

# WHITE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY  
AFTER PENTECOST

September 19, 2021  
8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

*\* Please rise in body or spirit.*

### Greeting

*One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.*

**All: And also with you.**

*One: Let us prepare for worship.*

Karl Zinsmeister

### Preparation for Worship

*O God, author and giver of all good things, plant in our hearts the love of your name. Increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and bring forth in us the fruit of good works, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen*

### Prelude - Hymn Medley

Anita Burroughs-Price

### Christian Welcome and Announcements

Please pass the Friendship Register to your neighbor and include all requested information.

Cate Church Norman

### Call to Worship

adapted from Psalm 1

*One: Let us take delight and goodness from the law of the Lord. Let us dedicate ourselves to the practice of God's love and the proclamation of God's grace.*

**All: Let us live like trees planted by streams of waters – bearing fruit of ministry to share with those around us.**

*One: As we celebrate 75 years of ministry and we dedicate new and renovated facilities, let us worship God. Let us pray:*

**All: O God, foundation and fountain of life, fill us with love for your wisdom and love for your mission. Help us share our gifts of ministry, first with one another and then, to the ends of the earth, in the name of Christ. Amen.**

### \*Hymn 409 - God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH

### \*Call to Confession

### \*Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with full hearts. We have not loved neighbors as ourselves. We have not done enough justice, loved enough kindness, or walked with humility. On this day of dedication and celebration help us to both give thanks for the 75 years of ministry in our church and to hope for a future where we continue to teach your word, help our neighbors, and care for one another. Hear our prayer of confession as we call upon the name of Jesus, that he might be the core of our mission and our reason for praise. Amen.**

### \*Assurance of Pardon

### \*Passing of the Peace

*One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

**All: And also with you.**

WORSHIP | EMBRACE | SERVE

*in the manner of Christ*

**Response Hymn 591 - Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!**

HALLE, HALLE

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu-jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

**WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

**Sacrament of Baptism**

(9:30) **Harper Dare Long**, child of Jessica and Zac Long

**Old Testament Lesson** - Psalm 1; pew Bible, p. 463

(11:00) **Anthem - Surely the Lord Is In This Place**

Norman Coke-Jephcott

WMPC Adult Choir

*Surely the Lord is in this place;  
This is none other but the house of God,  
And this is the gate of heaven.  
And this stone shall be God's house.*

*Behold now, praise the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord.  
Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and praise the Lord.*

*Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting and world without end;  
And let all the people say, Amen, Alleluia, Amen.*

*This anthem was published in 1946, the year WMPC was formed.*

**New Testament Lesson** - Mark 9:30-37; pew Bible, p. 42

*One: The word of God for the people of God.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

(11:00) **A Time With Young Disciples**

**Sermon** - "Understanding Mission: A 75th Anniversary Reflection"

Christopher Edmonston

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

\***Hymn 321 - The Church's One Foundation**

AURELIA

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

Gloria Johnson

**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.**

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Musical Offering**

(8:00) *Allegro* from *Concerto in B-flat, Op. 4, No. 6*

G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

Anita Burroughs-Price, harp

(9:30 & 11:00) *Locus iste*

Anton Buckner (1824-1896)

WMPC Adult Choir

Sung in Latin; English translation:  
*This place was made by God,  
a priceless sacrament;  
it is without reproach.*

**\*Offertory Response Hymn 607 (Doxology)**

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

(8:00 and 9:30)\* **Affirmation of Faith and Litany of Dedication**

*One: Today we affirm:*

**All: We believe that God is the maker of heaven and earth.  
We believe that Jesus Christ is the savior of the world.  
We believe that the Holy Spirit grants the gifts of faith  
and preserves the work and witness of the church in the world.**

*One: Today we give thanks:*

**All: ... to God for 75 years of ministry here in Raleigh. We give thanks for our founders and the members who have upheld our church across the decades. We thank God for pastors, music staff, educators, and program and support staff who have served your people at White Memorial. We thank God for the legacy upon which we stand and for the foundation upon which we have been built.**

*One: Today we dedicate:*

**All: ... our faith and works to God over the years to come. We remember our commitment to worship, embrace, and serve. We dedicate ourselves to service for others in the name of Jesus Christ. We dedicate ourselves to care for one another. We dedicate our spaces – those renovated and those newly made – to the Glory of God.**

*One: With believers in every time and place:*

**All: Let us thank our living God for the mercy of Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit. In thanksgiving, let us celebrate what has been even as we pray that our Lord would call us to new ministries of sharing, caring, and learning each and every day. Amen.**

### WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

(8:00 and 9:30)\* **Hymn 404 - *What Is This Place***

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**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Chiming of the Trinity**

The worship service ends with the Chiming of the Trinity.  
Please be mindful of those who remain to listen to the postlude.

(8:00 & 9:30) **Postlude - *CRUCIFER***

Matthews

Anita Burroughs-Price, harp

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**The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God  
and in celebration of White Memorial's 75th Anniversary.**

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1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to  
 2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our  
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the  
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an

of - fer praise and prayer, may we find in  
 life - long need of grace; here are ta - ble,  
 Shep - herd's flock and fold; here as bread and  
 age of change and doubt keep us faith - ful

full - er mea - sure what it is in Christ we share.  
 font, and pul - pit; here the cross has cen - tral place.  
 wine are tak - en, Christ sus - tains us as of old.  
 to the gos - pel; help us work your pur - pose out.

Commissioned for the dedication of a renovated worship space in Austin, Texas, this text is one of the few to devote attention to how customary church features facilitate worship. The tune was composed in wartime Britain to replace a Haydn tune tainted by Nazi associations.

Here, as in the world a - round us, all our  
 Here in hon - es - ty of preach - ing, here in  
 Here the ser - vants of the Ser - vant seek in  
 Here, in this day's ded - i - ca - tion, all we

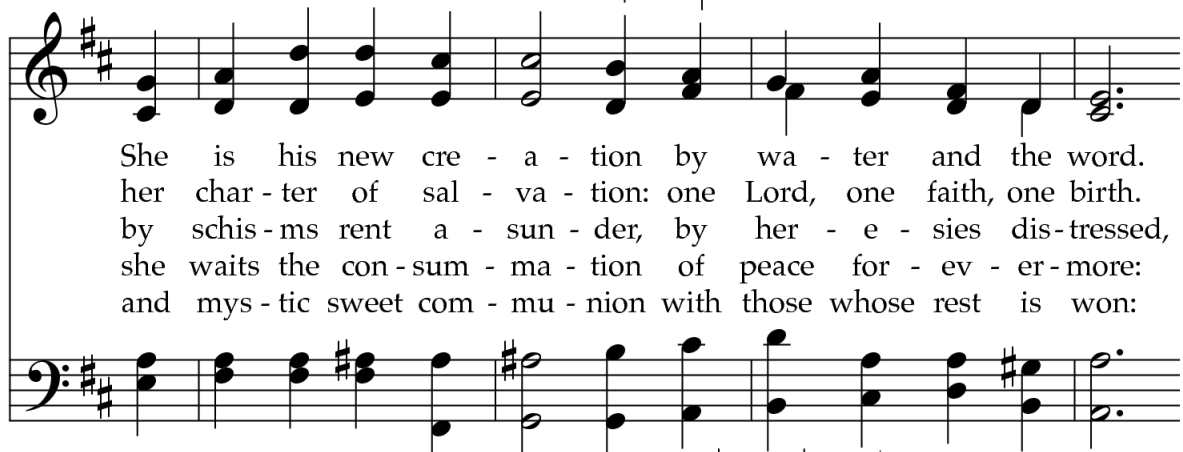
var - ied skills and arts wait the com - ing  
 si - lence, as in speech, here, in new - ness  
 wor - ship to ex - plore what it means in  
 have to give, re - ceive: we, who can - not

of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.  
 and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.  
 dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.  
 live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

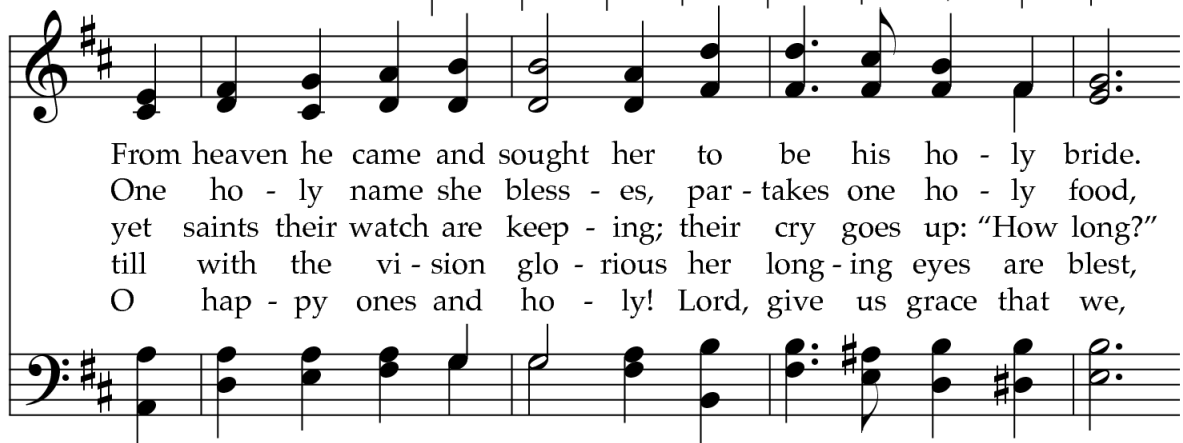
# The Church's One Foundation 321



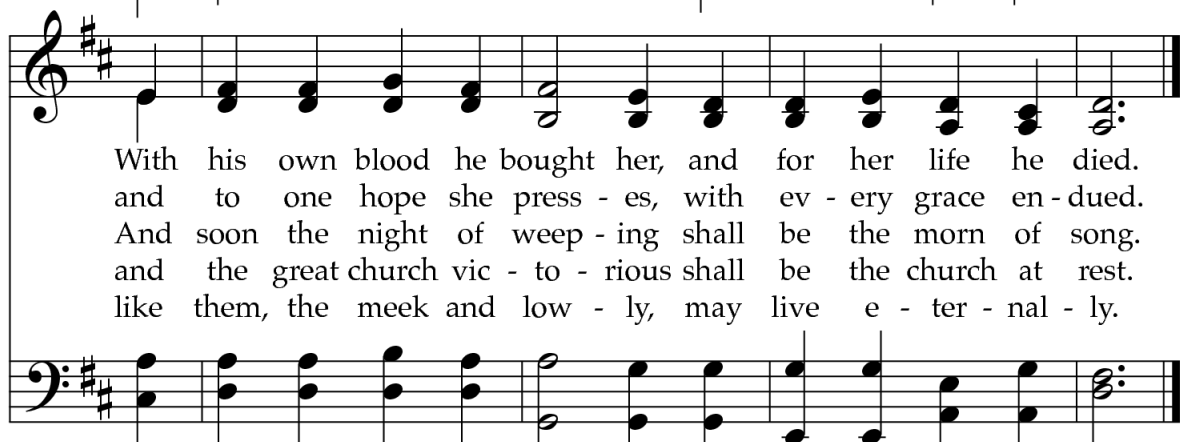
1 The chur - ch's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord.  
 2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
 3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der this world sees her op - pressed,  
 4 Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war,  
 5 Yet she on earth has un - ion with God, the Three in One,



She is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word.  
 her char - ter of sal - va - tion: one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
 by schis - ms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed,  
 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for - ev - er - more:  
 and mys - tic sweet com - mu - nion with those whose rest is won:



From heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride.  
 One ho - ly name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
 yet saints their watch are keep - ing; their cry goes up: "How long?"  
 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blest,  
 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we,



With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.  
 And soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song.  
 and the great church vic - to - rious shall be the church at rest.  
 like them, the meek and low - ly, may live e - ter - nal - ly.

This hymn was one of twelve written by an English curate to affirm the articles of the Apostles' Creed with biblical allusions such as 1 Corinthians 3:11 here. Though not created for this text, the tune was joined to it in 1868, and the two have been inseparable ever since.



## What Is This Place

1 What is this place, where we are meet-ing? On - ly a house, the  
 2 Words from a - far, stars that are fall - ing. Sparks that are sown in  
 3 And we ac - cept bread at his ta - ble, bro - ken and shared, a

earth its floor. Walls and a roof, shel - ter - ing peo - ple, win-dows for  
 us like seed: names for our God, dreams, signs, and won-ders sent from the  
 liv - ing sign. Here in this world, dy - ing and liv - ing, we are each

light, an o - pen door. Yet it be - comes a bod - y that  
 past are what we need. We in this place re - mem - ber and  
 oth - er's bread and wine. This is the place where we can re -

lives when we are gath - ered here, and know our God is near.  
 speak a - gain what we have heard: God's free re - deem - ing word.  
 ceive what we need to in - crease: God's jus - tice and God's peace.

This text by a 20th-century Jesuit beautifully captures the fundamental truth that "church" is not primarily the building but the people who come together in order to be nourished by Word and Table so that they may show forth Christ's redeeming presence in the world.

## Guide My Feet

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1 Guide my feet while I run this race;

(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race;

(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race, for I

don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 2 Hold my hand ...   | 5 Search my heart ... |
| 3 Stand by me ...    | 6 Guide my feet ...   |
| 4 I'm your child ... |                       |

This African American spiritual is based on the imagery of "the race that is set before us" in Hebrews 12:1-2. Its call-and-response structure allows for the improvisation and addition of stanzas related to an athletic metaphor that is as vivid today as it was centuries ago.



## WELCOME TO WHITE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

We are glad you are worshipping with us. Visiting? Stop by the Welcome Table in Jane Bell Gathering Space for information, directions and a friendly greeting. New members are received after attending *Believing & Belonging @WMPC* Class. Visit [whitememorial.org/join](http://whitememorial.org/join) or contact Elizabeth Viohl at ext. 206 for details, class dates and registration.

### THINGS TO KNOW:

- **Restrooms** are located on the hallway to Jane Bell Gathering Space on the Pulpit side and also on the first floor of the Luther Building.
- **Childcare** is available for children up to four years old.
- **Sunday School** is offered at 9:30 for all ages.
- **Refreshments** Coffee stations are located in The Connector and Main Hall
- **The sanctuary** has a loop hearing aid system and an FM system.
- **Live-streamed services** are at [whitememorial.org](http://whitememorial.org).
- **Radio**, WPTF 680 AM, every other Sunday at 11:00 a.m.: next broadcast is today September 19.
- **Bulletins** left in the sanctuary following worship services are recycled as part of our care for God's creation.



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

### PASTORAL & PROGRAM STAFF:

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AFTER HOURS PASTOR ON CALL: 919-605-4593

Each Sunday, we offer four opportunities for you to worship with us at White Memorial (8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary and 11:00 a.m. OnPoint@1704 Edinburgh - Main Hall). While you will notice differences in music, location and worship leadership among our different services, what unites us in our worship is our scripture, liturgy and sermon. All services use the same Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession, readings from Scripture and Affirmation of Faith.

## JOYS & CONCERNS

### IN THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

**Barbara Blackwell Coyner** – February 10, 2021

**Alice Lorenzen Eades** – September 13, 2021

### PRAYERS AND CHRISTIAN CONCERNS TO

**Susie and Russ Stephenson**, on the death of Susie's father, Admiral Buddy Yates, September 13, Virginia Beach, VA.

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

### SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 19

*Colossians 3:12-17; 1 Peter 2:1-5*

**WMPC 75th Anniversary Celebration & Dedication of the Edinburgh Building after 11:00 a.m. worship**

### Cancer Companions

**4:30-6:00 p.m. | Zoom | [Registration required.](#)**

### MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 20

*Psalms 106:40-48; Jeremiah 9:12-26; Acts 4:1-12*

### Pickleball at WMPC!

**2-4:00 p.m. | Pickard Hall**

Whether you're new to the game or an experienced player, come join the fun!

### TUESDAY | SEPTEMBER 21

*Psalms 106:40-48; Jeremiah 10:1-16; 1 Corinthians 9:19-23)*

### Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

**Breakfast Line | 7:00 a.m. | Main Hall**

**Bible Study | 7:30 a.m. | In-person or Zoom**  
[Registration required.](#)

### WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 22

*Psalms 106:40-48; Jeremiah 10:17-25; Luke 20:45-21:4)*

### Wednesdays Together Dinner

**5-6:30 p.m. | Main Hall-Edinburgh Building**  
Join us for a wonderful meal and fellowship with our WMPC family. Pork chop with peachy mustard sauce, chili cheese grits, and green peas is on the menu this week. [Reservations required.](#)

### Pickleball at WMPC!

**6-8:00p.m. | Pickard Hall**

Why not pick up a game (or watch) after Wednesdays Together Dinner?

### THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 23

*Psalms 91:1-6, 14-16; Jeremiah 23:9-22; 2 Corinthians 8:8-15*

### Keenagers

**10:45 a.m. | Geneva Hall & Zoom**

This week Kathy Hart will discuss hymns of racial justice. For Zoom link, please contact Leigh Ann Dailey at [ldailey@whitememorial.org](mailto:ldailey@whitememorial.org).

### Senior Health Insurance Information Plan Webinar

**1-2 p.m. | Geneva Hall**

Health Ministry is pleased to offer this presentation on Medicare 101. When you enroll in Medicare, you have some choices to make, and this can be puzzling. SHIIP can help you get started understanding parts A, B, D, Medicare supplement or Advantage plans, and annual open enrollment dates for making changes to your plans. This information will help you navigate what can be a confusing process. Contact Jean Williams, Parish Nurse with questions. [Registration required.](#)

### FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 24

*Psalms 91:1-6, 14-16; Jeremiah 23:23-32; Ephesians 2:1-10)*

### SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 25

*Psalms 91:1-6, 14-16; Jeremiah 24:1-10; Luke 9:43b-48*

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### SAVE THE DATE

#### Sounds on Oberlin Concert

**Sunday | September 26**

**3:00 p.m. | Sanctuary and Live Stream**

Please join us as Sounds on Oberlin presents Winterreise by Franz Schubert with Adrian Smith, baritone and Kirsten Homdrom, piano. The concert is free, though donations are most welcome to support the series.

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### Major Mission 2021: TLC (Tammy Lynn Center)

We are excited to be supporting TLC through our Major Mission program for 2021. Your generosity can help families right here in our neighborhood! Gifts may be made online or by check.

### Churchwide Collection for September

In September, we will collect socks and underwear for men, women and children. Please place items in the red bins outside of the Witherspoon building.

REGISTRATION FOR MOST EVENTS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE: [WHITEMEMORIAL.ORG/REGISTER](http://WHITEMEMORIAL.ORG/REGISTER)