

WHITE MEMORIAL

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 21, 2018
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

Almighty God, you sent Jesus to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with your Spirit, that we too may bring good news to the poor, bind up the brokenhearted and proclaim liberty to the captive; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prelude - Lord Christ, the Only Son of God

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Christian Welcome and Announcements

Gloria Johnson

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

Call to Worship

from Psalm 62

One: For God alone we wait—from God comes the gift of salvation.

All: God is our rock and salvation: a fortress where faith cannot be shaken.

One: God is a mighty rock and a refuge.

All: Power and steadfast love belong to the Lord.

One: In the name of God, let us worship, embrace and serve together.

*Hymn 726 - Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Words. There are so many words. Words which inspire. Words which convict. Words which call. Forgive us God for picking the words which are convenient to us. Forgive us for putting your challenging word, your calling word, on the back burner as if letting it sit with little attention will transform us anyway. Forgive us, even in a new year, for expecting little from ourselves and from you. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord of salvation and transformation, renew our faith and refresh our commitment to hear and consider all the words you speak as a reflection of the kingdom you desire. Amen.

*Declaration of Good News

*Passing of the Peace

*Response Hymn 475 - stanza 1

NETTLETON

**Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.**

**Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!**

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

(11:00) Sacrament of Baptism

Eliza Mae Reeder, child of Julia and Adam Reeder

Old Testament Lesson - Psalm 62:5-12

pew Bible, p. 498

Anthem - Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word

J. S. Bach

Lord, keep us steadfast in thy word; curb those who fain by craft and sword would wrest the kingdom from thy son and set at nought all he hath done. Lord Jesus Christ, thy pow'r make known, for thou art Lord of lords alone; defend thy Christendom that we may evermore sing praise to thee. 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.

New Testament Lesson - Mark 1:14-20

pew Bible, p. 33

(11:00) A Time with the Younger Church

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

Sermon - The One-Sentence Sermon to Change and Call Us All

Christopher Edmonston

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Hymn 790 - In Silence My Soul Thirsts

MY SOUL THIRSTS

Verse one and refrain: CHOIR; remaining verses and refrains: ALL

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Chip Pope

**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 - He Comes to Us as One Unknown

John Ferguson (b. 1941)

He comes to us as one unknown, a breath unseen, unheard; as though within a heart of stone, or shriveled seed in darkness sown, a pulse of being stirred. He comes when souls in silence lie and thoughts of day depart, half-seen upon the inward eye, a falling star across the sky of night within the heart. He comes to us in sound of seas, the ocean's fume and foam; yet small and still upon the breeze, a wind that stirs the tops of trees, a voice to call us home. He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and birth; to bear within our mortal frame a life, a death, a saving name for every child of earth. He comes in truth when faith is grown; believed, obeyed, adored: the Christ in all the scriptures shown, as yet unseen, but not unknown, our Savior and our Lord.

words: Timothy Dudley-Smith

*Offertory Response Hymn 803 - stanza 1

RESIGNATION

**My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name.
In pastures fresh he makes me feed, besides the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake his ways,
and leads me, for his mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.**

*Affirmation of Faith

from *The Confession of 1967*

In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself. Jesus Christ is God with humankind. He is the eternal Son of the Father, who became human and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. He is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. This work of God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit is the foundation of all confessional statements about God, humanity and the world. Therefore, the church calls all people to be reconciled to God and to one another.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn 718 - Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

BOURBON

(11:00) Congregational Meeting

*ALL WHO ARE ABLE MAY STAND.

***Charge and Benediction**

***Congregational Response Hymn 37 - stanza 1**

ASH GROVE

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God our Creator triumphantly raise;
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
by guiding us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us; pure light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:
till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.

***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 - Sortie**

Théodore Dubois (1837-1924)

The flowers in the chancel this morning are the wedding flowers of Hannah Alexandra Harrill and Todd Richard Morecraft, whose marriage was celebrated yesterday. They are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jesse Alexander Harrill, Carey Armfield Campbell, Lionel Joseph Bienvenu III, Rena Patricia Collins Bienvenu, George Richard Moad, Virginia Stover Moad and James Edward Morecraft.

Greeters: 9:30 - Carol Vassey, Ashlyn Whitford, Sandi Williams, Mike Carter, Christian Fellowship Class, Senior High Class; 11:00 - Heather Horton, Rebecca Kayye, Tiffany Lund.

Ushers: 8:15 - Glenn Matteson, chair, Elaine Mason, Stacy Miller, Helen Mitchell, Henry Mitchell, Alva Moore; 9:30 - Kendra Allen, chair, Sherry Worth, David Yopp, Virginia Yopp, Remi Adebinpe, David Allen; 11:00 - Olivia Edwards, chair, Carol Lynn, Linda Mahan, Julia Harshbarger, Kerri McMillen, Rob McMillen.

Service Assistants: 8:15 - Ellie McMahon; 11:00 - Allison Boney.

Treasurer's Assistants: Caroline McCullen, DeLana Anderson.

Shuttle Driver: Steve Lochbaum.

Congregational Meeting Today

There will be a congregational meeting following the 11:00 a.m. worship service today for the purpose of electing an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee for the Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care position.

Don't Forget to Register for Weekday School 2018-19!

Registration runs from Monday, January 22, through Friday, January 26, at 1:30 p.m. Applications are available on our website, whitememorial.org/wds, or you may contact Cynthia Baggett at 919-834-4637 or cbaggett@whitememorial.org for more information.

Men's Bible Study: The Book of Acts

Join us Mondays from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in Geneva Hall beginning February 5. Men of all ages are invited! Christopher Edmonston, Gary Fulton, Chip Pope and Steve Swayne will lead the study.

2018 Greenbrier Trip Final Payments Due

Final payments are due by February 15 for our WMPC trip to the famous Greenbrier Resort on April 24-26! Make checks payable to WMPC marked for "Greenbrier Trip" and return them to Tonya Higgins in the church office. Also, please mark your calendars and plan to attend our trip meeting on Thursday, April 5, at 1:00 p.m. in K100. Watch for more details. Questions? Call Susie Jackson at 919-876-9641.

Confirmation Spring Retreat

Our Confirmation class (eighth graders) and their mentors will travel to Camp Willow Run on March 10-11 for their spring retreat. Enjoying the beautiful grounds, finding rest or playing hard during free time, eating s'mores and experiencing a devotion around the campfire, and reflecting on their relationship with our triune God are all a part of this important weekend. Register at whitememorial.org/register. Contact Deb Smith at dsmith@whitememorial.org for more information.

First WMPC Men's Retreat - Registration Now Open

Don't miss this opportunity to grow in community with other men from White Memorial as we enjoy the outdoor setting of Camp New Life. Steve Lindsley, senior pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, will speak on the topic *What's Next: The Challenge of Being Church In the 21st Century*. The retreat will open eyes to see how God is "doing a new thing in our midst." The retreat will include deep discussion, live music and great fellowship. Save the dates for April 13-14, 2018. Register now at whitememorial.org/register.

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.: January 28.
- 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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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 21 (*Psalm 62:5-12; Mark 1:14-20*)

- Worship (8:15, 9:30, 11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary; 11:00 a.m. - OnPoint@1704, Pickard)
9:30 a.m. - Confirmation Music Workshop (Chapel); OnPoint House Band (Pickard)
12:15 p.m. - Women's Retreat Choir Rehearsal (L304)
3:00 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 395 Workshop (Pickard)
4:00 p.m. - Youth Choir (S300)
5:00 p.m. - Middle/High School PYC (C100-103/K100)
6:30 p.m. - Joint Session & Diaconate Dinner/Meeting (Geneva)
7:30 p.m. - Diaconate Meeting (K200)

Monday, January 22 (*Ps. 47; Gen 14:1-24; Heb. 8:1-13; John 4:43-54*)

- 9:30 a.m. - Russia Sewing Group (C200)
4:30 p.m. - Liturgical Arts Ministry Team (C203)
5:30 p.m. - T'ai Chi for Exercise (Pickard); Worship Committee (S300)
6:45 p.m. - Ross Bible Study (C203)
7:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous (C100); Stephen Ministry Training (K302);
Stephen Ministry Continuing Ed./Supervision (K200); Handbell Choir (S300)
8:00 p.m. - Adult Basketball (Pickard)

Tuesday, January 23 (*Ps. 99; Gen. 15:1-11, 17-21; Heb. 9:1-14; John 5:1-18*)

- 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)
5:30 p.m. - Small Ensemble Rehearsal (S300)
6:00 p.m. - StepUp Life Skills Program/Dinner (Geneva)
7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir (S300); Weekday School Committee (C204)
7:30 p.m. - Boy Scout Troop 395 (Pickard)

Wednesday, January 24 (*Ps. 91; Gen. 16:1-14; Heb. 9:15-28; John 5:19-29*)

- 9:30 a.m. - Bible Belles (Off Site)
10:00 a.m. - Chair 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. - Widows of White Memorial (Geneva)
6:00 p.m. - Women's Retreat Meeting (K200); Education and Nurture Committee (C301);
Russia Committee Book Read (K302)
6:15 p.m. - Youth Band (K100)
6:30 p.m. - Disciple I (K307); Healing Prayer (Chapel); Soup's On: Healthy & Hearty (Geneva)
6:45 p.m. - OnPoint House Band (K100)
7:00 p.m. - Young Adult Bible Study (C102); Churchwide Nominating Committee (C200);
Outreach Committee (W400)
8:00 p.m. - Al-Anon (C100)

Thursday, January 25 (*Ps. 116; Gen. 16:15-17:14; Heb. 10:1-10; John 5:30-47*)

- 8:00 a.m. - Labyrinth Open for Walking (Chapel)
9:15 a.m. - Library Committee (C203)
9:30 a.m. - Thursday Morning Bible Study (W400); T'ai Chi for Exercise (C200);
Lilies of the Field Bible Study (C301)
10:45 a.m. - Keenagers Program: *A Taste of North Carolina* (K100)
noon - Keenager Lunch (Geneva)
12:30 p.m. - Praying Our Church into Its Future (Chapel)
5:30 p.m. - Haiti Committee (C204)
6:00 p.m. - Middle School Basketball Practice (Pickard); Concert Series Committee (C203)
7:00 p.m. - High School Basketball Practice (Pickard)
7:30 p.m. - Webelo Scouts (K304-305); Sanctuary Choir (S300)

Friday, January 26 (*Ps. 20; Gen. 17:15-27; Heb. 10:11-25; John 6:1-15*)

- Women's Retreat in Pinehurst through January 28
9:30 a.m. - Fit After Fifty (Pickard)
8:00 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous (C100)

Saturday, January 27 (*Ps. 63; Gen. 18:1-16; Heb. 10:26-39; John 6:16-27*)

- 8:00 a.m. - Webelo Scouts Pinewood Derby (Pickard)
8:30 a.m. - Sunday School Setup (Classrooms)
9:00 a.m. - NAMI Family to Family (C301)

In the Church Triumphant

Pauline "Polly" Young Horton – January 11, 2018
WMPC family member: daughter, Candy Lewis