

WHITE MEMORIAL — PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH —

January 31, 2021

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Live Streaming and In Person Worship with registration
8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Christopher Edmonston, Pastor

Anne Galliher, Pastoral Resident

Cate Church Norman, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care

Kirsten Homdrom, Associate Director of Music

Karl Zinsmeister, Director of Music

Kelly Gold, Director of Children's and Youth Music

ORDER OF SERVICE

GREETING

PRELUDE

Adagio, variation no. IX from Enigma Variations

Sir Edward Elgar; arr. Kenneth Jennings

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 24)

The earth is the Lord's; everything on the earth and everything in the earth.

God alone has established the lands and the seas.

Let us receive blessings from the Lord; let us declare the God of salvation.

Let us lift up our heads and lift up our faces to behold the God of glory!

For God is the Lord of the table, God is the Lord of the earth; God alone is our king of glory.

HYMN 262

Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In our far too busy lives, we become numb to people and events which are truly extraordinary. God of grace and glory, hear our confession. Draw us into your arms by your Holy Spirit. Help us see the wonder and awe worthy of the extraordinary life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Make each of us a channel of Christ's peace. Forgive the very sin which numbs our faith. Give us grace to focus upon the divine love that Jesus provides. Help us remember the lessons of scripture that we might return to you and be shaped by your amazing grace.

In the name of our Savior, we make our confession. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(11:00) **Anderson Webb Bynum**, child of Meredith and Zack Bynum.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 111

- ¹Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
- ²Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.
- ³Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.
- ⁴He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;
the Lord is gracious and merciful.
- ⁵He provides food for those who fear him; he is ever mindful of his covenant.
- ⁶He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the heritage of the nations.
- ⁷The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy.
- ⁸They are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.
- ⁹He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name.
- ¹⁰The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 1:21-28

- ²¹They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came,
he entered the synagogue and taught.
- ²²They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them
as one having authority, and not as the scribes.
- ²³Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit,
²⁴and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?
Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God."
- ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!"
- ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and
crying with a loud voice, came out of him.
- ²⁷They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another,
"What is this? A new teaching—with authority!
He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him."
- ²⁸At once his fame began to spread
throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

SERMON

“On Being Amazed”

MUSICAL OFFERING

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Tom Trenney (pub. 2020)

RESPONDING IN FAITH

Fifth Sunday Hunger Offering

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.**

RESPONDING IN FAITH

Join us as we welcome our new members: Anna Lawrence Barringer,
Lauren and Neil Buckley, Chauncey Depew, Susan and Rob Hamilton,
Lauren and Taylor MacBain, Emily and Greg Mader, Alana and Eric Nanz,
Abbey Pope, Grady Smith, Meredith and Will Smith, and Melissa Tulis.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(from the Presbyterian Church Study Catechism)

One: What does it mean to say that Jesus Christ is the image of God?

**All: Despite our turning from God, God did not turn from us,
but instead sent Jesus Christ in the fullness of time to restore our
broken humanity. Jesus lived completely for God, by giving himself
completely for us, even to the point of dying for us. By living so
completely for others, he manifested what he was — the perfect image
of God. When by grace we are conformed to him through faith, our
humanity is renewed according to the divine image that we lost.**

This is our faith and our trust.

HYMN 796

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

POSTLUDE

Praise to the Lord

Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

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JOYS & CONCERNS

IN THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Margaret McLeod Bunn Moss – January 21, 2021

WMPC family members: son, David Moss
and granddaughter, Caroline Moss.

Charles “Charlie” Emmett Bell, Jr. – January 27, 2021

WMPC family member: wife, Mary Lou Bell;
son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Kathryn Bell
and grandchildren Elizabeth and Charles Bell;
daughter and son-in-law, Alison and James Hawse and
grandchildren Macon and James Hawse.

NEW PRESBYTERIAN

Wesley Thomas Roberts, born January 20,
child of Meredith and Andrew Roberts.

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Music included in today's service:

Adagio, variation no. IX from *Enigma Variations*, Sir Edward Elgar;
arr. Kenneth Jennings © 2009 MorningStar Music

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Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus 262



1 Since our great high priest, Christ Je - sus, bears the name a -
 2 Since we have a priest who suf - fered, know - ing weak - ness,
 3 Sac - ri - fice and suf - fering o - ver, now he sits at
 4 Love's ex - am - ple, hope's at - trac - tion, faith's be - gin - ning



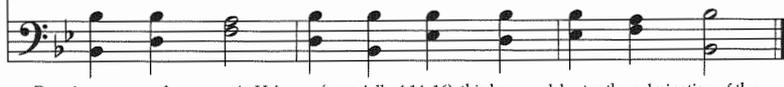
bove all names, reign - ing Son of God, sur - pass - ing
 tears, and pain, who, like us, was tried and tempt - ed,
 God's right hand, crowned with praise, no more an out - cast,
 and its end, pi - o - neer of our sal - va - tion,



oth - er ti - tles, powers, and claims; since to heaven our
 un - like us, with - out a stain; since he shared our
 his pre - em - i - nence long planned; such a great high
 might - y ad - vo - cate and friend: Je - sus, high in



Lord has passed, let us hold our wit - ness fast!
 low - ly place, let us bold - ly seek his grace.
 priest we have, strong to help, su - preme to save.
 glo - ry raised, our as - cend - ed Lord, be praised!



Drawing on several passages in Hebrews (especially 4:14–16), this hymn celebrates the culmination of the Incarnation in Christ's exaltation, a source of encouragement to all who trust in this "pioneer of our salvation" (Hebrews 2:10, 12:2) who continues to intercede for us.

We Come to You for Healing, Lord 796

1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of
 2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and
 3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through
 4 Through nights of pain and wake - ful - ness, through
 5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in

bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your
 reached toward those in pain, we know you come a -
 nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of
 days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of
 our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our

Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.
 mong us still with power to heal a - gain.
 faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
 pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.
 nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

Unlike many hymns on the theme of healing, this text appropriately includes the ministry of medical personnel as instruments of God's healing activity. It also acknowledges that illness is not limited to physical symptoms, but involves mental, emotional, and spiritual dimensions.

TEXT: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 2002

MUSIC: American folk melody; arr. Annabel Morris Buchanan, 1938

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LAND OF REST

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(alternate harmonization, 691)

What's happening this week at WMPC

MONDAY | FEBRUARY 1

Churchwide Bible Study

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. | [Zoom Registration Required](#)

Signs and Wonders: A Study in the Gospel of John

Led by WMPC pastors, this six week study will explore the seven signs of Jesus in the gospel of John. All are welcome. On February 1 we will focus on *Jesus Feeds the 5,000* (John 6:1-15)

TUESDAY | FEBRUARY 2

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

7:30 a.m. | Zoom | [Registration required](#)

Stewardship of Self:

Taking Care of Yourself in 2021

7:00-8:00 p.m. | Webinar

[Registration required](#)

The start of a new year often ushers in the desire to set goals and resolutions, but this year many of us feel we are operating with depleted energy and heightened stress. Come learn how to manage your expectations and care for yourself holistically in 2021. All are welcome to this Zoom Webinar led by Dr. Emily King and Dr. Robert Cooke.

WEDNESDAY | FEBRUARY 3

In the Kitchen with Macy

4:00 | Facebook Live

Join Macy as she makes her Egg Roll in a Bowl and Crockpot Sesame Chicken.

THURSDAY | FEBRUARY 4

Keenagers

10:00 a.m. | Zoom

If you are 55+, you are invited to hear a conversation with Father Paul of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church. Please contact Tonya Higgins at thiggins@whitememorial.org to receive Zoom link.

SAVE THE DATES

Honorary Life Membership Nomination

Presbyterian Women is now accepting nominations for Honorary Life Membership for 2021. This honor recognizes those who are active and faithful servants of God in our church and community. Prayerfully consider nominations for this honor. Applications can be found at www.whitememorial.org/pw. Send applications of recommendation to Marlene Batchelor at marlene.batchelor3@gmail.com. Nominations will be accepted through February 15, 2021.

Vacation Bible School is Back With All New Dates!

August 2-6, 2021

[Registration Now Open!](#)

Registration for children of members who turned 3 by August 31, 2020 through 5th graders is now open! Don't delay reserving your spot for an extraordinarily fun week of growing in faith together! Questions? Contact Lynn Springfield at lspringfield@whitememorial.org or Jennifer Eastman at jeastman@whitememorial.org. Early Bird Registration is \$20 and runs through March 31, 2021.

Caring for a Loved One with Dementia

Tuesday | February 16 | 7-8:30 p.m.

Zoom | [Registration Required](#)

Healing Through Grief - Winter 2021

Sundays | 3-4:30 p.m.

February 21, 28 and March 7, 14, 21

[Registration Now Open!](#)

Cancer Companions

Sundays | February 21-April 25

4:30-6:00 p.m.

Zoom | [Registration Open](#)

Registration for most events can be found on our website www.whitememorial.org/register