

WHITE MEMORIAL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

OCTOBER 8, 2017
8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 A.M.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Greeting

Kirsten Homdrom

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 mercy, have mercy on us. God of wisdom, illumine our minds. God of light, shine into our hearts. Eternal God, deliver us from evil. God of grace, be our refuge and our strength, now and forever. Amen.

Prelude

(8:15) Chorale Prelude on OLD 120th

David Thorne (b. 1950)

(9:30 & 11:00) Echoes of Westminster

John A. Behnke (b. 1952)

WMPC Handbell Choir

Christian Welcome and Announcements

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

Minute for Stewardship

Parker Rumley

Call to Worship

One: This is a day for rejoicing for it is a day of the Lord's making.

All: Let us offer the gifts of our hearts and our lives as we sing and pray with thanksgiving to God.

One: May the grace of God abound!

All: May grace abound indeed!

***Hymn 839 - Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!**

ASSURANCE

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

In every direction there are demands made upon us. These demands impact our thinking and convince us that our resources are scarce. We are afraid we don't have enough energy, enough time, or enough money to meet the demands on our lives. Help us to remember that Jesus teaches us, "do not be afraid." Transform our thinking to be guided by the trust that God will provide. Forgive our sin and teach us to share as our eyes are opened to the abundance all around us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Passing of the Peace**

***Response Hymn 371 - stanza 1**

RENDEZ À DIEU

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

(9:30) Sacrament of Baptism

Anders Burke Olson, child of Laura and Todd Olson



New Testament Lesson - 2 Corinthians 9:7-12

pew Bible, p. 173

Anthem - *Victimae paschali laudes*

Gregorian Chant

Sung in Latin: *To the Paschal Victim let Christians offer songs of praise. The Lamb has redeemed the sheep. Sinless Christ has reconciled sinners to the Father. Death and life have engaged in miraculous combat. The leader of life is slain, (yet) living he reigns. We know that Christ has truly risen from the dead. Thou conqueror and king, have mercy on us. Amen. Alleluia.*

Old Testament Lesson - Proverbs 3:1-2

pew Bible, p. 553

(11:00) A Time with the Younger Church

Following our time together, four-year-olds through second graders will meet Emmy Whitford at the door near the baptismal font, to be joined by Ashlyn Whitford from the OnPoint service, for Worship Enrichment in L215.

Sermon - God Keeps Promises: Abundance

Christopher Edmonston

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn 816 - If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee**

WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Tracey Daniel

**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 Anthem - *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

Martin Luther (1483-1546)

Lord, keep us steadfast in your word; curb those who by deceit or sword would wrest the kingdom from your son and bring to nought all he has done. Lord Jesus Christ, your pow'r make known, for you are Lord of lords alone; defend your holy church, that we may sing your praise triumphantly. O Comforter of priceless worth, send peace and unity on earth; support us in our final strife and lead us out of death to life.

***Offertory Response Hymn 712 - stanza 1**

FOREST GREEN

*Affirmation of Faith

from *A Brief Statement of Faith*, 1983

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit
who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.
In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

(continued)

*ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND.

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn 644 - Give Thanks, O Christian People**

ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

***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 - Tu es Petra (You are Peter, the Rock)**

Henri Mulet (1878-1967)

Today's bulletin artwork was drawn by Kate Miller, a WMPC fifth grader, as an interpretation of the 2 Corinthians 9:7-12 scripture passage.

Greeters: 9:30 - Heather Garrabrant, Irene Cunningham, Bill Fairfax, Susan Fairfax, Christian Fellowship Class, Senior High Class; 11:00 - Bob Bilbro, Anne Boney, Diane Britt.

Ushers: 8:15 - Cheryl McLean, chair, Ernie Simons, Muriel Summers, Roy Teel, Katherine Thomas, Ray Watson; 9:30 - Barbara Hoyle, chair, Ann Matteson, Glenn Matteson, H. H. Hancock, Julie Hardesty, Mel Honeycutt; 11:00 - Kendra Allen, chair, Mary Tyrey, Scott Tyrey, Joyce Langdon, Carol Lynn.

Service Assistants: 8:15 - Jennings Glenn; 9:30 - Griffin Baird; 11:00 - Harrison Sutter.

Treasurer's Assistants: Jerry Bowen, Tyler Craft.

Shuttle Driver: Hank Tubbs, Dan Daniel.

StepUp Collection for The Green Chair Project

The children in StepUp Ministry's Children's Program are putting together baskets of cleaning supplies for one of our partner agencies, The Green Chair Project. They will collect these items through October 10: plastic laundry baskets; paper towels; cleaning spray; sponges and cleaning towels; dish detergent; laundry detergent; toilet cleaner; and air fresheners. Donations can be dropped off at StepUp Ministry, 1701 Oberlin Road, weekdays between 9:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. through Tuesday, October 10. The Green Chair Project reuses donated household furnishings to help families who are referred to them from partner organizations. Contact StepUp Ministry at 919-781-0156 with questions.

Travelogue

This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. In May a group from WMPC traveled to the EWST - Education Center in Wroclaw, Poland, and then traveled to Germany to visit important places where Reformation events took place. Please plan to come hear about their travels on Wednesday, October 11, at 6:30 p.m. in C200. The event is sponsored by the Poland Committee and the Adult Faith Formation Committee.

Caldwell Library Open House

The Caldwell Library may be White Memorial Presbyterian Church's best-kept secret! If you have never been to the library or haven't been recently, we want you to discover this untapped resource available to our church members. The Caldwell Library is in the Witherspoon Building across from the receptionist's desk. We have books for toddlers, young children, teenagers and adults. We have resources for Bible study and books on current topics. We hope you will come to Open House and see for yourself the many wonderful books and resources in our library. The Open House will be Sunday, October 15, from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and on Wednesday, October 18, from 4:30-5:30 p.m. We will have a small gift for everyone who attends! Please come, bring your children, bring a friend, bring your spouse and bring yourself!

Jill Duffield, Theologian in Residence

Jill Duffield, editor of the Presbyterian Outlook, will preach and teach on November 19. This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Come hear about the future of the Church as we celebrate its history. Jill will preach in the sanctuary at 8:15 and 11:00 a.m. and teach in Geneva Hall at 9:30 a.m. that day.

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.
- Hearing Assistance: 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.: today and October 22.
- 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.

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, October 8 (2 Corinthians 9:7-12; Proverbs 3:1-2)

- Worship (8:15, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary; 11:00 a.m. - OnPoint@1704, Pickard)
9:30 a.m. - OnPoint House Band (Pickard)
noon - International Book Club (C301)
3:00 p.m. - Youth Band (K100)
4:00 p.m. - Youth Choir (S300)
4:30 p.m. - Cancer Companions Support Group (C203); Officer Exam (Chapel)
5:00 p.m. - High School Impact Groups (Off Site)
6:00 p.m. - Session Dinner with New Officers/Meeting (Geneva)

Monday, October 9 (Ps. 52 Kings 21:1-18; 1 Cor. 10:14-11:1; Matt. 8:28-34)

- Presbyterian Women Circles: See feature in 9/27 newsletter.
noon - Women's Monthly Fellowship Luncheon (Pickard)
5:30 p.m. - T'ai Chi for Exercise (Pickard)
6:45 p.m. - Ross Bible Study (C203)
7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous (C100); Handbell Choir (S300)
8:00 p.m. - Adult Basketball (Pickard)

Tuesday, October 10 (Ps. 42; 2 Kings 22:1-13; 1 Cor. 11:2-22; Matt. 9:1-8)

- 6:30 a.m. - High School Prayer Breakfast (Bruegger's Bagels, Creedmoor Rd.)
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); God Talk (W400)
11:00 a.m. - Study: Short Stories by Jesus (C103)
3:00 p.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel)
5:30 p.m. - Property Care Committee (C204); Service Committee (W400)
6:00 p.m. - StepUp Life Skills Program/Dinner (Geneva)
7:00 p.m. - Seasonal/Chancel Choir (L304, S300)
7:30 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 395 (Pickard)

Wednesday, October 11 (Ps. 89:1-18; 2 Kings 22:14-23:3; 1 Cor. 11:23-34; Matt. 9:9-17)

- 6:45 a.m. - High School Prayer Breakfast (Chick-Fil-A, Cameron Village)
8:00 a.m. - Clothing Closet (W100); StepUp Ministry Jobs Team (C100)
9:30 a.m. - Bible Belles (Off Site)
10:00 a.m. - Chair Yoga (C200)
11:15 a.m. - Yin Yoga (C200)
4:30 p.m. - Carol Choir (L304); Joyful Noise Choir (S300); Cherub Choir (L311)
5:00 p.m. - Wednesdays Together Dinner (Pickard)
5:30 p.m. - Capital Campaign Committee (C204); Widowers of White Memorial (Geneva)
6:30 p.m. - Disciple I (K307); Poland Trip Presentation (C200)
6:45 p.m. - OnPoint House Band (K100)
7:00 p.m. - Young Adult Bible Study (C102)
8:00 p.m. - Al-Anon (C100)

Thursday, October 12 (Ps. 97; 2 Kings 23:4-25; 1 Cor. 12:1-11; Matt. 9:18-26)

- 8:00 a.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel); StepUp Jobs Workshop (C100)
9:30 a.m. - Lilies of the Field Bible Study (C301); Thursday Morning Bible Study (W400)
T'ai Chi for Exercise (C200)
10:45 a.m. - Keenager Program: Storytelling (K100)
noon - Keenager Lunch (Geneva)
6:00 p.m. - Yoga for Exercise (C200); Concert Series Committee (C203)
7:00 p.m. - Thursday Evening Bible Study (C301)
7:30 p.m. - Webelo Scouts (K304-307); Seasonal/Sanctuary Choir (S300)

Friday, October 13 (Ps. 51; 2 Kings 23:36-24:17; 1 Cor. 12:12-26; Matt. 9:27-34)

- 8:00 a.m. - StepUp Ministry Jobs Team (C100)
9:30 a.m. - Fit After Fifty (Pickard)
6:30 p.m. - Healing Prayer Practice Support (Chapel)
8:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous (C100)

Saturday, October 14 (Ps. 104; Jer. 35:1-19; 1 Cor. 12:27-13:3; Matt. 9:35-10:4)

- 8:30 a.m. - Sunday School Setup (Classrooms)
9:00 a.m. - NAMI Basics (C303)