

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Lord's Day

May 13, 2018

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Voluntary

Lighting the Christ Candles

Call to Worship:

Leader: Let your light shine!

People: **Let your hearts be glad!**

Leader: God is faithful to us, and God rules in love.

People: **Then let us worship God.**

*Hymn: *In Christ Called to Baptize* #297

*Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Loving and merciful God, you know our hearts and you know our lives. We confess to you those things that cause separation, pain, distress, and brokenness. We confess to you our part in those things. And in humility and hope, we ask for your help to do better, to reconcile, to heal, to soothe, to build up. So may we love you and our neighbor, and follow Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Time for Personal Confession

Response: *Lord, Have Mercy* #551

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.
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Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: There is enough love in the heart of God to forgive us all, to grant us all a new beginning, to surround us and encourage us all to move forward this day. Friends, let us believe the good news of the gospel:

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

*Gloria Patri #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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology: **Praise God from whom all blessings flow;** #606

Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayer for Illumination:

O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to follow on the path you set before us; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Psalter: **Psalm 1**

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

People: **But their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.**

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

People: **The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

Leader: Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

People: **For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

Scripture Reading: **Acts 1:15-17, 21-26**

Leader: This is the written testimony to the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem: *For Where Love Is, There Is God* Douglas E. Wagner
Westminster Youth Choir

Time for Young Disciples

(Preschool children may return to their pew or gather at the piano door where today's shepherd will lead them in a time of special activities.)

*Hymn: *Let Us Build a House* #301
verses 1, 3, 5

Scripture: **John 17:6-19**

Leader: This is the written testimony to the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon: **"So that they may be one"**
Adam Vega, Megan Petti, Noble Peck, Anna Morales

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Ginger Bryne Frazier, daughter of James Frazier

*Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn: *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise* #486

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Response: *I Come with Joy* #515
verse 1

**I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved and free,
The life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.**

Great Thanksgiving:

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Response: *Holy, Holy, Holy* #552

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Response: *Christ Has Died, Christ Is Risen* #553

**Christ has died; Christ is Risen, Christ will come again.
Christ has died; Christ is Risen, Christ will come again.**

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.

Presenting and Taking the Elements

The congregation is asked to come forward to receive the elements

Closing Prayer:

Gracious God, may we who have received this sacrament live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth your gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Response: *I Come with Joy* #515
verse 5

**Together met, together bound by all that God has done,
We'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one,
the love that makes us one.**

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH

Audrey Bray, 6th grade
Josie Peck, 6th grade
Julia Bray, 8th grade
Noble Peck, 8th grade
Adam Vega, 8th grade
Madeline Hachtel, 9th grade
Devin Morales, 9th grade
Megan Petti, 9th grade
Allison Weems, 9th grade
Anna Morales, 11th grade

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Ushers: Audrey Bray Madeline Hachtel
Noble Peck Adam Vega

Acolyte: Madeline Hachtel

Shepherd: Lynnae Perdue

Preparing Communion: Clarence and Barbara Bahs

Serving Communion: Stephanie Petti
Michele Peck
Kristi Hachtel

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 13

Happy Mother's Day

12:00 noon Communion and Graduate Reception

Monday, May 14

1:00 pm Circle Meeting

5:15 pm Soul Sisters

Tuesday, May 15

5:30 pm Handbell Practice

Wednesday, May 16

7:30 pm Choir Practice

Sunday, May 20

9:30 am Sunday School
10:30 am Children's Choir
11:00 am Worship Service
5:00 pm Youth
6:00 pm Session Meeting

Westminster Presbyterian Church (PCUSA)

Westminster Presbyterian Church exists to declare God's love for all through Jesus Christ, to nurture and encourage spiritual growth, to maintain the integrity of divine worship, and to share the love and joy found in Christ by giving ourselves to our community and to the world.

THE SESSION

Class of 2018

Bobbie Ann Anderson
Clarence Bahs
Deborah Dalton
Kristi Hachtel
Michele Peck

Class of 2019

Bruce McNellie
Robin Moore
Ray Taylor
Patricia Thompson
Betsy Tucker

Class of 2020

Ken Deppisch
Bennie Kitchens
Terry Kline
Terri Moehring
Barbara Stump

THE INVITATION TO MEMBERSHIP at Westminster Church is always open to persons who wish to join us in witness and service to Jesus Christ. If you are interested in church membership or desire more information about this congregation, please indicate on the Friendship Pad or speak to the pastor, or one of the elders following the service.

MINISTERS:

All the Members of the Congregation

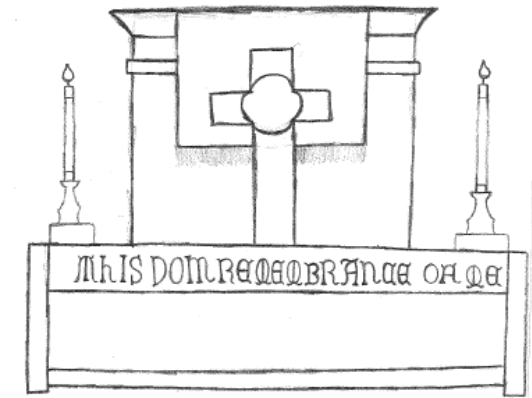
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Drawn by Adam Vega

Seventh Sunday of Easter May 13, 2018

⁶"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth. ~ John 17:6-19