

# Service for the Lord's Day

## Holy Communion

Second Sunday of Easter  
April 23, 2017

### GATHERING

*(Silence during the Prelude is requested in preparation for worship.)*

#### PRELUDE

Resurrection Suite

Mark Patterson

O Filii et Filiae

Wilbur Held

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*(Those who are able may stand.)*

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!  
**Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**  
Peace be with you. Jesus stands among us.  
**Peace be with you. The risen Lord is here.**

Let us worship God.

#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

**We have come together, O God,  
to be clothed with power from on high.  
Meet us here with truth we can wear with confidence,  
and with joy we can share with sincerity.  
Awaken us, by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
to life in all its fullness here and now,  
and grant us courage and strength and love,  
as we praise you for all your goodness.  
Be with us as we lift up our hands, our hearts, and our voices,  
and prepare us for everlasting life with Christ Jesus –  
in whose name we worship. Amen.**

#### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 255

O FILII ET FILIAE

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin,  
**we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.**

If we confess our sins,  
**God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins  
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*(1 John 1:8-9)*

In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

*(Hebrews 4:14-16)*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God,  
in whom we live and move and have our being,  
whose face is hidden from us by our sins,  
and whose mercy we forget  
in the blindness of our hearts:  
Cleanse us from all our offenses,  
and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,  
that with reverent and humble hearts  
we may draw near to you,  
confessing our faults,  
confiding in your grace,  
and finding in you our refuge and strength;  
through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

*(Silent confession)*

**Kyrie** *(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)*

Hal H. Hopson

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*(The liturgist pours water, which reminds us of our baptism.)*

Believe the Good News: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

### \*The Peace

Since God in Christ has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.  
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

*(Please exchange the peace with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you.")*

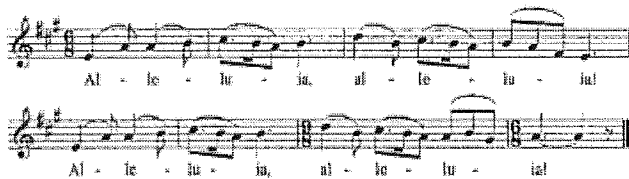
### \*ACT OF PRAISE

Celtic Alleluia

O'Carroll/Walker

*(The congregation sings the **Refrain** with the choir.)*

### **Refrain:**



The Word of the Lord lasts forever. What is the Word that is living?  
It is Jesus Christ, who is risen from the dead. **Refrain.**

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*(Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship Register,  
which is located on the center aisle end of each pew.)*

## THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! **Our ears are open.**

**1 Peter 1:3-9** (*New Testament, page 232 in your pew Bible*)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

**Psalm 16** (*Singing together Hymn 810*)

ST. FLAVIAN

When in the Night I Meditate

*Verse 1: All*

*Verse 2: Women and children*

*Verse 3: All*

*Verse 4: Men*

*Verse 5: All*

**John 20:19-31** (*New Testament, page 115 in your pew Bible*)

**SERMON**

“I was afraid of that . . . .”

Donovan Drake

*(A moment for meditation)*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*8:30 a.m.*)

The Apostles' Creed (*Ecumenical version*)

*(Please see page 17 in the front of your hymnal  
for the text of the creed.)*

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS** (*11:00 a.m.*)

**Presentation**

**Profession of Faith**

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed (*Ecumenical version*)

*(Please see page 17 in the front of your hymnal  
for the text of the creed.)*

**Calling into Membership**

**Welcome**

Welcome to this congregation and its worship and ministry.

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you  
to share with us in the ministry of Christ,  
for we are all one in him.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**THE EUCHARIST**

**OFFERING**

Anthem (*8:30 a.m.*)

This is the Day

Gerald Near

This is the day the Lord hath made: Let us rejoice and be glad therein.  
O give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth forever.  
This is the day the Lord hath made: Let us rejoice and be glad.

Anthem (*11:00 a.m.*)

Easter Carol

Richard Proulx

On that bright joyful Easter Day the sun arose with brighter ray,  
When Christ to earthly sight made plain the glad apostles saw again.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Surrexit Christus hodie!

His wounds to them Christ then did show, which from his risen body glow;  
And they aloud declared and said, “The Lord is risen from the dead!”  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Surrexit Christus hodie!

First witnesses to Easter morn were women three who came forlorn;  
Then Magdalen did cease her sighs, when Christ she saw with joyful eyes.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Surrexit Christus hodie!

All glory, Lord, to you we pray, arisen from the dead today;  
O great Creator, be our guide throughout the days of Eastertide.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Surrexit Christus hodie!

**\*DOXOLOGY**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*PREPARATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE**

**\*INVITATION**

**\*GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

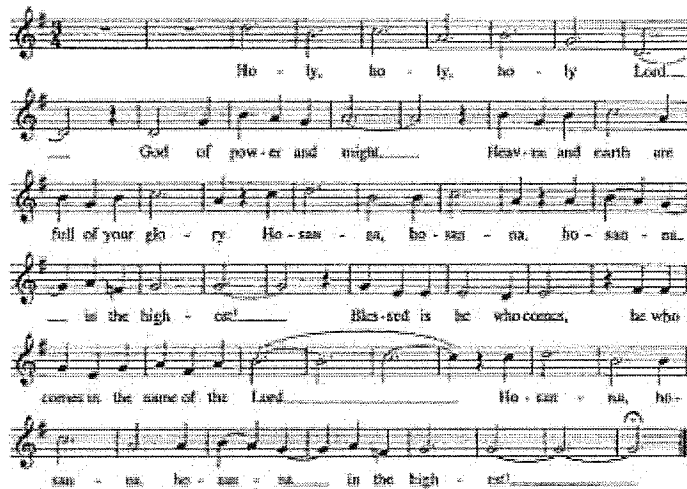
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right and our greatest joy ... and is risen to raise us to new life.

Therefore we praise you, singing with angels and archangels,  
and with all the faithful of every time and place,  
to the glory of your mighty name:



*(The congregation may be seated.)*

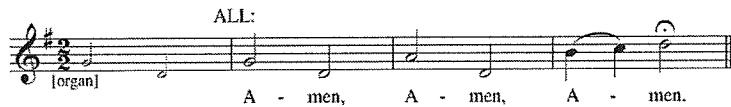
You are holy, O God of majesty ... to be a living and holy sacrifice,  
dedicated to your service.

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit ... and may we rejoice with  
indescribable and glorious joy.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,  
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
 all glory and honor are yours, almighty God,  
 now and forever.



**THE LORD’S PRAYER** (*Prayed in unison*)

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

Music during Communion

I Know My Redeemer Liveth G.F. Handel

Anthem (*Hymn 513*) FESTIVAL CANTICLE

This Is the Feast of Victory

*(The congregation is invited to sing the refrain with the choir.)*

**Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God.  
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**SENDING**

\***HYMN 250** In the Bulb There Is a Flower PROMISE

\***BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** Epilogue from Resurrection Suite Alec Wyton

*\*(Those who are able may stand.)*

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God  
 and in loving memory of our parents,  
 Peg and Lou Christie, and Margaret and Paul McNamara  
 from Kelly and Bill Christie.*

**SERVICE NOTES**

**WORSHIP LEADERS:** Liturgist: Guy D. Griffith, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Spiritual Nurture; (8:30 a.m.) Lay liturgist: Steve Sullivan; (11:00 a.m.) Lay liturgist: Bob Hines.

**MUSICIANS:** (8:30 a.m.) Laudate Youth Choir; (11:00 a.m.) Westminster Choir; John W. Semingson, Director of Music Ministries; Polly Brecht, Organist.

**USHERS:** (8:30 a.m.) Tom Wilson, Clay Parsons, Julie Wilson; (11:00 a.m.) George Crawford, Jack Crawford, Clay Crawford, Will Jackson, Fred Jackson, Sadie Jackson. *Should a congregant need assistance at any time during the service, please contact one of the ushers in the Narthex.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME:** Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Our love and acceptance of each other affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person, regardless of our differences, and bear witness to the love of God for all people and our commitment to Christ. Any who are interested in joining us in this journey are invited to come to the Parlor, and speak with one of our Greeters. The Parlor is located through the double doors on the left at the front of the Sanctuary. The Parlor Greeters for today are (8:30 a.m.) Derek and Layne Bryant and (11:00 a.m.) Katherine Diehl.

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**JOIN US TODAY FOR A NEW MEMBER RECEPTION** in the temporary Parlor following the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Let us rejoice as we welcome our new members to Westminster!

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS:** The following individuals are being received today at the 11:00 a.m. service as new members of Westminster Presbyterian Church:

Anthony Breen	Reaffirmation of Faith
Jennifer Brownlie-Carey	Letter of Transfer from Trinity Presbyterian Church, Fairhope, AL
Clark Brownlie-Carey	Profession of Faith
Crissy Cassety	Letter of Transfer from St. George's Episcopal Church, Nashville, TN
Todd Cassety	Reaffirmation of Faith
Lynne Edgerton	Letter of Transfer from All Saints Episcopal Church, Beverly Hills, CA ( <i>in absentia</i> )
Haley Haverstock	Letter of Transfer from First United Methodist Church, Murray, KY
Hays Estes	Reaffirmation of Faith
Houston Estes	Reaffirmation of Faith
Michael Nowers	Reaffirmation of Faith
Michael Peacock	Letter of Transfer from Government Street Presbyterian Church, Mobile, AL
Laura Penney	Profession of Faith
Carole Rietz	Letter of Transfer from First Presbyterian Church, Franklin, TN
Tyler Riggins	Letter of Transfer from Goodlettsville Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Goodlettsville, TN
Dorothy Scarlett	Letter of Transfer from Hillsboro Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN
Tara Scarlett	Profession of Faith
Brent Stoker	Reaffirmation of Faith
Rebecca Summy	Letter of Transfer from Grace Presbyterian Church, Tuscaloosa, AL
Zack Summy	Reaffirmation of Faith
John Whetmore	Reaffirmation of Faith

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