

WESTMINSTER  PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Service for the Lord's Day

Holy Baptism

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 10, 2017

GATHERING

(Silence during the Prelude is requested in preparation for worship.)

PRELUDE

Rebecca Groom Te Velde

St. Patrick's Breastplate/Deirdre/Gartan

Waterlife
Borning Cry

David Christiansen

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Every good gift belongs to us, and we belong to Christ,
and Christ belongs to God.

**Praise God in whom we live and move and have our being.
Praise the Lord!**

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

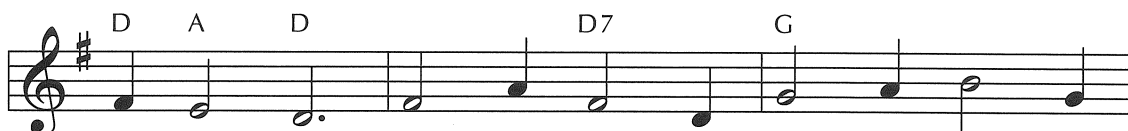
**Almighty and everlasting God,
increase our faith, hope and love;
and, that we may receive all you promise,
make us love what you have commanded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

*(The Cross and Bible lead the procession, symbolic of the centrality in worship
of Jesus Christ - the Living Word, and the Bible - the written Word.)*

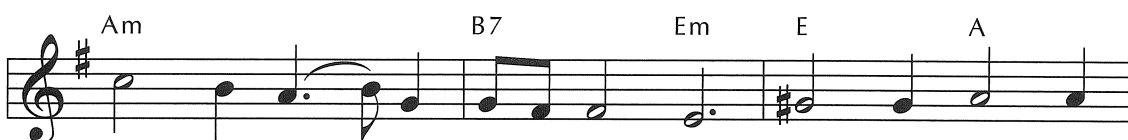
Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation



1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
 2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O Lord of
 3 Here be - stow on all your ser - vants what they seek from
 4 Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, laud and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
 hosts, and stay; come, with all your lov - ing - kind - ness;
 you to gain; what they gain from you, for - ev - er
 to the Son, laud and hon - or to the Spir - it,



bind - ing all the church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
 hear your peo - ple as we pray, and your full - est
 with the bless - ed to re - tain; and here - af - ter
 ev - er three and ev - er one: one in might and



help for - ev - er, and our con - fi - dence a - lone.
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in these walls to - day.
 in your glo - ry ev - er - more with you to reign.
 one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

CALL TO CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin,
we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins,
**God who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins
 and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(1 John 1:8-9)

Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.
We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.
We have not loved you with a pure heart,
nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We have not done justice, loved kindness,
or walked humbly with you, our God.
Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.
In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.
Create in us a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.
Do not cast us from your presence,
or take your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation,
and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

(Silent confession)

Kyrie *(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)*

Hal H. Hopson

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(The liturgist pours water, which reminds us of our baptism.)

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***The Peace**

Since God in Christ has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(Please exchange the peace with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you.")

***ACT OF PRAISE**

Glory to God in the Highest

John Weaver

*(Please refer to the inside back cover of your hymnal
for music for this hymn.)*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.**

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO OUR THIRD-GRADERS *(8:30 a.m.)*

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*(Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship Register,
which is located on the center aisle end of each row.)*

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! **Our ears are open.**

Matthew 18:15-20 *(New Testament, page 20 in your pew Bible)*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 119

(8:30 a.m.)

Teach Me, O Lord

Thomas Attwood

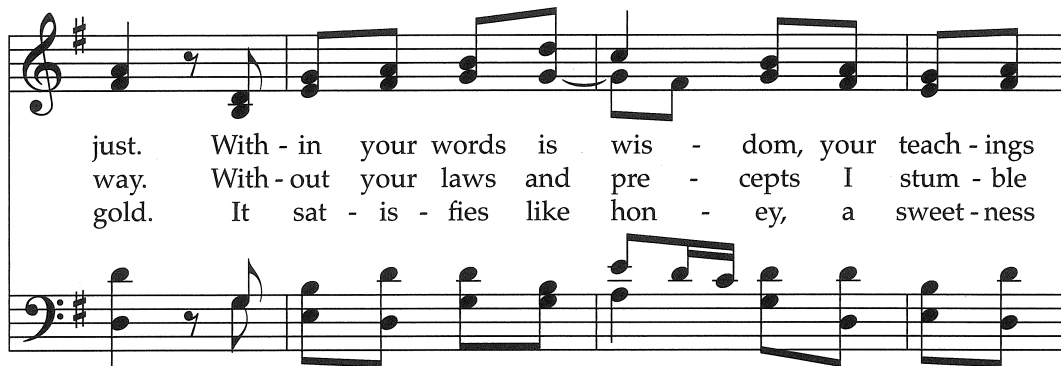
Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes;
and I shall keep it unto the end.

(11:00 a.m.) (Hymn 64, sung by all)

WOHL DENEN, DIE DA WANDELN



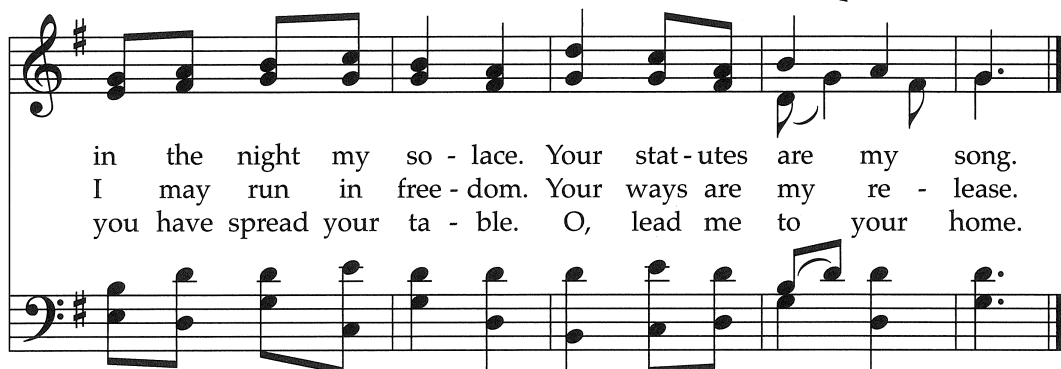
1 I long for your com - mand - ments; your judg - ments all are
2 With - out your lamp to guide me I wan - der from the
3 O God, I love your knowl - edge, more pre - cious than pure



just. With - in your words is wis - dom, your teach - ings
way. With - out your laws and pre - cepts I stum - ble
gold. It sat - is - fies like hon - ey, a sweet - ness



un - der - stood are com - fort to my spir - it's need and
in the dark. Your un - der - stand - ings are my hope that
on my tongue. It leads me to sal - va - tion's door where



in the night my so - lace. Your stat - utes are my song.
I may run in free - dom. Your ways are my re - lease.
you have spread your ta - ble. O, lead me to your home.

Romans 13:8-14 (Old Testament, page 162 in your pew Bible)

SERMON

“...you know what time it is...”

Donovan Drake

(A moment for meditation)

***HYMN 482 (8:30 a.m.)**

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

C Am Dm G F G C

1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the

Em Am Em F G C Am F C/G

blood of Christ our King; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing the
 tomb with Christ our King; one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our King; born of the Spir - it, we are God's

Am G C G/B Am G7 C

prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

***HYMN 203 (11:00 a.m.) Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love**

CHEREPONI

Capo 3: (D) (A7)
 Refrain F C7

Je - su, Je - su, fill us with your love; show

(D) (D/F#) (Em7) (A7) (D)
 F F/A Gm7 C7 F Fine

us how to serve the neigh-bors we have from you.

(D) (Bm) (Em) (A)
 F Dm Gm C

1 Kneels at the feet of his friends, si - lent - ly wash - es their
 2 Neigh-bors are wealth-y and poor, var - ied in col - or and
 3 These are the ones we should serve; these are the ones we should
 4 Lov - ing puts us on our knees, will - ing to wash oth - ers'

(D) (Bm) (Em7) (A7) (D)
 F Dm Gm7 C7 F to Refrain

feet, Mas - ter who acts as a slave to them.
 race; neigh-bors are near us and far a - way.
 love; all these are neigh-bors to us and you.
 feet; this is the way we should live like you.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (8:30 a.m.)

Presentation

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ...

Obeying the word of our Lord Jesus,
and confident of his promises,
we baptize those whom God has called.

**In baptism God claims us and seals us
to show that we belong to God.**

**God frees us from sin and death,
uniting us with Jesus Christ
in his death and resurrection.**

**By water and the Holy Spirit,
we are made members of the Church,
the body of Christ,
and joined to Christ's ministry
of love, peace, and justice.**

**Let us remember with joy our own baptism,
as we celebrate this sacrament.**

Questions to the Parents, Congregation, and Children of the Church

***Profession of Faith**

Through baptism we enter the covenant...
With the whole Church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven;
he is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal and gracious God...lives and reigns forever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

Welcome

Let us welcome these newly baptized into the household of God.

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's Church
to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.**

Baptismal Anthem (8:30 a.m.) Loving Shepherd of thy sheep John Arnn

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep, keep thy lambs in safety keep.
 Nothing can thy power withstand.
 None can pluck them from thy hand.
 May they praise thee everyday, gladly all thy will obey;
 Like the blessed ones above, happy in thy precious love.
 Loving Shepherd, teach thy lambs to hear;
Suffer not their steps to stray from the straight and narrow way;
 Where thou leadest, may they go, walking in thy steps below.
 Then, before thy Father's throne,
 Savior, claim them for thine own.

(Jane Leeson)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

Anthem (8:30 a.m.) Open Thou Mine Eyes

John Rutter

Open thou mine eyes and I shall see;
Incline my heart and I shall desire;
Order my steps and I shall walk
In the ways of thy commandments.

O Lord God, be thou to me a God
No other, naught else with thee.

Vouchsafe to me to worship thee and serve thee
according to thy commandments
in truth of spirit, in reverence of body,
in blessings of lips,
in private and in public.

Anthem (11:00 a.m.) Teach Me Now, O Lord

Benedetto Marcello

Teach me now, O Lord, to follow your decrees.
Guide me in the path of your commandments.
I am your servant, teach me your statutes.
Renew my life, Lord, according to your word.
Fulfill your promise to your servant.
I call upon you in time of my distress,
I call upon you for you will hear me.
You are my refuge, lead me and guide me.
Hear my prayer, Lord, hasten to help me.
You are my refuge, lead and guide me.

(from *Psalm 119*)

***DOXOLOGY**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Lord God, you are the Creator of the universe.
Your goodness does not change
 from one generation to the next.
You let rain fall on the just and the unjust.
We praise you that you never give up
 loving us and our world.**

**Today we thank you:
 that we may gather to worship
 without fear or intimidation;
 that fruit and grain have ripened
 to give us food for another year;
 that people have entered our lives
 and taught us to love, hope, and dream;
 that we have strong minds and bodies
 to make our world more human;
 that we have a social order
 where fairness and dissent have a place;
 that salvation is ours now and eternally.**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Prayed in unison*)

SENDING

*HYMN 744

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

Festal Song

1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God, which shines on you to - day.
pro - claim the cap - tives' lib - er - ty, good ti - dings to the poor.
bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff of each system. The first system contains four lines of lyrics, and the second system contains four lines of lyrics. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Psalm 19

Benedetto Marcello

*(Those who are able may stand.)

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of
Roberta and John Hill Bailey, Jr.;
Sarah Faulconer and Ed Weaver;
Frances Bailey Graves;
and David K. Linley, Sr.
by the family.*

*The flowers in the Parlor are given to the glory of God
and in celebration of the marriage of
Candace Brooke Lawrence and Edward Anthony Reeve
on Saturday, September 9, 2017.*

SERVICE NOTES

WORSHIP LEADERS: Liturgist: Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, Interim Associate Pastor for Congregational Care; (8:30 a.m.) Lay liturgist: Mary Hande; Presenting Elder: Phil Stuart; Beadle/Acolyte: Reed Ruccio; (11:00 a.m.) Lay liturgist: Melissa Threatt.

MUSICIANS: (8:30 a.m.) Westminster Choir; (11:00 a.m.) Laudate Youth Choir; John W. Semingson, Director of Music Ministries; Polly Brecht, Organist.

USHERS: (8:30 a.m.) Paige Harden, Ty Harden, Elizabeth Minkoff; (11:00 a.m.) Tom Brooks. *Please contact an usher if you require any assistance.*

THE BAPTISMAL RITE

The Apostles' Creed: The oldest surviving baptismal liturgy, dating from around the year 200 C.E., describes the candidate for baptism standing in water and affirming the faith by responding to three questions. Each question corresponds to one person of the Trinity. The Paschal Candle is symbolic of Christ's death and resurrection. The Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, is our Paschal sacrifice. The Paschal Candle also symbolizes the light of the risen Christ, shining in the world. The use of this symbol dates from the early days of the Church. New Christians were given a lighted candle, symbolic of their having died and been raised to new life in Christ through baptism. Each family is given a Paschal Candle to use annually on the anniversary of the baptism as a symbolic reminder of God's gift of redemption and new life in Jesus Christ.

*The sacrament of baptism will be administered today
at the 8:30 a.m. worship service to*

James Patrick, the son of Amanda and Patrick Davis

Charles Andrew, the son of Ally and Andrew Hard

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Our love and acceptance of each other affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person, regardless of our differences, and bear witness to the love of God for all people and our commitment to Christ. Any who are interested in joining us in this journey are invited to come to the Parlor and speak with one of our greeters. The Parlor is

located through the double doors on the left at the front of the Sanctuary. The Parlor greeters for today are (8:30 a.m.) Judi Larson, and (11:00 a.m.) Bob and Donna Littleton.

LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS AND ASSISTIVE HEARING DEVICES are available from one of the ushers.

ELDER NOMINATIONS for next year's class (the Class of 2021) are being requested from Westminster members. Nominations may be made by completing a ballot form (1) in the Parlor by the wooden Ballot Box or (2) online at www.nashvillewpc.org, and will be accepted until October 15, 2017. Following the end of nominations, the Church Nominating Committee will review ballots and recommend a slate of elder candidates representing the demographics of the church as a whole (age, gender, service to the congregation and community, etc.). Photos and biographical information on nominees will be published in the December 2017 newsletter. Elections will be conducted at the February 4, 2018 congregational meeting. The new class of elders will begin their 3-year terms on May 1, 2018. For information on elder qualifications, go to <http://oga.pcusa.org/section/mid-council-ministries/clp/>. Please cast your nominations!

FALL NEW MEMBER CLASS BEGINS TODAY, SEPTEMBER 10: All are welcome to attend this seven-week series, as together we seek to follow Christ in our lives and through this community of faith. The Fall New Member Class will be held during the Sunday School hour, 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. in the Chapel with a welcoming session and introduction to Westminster today. On October 22, the class will conclude with reception into membership. To register, please contact Trisha Biggs (615-292-5526; tbiggs@nashvillewpc.org). To find out more about the membership process, please contact the Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler (615-292-5526; hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org), or Elder Jim Hartman (615-383-8759; overlookjim@yahoo.com).

EVERY MEMBER HAS A MISSION FAIR IS SEPTEMBER 17, and will run between and after worship services in the Parlor. The many ministries of this congregation will be featured with displays and representatives. Come to explore the wide range of opportunities for study, fellowship, mission and service that are offered at and through WPC, and discover how and where God is calling you to engage, to grow, and to commit yourself and your gifts in the coming year. Explore the abundant ways that WPC is Living Out the Word through mission and service in Nashville and around the world. What is your mission? Come to find it, come to express it on September 17th at the Every Member Has a Mission Fair!

THE WELL AT WPC - FALL 2017: THROUGH THESE WATERS: Join us on Friday, September 22, 2017 from 5:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for assembling “Gift of the Heart” kits for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. We’ll have dinner from Tzatziki’s in Fellowship Hall (reservations required), and then pack the kits in Koinonia Café. Dinner costs are the same as for Wednesday night dinners. Childcare is available with a reservation with Claire Jenkins at cjenkins@nashvillewpc.org. The kits, which include School Kits, Hygiene Kits and Clean Up Buckets, will go to those affected by Hurricane Harvey. A complete list of items needed is available on the WPC website; some are scissors, pencils, crayons, and erasers; hand towels, bar soap, and toothbrushes; and buckets, scrub brushes and work gloves. If you are not able to attend The Well, your donations of items for kits are welcome and can be left in the Parlor. We hope you will join us for a great night of fellowship and Living Out the Word!

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO OUR THIRD-GRADERS: It is a privilege to present NRSV Bibles to the children in our Third Grade Church School Class. “Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” (*Psalm 119:105, NRSV*)

Helen Victoria Alexander	Mary Kidd Langston Lindsey
Claire Allen	Clover Mills Martin
Andrew Stockton Bottorff	Nancy McKnight
Robert Edwin Brown	Kaylee Irene McRae
Joseph Aubrey Bryant	Hugh Lathrop Mixon
Annalise Ruth Cash	Hunter Mason Musser
Virginia Ashley Conner	Ellie Nickoloff
Beckan Fielder	Jackson Nickoloff
Ollie Fielder	James Henry Oeser
Sullivan Fielder	Georgia Evelyn Orndorff
Lucas Jameson Fields	William Banks Pennington
Kathryn Alexa Folk	Dale Whitcomb Polley
Charles David Griffin	Madeline Elizabeth Priddy

Charles Anders Hall	Patrick Nicholas Pritchartt
Michael Webster Hayes	Cooper Holland Rice
Tully Thomas Johnson	Margaret Belle Rick
James Luther Jones	John Mitchell Rowland
Marin Wilson Kurita	DeWitt Baker Womack Warner
William Christian Kurtz	Avery Schuyler Weber
Madeline Lakoff	Maxwell Sinclair White
Henry Langston Levendoski	

CHOIR REHEARSALS RESUME TODAY: Rehearsals for the Jubilate Choir (*4th–6th grades*) and the Laudate Choir (*7th–12th grades*) will resume this afternoon. The Jubilate Choir rehearsal will begin at 4:00 p.m. in the Overlook Room. The Laudate Choir will begin its rehearsal at 5:00 p.m. in the Chancel. Bells will not resume until the elevator is completed and open to the third floor. Please join us!

PRAYER REQUESTS: It is the privilege of our pastors and the Congregational Care Committee to pray by name for those who need our care. Please indicate on one of the prayer request forms, found in the pew literature racks, the name of the person and the nature of your request. Then place the request form in the offering plate or give it to one of our pastors.

HOSPITALIZATIONS: Because of federal health care/confidentiality mandates, area hospitals are less able to release by phone to church staff the names of our members who may be patients in their facilities. Please contact the church office (615.292.5526) or one of the members of our church staff when you know of someone who may need a pastoral call from the church.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER RELIEF: Disaster response teams from WPC travel to impacted areas to assist people and families who have been harmed. We have been conducting these work trips twice a year for over 10 years. Usually, we have travelled to hurricane damaged areas of the Gulf Coast. This fall, we are planning a work trip to Gatlinburg to help fellow Tennesseans hurt by the terrible fires of last year. We will leave on Sunday, November 12 and return on Saturday, November 18. All types of work—from cleaning and painting to carpentry—will

be conducted. Work will be suitable for all skill levels. We will be staying at the Gatlinburg Presbyterian Church in the downtown area. If you would like to be a part of this work team, contact Joe Gaines at joegaines12@gmail.com or 615-636-3860.

Note on Hurricane Harvey: Our fellow citizens in the areas impacted by Hurricane Harvey are in need of much assistance. Given the difficulty of sending work teams to the Texas coast, our most immediate opportunity for providing assistance is to donate funds for relief efforts. The Westminster Presbyterian Church website offers an online opportunity to donate funds for Harvey relief efforts. At the website, select online giving, then special offerings (specify Hurricane Harvey Relief).

PRAYER SERVICE FOR WHOLENESS will be held in the Chapel immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship on Sunday, September 24, 2017. This brief and informal service (roughly 15 minutes) will include a time of centering ourselves in God's love and light, sharing concerns and joys, and individual and communal prayer. Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler and Claire Harris Kramer co-lead this service and remain available to pray with and for members of our community. Bring whatever needs for prayer are on your heart; all ages are welcome.

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Purpose Statement

*Ordinary people testifying to the extraordinary light
found in our Lord Jesus Christ.*

“For it is the God who said, ‘Let light shine out of darkness’, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.” (2 Corinthians 4:6-7)

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