

WHITE MEMORIAL — PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH —

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 22, 2023
8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

** Please rise in body or spirit.*

Greeting

(8:00 & 11:00) Karl Zinsmeister
(9:30) Kirsten Homdrom

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us prepare for worship.

Preparation for Worship

Almighty God, your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshiped and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Prelude

(8:00 & 11:00) – *The Summons* (see hymn 726) arr. Jeremy Bankson (b. 1975)
(9:30) – *We Pray Now to the Holy Spirit* Dietrich Buxtehude (c. 1637-1707)

Christian Welcome and Announcements

Gloria Johnson

Please pass the Friendship Register to your neighbor and include all requested information.

Call to Worship

from Psalm 27

One: The Lord is our light and salvation. Why should we be afraid?

All: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives. Why should we be afraid?

One: What should we ask of the Lord, what should we seek?

All: To thrive in the house of the Lord, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to bring our questions, prayers, and petitions to the Lord.

One: We believe that we might see the goodness of the Lord in the land of life. Friends near and far: do not lose hope! Be strong! Take courage! Let us wait and look for the Lord!

***Hymn 662** – *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

RATISBON

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. You call us to lives of service. You call us to lives of grace-filled celebration. But we are reluctant to respond. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

The hymn text on which *The Summons* arrangement is based comes from Scotland's Iona Community. In today's gospel lesson Jesus calls the first of his disciples. *The Summons* speaks to Christ's call to each of us, Stanza five provides our possible response.

***Passing of the Peace**

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

***Response Hymn 582, verse 1**

GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

Glo-ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
 and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
 and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
 As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be. A - men.

While not as famous as Psalm 23, Psalm 27 is a “mountain-top” Psalm. It is worthy of reading, study and memorization. Its powerful words, which encourage us to trust in God and to have courage, have inspired believers for thousands of years.

Matthew shares with us the calling of the first disciples. Note the instant response: they leave the boat, forsaking one job (fishing) for another (ministry). Have you ever had an inspiration to change the trajectory of your life?

This Latin hymn (316) dates from the 8th century. Originally it had 12 stanzas and may have developed in monastic communities. By the 10th and 11th centuries the hymn was regularly associated with Maundy Thursday worship and rituals of foot washing. The five stanzas in *Glory to God* represent a reordering and a reworking of some of the original 12 stanzas.

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

Sacrament of Baptism

(11:00) **Van Weatherspoon Ruffy**, son of Anne and Drew Ruffy

Old Testament Lesson – Psalm 27; pew Bible, p. 476

New Testament Lesson – Matthew 4:12-23; pew Bible, p. 3

One: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

(11:00) A Time With Young Disciples

At the 11:00 service, Kindergartners through 2nd Graders will meet with Elizabeth Wallwork at the door near the baptismal font, to be joined by Anne, Justin and Addison Wallwork from the OnPoint service for Worship Enrichment in L201.

Sermon – “*Call and Response*”

Christopher Edmonston

Hymn 316 – *Where Charity and Love Prevail

TWENTY-FOURTH

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Judy Siker

**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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

(8:00 & 9:30) *Prelude in D Major; Op. 23 No. 4* Sergei Rachmaninoff (1873-1943)

(11:00) *The Lamb*

Gerald Patrick Coleman (b. 1953)

The Lamb, O Father, where's the sacrifice? Faith sees, believes God will provide the Lamb of price!

Worthy is the Lamb whose death makes me his own! The Lamb is reigning on his throne!

The Lamb, one perfect final offering. The Lamb, let earth join heaven his praise to sing.

The Lamb, as wayward sheep their shepherd kill. So still, his will on our behalf the law to fill.

He sighs, he dies, he takes my sin and wretchedness. He lives, forgives, he gives me his own righteousness.

He rose, my heart with thanks now overflows. His song prolong till every heart to him belong.

WMPC Adult Choir

*Offertory Response – *Doxology*

OLD HUNDREDTH

Musical notation for the Offertory Response (Doxology) in G major, 4/4 time. The melody is written on a single staff with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."

*Affirmation of Faith

adapted from Philippians 2

God has called us to do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than ourselves. God has called us to look not to our own interests, but to the interests of others. We desire to share in the same mind that was in Christ Jesus: who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant in human likeness. Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death on a cross. God highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God.

Some affirmations are focused upon God (theology). Others are focused upon the Holy Spirit (pneumatology). Today ours is focused upon Jesus Christ (Christology). Philippians 2 is among the oldest affirmations of faith we have in Jesus Christ, dating to the first century of the Christian era.

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn 846 – *Fight the Good Fight*

DUKE STREET

*Charge and Benediction

*Chiming of the Trinity

The worship service ends with the Chiming of the Trinity.
Please be mindful of those who remain to listen to the postlude.

Benediction means “good word(s).” It is a final blessing before we leave the time of worship and venture into the week ahead.

Postlude – *Toccata in G Major*

Wilhelm Hieronymus Pachelbel (1686-1764)

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Wilhelm was the oldest son of well-known Johann Pachelbel. While some of his pieces (such as the *Toccata in G Major*) reflect the influence of his father and the Baroque style, other pieces represent the emerging Classical style.

**WELCOME TO WHITE MEMORIAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PC (USA)**

We are glad you are worshipping with us.
Visiting? Deacons can be found in the Narthex
to offer a friendly greeting, answer
questions and provide directions.
New members are received after attending
Believing & Belonging @WMPC Class.
Visit whitememorial.org/join
or contact Elizabeth Viohl at ext. 206
for details, class dates and registration.

THINGS TO KNOW:

- **Restrooms** are located on the hallway to Jane Bell Gathering Space on the Pulpit side and also on the first floor of the Luther Building.
- **Childcare** is available for children up to four years old.
- **Sunday School** is offered at 9:30 for all ages.
- **Refreshments** Coffee stations are located in The Connector and Main Hall
- **The Sanctuary** has a loop hearing aid system and an FM system.
- **Live-streamed services** are at whitememorial.org.
- **Radio**, WPTF 680 AM, every other Sunday at 11:00 a.m.: next broadcast is today, January 22.
- **Bulletins** left in the sanctuary following worship services are recycled as part of our care for God's creation.



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

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AFTER HOURS PASTOR ON CALL: 919-605-4593

Each Sunday we offer four opportunities for you to worship with us at White Memorial in the Sanctuary and OnPoint@1704 in the Main Hall. While you will notice differences in music, location and worship leadership among our different services, what unites us in our worship is our scripture, liturgy and sermon. All services use the same Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession, readings from Scripture and Affirmation of Faith.

JOYS & CONCERNS

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Marlene and Ronnie Batchelor on the birth of their grandchild, Mary Claire Batchelor, January 14, child of Mary Rives and Andrew Batchelor, Charlotte, NC.

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The **flowers in the chancel** today are given to the glory of God for the Baptism of Van Weatherspoon Rufty, by his grandparents.

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GENEROSITY CAMPAIGN 2023 UPDATE

As of Wednesday, January 18, we have received 697 pledges representing \$3.560 million towards our goal of \$4.175 million/1,000 pledging households. If you would like to make a pledge, please visit www.whitememorial.org/give. Thank you for your generosity.

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Would the generous donors of the following securities please contact Jody Grayson at 919-834-3425 x204 to claim your 2022 gifts? Truist, Marathon Oil, and Elevance Health.

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY | JANUARY 22

Psalm 27; Matthew 4:12-23

Oak City Cares

2:30-4:30 p.m. | offsite

WMPC volunteers monthly at Oak City Cares by serving a Sunday afternoon meal to their guests. This organization is doing such important work in our community to serve our brothers and sisters experiencing homelessness, and this is a great way to join in their mission! If you are interested in serving, contact Sara Joyner at sej404@gmail.com and she'll get you signed up!

Parents of Littles

4:00-6:00 p.m. | C200

Parents of Littles launched this fall in hopes of bringing together people in our church family who are in the thick of raising young children (preschool and under). If you'd like to know more, contact Anne Galliher at agalliher@whitememorial.org.

MONDAY | JANUARY 23

Psalm 27:7-14; Judges 6:11-24; Ephesians 5:6-14

Pickleball at WMPC!

2:00-4:00 p.m. | Pickard Hall

Whether you're new to the game or an experienced player, come join the fun!

TUESDAY | JANUARY 24

Psalm 27:7-14; Judges 7:12-22; Philippians 2:12-18

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

Breakfast Line | 7:00 a.m. | Main Hall

Bible Study | 7:30 a.m.

[Registration required](#)

Women's Breakfast & Fellowship

7:00-8:00 a.m. | The Hub

Women of all ages are invited to come for a hot breakfast, fellowship, study and prayer. This group studies the PW Bible lesson once a month and on other weeks they study a variety of topics. Hosted by Circle M.

WEDNESDAY | JANUARY 25

Psalm 27:7-14; Genesis 49:1-2, 8-13, 21-26; Luke 1:67-79

Lectio Divina

11:00-noon | Zoom

We begin with Lectio Divina, followed by Centering Prayer. You are welcome to come for one or stay for both.

Pickleball at WMPC!

2:00-4:00 p.m. | Pickard Hall



Shortcuts! Find out what's happening around White Memorial during the week. Register for events. Request a prayer. All this can be found in one location. Simply scan the QR code with your smart phone.

Wednesday Together Dinner

5:00-6:30 p.m. | Main Hall

Join us for a delicious dinner and fellowship.

On Campus Dining

Dinner service for pre-registered diners is 5:00-6:30 p.m.

To Go Meals

Pick up for pre-registered to go meals is 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Walk-ins

If you have not pre-registered, you can walk in after 6:00 p.m.

[Registration required by 8:00 p.m. Sunday, January 22.](#)

THURSDAY | JANUARY 26

Psalm 15; Deuteronomy 16:18-20; 1 Peter 3:8-12

Keenagers

10:45 a.m. | Geneva Hall

Join us for *Spiritual Lessons From Sailing* by Genevieve Brooks.

Contact Leigh Ann Dailey at ldailey@whitememorial.org for more information.

FRIDAY | JANUARY 27

Psalm 15; Deuteronomy 24:17-25:4; 1 Timothy 5:17-24

SATURDAY | JANUARY 28

Psalm 15; Micah 3:1-4; John 13:31-35

SAVE THE DATE

Servant Saturday

Saturday | February 4 | 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | Pickard Hall

Join us as we prepare hygiene kits for StepUp and Healing Transitions, and make lunches and cards for the bags for Raleigh Rescue Mission. A great service opportunity for all ages!

Sounds on Oberlin Concert: Rush Dorsett

Sunday | February 5 | 3:00 p.m. | Sanctuary

Songs of Love Through the Ages

Soprano Rush Dorsett guides listeners on a journey of both great classical arias as well as Broadway and contemporary songs to explore the ageless theme of love through varied lenses of culture, language, genre and time period. Each selection illuminates a piece of the common thread that unites them all. Concert is free. Please consider making a gift to support Sounds on Oberlin. Any amount is most welcome and appreciated.

whitememorial.org/sounds/

VBS: Hero Hotline

Monday | June 19 - Friday | June 23

Register Now!

Enjoy an Early Bird discount by registering through March 11! VBS is for members' children who have turned 3 by August 31, 2022 through current fifth graders. If you'd like to help with this lively week of growing in faith, please contact 2023 VBS directors Meg Groves at meggroves22@gmail.com or Carolyn McGowan at cmcgowan78@gmail.com. Questions? Contact Lynn Springfield at lspringfield@whitememorial.org. Register: whitememorial.org/register.

REGISTRATION FOR MOST EVENTS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE: WHITEMEMORIAL.ORG/REGISTER

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies 662



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies; Christ, the true, the on - ly light;
 2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - pa-nied by thee;
 3 Vis - it then this soul of mine; pierce the gloom of sin and grief;



Sun of Righ-teous-ness, a - rise; tri-umph o'er the shades of night;
 joy - less is the day's re - turn till thy mer - cy's beams I see;
 fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine; scat - ter all my un - be - lief;

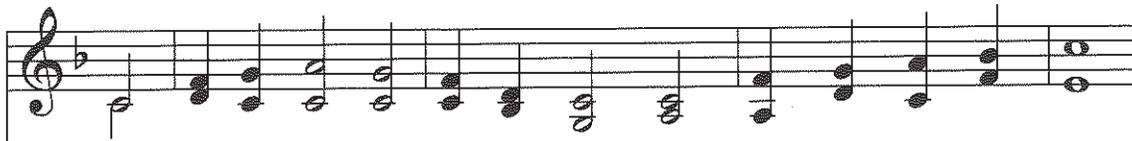


Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
 till they in - ward light im - part, cheer my eyes and warm my heart.
 more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

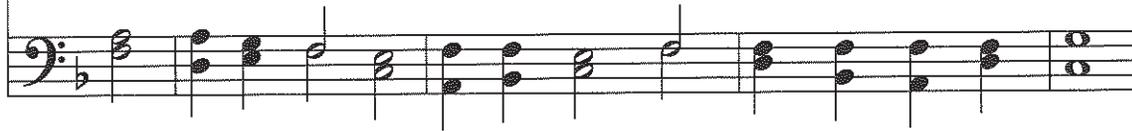


This well-crafted morning hymn opens by celebrating daylight as an image of Christ, the true Light, then ponders life without light, and culminates in a prayer for inward light. The tune's name honors its German roots: Ratisbon is the former English name for Regensburg.

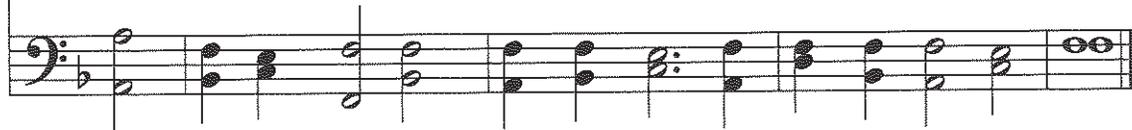
Where Charity and Love Prevail 316



1 Where char-i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
2 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son.
3 Let strife a-mong us be un-known; let all con - ten-tions cease.
4 Let us for-give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,
5 Love can ex-clude no race or creed if hon - ored be God's name;



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
As mem-bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris-tian gen - tle - ness.
our com - mon life em - brac - es all whose Mak - er is the same.



This English paraphrase is based on a longer Latin hymn traditionally associated with the footwashing ritual on Maundy Thursday, an enactment of Christ's "new commandment" that we should love one another (John 13:34). For a chant setting of the first line of the hymn see no. 205.

TEXT: Latin, 8th cent.; trans. Omer Westendorf, 1960, alt.
MUSIC: Lucius Chapin, 1812
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TWENTY-FOURTH
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Fight the Good Fight

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1 Fight the good fight with all thy might.
 2 Run the straight race through God's good grace;
 3 Cast care a-side; lean on thy guide.
 4 Faint not nor fear: God's arms are near.

Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right.
 lift up thine eyes, and seek Christ's face.
 God's bound-less mer-cy will pro-vide.
 God chang-eth not, and thou art dear.

Lay hold on life, and it shall be
 Life with its way be-fore us lies;
 Trust, and thy trust-ing soul shall prove
 On-ly be-lieve, and thou shalt see

thy joy and crown e-ter-nal-ly.
 Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
 Christ is its life, and Christ its love.
 that Christ is all in all to thee.

The opening phrase here (based on 1 Timothy 6:12) is not a military image but an athletic one, from a Greek verb meaning "struggle" or "grapple" or "wrestle." The sports context continues in later stanzas reflecting the experience of a runner (recalling Hebrews 12:1-2).