

WHITE MEMORIAL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

AUGUST 20, 2017
8:15 & 11:00 A.M.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

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

Almighty and ever-living God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Gathering Hymns 306, 695, 311

Christian Welcome and Announcements

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

Chip Pope

Minute for Mission: Imagine Campaign

Katherine Gilliland

Call to Worship

One: How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity!

All: It is precious. Like a blessing from the Lord which overflows time and time again.

One: Let's worship the Lord today as we give thanks for the grace of Christ and the gift of love.

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

AURELIA

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

God of grace, please forgive our pride. We would rather be served by others than to serve others. We like to take credit even when you are the author of our fortunes. Grant us your mercy that we might see that you are the source of all good in our lives, and that our primary desire should be to follow as you lead and serve as you serve. These things we pray in the name of Jesus, our Christ. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

*Response Hymn 311 - stanza 1

TOKYO

**Here, O Lord, your servants gather, hand we link with hand;
looking toward our Savior's cross, joined in love we stand.**

As we seek the realm of God, we unite to pray:

Jesus, Savior, guide our steps, for you are the Way.

There is a meeting of the congregation following the 8:15 a.m. worship service on August 27 to formally end the pastoral relationship with Lisa Hebacker.



“Circle” Linoleum block print by Elizabeth Steele Halstead.

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The circle, having no beginning or end, symbolizes God's eternal being and helps us recognize our human limitations in understanding the divine.

Pride is among the trickiest of all human experiences. We should be proud of the good blessings in our lives and we should take pains to preserve them. But too much pride, which can lead us to think that we alone are responsible for those blessings, can become a devilish trap. How has pride either helped your life or hurt it?

Our two readings from the Hebrew scriptures are about brothers. Listen for the story about brothers in the New Testament lesson from Mark as well.

Psalm 133 is the shortest psalm at just three verses. It uses vivid imagery for the blessings that God has promised. This setting is a form of simplified Anglican Chant and can be found in the book *Psalms for All Seasons*.

James and John, brothers and accomplices, are sometimes called the “sons of thunder” in the New Testament. Do you have any guess to why this is the case?

Hymn 404 has a modern hymn text which seeks to describe the life of the church in all its diversity and complexity. Be sure to see the note at the bottom of the page in the Glory to God hymnal.

Our affirmation is taken from the Confession of 1967. It is one of the petitions about who and what we believe the church to be.

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

(11:00) Sacrament of Baptism

Evan McDonough Dunleavy, child of Jennifer and John Dunleavy
Sterling Gilliam Thomas Jr., child of Leila and Sterling Thomas

Old Testament Lesson - Genesis 45:1-3

pew Bible, p. 40

Psalm 133

How good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity! It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard, upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his robe. It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion. For there the Lord has commanded the blessing: life forevermore. Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

New Testament Lesson - Mark 10:35-45

pew Bible, p. 44

(11:00) A Time with the Younger Church

Children through fifth grade are invited to come forward.
Following our time together, all children will return to their pews for the rest of the worship service.

Sermon - *Why the Church Matters: True Greatness, Defined*

Christopher Edmonston

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Hymn 404 - *What Is This Place*

KOMT NU MET ZANG

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Gary Fulton

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

Offertory - *Berceuse*

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

***Offertory Response Hymn 369** - stanza 1

O QUANTA QUALIA

**Blessing and honor and glory and power,
wisdom and riches and strength evermore,
be to the Lamb who our battle has won,
whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne.**

***Affirmation of Faith**

from *Confession of 1967*

We believe that God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation. The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in which we are reconciled to God and to one another. The Spirit enables us to receive forgiveness as we forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of God as we make peace among ourselves. We believe that in spite of our sin, the Holy Spirit gives us power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and to proclaim the good news of reconciliation to all.

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

***Hymn 536** - *Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen*

SURGE ECCLESIA

stanzas 1 and 2: all; stanza 3: choir; stanza 4: all

***Charge and Benediction**

**ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND.*

***Congregational Response Hymn 295 - verse 1**

SINE NOMINE

Go to the world! Go into all the earth.

**Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,
baptizing as the sign of our rebirth.**

Alleluia. Alleluia.

***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 - Hornpipe in D**

John S. Dixon (b. 1957)

Greeters: 9:30 - Meg Ellis, Carol Holt, Dana Hunt, Sid Hunt, Susie Jackson, Senior High Class; 11:00 - Beth Lambert, Phil Lambert, Tiffany Lund.

Ushers: 8:15 - Cheryl McLean, chair, Bill Turner, Linda Turner, Ann White, James White, Mary Ward Boerner; 9:30 - Kendra Allen, Robert Alphin, Michael Anderson; 11:00 - Kendra Allen, chair, Alexander Baah, Jackie Baah, Bill Barnett, Sr., Brandon Baron, Paul Baron.

Service Assistants: 8:15 - Livia Colvin; 11:00 - Collier Lilly.

Treasurer's Assistants: Julie Hardesty, Burke Koonce.

Shuttle Driver: Morgan Grimes.

Widowers of White Memorial

There has been some interest in forming a group of men who are widowers at WMPC. If you are interested, please contact Sarah Clapp at 919-834-3425, ext. 210. There are plans for the group to meet for dinner at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 13, in Geneva Hall.

Flu Shots Coming Soon

Flu shots will be given by Hayes Barton Pharmacy on Thursday, September 14, from 9:00 a.m.-noon in C200. The 9:00-10:30 a.m. time slots are reserved for Keenagers, and 10:30 a.m.-noon is open for all church members and staff. You must be at least 14 years old to receive a flu shot at WMPC. Please bring your insurance card. Reservations are encouraged but not required. Visit whitememorial.org/register to RSVP.

Seeing God in Your Cancer Journey

This class will use Cancer Companions devotionals, videos and Bible lessons to explore how we can draw closer to God as we go through difficult times. We will meet Sundays, September 17 - November 12, from 4:30-6:00 p.m. in C203.

Stephen Ministry

Is God calling you to serve in a new way? Might you be hearing a call to use your journey to help others? Whether you have walked in these steps yourself, have cared for a loved one or have been given a heart for serving those going through a difficult time we invite you to learn more about Stephen Ministry at White Memorial. For details about becoming a Stephen Minister, join us for our next Open House picnic at 6:00 p.m. on October 2. To help us prepare for you, make reservations at whitememorial.org/register today.

Let's Do Lunch

WMPC has partnered with Raleigh Rescue Mission to provide 70 sack lunches once a month for their 2016 "Sunday Sack Lunches" program. Our next event will be Saturday, September 2, from 10:00-11:00 in Geneva Hall. All we need are willing hands to make and pack the lunches. Everything will be provided. This is a wonderful project for a group, family or individuals. Contact Tyler Craft at tycraft@gmail.com to sign up.

Praying for Our Youth

Prayer is central to our lives as faithful disciples. In the upcoming year, we encourage members of all ages to consider being a Confirmation Prayer Partner. Our eighth graders participate in a year-long Confirmation class, and each youth is paired with a prayer partner who holds them and his or her family in personal prayer during that time. Prayer partners will receive updates from their assigned confirmand. To become a prayer partner or for details, contact Deb Smith at 919-834-3425, ext. 217, or dsmith@whitememorial.org.



Another phase in the renovation of Davidson Chapel has been completed: new liturgical furniture designed and fabricated by Erich Thompson has been installed. Please visit the chapel to see this worship space in person.



Make a joyful noise unto God!
There's a place for you among the music ministry of WMPC: speak to Karl, Kirsten or Rich to find the right opportunity for you, your interests and your gifts. *Let your light shine!*

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

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 a one-day Beginnings Class.

Visit whitememorial.org/join or contact Elizabeth Viohl at ext. 206 for details, class dates and registration.

THINGS TO KNOW:

- Shuttle buses run every Sunday at five- to ten-minute intervals, 8:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m., from Carolina Place, 2626 Glenwood Avenue, across from Glenwood Village Shopping Center.
- Restrooms are located in the Luther Building immediately behind the sanctuary/Jane Bell Gathering Space.
- Childcare is available for children up to four years old.
- Church School is offered at 9:30 a.m. for all ages.
- Refreshments are served in Carol Copeland Courtyard or Pickard Hall on Sundays at 10:30 a.m.
- 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.: August 27.
- Bulletins left in the sanctuary following worship services are recycled as part of our care for God's creation. WMPC is a certified Earth Care congregation of the PC(USA).
- We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

PASTORAL & PROGRAM STAFF:

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PASTOR ON CALL: 919-605-4593

Sunday, August 20 (Gen. 45:1-3; Mark 10:35-45)

Worship (8:15 & 11:00 - Sanctuary; 11:00 - OnPoint@1704, Pickard)

Collection of School Supplies through August 31

9:30 a.m. - Summer Forum (Sanctuary); OnPoint House Band (Pickard);

Summer Middle/High School Coffee Hour (C100/K100)

6:30 p.m. - Diaconate Meeting (K200)

Monday, August 21 (Ps. 135; 2 Sma. 17:24-18:8; Acts 22:30-23:11; Mark 11:12-26)

9:30 a.m. - Russia Sewing Group (C200)

5:30 p.m. - T'ai Chi for Exercise (Pickard)

7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous (C100)

8:00 p.m. - Adult Basketball (Pickard)

Tuesday, August 22 (Ps. 123; 2 Sam. 18:9-18; Acts 23:12-24; Mark 11:27-12:12)

7:00 a.m. - Men's/Women's Breakfast Bible Study (Geneva/K100)

8:30 a.m. - Yoga for Exercise (C100)

9:30 a.m. - Fit after Fifty (Pickard)

3:00 p.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel)

6:00 p.m. - StepUp Life Skills Program/Dinner (Geneva); StepUp Co-Partner Training (C200)

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir (S300); Weekday School Committee (C204);

2's-K Teacher Orientation Training (S104)

Wednesday, August 23 (Ps. 15; 2 Sam. 18:19-33; Acts 23:23-35; Mark 12:13-27)

8:00 a.m. - StepUp Ministry Jobs Team (C100)

9:45 a.m. - Building Committee (W400)

10:00 a.m. - Chair Yoga (C200)

11:15 a.m. - Yin Yoga (C200)

5:00 p.m. - Children's Choir Forum **CANCELLED**

6:30 p.m. - Healing Prayer (Chapel); Massanetta Reunion (Off Site)

6:45 p.m. - OnPoint House Band (K100)

7:00 p.m. - Outreach Committee (W400)

8:00 p.m. - Al-Anon (C100)

Thursday, August 24 (Ps. 36; 2 Sam. 19:1-23; Acts 24:1-23; Mark 12:28-34)

8:00 a.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel); StepUp Jobs Workshop (C100)

9:15 a.m. - Library Committee (C203)

9:30 a.m. - T'ai Chi for Exercise (C200)

10:00 a.m. - Families with Young Children Ministry Team (W400)

12:30 p.m. - Praying Our Church Into Its Future (Chapel)

1:00 p.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel)

7:00 p.m. - Summer Coffee & Spirituality: rising grades 6-12 (K100)

7:30 p.m. - Sanctuary Choir (S300)

Friday, August 25 (Ps. 130; 2 Sam. 19:24-43; Acts 24:24-25:12; Mark 12:35-44)

8:00 a.m. - StepUp Ministry Jobs Team (C100)

9:30 a.m. - Fit after Fifty (Pickard)

8:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous (C100)

Saturday, August 26 (Ps. 56; 2 Sam. 23:1-7, 13-17; Acts 25:13-27; Mark 13:1-13)

8:30 a.m. - Church School Setup (Luther Classrooms)

4:00 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 395 Court of Honor and BBQ (Geneva)

C=Calvin Building

K=Knox Building

L=Luther Building

W=Witherspoon Building

S=Sanctuary Annex (Jane Bell Gathering

Space, choir rooms, sanctuary, nurseries)

IN THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Gwen Hughes Barnes – August 10, 2017

Maytyle Rose Stephenson Hollingsworth – August 10, 2017

WMPC family members: husband, Leon Hollingsworth; daughter and son-in-law, Paula and Richard Williams; granddaughter and family, Holly, Eddie, Koby, Riley and Kynslee Board; and granddaughter Melissa Williams

Robert Donald Rhyne, Sr. – August 11, 2017

WMPC family member: wife, Peggy Rhyne