



The Service for the Lord's Day Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

> January 30, 2022 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Greeting Karl Zinsmeister

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

All: And also with you.

One: Let us prepare for worship.

Preparation for Worship

God of compassion, you have shown us in Christ that your love is never-ending. Enable us to love you with all our hearts and to love one another as Christ loved us. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Prelude – *O Waly, Waly* (Hymn 847)

arr. Emma Lou Diemer (b. 1927)

Christian Welcome and Announcements

Jim Ferry

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

Call to Worship (adapted from Psalm 71)

One: Let us take refuge in the Lord. For God is a God of peace and safety.

All: May God incline the ear to us. May God hear our prayers.

One: God is a rock, a strong fortress. The Lord protects us from evil and shame.

All: We have relied upon God since our births. Let us continually praise the Lord.

One: With the songs of our hearts and the prayers of our lives, let us worship and praise the Lord this day.

*Hymn 691 – Lord, When I Came into This Life

LAND OF REST

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God, help us because we need it. We know how badly we need your life-giving guidance, and yet we turn our backs to you. Often we feel empty because despair lurks all around us. We are beaten down by news about violence on the streets, about viruses run amok, and about conflict in every arena of life. Forgive us when we have lost hope. Remind us that you are ready to fill our jars. Be near us so that we might remember the great blessings you have given in the past. Help us to focus upon Jesus, who is both Lord of provision and new possibilities. In the name of Christ, hear our prayer this day. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

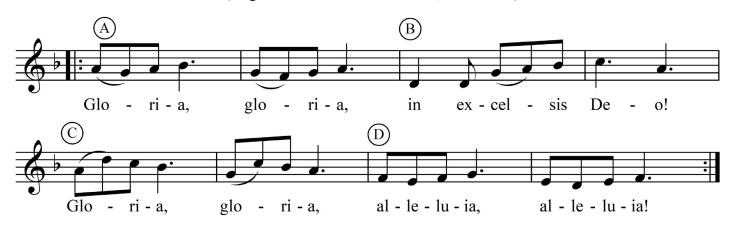
*Passing of the Peace

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

All: And also with you.

*Response Hymn 583 – GLORIA (Taizé)

(sing in unison and then in canon, as directed)



WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Lesson – Jeremiah 1:4-10; pew Bible, p. 656

New Testament Lesson – John 2:1-11; pew Bible, p. 87

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

All: Thanks be to God.

(11:00) A Time With Young Disciples

At the 11:00 service, Kindergartners through 2nd Graders will meet with Izzy Liebowitz at the door near the baptismal font, to be joined by Kathleen Liebowitz from the OnPoint service for Worship Enrichment in L201.

Sermon – "Fill the Jars"

Christopher Edmonston

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn 31 – Let Us with a Gladsome Mind

MONKLAND

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

Fifth Sunday Hunger Offering

Musical Offering (8:00) Nazareth

Charles Gounod (1818-1893)

Jared Smith, baritone

Though poor be the chamber, come here, come and adore:
Lo! The Lord of heaven hath to mortals given life forevermore!
Shepherds, whose flocks were folded beside you,
Tell what was told by angel voices near,
"To you this night is born he who will guide you,
Through paths of peace, to living waters clear."
Kings from a far land, draw near and behold him,
Led by the beam whose warning bade ye come;
Your crowns cast down, with robe royal enfold him,
Your king descends to earth from brighter home.

Wind to the cedars proclaim the joyful story;
Wave of the sea, the tidings bear afar:
The night is gone! Behold, in all its glory,
All broad and bright rises the eternal morning star.

(9:30 & 11:00) Prayer of St. Paul

Charles Callahan (b. 1951)

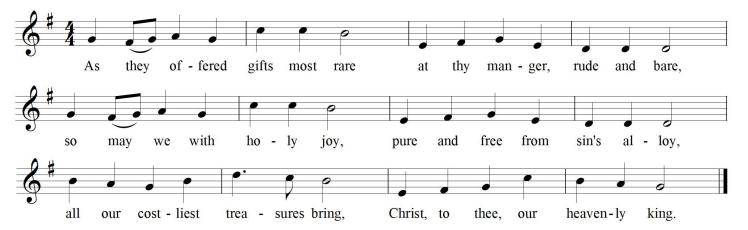
WMPC Adult Choir

I pray that God, who gives peace, will make you completely holy.

And may your spirit, soul, and body be kept healthy
and faultless until our Lord Jesus Christ returns. Amen. (1 Thessalonians 5:23)

*Offertory Response Hymn 150 stanza 3 (All singing)

DIX



*Affirmation of Faith

(adapted from Philippians 2)

God has called us to do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than ourselves. God has called us to look not to our own interests, but to the interests of others. We desire to share in the same mind that was in Christ Jesus: who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave in human likeness. Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death on a cross. God highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn 808 – When Memory Fades

FINLANDIA

*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.

Postlude – *Serenade/Toccata* (excerpt)

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WELCOME TO WHITE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)

We are glad you are worshiping with us. Visiting? Deacons can be found in the Narthex to offer a friendly greeting, answer questions and provide directions. New members are received after attending Believing & Belonging @WMPC Class. Visit 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.
- Radio, WPTF 680 AM, every other Sunday at 11:00 a.m.: next broadcast is February 6.
- **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.

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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

Mary Lou Macon Bell – January 23, 2022 WMPC family members, daughter and son-in-law, Alison and James Hawse and grandchildren, Macon and James Hawse.

Susan Carrington Kilgore Wiley – January 24, 2022

WEDDING

Henry Matthews Kidd, Jr. and Samara Knuckley, January 22, the Holy Name of Jesus Cathedral, Raleigh, NC. Matt is the son of Amanda and Henry Kidd.

PRAYERS AND CHRISTIAN CONCERNS TO

Lori, Eliza and Sarah Bourne, on the death of Lori's father, Paul Edward Lloyd, January 14, Charlotte, NC.

Bob and Carol Gates, and Cheryl, Mark and Emily Logan, on the death of Bob's sister, Lena Mae Larson, January 18, Carl Junction, MO.

Elizabeth and David Samuels, and Ashley, Will, Libby Hunt and Wyatt Taylor, on the death of Elizabeth's mother, JoAnn Hobbs Long, January 20, Hampstead, NC.

Gwinn Moss, on the death of her stepfather, George S. Gibbs, January 23, Louisville, KY.

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The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Cheryl Wood McLean, by her husband Torrey McLean and daughter, Meredith Roberts. The service of Witness to the Resurrection will be at 2:00 p.m. this afternoon.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY | JANUARY 30

Mark 1:21-28; Psalm 111

MONDAY | JANUARY 31

Psalm 9; Genesis 19:1-29; Hebrew 11:1-12; John 6:27-40

Pickleball at WMPC!

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

TUESDAY | FEBRUARY 1

Psalm 7; Genesis 21:1-21; Hebrew 11:13-22; John 6:41-51

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.

Women's Breakfast & Fellowship

7:00-8:00 am. | The Hub

Women of all ages are invited to come for a hot breakfast, fellowship, study and prayer. This group studies the PW Bible lesson once a month and on other weeks they study a variety of topics. Hosted by Circle M.

End of Life Planning: A gift to your loved ones

12:30-1:30 | Zoom

It is difficult to talk about end-of-life issues and yet simply talking about these in a community with experts can provide significant peace of mind. Jim Ferry will share how White Memorial handles funerals and Witness to the Resurrection services. Register online.

WEDNESDAY | FEBRUARY 2

Psalm 134; Genesis 22:1-18; Hebrew 11:23-31; John 6:52-59

Lectio Divina & Centering Prayer

11:00 a.m. - noon | Zoom

We'll begin with Lectio Divina, followed by Centering Prayer. You are welcome to come for one or stay for both. Register to receive your Zoom link.

Wednesdays Together Dinner

5:00-6:30 p.m. | Main Hall-Edinburgh

Make your reservations by 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 30. Registration required.

Pickleball at WMPC!

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

THURSDAY | FEBRUARY 3

Psalm 130; Genesis 23:1-20; Hebrew 11:32-12:2; John 6:60-71

Keenagers

10:00-11:00 a.m. | Via Zoom

Larry Diener will talk about Community Gardens. Contact Leigh Ann Dailey at ldailey@whitememorial.org for Zoom link.

FRIDAY | FEBRUARY 4

Psalm 40; Genesis 24:1-27; Hebrew.. 12:3-11; John 7:1-13

SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 5

Psalm 90; Genesis 24:28-38, 49-51; Hebrew 12:12-29: John 7:14-36

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SAVE THE DATES

Cancer Companions

Sunday | February 6 - April 3 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. | Zoom Register online.

Lenten Contemplative Retreat

Thursday | February 24 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Zoom

Join us for an all-day virtual retreat as we seek to get ready for the season of Lent. This year's theme: The Fruitful Darkness. Register online.

Healing Through Grief

Sundays | February 27 - March 27 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. | Zoom

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Lord, When I Came into This Life 691



Written for the confirmation of the author's son, this text of self-dedication also voices our recurring individual need to recommit ourselves in less formal ways. The familiar shape note tune enhances a sense of finding our place among God's people from all times and places.

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LAND OF REST

Let Us with a Gladsome Mind 31



These few stanzas are among the least florid of the two dozen that make up the rather flamboyant paraphrase of Psalm 136 written by the fifteen-year-old who would become one of the greatest English poets. It is set here to a sprightly tune with Moravian connections.

When Memory Fades



Especially in developed countries, people are living longer than in earlier eras, yet many abilities do not endure through these added years. This text affirms that although our human memories fade and our human arms weaken, the memory and arms of God uphold us everlastingly.

