



October 2, 2016 11:15 a.m. World Communion Sunday

Gathering Songs #328 "Praise God, All You Nations" (Ghana)

#392 "Jesus, We Are Here" (Zimbabwe)

#### Welcome and Living Our Faith

#### Call to Worship

God calls us to the feast!

We come to eat the bread of heaven, and drink from the cup of new life, to taste and see that the Lord is good.

God calls us to the feast!

We gather with sisters and brothers around the world to break bread and share one cup, to celebrate our unity in Christ.

God calls us to the feast!

Let us join the celebration. Let us worship God!

Song #669 "Let's Sing unto the Lord" (Mexico)

# Call to Confession

# **Prayer of Confession**

♦Unknown writer (Philippines)

Lord, forgive us,
for we are fragmented persons.
We go many directions at once.
We seek opposite goals;
we serve contradictory causes.
We mouth liberation, we live oppression.
We shout peace, we practice violence.
We shout justice, we walk in injustice.
We preach love, we practice hate.

Through your compassion have mercy on us and make us whole. Enable us to discern your voice among the dissonant voices.

Silent Prayer

Response #467 (India)

Give us grace; give us grace; give us grace, O Lord.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Response #382 "Heaven Is Singing for Joy" (Argentina)

Verse 1

Passing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Response #382 "Heaven Is Singing for Joy"

Verse 2

Scripture 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Jim Wilson, Lay Reader

Response

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word

Thanks be to God.

Message "Grandma's Table" Sudie Niesen Thompson

#### Offering

Please sign the blue friendship notebook and pass it to the person next to you.

# Communion of the People

Invitation to the Lord's Table

This is the joyful feast of the people of God!

We come from north and south, east and west to sit at table in the kingdom of God.

Around the world the broken body is made whole.

Though many, we are one in Christ.

People of God – Come, take your place at the table.

We join hands and join hearts as we come to the table of grace.

Song #538

"Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises"

(South Africa)

#### 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...

# Words of Institution

# Sharing the Bread and Cup

Today we join the global Christian community in celebrating World Communion Sunday. As we come to the table, we remember our sisters and brothers who are breaking bread together in churches around the world, and we celebrate our oneness in Christ. The six breads we use for communion today – challah, chapati, naan, pita, rice crackers, and tortillas – remind us of the beautiful diversity of the body of Christ.

#### **Prayer Following Communion**

♦ by Dorothy McRae-McMahon (Australia)

We thank you, gracious God, that we are the guests at your table. As we have been fed by your gifts of life, so we will share with the world all that you give to us in love. Amen.

Song #526

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

(Jamaica)

#### Sending

Lord of Light -

shine on us.

Lord of Peace -

dwell in us.

Lord of Might -

strengthen us.

Lord of Love -

enfold us.

Lord of Wisdom -

enlighten us.

Send us out as your witnesses, in obedience to your command, to share the good news of your love!

Response #549

"May the Love of the Lord"

(Singapore)

Following the service, we invite you to join us in the Meeting Room for coffee, tea, and fellowship.

<sup>†</sup> From *Prayers Encircling the World: An International Anthology* (Westminster John Knox Press, 1998).

# ~ FALL SERMON SERIES ~ The Story of Moses is the Story of Faith

Beginning **October 9**, Dr. Jones will preach a sermon series focusing on key elements of religious faith. For six Sundays in October and November, we will consider stories of Moses with an eye toward how they shape our thinking about: God's call, our response, doubt, faithful living, courage, freedom, guidance, and hope.

The six passages we will study are:

Exodus 3:1-10, Exodus 3:11-4:17, Exodus 5, Exodus 14:10-15:21, Exodus 32:1-14, Deuteronomy 34

We are thankful for your presence and participation this morning. Westminster has two worship options each Sunday. Our Traditional Service, held in the Sanctuary at 9:00 a.m., includes a choir, organ music and a brief Children's Message. Our Alternative Service, Living Mosaics, is held in Rodney Chapel at 11:15 a.m. Both services include prayers, singing, scripture and sermon.

Following worship, feel free to make a bouquet to brighten someone's day. Today's flowers are from yesterday's memorial service for Charlie Depfer.

The rosebud this morning is in celebration of the birth of Scarlett Rae Ferry, born September 22, daughter of Natalie and Brian Ferry, and sister to Benjamin, and granddaughter to Beth and Wes Emmons. We welcome this child into the Westminster family.

**Please remember in your prayers** Judy Hoopes, who was recently hospitalized.

Children are welcome in worship. You will find yellow worship bags for all children at the chapel entrance.

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Pastors: Greg Jones and Sudie Niesen Thompson Pianist: Paul Fleckenstein

> Song Leader: Travis Lucas Guitar and Drum: Meredith Cox

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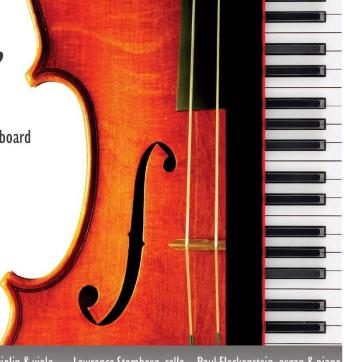
# Music at Westminster

Presents

"Fleck&Strings"

A concert of music for strings and keyboard by Mozart, Haydn, Dvorak, Schumann, and Percy Grainger

Today at 4:00 p.m.



Luigi Mazzocchi, violin

Timothy Schwarz, violin & viola

Lawrence Stomberg, cello

Paul Fleckenstein, organ & piano









Free admission; offering received

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