

The Order of Worship

March 20, 2016 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

### THE CHURCH GATHERS ...

Welcome to Westminster Church! We are a family of Christians gathered from many traditions and neighborhoods, worshiping here with the goal of connecting faith and life. If you are a visitor, we pray you will feel welcome and blessed by our worship. We invite you to consider making Westminster your church home. Please let us have your contact information so we may be in touch.

Children are welcome in worship here. A nursery is available during the entire service. When the prelude begins let us quietly prepare for the worship of almighty God.

PRELUDE	Herzliebster Jesu	Johannes Brahms		
Ah, Dearest Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended				
O Lamm Gottes unschuldig, BWV 1095		J. S. Bach		
O Guiltless Lamb of God				
(from the <i>Neumeister Chorales</i> )				
OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION				
CALL TO W	VORSHIP	Psalm 118		
Leader:	Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may en	ter through them		
	and give thanks to the LORD.			
People:	e: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.			
Leader: Come and join the festal procession, branches in hand, to the altar of the				
	LORD.			
People:	People: O give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for his steadfast love			
	endures forever.			
TO PRAISE AND CONFESS				
<b>*HYMN NO. 155</b> (red hymnal) All Glory, Laud, and Honor <i>St. Theodulph</i>				

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** 

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Merciful God, we humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our

God. Often our faith is as fickle as the crowds of people around Jesus who shouted "Hosanna in the Highest" one moment and "Crucify him" the next. Have mercy on us, O God. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Amen.

**\*KYRIE ELEISON \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

\*RESPONSE Of the Father's Love Begotten

### TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 19:28-40 **A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN** (11:00) **Deborah Phillips** Children age 4 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children's Worship. SCRIPTURE READING Luke 23:13-49 Rev. Dr. Buran Phillips "Were You There?" SERMON \*HYMN NO. 101 (blue hymnal) When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Hamburg \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison) Philippians 2:5-11 Let us have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** ... The Lord's Prayer During the Prayers of the People there will be a time of silence. You are invited to use this time for personal reflection, confession, thanksgiving, and prayer. THE OFFERING Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle. Though many of us contribute electronically or by a check in the mail, your holding and

passing the offering plate is an act of blessing and dedication to our life together in Jesus Christ.

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

Graham George arr. Richard Gieseke

John L. Bell

Divinum mysterium

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry. O Savior meek, pursue Your road, With palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die. O Christ, Your triumphs now begin O'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! The angel armies in the sky Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes To see the approaching Sacrifice.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! Your last and fiercest strife is nigh; The Father on His sapphire throne Expects His own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on in majesty! In lowly pomp ride on to die, Bow Your meek head to mortal pain, Then take, O Christ, Your pow'r and reign!

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION** 

\*HYMN NO. 89 (blue hymnal) (11:00) Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Ellacombe **\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION** \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE The Lord Bless You and Keep You Peter C. Lutkin The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord lift His countenance upon you and give you peace. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be

gracious unto you. Amen.

\*Indicates standing.

McKeehan

SERVING TODAY ACOLYTES (11:00): Hannah Mathews and Sammy McCartha **GREETERS** (11:00): Debbie Schmid and Shirley Wittman **CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:** (9:00) Childcare through age 5 (11:00) Andrew and LeAnna Boyd, Meghan and Griffen Oros MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Chancel Choir SENIOR USHER: Bill Wiesehuegel **USHERS:** (9:00) Cile Mathews, John Styron (11:00) Shirley Wittman, Don Byerly, Irene Seidner, Joanne White, Bill Rogers

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Jan Barber in honor of the upcoming first birthday of her first grandchild, Raylan Russell Allen and in appreciation of all the staff and volunteers who work so hard to ensure this is a safe, happy, and worshipful place to gather.

GRAHAM GEORGE (1912-1993) was a Canadian composer, music theorist, organist, choral conductor, and music educator. Born in Norwich, England, his family moved to Canada when he was 16. He received degrees from the University of Toronto and later studied composition with Paul Hindemith at the Yale School of Music. He is known primarily for his many choral works, though he also wrote three

Henry Hart Milman \*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology No. 591 (blue hymnal) Tallis' Canon (Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 542 (blue hymnal))

## TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

\*POSTLUDE Fantasia in g

Numbers 6:24-26 Johann Pachelbel

# NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Vicki Mayfield and Michael Yates CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR MARCH 16-31: Lana Daverman and Susan

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from ushers. PLEASE place your bulletin into a blue recycling bin located at the Narthex door if you do not care to take it home.

ballets, four operas, and some symphonic works. The melody of this morning's anthem juxtaposes a strong sense of our Savior's majesty with the dark foreshadowing of the events leading to his impending suffering and cruel death on the cross.

THE ABBEY DEADLINE is today. Please send your announcements and articles to unitedprinters@comcast.net.

STATED SESSION MEETING will take place today in the McKinnon Room after the 11:00 am worship service.

WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN SERIES: Our series concludes this week. Join us at 5:45 p.m. for a simple meal of soup and bread, followed by a service of evening prayers in the sanctuary. This reflective time focuses on scripture, song and prayer as we prepare ourselves for Easter.

### Holy Week Schedule

Wednesday, March 23	5:45 p.m.	Soup Dinner
	6:30 p.m.	Lenten Series
Thursday, March 24	8:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
Easter Sunday, March 27	9:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:00 a.m.	Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

## patterned on the Rosalyn Carter Institute for Caregiving program Caring for You, Caring for Me. Led by master trainers and area professionals, the course is targeted at unpaid caregivers, but will also be helpful to caregivers, pastoral care providers, caregiving professionals, and care receivers. We will meet each Wednesday evening from 6:00 until 7:30. We suggest you eat before you come, but feel free to bring a meal with you. For further information, please contact Mary Boyd at the church, at marybwpc@gmail.com, or at 382-6953.

SAFER DRIVING CAN SAVE YOU MONEY. Take the AARP Smart Driver Course and you could reduce your overall maintenance and car insurance costs. Refresh your driving skills and know new rules of the road. Learn research-based driving strategies to help you stay safe behind the wheel. Plus, there are no tests to pass. This course will be held on Saturday, April 2 from 9am-5pm in the McKinnon Room. Cost is \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for others. Contact Paul Johnson at 675-0694 to register or for more information.

### ≿\_\_\_\_\_\_ EASTER FLOWERS

Please help the Flower Guild as they adorn the sanctuary in celebration of Easter. Checks of any amount are welcome and can be made payable to Westminster Flower Guild in honor or memory of loved ones. These names will be included in the Easter Sunday bulletin and *Abbey*. Thank you for your support. Today is the final day to make a donation.

Donation of \$\_\_\_\_

given in (please circle your choice) honor/memory of:

Given by:

McKinnon Room

Larry Ridley leads a study based on Brené Brown's bestselling book, The Gifts of Imperfection, as we seek to let go of who we think we're supposed to be and embrace who we are. Library

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

### **Bible Study**

Faith and Life

This thoughtful group works its way through the scriptures, looking deeply at Bible passages, and discussing them with questions and lots of humor. No experience is necessary to join this class, led by Scott Brunger and Leslie Versen.

### **Coffee House**

Can't make it to class on time? Do you really just want a chance to chat? Our Coffee House meets in the Schilling Gallery each week. There is always coffee and a few pastries ready for you as you join other folks in casual conversation.

MEN'S COVENANT BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP: On Thursday, March 24, the men of Westminster will gather in the McKinnon Room for our next meeting and lesson of 2016. The lesson entitled 'Can Money Buy Happiness?"' will be presented by Larry Ridley. Breakfast will be provided. No reservation is necessary and all men are welcome. Please view the webpage at wpcknox.org/westminstermen for full details and access to a copy of the lesson.

**CARE FOR THE CAREGIVER**: We are excited to offer a Wednesday evening program for six weeks, Care for the Caregiver, beginning April 6. The course is

THE ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING is being collected through Easter Sunday. A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, providing food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed.

## Class of 2016 Jerry Faerber Vicki Mayfield

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