pew Bible pg. 72

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem – *Spirit Medley*

arr. Raborn

Cala Raborn, soloist

Second Lesson – Mark 14:3-9

pew Bible pg. 826

Sermon – *An Alabaster Jar*

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

* Communion Hymn 291 – *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

Tithes and Offerings

Call for the Offering

Offertory – *Open The Eyes of My Heart*

Baloché

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The LORD be with you,

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the LORD, our God.

And also with you.

We lift them to the LORD.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O God our creator and redeemer. In your wisdom, you made all things and sustain them by your power. You formed us in your image to love and serve you, but we forgot your promises and abandoned your commandments. In your mercy, you did not reject us but still claimed us as your own. When we were slaves in Egypt you freed us and led us through the waters of the sea. You fed us with heavenly food in the wilderness, and satisfied our thirst from desert springs. On the holy mountain you gave us your law to guide us in your way. Through the waters of Jordan you led us into the land of your promise, and you sustained us in times of trial. You spoke through prophets calling us to turn from our willful ways to new obedience and righteousness.

You sent your only Son to be the way to eternal life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He took upon himself the weight of our sin and carried the burden of our guilt. He shared our life in every way, and though tempted, was sinless to the end. Baptized as your own, he went willingly to his death and by your power was raised to new life. In his dying and rising, you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us, and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

UNISON PRAYER

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ, and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

- * Hymn of Consecration 66 – *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*
- * Charge and Benediction
- * Postlude – *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Kendrick



- * 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 – at home after successful 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
Crystal Miller, friend of Nancy Johnson – at step down unit 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

PRAYERS FOR A SAFE JOURNEY

Sunday, June 11, grades 6-8 will be traveling to Cleveland, TN to Great Escape

PATRICIA LYNN MILLER

Patricia Lynn Miller, received the M.Div. from Union Presbyterian Seminary (Richmond, Virginia) and the D. Min. from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (Pittsburg, Pennsylvania), in conjunction with the University of Aberdeen (Scotland). She is a teaching elder in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Lynn has been a practicing artist for more than 25 years. She holds undergraduate and graduate degrees in fine arts and art history. Her work is in private and church collections throughout the country. She has served as workshop leader, graphic designer, and keynote speaker for conferences and gatherings on theology, worship, spirituality, education, and the arts. She is a painter, a designer of textile art and stained glass, a curriculum writer, a graphic designer, and an art historian. She has a special love for church architecture.



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.

Brown Bag Bible Study will not meet due to Family Vacation Bible School.

Choir will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet Thursday, June 8, at 6:30 a.m. at Shoney's.

Next Sunday, June 11, the **Diaconate** will meet at 11:30 in the Generation room and the **Session** will meet at 11:30 in the conference room.

Family Vacation Bible School



- Sunday, June 4, 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship/ VBS Kickoff, Lynn Miller preaches
An Alabaster Jar (Mark 14:3-9)
- 5:30 p.m. Supper for everyone
- 6:00 p.m. Adults meet with Lynn Miller in Montague Hall
So Beautiful It Hurts: Beauty as a Divine Attribute
Children and Youth upstairs
- 7:30 p.m. Dismiss
- Monday, June 5, 12 noon Luncheon/Lynn Miller, speaker
Behold the Beauty of the Lord: Psalms and the Photography of Frederick Evans
- 1:00 p.m. Dismiss
- 5:30 p.m. Supper for everyone
- 6:00 p.m. Adults meet with Lynn Miller in Montague Hall
You Can Throw dirt on It, But It'll Still Exist: Virtue
Children and Youth upstairs
- 7:30 p.m. Dismiss
- Tuesday, June 6, 12 noon Luncheon/Lynn Miller, speaker
What a Difference a Lens Makes: The Prophets and Documentary Photography
- 1:00 p.m. Dismiss
- 5:30 p.m. Supper for everyone
- 6:00 p.m. Adults meet with Lynn Miller in Montague Hall
Every Hundredth of a Second: Beauty as an Obligation
Children and Youth upstairs
- 7:30 p.m. Dismiss

The Meistersingers will be performing Sunday, June 11, here at Westminster at 3 p.m. Make plans to attend.

Today's Pentecost Offering insert relates how Young Adult Volunteers can learn skills to help them grow in Christ and lead our church into the future. The Pentecost Offering makes real and lasting impact in the lives of our young children.



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