



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

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 5, 2018

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music – *Three Hymn Preludes* Orwig

I. Lift High the Cross

II. Love Divine, all Loves Excelling

III. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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

Holy One, God of our ancestors, you have given us bread from heaven:

Jesus Christ, the Word of life. Give us this bread always. Set the seal of your Spirit upon us so that we may have faith and live; through Christ, the bread of life. Amen.

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements

Tommy Suttle

Call to Worship – (*responsive*)

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

Jesus said: I am the bread of life.

Give us this bread always.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn of Praise 310 – *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession – (*unison*)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You show us the wrong we have done, yet we point fingers at others. You offer us the bread of heaven, yet we hunger for the things of earth. Forgive us, God of grace. Speak your truth to us in love, so that we may return to you in peace, and grow more and more in grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. (time for silent confession)

* Assurance of Pardon

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

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Time with Children

Tommy Suttle

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson – John 6:24-35

pew Bible pg.

867

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem – *The Lover's Waltz*

Jay Ungar & Molly Mason

Matthew Gretz, violin

Randal Harris, piano

Second Lesson – Ephesians 4:1-16

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Sermon – A Worthy Life

Rev. Dr. Christopher Crotwell

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

* Communion Hymn 525 – *Let Us Break Bread Together*

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory – *This Is My Father's World/He's Got the Whole World in His Hands*

Arr. Brant Adams

Jacob Suttle, saxophone

THE EUCHARIST

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

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.

. . . Through Christ, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now and forever. Hear us now as we pray as our Savior has taught.

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.

The Words of Institution

The Communion

Prayer After Communion (unison)

Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. We have recalled your mighty acts in holy history. We have seen your power in sending light to conquer darkness, water to give us life, and the bread of heaven to nourish us in love. Send us with salvation and joy to all the world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

- * Hymn of Consecration 361 – *O Christ, the Great Foundation*
- * Charge and Benediction
- * Postlude – *Trumpet Tune*

Guy



- * 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

Kinlock Bell – prayers for needed rest

Marilyn Bowen, Sam Dossett's sister – colon cancer

Margaret Buckley – recovering at home

Brandi Carter, friend of Nancy Johnson – cancer scans were clear

Ruthie Davis – upcoming surgery

Andrew Dennis, Beverly and Charles Dennis' son – melanoma

Sam Dossett – continued prayers

Lauranne Doggett, Sarah Brannon's sister – Alzheimer's

Sarah Ellena, daughter of Martha Ann and Charles Hogrefe – recovery from alcohol addiction

Katie Hall, friend of Bob Lochhead – slowly recovering from a brain aneurism

Mary Halliwell, friend of Mary and Dean Cromartie – pancreatic cancer

Nell Hollingsworth, Holley Holifield's nanny – moved to Bedford Care

Ladd Hey, Gene Owens' friend – upcoming heart surgery

B. J. Lambert – prayers that "Moving Home Program" goes well

Stephanie Liddell, Geri Jones' daughter – employment and special prayers

Jim Lundy, Sinclair Lundy's brother – early stages of dementia

Rush McClinton, Jeanne Herring's nephew – at home recovering

Damon McGill, Sharecare member – upcoming tests for cancer

Crystal Miller, friend of Nancy Johnson – recovering from double lung & heart transplant

Cindy Nobles – undergoing treatment for the recurrence of cancer

James Reid, Carolyn McLarnan's brother – frontotemporal dementia motor neuron disease and ALS

Kem Reid, father of Ryan Reid – awaiting a bone marrow transplant

Yvonne Ross, former member – recovering from broken pelvis

Sharon Sabin, friend of Mary and Dean Cromartie – advanced cancer and Parkinson's

Patty Talbot, Ann Aldridge's sister – finished treatments, prayers for strength

*For the family and friends of Margaret Royals, mother of Larry Royals,
who passed away July 29.*



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 turn off cell phones during the worship hour.

Today we observe communion by intinction. Please come forward starting with the last pews, receive communion, then return to your seat by the outside aisle. In order that all might be welcome, we will serve grape juice. Also, an elder near the table will have a plate with gluten free bread available for those that require it.

Communion Sundays are also **Breadbasket Sundays** – a time when you are encouraged to make contributions to the Breadbasket ministry. Envelopes are found in the pews or put Breadbasket on the memo line of checks.



Assistive listening devices are available on the narthex cabinet.

Children's bulletins are available on the narthex cabinet.

Brown Bag Bible Study meets Tuesday at noon. We will study Hosea chapter 1.

All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet Thursday, August 9, at 6:30 a.m. at Shoney's.

Rally Day is August 19. Breakfast will be in Montague Hall at 9:30.

This year Rally Day will include the **Blessing of the Backpacks**. Every school-aged child (Pre-K - 12th grade) is asked to bring his/her backpack to Sunday morning worship. During the Time with Children everyone will be invited to come forward for a special blessing to start school. You will also receive a special gift to put in your backpacks to carry with you throughout the school year. Don't forget, bring your backpacks to church on August 19th!



Next Sunday the **Diaconate** will meet in the generation room following worship.

The **Session** will meet on August 19 following worship in the conference room.

New Beginnings and the youth/children will have its annual intergenerational cookout at Tommy's house at 5 p.m. on Sunday, August 19. We will carpool from the church at 4:30. Please bring an appetizer or a dessert to share. This is a fun event for all that includes swimming and fellowship.

Head deacon for the month of August is Chad Edmonson.

Growing Spiritually meeting will be August 12 at 8:30 a.m. in the conference room.

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 2018

Gene Owens
Michael Raggio
Robin Roberts

Class of 2019

Althea Jerome
J. T. Johnson
Cindy Nobles

Class of 2020

Margaret Brooks
Dean Cromartie
Kathryn Cummings

THE TRUSTEES

Franklin Bryant Gene Fair Wally Gregg

THE DEACONS

Class of 2018

Shane Brooks
Kathy Cain
Howard Keever
Beth Richmond

Class of 2019

David Daves
Janeil Harris
Butch Nobles
Susan Turner

Class of 2020

Katie Ginn
Judy Haydel
Sinclair Lundy
Robert Lochhead
Youth Representative
Sarah Beth Suttle

CHURCH STAFF

Tommy Suttle, Director of Discipleship
Sinclair Lundy, Financial Secretary
Connie Roberts, Chancel Choir Director
Jenny Maul, Children's Music Director

Martha Davis, Church Administrator
Wes Brooks, Communications
Randall Harris, Organist
Ray Robinson, Sexton