

WHITE MEMORIAL

— PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH —

February 7, 2021
5th Sunday after Epiphany / Lord's Supper
Live Streaming and In Person Worship with registration
8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Christopher Edmonston, Pastor
Gloria Johnson, Associate Pastor for Outreach
Cate Church Norman, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care
Kirsten Homdrom, Associate Director of Music
Karl Zinsmeister, Director of Music
Brian and Aimée White,
Peebee and Philip Scott; handbell ringers and hymn leaders

ORDER OF SERVICE

GREETING

PRELUDE

Fugue in A Major, BWV 536
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

(from Psalm 71)

In you Lord, we take our refuge: save us from sin and shame.

**Deliver us from the fate of evil, incline your ear to us
and secure us in salvation.**

Lord, you are a rock; a strong fortress of righteousness and good.

Let us worship and praise the God of our lives.

Let us sing for joy as we are called to the table of grace.

HYMN 300

We Are One in the Spirit

ACT OF CONFESSION

Why do we confess our sins?

Because according to scripture all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Why do we confess together?

Because we are a covenant people. We are a covenant community.

Let us join our voices, saying:

Merciful God, we confess our sin. Through the life of your Son, and the power of your Spirit, you have called us to love without boundaries. We confess that in spite of this call too many of our thoughts and actions are motivated by hatred, pride, and fear.

We call upon you to save us from these thoughts and actions.

By your Spirit renew our lives and infuse us with unconditional love: for You, for ourselves, and for our neighbors.

In the name of Jesus, hear our prayer.

Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(11:00) **Davis Coleman Leonard**, child of Cameron and Connor Leonard

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 40:21-31

²¹Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

²²It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in;

²³who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

²⁴Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble.

²⁵To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

²⁶Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these?

He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

²⁷Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the Lord, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

²⁸Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

²⁹He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.

³⁰Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted;

³¹but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 1:29-39

²⁹As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once.

³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons.

³³And the whole city was gathered around the door.

³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.

³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him.

³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you."

³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do."

³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

SERMON

"Subject, Object, and the Mission of Jesus"

MUSICAL OFFERING

Adoro te Devote

arr. Anne Krentz Organ (b. 1960)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

Bread and Cup

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION 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

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(from 1 John, Chapter 4)

**Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God;
everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.**

Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.

God's love was revealed among us in this way:

**God sent God's only Son into the world
so that we might live through him.**

**In this is love, not that we loved God
but that God loved us and sent God's Son
to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins.**

**Beloved, since God loved us so much,
we also ought to love one another.**

**No one has ever seen God; if we love one another,
God lives in us, and the love of God is perfected in us.**

HYMN 793

O Christ, the Healer

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

POSTLUDE

Nr. 1 (O Christ, the Healer) from Three Jazz Settings for Organ
Johannes Matthias Michel

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Music included in today's service:

Fugue in A Major, BWV 536; Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750);
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We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm) (Em)
Fm Cm Fm



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

(Am) (Em)
B^bm Fm



we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

(Am) (Em)
B^bm Fm



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

Refrain (C) (Em)
D^b Fm



And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our

(Am) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Am/E) (Em)
B^bm Fm B^bm Cm Fm B^bm/F Fm



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

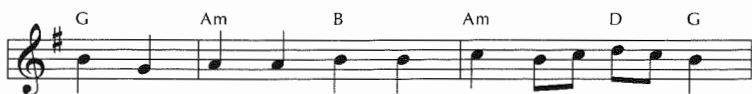
A parish priest at St. Brendan's on the South Side of Chicago in the 1960s was very involved in the local Civil Rights movement and needed something for his youth choir to sing at ecumenical, interracial events. Finding nothing, he wrote this song in a single day.

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O Christ, the Healer



1 O Christ, the heal - er, we have come to pray for
 2 From ev - ery ail - ment flesh en - dures our bod - ies
 3 How strong, O Lord, are our de - sires, how weak our
 4 In con - flicts that de - stroy our health we rec - og -
 5 Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your com -



health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to
 clam - or to be freed; yet in our hearts we
 knowl - edge of our - selves! Re - lease in us those
 nize the world's dis - ease; our com - mon life de -
 mu - ni - ty may find the whole - ness that, en -



be re - stored when reached by love that nev - er ends?
 would con - fess that whole - ness is our deep - est need.
 heal - ing truths un - con - scious pride re - sists or shelves.
 clares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?
 rich - ing us, shall reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This prayer for wholeness of body, mind, and spirit considers not only the infirmities of individuals but also those of localities, societies, and nations. In the midst of such widespread need, worshiping communities are called to continue Christ's healing work in the world.

What's happening this week at WMPC

MONDAY | FEBRUARY 8

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 8 we will focus on *Jesus Walks on Water* (John 6:16-35)

TUESDAY | FEBRUARY 9

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

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

WEDNESDAY | FEBRUARY 10

In the Kitchen with Macy

4:00 p.m. | Facebook Live

What could be better than a Blueberry Pancake Casserole? Join Macy as she shares this delicious recipe.

THURSDAY | FEBRUARY 11

Keenagers

10:00 a.m. | Zoom

Social Connection Time

Please contact Tonya Higgins at thiggins@whitememorial.org to receive Zoom link.

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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

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](#)

Return to Me:

Lenten Contemplative Retreat

Thursday | February 18

9:15 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Zoom | [Registration Required](#)

Join Associate Pastor Cate Church Norman and Pastoral Resident Anne Galliher for a virtual retreat as we begin the season of Lent. Inspired by Joel 2:12, this all-day retreat will be an opportunity to reflect on what it means to return to God. Contact Anne Galliher with any questions agalliher@whitememorial.org.

Healing Through Grief - Winter 2021

Sundays | February 21-March 21

3:00-4:30 p.m.

[Registration Now Open!](#)

Cancer Companions

Sundays | February 21-April 25

4:30-6:00 p.m.

Zoom | [Registration Open](#)

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