



WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH



Worship Service
April 13, 2017
7:00 p.m.

1502 West 13th Street ♦ Wilmington, DE 19806 ♦ 302-654-5214 ♦ www.wpc.org
An Earth Care Congregation of the PC (USA)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CHORALE PRELUDE

“Christus Factus Est”

Felice Anerio

Christus factus est pro nobis
obediens usque ad mortem,
mortem autem crucis.
Propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum,
et dedit illi nomen,
quod est super omne nomen.

*Christ was made obedient for us
even unto death,
even the death of the cross.
Therefore God also has exalted him,
and given him a name
which is above every name.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

The one who was ridiculed and rejected calls us together.

We cannot ignore the pain and suffering of Christ.

His ministry was built on the twin towers of justice and mercy.

But his devotion to God cost him his life.

*HYMN NO. 209

“My Song is Love Unknown”

OPENING PRAYER

**Loving God, we gather this evening
to remember the trials that Jesus endured in his final hours.
As a person filled by your Spirit,
he sought to share your love with all who were in need.
His devotion to you and his love for the unlovely
placed him in conflict with the religious leaders of his day.
Their fear of him led them to undertake their evil deeds.
Great God, we give thanks that Jesus could remain faithful to your ways,
even in the face of death.
We pray that we may find strength and courage from his example
to face the trials that we encounter. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE: Luke 7:36-50

The Woman Who Anoints Jesus' Feet
Kris DeMesse and Jan Harrison

HYMN NO. 704

“To My Precious Lord”

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 26:14-19

Judas' Betrayal
Tom Preston and Tom Hogue

ORGAN MEDITATION

Christe, du Lamm Gottes
(Lamb of God, Our Saviour)

J. S. Bach

SCRIPTURE: John 13:1-17

Footwashing
Shelley Gnade and Mary-beth Howard

At the asterisk (), please stand as you are able*

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION

Jesus humbled himself and became like one of us.

He came not to be served, but to serve.

We are invited to feast with him who remained obedient to the end,

and who calls us to serve one another in love.

Jesus is the bread of life,

and the cup of salvation.

HYMN NO. 202

“An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare”

O WALY WALY

Verses 1 – 3

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Eternal God...

LORD'S PRAYER (page 35 in our *Glory to God* hymnal, using “debts” and “debtors”)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE AND FOOT WASHING

Everyone is invited to approach the table by the center aisle.

Lord's Supper: *All who trust in Christ are welcome to take the elements which will be served by intinction. Please take a piece of bread and dip it in the cup. For those who have wheat allergies, we provide gluten-free rice crackers with the communion bread.*

Foot Washing: *After receiving communion, those who wish to participate in the foot washing will sit on the front pew of the nave to remove your shoes and socks. Then, proceed to the side transept where your feet will be washed. After your feet are washed and dried, you may put on your shoes and socks and return to your seat by the side aisle.*

Anointing with Oil: *The Scriptures speak of anointing with oil in several different contexts. Kings and priests were anointed with oil when assuming their office. Guests into one's home were anointed with oil as a sign of honor, and ill people were anointed with oil as a sign of healing. Anointing with oil is also associated with forgiveness of sins and being anointed by the Holy Spirit. Tonight we anoint with oil as a reminder that we seek physical and spiritual healing for health and wholeness, and as a sign that God's Spirit dwells within us.*

ANTHEM

“I Give to You a New Commandment”

Peter Nardone

I give to you a new commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

Ubi caritas et amor,

Deus ibi est.

Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.

Exsulemus et in ipso jucundemur.

Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum.

et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

Where there is charity and love,

God is there.

The love of Christ has gathered us together.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Let us revere and love the living God.

And from a sincere heart let us love one another.

PRAYER

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 26:36-50

Jesus' Prayer and Arrest at the Mt. of Olives
Jill Getty

HYMN No. 204

“Stay With Me”

SCRIPTURE: Luke 22:54-62

Peter's Denial
Bob Moore and Jan Harrison

Matthew 27:24-26

Pilate Washes Hands
Denison Hatch

CHORAL MEDITATION

“O Saviour of the World”

John Goss

O Saviour of the world, Who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us, Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE: Luke 23:33-46

Jesus on the Cross/Crucifixion
Jon McPheeters

*HYMN No. 223

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

HAMBURG

BENEDICTION

CHORAL POSTLUDE

“Thy Will Be Done”

Craig Courtney

Our cup was filled with darkness. Our cup was filled with death. Christ took our cup and drank it, and gave us life, and gave us hope, gave us Himself. My Father, let this cup pass from me; yet not my will, O Lord, but Thine be done. In blackest night we hear Him in dark Gethsemane. Pleading with the Father for one more way, for one more hope, for one more day. Then they took our Savior, and led Him to a tree; and there they broke His body, poured out His life, put Him to death to rise again!

*You are welcome to remain in the sanctuary as long as you wish.
Please depart in silence.*

Westminster by Heart is a lay group from our congregation committed to telling stories from Scripture. We have embraced the discipline and spiritual commitment of learning these passages by heart so that our congregation may experience the Bible the same way it was first heard, traveling to the hearts of believers on the breath of the teller. Our group is open to any and all who share a passion for the story. For more information, contact Shelley Gnade (shelley.gnade@gmail.com) or Mary-beth Howard (mbhcc73@gmail.com). Following is a list of the participants in tonight's service, in order of their appearance:

Bob Moore
Jan Harrison
Denison Hatch
Jill Getty
Jon McPheeters
Kris DeMesse
Mary-beth Howard
Shelley Gnade
Tom Hogue
Tom Preston

The Footwashers for the service are:

Barry Cobb
Diane Chandler
Josh Thomas
Judy Stoddard
Robin Rosser
Tammy Daly
Teisha Fooks

The Anointers for the service are:

Jill and Ross Getty

PASTORAL STAFF

Gregory Knox Jones, Head of Staff
Sudie Niesen Thompson, Associate Pastor
Jill Getty, Pastoral Care Assistant

CHURCH EDUCATOR: Susan Moseley

MUSIC STAFF

Paul Fleckenstein, Organist/Director of Music
Merideth Hite Estevez, Director of Music for Children and Youth
Section Leaders: Diana Milburn, Sharon Babcock, David Price, Travis Lucas

YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

Susan Moseley, Josh Cox, Merideth Hite Estevez, Mike Gnade

SUPPORT STAFF

Susan Alexander, Reception Area Supervisor
Paul Crothamel, Director of Facilities and Security
Colleen Falasco, Director of Financial Operations
Nicole Hughes, Director of Communication and Database Management
Jerry Hunter, Financial Assistant
Suzie Hurlock, Administrative Assistant
Cathy Lang, Administrative Assistant
Sextons: Roger W. Atkins, Terrence Clarke, Robert King, Joan Truitt, John Young

SESSION

Jen Barrington, Ty Burns, Sally Buttner, Chad Chandler, Jeanne Checkel, Art Colbourn, Joe Daley,
Rich Diver, Michael Enderle, Mike Gnade, Cathy Higgins, Carol Hogue, Barbara Jobe, Kali Kniel-Tolbert,
Kelly McCulloch, Jon McPheeters, Mark Mosher, Margo Reign, Roger Reinicker, Craig Stabler, Barb Stratton,
Mary Vane, Susan Williamson, Helen Zumsteg

BOARD OF DEACONS

Liz Bacon, Don Beddie, Amy Bickhart, Beatty Chadwick, Barry Cobb, Tammy Daley, Nancy Diver, Teisha
Fooks,
Nicole Fox, Laura Holmes, Hillary King, Cathy Lang, Kris Marvel, Sally McBride, Blair McConnel, Mary Lou
McDowell,
Susan McPheeters, Lola Miller, Bob Moore, Carol Neff, Cassandra Piovoso, Ann Shadduck, Jerry Spilecki, Lisa
Stoddard, Judy Stoffer, Josh Thomas, Sharlym Torres, Jennifer Trickey, Lois Underhill, Lowell Underhill, Jennie
Wagner,
Gen Wallace-Roe, Sue Weissinger, Pam White, Sandy White, Debbie Wise

TRUSTEES

Charley Babcock, Gary Bryde, Jim Carter, Denison Hatch, Bobbe Hoy, Fred Iobst, Bill Nace, Mary Lu Pamm,
Kris Qualls, Bob Ridout, Bruce Weber, Dan Weintraub

PARTNERS IN WORLDWIDE MINISTRY

Guatemala – Leslie Vogel (CEDEPCA), Sandi and Brian Thompson-Royer, Rosario Diaz
Congo – PCUSA Mission Co-workers John and Gwenda Fletcher, Jeff and Kristi Boyd, Larry and Inga
Sthreshley,
Cecilé de Sweemer, MD, and Members of the Kamulumba-Ditalala Parish
Iran, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon – Mission Co-workers the Reverends Elmarie and Scott Parker
Peace Drums Steel Band – Ibillin and Haifa, Israel/Palestine

Holy Week AT WESTMINSTER

GOOD FRIDAY — APRIL 14

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Reflect on the crucifixion through silent prayer and meditation in the Sanctuary or walk the Labyrinth in the Meeting Room (adjacent to Rodney Chapel).

EASTER VIGIL — APRIL 15

Worship – 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. (begins on Westminster's front lawn)

Since the early days of the church, Christians have gathered on the eve of Easter to remember God's work throughout time, beginning with creation and culminating in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Join us for a family-friendly worship service this Saturday evening as we tell the story of God's love for us and celebrate communion.

EASTER SUNDAY — APRIL 16

8:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Easter breakfast in Community Hall

9:00 and 11:15 a.m.

Festive worship services in the Sanctuary to celebrate Christ's resurrection, with a sermon by Dr. Jones and music by the Westminster Choir, brass, percussion, and organ

10:15 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt (parents and children through 2nd grade meet in Grace Hall)

All are welcome!



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