

WHITE MEMORIAL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 12, 2017
8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 A.M.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

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

Lord our God, in Jesus Christ you have taught us that love is the fulfilling of the law. Send your Holy Spirit upon us, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, that we may love you with our whole being, and our neighbors as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prelude - *Grazioso and Trumpet Tune*

Georg Philipp Telemann (1681-1767); arr. S. D. Wolff

Christian Welcome and Announcements

(8:15 & 11:00) Robert Galloway; (9:30) Gloria Johnson

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

Call to Worship

One: Jesus says, "I am the alpha and the omega, the beginning and the end. I was dead, but behold, now I am alive forever and ever."

All: The mercy and Lordship of our Savior is the start and finish of our faith. In life and in death we belong to God.

One: Our God gives us grace and love. God calls us to be people of the covenant. God reconciles all things through Jesus our Lord.

All: In his name, let us worship. For his sake, let us praise. In the mercy of God, may we be people of the covenant of grace.

*Hymn 435 - *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

IN BABILONE

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

adapted from *re:Worship* website

Holy, perfect God,
we admit that we put other things above Jesus in our lives.
We say we long for him,
but we actually long for more money, success, and comfort.
We confess that we rebel against you.

Lord, we have failed to worship you with our hearts.
We pay you a visit on Sundays, but easily forget your daily claim on our lives.
Lord God, we confess that when we forget we break your heart.
We pray that you will have mercy.
In your gracious love, renew our hearts within us,
as you remind us over and over that Jesus is our beginning and our end.
Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

***Response Hymn 658 - stanza 1**

GOD IS SO GOOD

**God is so good; God is so good;
God is so good; God's so good to me.**

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Sacrament of Baptism

(9:30) Gordon Vaughn Pendleton, child of Caroline and Gray Pendleton
Vivienne Vaughn Watters, child of Megann and Tyler Watters

(11:00) George Buchanan Jones, child of Abby and Patrick Jones
Lucille Watson Price, child of Anna Claire and Patrick Price

Old Testament Lesson - Isaiah 53:1-12

pew Bible, p. 642

New Testament Lesson - Romans 8:1-8, 14-17, and 31-39

pew Bible, p. 147

(11:00) A Time with the Younger Church

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

Sermon - Jesus Christ: Beginning and End

Christopher Edmonston

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn 724 - O Jesus, I Have Promised**

ANGEL'S STORY

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

(8:15 & 11:00) Tracey Daniel; (9:30) 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

Offertory Anthem - O Praise the Lord, All Ye Nations

G. P. Telemann

Sung in Latin: *O praise ye the Lord God, all ye nations! O praise him, all ye people, for his steadfast love is great to us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever. Alleluia!*

Psalm 117

(9:30 & 11:00) Georgia and Emily Schmidt, violins

***Offertory Response Hymn 652 - stanza 1**

ROCKINGHAM

**A grateful heart is what I bring,
a song of praise, my offering.
Among the saints I lift my voice:
in you, O God, I will rejoice.**

***Affirmation of Faith**

from *A Brief Statement of Faith*, 1983

**We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

(continued)

***ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND.**

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn 625 - *O Lord My God*

HOW GREAT THOU ART

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Response Hymn 652 - stanza 3

ROCKINGHAM

With saving love you set us free,
and still you dwell in mystery
with wisdom none can comprehend.
Your praise, O God, will never end.

*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 - *Trumpet Tune*

G. P. Telemann

The flowers in the chancel today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Lucille Watson Price and George Buchanan Jones and in memory of their grandparents, Anne and Elliott Murnick. Lucy and George will be baptized at the 11:00 a.m. service.

Greeters: 9:30 - Kim Rogers, Kristin Seale, Emily McNair, Parham McNair, Christian Fellowship Class, Senior High Class; 11:00 - Martha Marshall, Julie Nau, Caroline Farmer.

Ushers: 8:15 - Glenn Matteson, chair, Kelly Hobson, Chris Ingram, Susan Ingram, Susie Jackson, Nancy Jude; 9:30 - Bill Sigmon, chair, Wes Minton, Andy Morison, Suzanne Morrison, Beth Morse, Michael Morse; 11:00 - Caroline McCullen, chair, Ashley Taylor, Will Taylor, Bob Gates, Carol Gates, Bob Usry.

Service Assistants: 8:15 - Elizabeth Huffstetler; 9:30 - Livia Coleman.

Treasurer's Assistant: Don Munford.

Shuttle Drivers: Mike Carter, Tommy Pittman.

Advent Teacher Workshop

Sunday School teachers for two-year-olds through fifth grade are encouraged to gather for our Advent workshop on November 19 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. We will meet in Geneva Hall. Please let your coordinator know whether you will be able to attend, and bring your calendar to the workshop. Childcare is available by registering online at whitememorial.org or by calling Tonya Higgins at 919-834-3425, ext. 216.

Rise Against Hunger Needs You

Rise Against Hunger (formerly Stop Hunger Now) will be back on campus for a meal-packaging event at a new day and time. The event will be Saturday, December 2, at 10:00 a.m. in Geneva Hall and the Connector and will be done alongside our regular Let's Do Lunch event. This is a great family project and a great way to get service hours. We plan on packaging 10,000 meals, so come for all or a part of the time. This event is sponsored by the Community Service Committee and is part of the new "Show Up and Serve" focus. We also need people for set-up and clean-up. Contact Gloria Johnson at 919-834-3425, ext. 204, or gjohnson@whitememorial.org with questions.

Honorary Life Membership Nominations

Presbyterian Women is now accepting nominations for Honorary Life Membership for 2017. This honor recognizes those who are active and faithful servants of God in our church and community. Prayerfully consider nominations for this honor. Applications can be found at whitememorial.org/pw. Send applications of recommendation to Carolyn Younger at seebeey@gmail.com. Nominations will be accepted through February 15, 2018.

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.: November 19.
- 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, November 12 *(Isaiah 53:1-12; Romans 8:1-8, 14-17, 31-39)*

- Worship (8:15, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary; 11:00 a.m. - OnPoint@1704, Pickard)
- 8:00 a.m. - Turkey Dinner Collection (Portico)
9:30 a.m. - OnPoint House Band (Pickard)
noon - International Book Club (C301)
12:45 p.m. - Childcare for Beginnings Class (L102)
1:00 p.m. - Beginnings Class for New & Prospective Members (Geneva); Wedding Workshop (S200)
3:00 p.m. - Youth Band Rehearsal (K100)
4:00 p.m. - Youth Choir Rehearsal (S300)
5:00 p.m. - Communion Training for New Elders (Sanctuary); Youth Impact Groups (Off Site)
6:00 p.m. - College of Elders Dinner (Pickard)

Monday, November 13 *(Ps. 135; Neh. 9:1-25; Rev. 18:1-8; Matt. 15:1-20)*

- Presbyterian Women Circles: See feature in Nov. 1 newsletter.
noon - Women's Fellowship Luncheon (Pickard)
5:30 p.m. - T'ai Chi for Exercise (C200); Health Ministry (C303)
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, November 14 *(Ps. 123; Neh. 9:26-38; Rev. 18:9-20; Matt. 15:21-28)*

- 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)
3:00 p.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel)
4:30 p.m. - StepUp Ministry Board Meeting (C200)
5:30 p.m. - Middle East Committee (C203); Property Care Committee (C204); Service Committee (W400)
6:00 p.m. - StepUp Life Skills Program/Dinner (Geneva); StepUp Co-Partner Training (C200); Youth Ministries Committee (K200)
7:30 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 395 (Pickard)

Wednesday, November 15 *(Ps. 15; Neh. 7:73b-8:3, 5-18; Rev. 18:21-24; Matt. 15:29-39)*

- 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. - Building Committee (W400); 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); Haiti Committee (C204)
5:30 p.m. - Widows of White Memorial (Geneva)
6:00 p.m. - Women's Retreat Meeting (C301)
6:30 p.m. - Disciple I (K307)
6:45 p.m. - OnPoint House Band (K100)
7:00 p.m. - Young Adult Bible Study (C102); Adult Faith Formation Committee (C302)
8:00 p.m. - Al-Anon (C100)

Thursday, November 16 *(Ps. 36; 1 Macc. 1:1-28; Rev. 19:1-10; Matt. 16:1-12)*

- 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: *Oberlin Road History* (K100)
noon - Keenager Lunch (Geneva)
6:00 p.m. - Concert Series Committee (C203)
7:00 p.m. - Thursday Evening Bible Study (C301)
7:30 p.m. - Webelo Scouts (K304-307); Chancel/Sanctuary Choir (S300)

Friday, November 17 *(Ps. 130; 1 Macc. 1:41-63; rEv. 19:11-16; Matt. 16:13-20)*

- 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, November 18 *(Ps. 56; 1 Macc. 2:1-28; Rev. 20:1-6; Matt. 16:21-28)*

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