

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 31, 2009

10:00 a.m.

Pentecost

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

In this place where Your Name, O God, is above every name, where Your truth is sought and Your faith cherished, grant Your blessing upon all who worship You in sincerity and truth. Here may the weary find rest; the lonely, friendship; the saddened, comfort; the fearful, courage; the discouraged, hope; the weak, strength; the strong, discipline; and all of us the reassurance of Your forgiving and empowering mercy, and the desire and opportunity to invest our lives for the good of all people and the glory of God.

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE – “Glorify Thy Name” arr. Hamlin
CHORAL INTROIT – “Veni Sancte Spiritus” Berthier
CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live, all my life I will sing psalms to my God.

People: May my redemption please the Lord, as I show my joy in God!

Leader: Bless the Lord, my soul. O praise the Lord.

People: Let us worship God.

* HYMN – No. 466 AZMON
“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

With new life all about us, O God, we still cling to old ways. In spite of your promises we seek self-assurance. You send the Holy Spirit to enliven our existence. The darkness of doubt dispels the new light the Spirit brings. We are afraid to admit what it might mean if we surrendered ourselves. So we continue to pursue old patterns of living, and pretend that we can go it alone.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

* GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal, No. 579)

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.

BAPTISM OF THOMAS CHAPMAN DOAR, ANNA PAIGE DOTSON,
AND NICHOLAS JACOB GALIPEAU

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP, COMMON CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH
CALL TO PRAYER – “Spirit of the Living God” Iverson
MORNING PRAYERS

THE LORD’S PRAYER

* HYMN – No. 129 EBENEZER
“Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us”

Rising K5 and first grade children leave for Children’s Church after the last stanza.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON – Genesis 11:1-9 (page 9)Jack Miller

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON – Acts 2:1-16 (page 119)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON Ludwig Weaver

“All Together In One Place”

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OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SERVICE OF GIVING

Anthem – “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name” Ferguson

* Doxology (Hymnal, No. 592)

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

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Assembling of the Elders

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Partaking of the Elements

(The bread will be held and taken together. The cup will be taken individually.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

* HYMN – No. 505 ST. FLAVIAN
“Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread”

* BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE – “Amen” Lutkin

* POSTLUDE – “The God of Abraham Praise” arr. Burkhardt

* *All who are able may stand*

HEAD USHER:

Susan Key

SPONSORS:

Mike Hall, Becky Warth

GREETERS:

Joe Frasher, Vernon Anderson,

Charlie Warth

LITURGIST:

Jean Weaver

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

PARKING

We have permission to use the parking lots at the Uniform Shop and Augusta Commons Mall.

TRAFFIC POLICE OFFICER

A Greenville city police officer will be on duty from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. to help people cross the street from the other side of Augusta Road.

CHURCH NOTES

The leaders for Children’s Church this Sunday, May 31 at 10:00 a.m.:

Bill & Allison Stevenson

Musicians leading in worship this Sunday are:

Nancy Smith, organist

Sanctuary Choir

NURSERY

Childcare is available for infants through four-year kindergarten. Our childcare program provides safe, secure nurseries for our babies and toddlers during worship services. Our nurturing staff of experienced caregivers and parent volunteers offers a welcoming environment to all children.

BAPTISM

This morning, we welcome into our fellowship:

Thomas Chapman Doar, son of Chris & Lauren Doar.

Anna Paige Dotson, daughter of Mike & Julie Dotson, and sister of Parker.

Nicholas Jacob Galipeau, son of Nick & Meg Galipeau, and brother of Olivia.

In Memoriam

Margaret Bouton Ketcham

May 25, 2009

*"He that hears my word,
and believes in him
that sent me has eternal life."*

PENTECOST OFFERING

This annual offering taken by Presbyterian churches goes to aid children, youth and young adults. The money helps children at risk both here and abroad. Plus, a portion of the gifts strengthens ministries nurturing the faith of our young people and developing leaders of tomorrow. Twenty percent of the offering is retained by the local church. We invite you to participate in this vital ministry. Envelopes are located in the Harbinger.

Our summer schedule of one worship service at 10:00 a.m. (with no Sunday School) began **Sunday, May 24**, and will continue through **Sunday, September 6**.

EVENING

NEW-MEMBER CLASS

Visitors interested in learning more about Westminster Presbyterian Church, membership here, and what it means to be Presbyterian are invited to attend our New Member Class from **6:00 to 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 10, in Room 209**. Dinner will be provided and childcare available for those signed up in advance. Participants who have been baptized and who wish to become members may do so at the 10:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, June 14, or on any future new-member Sunday. To RSVP or if you have any questions, please contact Associate Pastor Dave Carlson at dcarlson@wpc-online.org, 864-232-2424, ext. 115.

COLLEGE SUNDAY

On **Sunday, June 14**, some of our returning college students will help with the leadership of worship. If you would like to participate, please contact Steve Phillips at 232-2424 or 380-5269.

