WHITE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



June 20, 2021
Fourth Sunday After Pentecost
Live Streaming and In Person Worship
8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Gloria Johnson, Associate Pastor for Outreach
Andrew Amodei, Executive Director
Judy Yates Siker, Parish Associate
Kirsten Homdrom, Associate Director of Music
Karl Zinsmeister, Director of Music
Summer Choir

ORDER OF SERVICE

GREETING

PRELUDE

Two Musical Prayers: CALM SEAS (T. Pavlechko) and AR HYD Y NOS (arr. J. Ferguson)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

(adapted from *Psalm 9*)

One: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

All: I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

One: I will be glad and exult in you;

All: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High. One: The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed,

All: a stronghold in times of trouble.

One: Those who know your name put their trust in you,

All: for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you. Let us worship God.

HYMN 612

We Praise You, O God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We tremble, Mighty God, before your awesome power to bring good from evil, new life from death, and peace from chaos. We have done things our own way, putting ourselves first without noticing the suffering around us. We only pay attention to that which affects us rather than seeing the injustices that others must endure. O God, we want to live more faithful lives, for our old behavior is contrary to your will and there is no peace inside us or around us. Help us, God, and show us a better way. Amen.



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you All: And also with you

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(8:30) **Jackson Brooks Stanley**, child of Blair and Jon Stanley (10:30) **Liam Sears Coe**, child of Pearce and Kenneth Coe

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 107:1-3; 23-32

¹O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

²Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble

³and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west,

from the north and from the south.

²³Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the mighty waters; ²⁴they saw the deeds of the Lord, his wondrous works in the deep.

²⁵For he commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea.

²⁶They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths; their courage melted away in their calamity;

²⁷they reeled and staggered like drunkards, and were at their wits' end.

²⁸Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out from their distress;

²⁹he made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.

³⁰Then they were glad because they had quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven.

³¹Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.

³²Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 4:35-41

³⁵On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side."

³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him.

³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped.

³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"

³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm.

⁴⁰He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

SERMON

"Interesting and Significant"

MUSICAL OFFERING

Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me arr. K. Lee Scott (b. 1950)

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

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(Declaration of Faith, 1977)

In concern for justice in the social order, God has never forgotten the needs of individuals. In the end the Lord will judge all persons by the simple, unremembered acts of kindness they did or failed to do for the least of their sisters and brothers.

We acknowledge God is at work here and now when people show personal concern for each other and work to make helping agencies, including the church itself, more compassionate.

We believe God sends us to risk our own peace and comfort in compassion for our neighbors. We are to give to them and receive from them, accepting everyone we meet as a person; to be sensitive to those who suffer in body or mind; to help and accept help in ways that affirm dignity and responsibility.

We must not limit our compassion to those we judge deserving, for we ourselves do not deserve the compassion of God.

HYMN 815

Give to the Winds Thy Fears

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

POSTLUDE

Sonata No. 88 in D-Flat Major P. Antonio Soler (1729-1783)

JOYS & CONCERNS

NEW PRESBYTERIANS

Decker Franklin Roach, born June 12, child of Caitlin and Davis Roach, grandchild of Stephanie and Gerald Roach.

Thomas Dorsett Levati, born June 14, Zürich, Switzerland, child of Elise and Marco Levati, grandchild of Wynn and Jim Dorsett, and great-grandchild of Anna Lee Dorsett.

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The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Carol Joyner Booth, by her Alpha Phi Sorority Sisters from East Carolina University and were used at her service of Witness to the Resurrection on June 18.

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Music included in today's service:

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We Praise You, O God 6



The author wrote this text when only nineteen years old in response to a request from the organist of the Brick Presbyterian Church in New York City, who wanted another Thanksgiving text to sing to this Dutch tune. He regarded the usual text (see no. 336) as too full of conflict.

TEXT: Julia C. Cory, 1902, alt. MUSIC: Neder-landtsch Gedenck-Clanck, 1626; harm. Eduard Kremser, 1877

815 Give to the Winds Thy Fears



This text uses selected stanzas from sixteen four-line English stanzas based on the original German text, which was twice as long. The German hymn was constructed as an acrostic on Martin Luther's translation of Psalm 37:5, and much of the spirit of that psalm is retained here.

What's happening this week at WMPC

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

(Memorial Day Weekend - Labor Day Weekend)

June 20 & 27 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. | Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. - Main Hall | OnPoint @1704

Sunday, July 4
Combined Sanctuary and OnPoint@1704
Holiday Worship Services
8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. | Sanctuary

MONDAY | JUNE 21

T'ai Chi for Exercise

5:30 p.m. | Pickard Hall

T'ai Chi is a gentle art that is physically rewarding and mentally stimulating and brings a feeling of well-being, as well as relaxation, improved balance and coordination. Classes are on Mondays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in Pickard Hall. Classes will run every Monday (except July 5, August 2, and August 16) through the summer. Social distancing will be observed. For more information, contact Honey Music at honeyimusic@gmail.com.

TUESDAY | JUNE 22

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study 7:30 a.m. | Zoom Registration required

Young Adults Summer Study Lies My Preacher Told Me 7:00 p.m. | Zoom

Meaning as Millennials and 20s@WMPC are teaming up and spending the summer discussing the book *Lies My Preacher Told Me* by Brent Strawn. Reading along is encouraged, but not required to participate in the conversation. Whether you have been to one of these groups before, or you are joining for the first time, you are welcome and invited! We meet Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom for fellowship and engaging conversation. Stay tuned for other in-person social opportunities! If you have any questions or want to learn more, please contact Pastoral Resident Anne Galliher at agalliher@whitememorial.org.

Snacks for VBS Children and Helpers

Our Vacation Bible School children, youth, and adults appreciate having their bodies and spirits fed with snacks during our fun

week of growing in faith! This summer instead of providing homemade goodies or fresh fruit, we will be providing purchased, individually packaged treats in adherence to safety protocols. We invite our church family to join in by purchasing items from our snack menu and delivering them the week before VBS. If you would like to help in this way, please sign up here. Information about dropping off the snacks is given on the sign-up. Please contact Betsy Green at bggreenjd@gmail.com if you have questions.

VBS Youth Helpers

Middle and high school youth, join us August 2-6 for a fun week of growing in faith with our younger church while earning community service hours! Most youth helpers are needed from 9:15 a.m. to noon, with some needed at 8:30 a.m. for early arrival and for the nursery. Please contact Ashley Silverman at silverman.ashley@gmail.com.

The Weekday School is Hiring!

We are looking for lead and assistant teachers to work between two and five mornings each week during the 2021-2022 school year. If you love children and want to work in a fun, exciting community, please contact Cynthia Baggett at cbaggett@whitememorial.org.

Major Mission 2021: TLC (Tammy Lynn Center)

We are excited to be supporting TLC through our Major Mission program for 2021. Over the course of the next few months, you'll be hearing more about TLC and their goals for the future. Our goal is to raise \$100,000 for TLC. Please support this year's Major Mission. Your generosity can help families right here in our neighborhood! Gifts can be made online or by check.

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