THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Trinity Sunday

June 15, 2025

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music - Tuba Tune

Craig Seller Lang

Prayer of Preparation (you may prepare for worship by praying silently)

Loving God, you sent your son Jesus to lead us in faith to everlasting life. Give us new birth by water and the Spirit so that we may enter your eternal realm; through Jesus Christ our Savior, and in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements

Katie Ginn

Call to Worship (responsive)

Heaven and earth declare God's glory:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!

And in the temple, God's people cry:

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!

Let us worship God.

- * Hymn of Praise 1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
- * Call to Confession

We no longer regard one another from a human point of view, for Christ has died for all, to save us from sin and death. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

* Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. You came to love and save the world, but we condemn others in your name. You send us out to tell good news, but we hide from our calling in fear. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us new life in your Spirit so that we may serve you faithfully and live as your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(time for silent confession)

* Declaration of Forgiveness (responsive)

If you are in Christ, you are a new creation. Everything old has passed away; now everything is made new! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

* The Congregation's Response: Gloria Patri Hymn 581

Glory be 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, amen.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Time with Children Althea Jerome

Prayer for Illumination

Gracious God, send us your Spirit to guide us into the truth, so that we may know and trust the good news of the gospel, and look with hope and joy for the life of the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading - John 16:12-15

pew Bible pg. 879

The Word of the LORD. Thanks be to God!

Anthem - Holy, Holy, Holy

Franz Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

- Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.
- 2. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Second Reading - Romans 5:1-5

pew Bible pg. 917

The Word of the LORD. Thanks be to God!

Sermon - We Have Obtained Access

Rev. Dr. Christopher Crotwell

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

- * Hymn of Thanksgiving 2 Come, Thou Almighty King
- * Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People (responsive)

In the communion of the Holy Spirit, we call on the name of the Lord, saying: By your Spirit, O God, **transform our lives.**

We pray for the church . . . As you have claimed us by water and the Spirit, send us forth in the name of Jesus to proclaim your great love for the world. By your Spirit, O God. **transform our lives.**

We pray for the world . . . Touch our world with healing, and wash it clean from all violence, pollution, and corruption, that the whole earth may be full of your glory. By your Spirit, O God, **transform our lives.**

We pray for this community . . . Give us strength and bless us with your peace, so that all may know the beauty of your presence and glorify your holy name. By your Spirit, O God. **transform our lives**.

We pray for loved ones . . . Deliver them from captivity to death and fear, embrace them as your beloved children, and turn all their suffering into glory. By your Spirit, O God, transform our lives.

Gracious God, continue to pour out your power in the church, in the world, and in our daily lives, so all will know that you are at work among us; through Jesus Christ, our living Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

Invitation to Offering

Consider the generosity of our Lord Jesus Christ, who – though he was rich – for our sakes became poor. With gratitude for the grace of Jesus Christ, let us offer our lives to God.

Offertory - Improvisation

Raymond H. Haan

* The Doxology – Hymn 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication (unison)

Generous God, we give you thanks for all your blessings to us. Use these gifts we offer as a sign of your great love for the world, so that all may know and share the abundance of your grace; in your holy name we pray. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

- * Hymn of Consecration 8 Eternal Father, Strong to Save
- * Blessing and Charge (responsive)

May the blessing of the Trinity – holy, holy, holy Lord – be with you now and always. **Alleluia!**

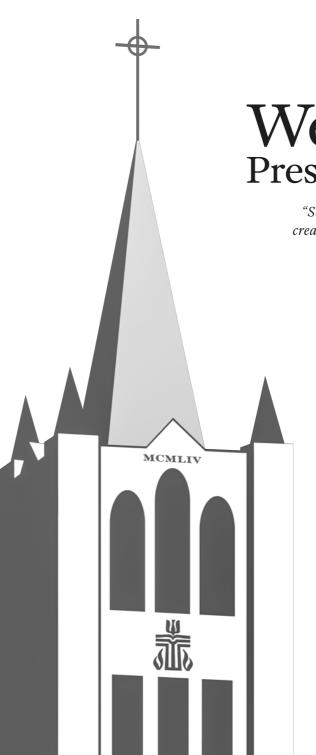
Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" **And I said, "Here I am; send me!" Amen.**

* Postlude - Fanfare on Nicaea

Christopher Tambling



* Please stand at the * as you are able. Unison readings are **printed in bold**.
*Today's liturgy is drawn from the lectionary resource, *Call to Worship, Year C 2015-2016* and the *Book of Common Worship*, 1992.



Westminster Presbyterian Church

"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation—everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!"

II Corinthians 5:17

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PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

(* new added prayers)

Terri Banks, friend of Pam Love – at home with 24-hour care Linda Basden, neighbor of Janeil Harris – Alzheimer's

Jan Bozeman – constant pain

Laura Pearce Cureton, Nancy Johnson's goddaughter – nerve block therapy continues Vida Davis, sister of Ruthie Davis – dementia

Jessica Dubing, daughter of a friend of Ruthie Davis – paralyzed from motorcycle accident Cathy Dudley – Bedford Care (Medical Blvd)

Bill and Louise Edwards, friends of Charles Brown – strength and endurance Hudson Elliott, grandson of friends of the Reidenbachs—NICU at UMMC with undiagnosed health concerns

Teresa Ginn, Michael Ginn's aunt – dementia

Lee Graham. Pam Love's son-in-law – health issues

Mary Gunn – prayers for health concerns

Peggy Henry, Karen Reidenbach's sister – in rehab for addiction

Charlotte Hill

Patricia Holcomb, sister of Glenn Nobles – broken bone

Ann Johnson

Geraldine Jones

Roger Kuyrkendall, Carrie Creel's father -Alzheimer's

B.J. Lambert

*Margaret Lochhead – prayers for healing

 $*Peggy\ McCarthy, friend\ of\ Iris\ Easterling-facing\ serious\ health\ issues$

Deloris McLaurin, Glenn Nobles' first cousin – dementia

*Anita Murphy, friend of Mary Cromartie – lung cancer

Glenn Nobles – endurance and strength

 $Carolyn\ Mitchell\ Pintard,\ Bill\ \&\ Betty\ Mitchell's\ daughter-grave\ health\ issues$

Shannon Love Roberson, daughter of Pam Love – health issues

Jasmine Smith, Janet Baldwin's daughter – diagnosed with breast cancer

Jerry Spand, executive board member of Osceola McCarty Center – lung cancer

Laura Todd, Grayson Rayborn's cousin – multiple health issues

Louise Traxler, Karen Reidenbach's mom – Bedford Care (Medical Blvd)

Greeting and Announcements



Welcome to Westminster! We're very glad to see you in worship. We hope you will sense Christ's presence. If you are looking for a place to grow and serve, we'd love to tell you more about us. Please silence cell phones during the worship hour.

The Session will meet today following worship.

New Beginnings will meet tomorrow at noon. Marybeth Bergin, Hattiesburg City Engineer, will discuss efforts to alleviate Gordon's Creek flooding. Please let Tommy or Martha know if you are coming.

PW Prayer Ministry will meet on Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. There are prayer cards on the back of the pew for prayer requests. Please put the address so a card can be sent and placed with the offering. Come join this group as they pray and write cards. All are welcome to join.

Brown Bag Bible Study will meet on Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.

All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet on Thursday at 7:00 a.m. at Loblolly Bakery.

The furniture ministry needs bedroom, kitchen, and living room furniture. This includes small bookshelves, small desks, bedding, and kitchen supplies. Please call the church office if you have items to donate.

Reminder: During the summer months as the AC runs more frequently in the church, please help us be good stewards by keeping the interior doors of the building closed as much as possible. Thank you.



To donate to WPC online, scan the QR code and follow the instructions.

Senior Adult Vacation Bible School Parkway Heights August 4-6 9:30 a.m. until noon

Westminster, with other local churches, will have a Bible school for all adults age 55 and older at Parkway Heights. Come enjoy singing, worship, snacks, fellowship and door prizes. To register, see Tommy, Sharon Potin, pick up a brochure from the narthex, drop by the office, or register online: parkwayheights.org/calendar. Deadline to register is July 31.

The speaker will be Rev. Dr. Larry Hillard and music leader is Dr. Taylor Hightower. More info about them is in brochure. Edwards Street Fellowship Center will me the recipient of the mission focus.