



The Order of Worship 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

THE CHURCH GATHERS . . .

Welcome to Westminster Church! We are a family of Christians gathered from many traditions and neighborhoods, worshiping here with the goal of connecting faith and life. If you are a visitor, we pray you will feel welcome and blessed by our worship. We invite you to consider making Westminster your church home. Please let us have your contact information so we may be in touch. When the prelude begins let us quietly prepare for the worship of almighty God.

PRELUDE Pange lingua Giovanni Battista Fasolo
Sing, My Tongue, the Mystery Telling

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP Lamentations 3:21-24 Rev. Ann Brunger

One: Voici ce que je veux me rappeler, voici ma raison d'espérer:

All: **This I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:**

One: Les bontés du Seigneur ne sont pas épuisées, il n'est pas au bout de son amour.

All: **The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end;**

One: Sa bonté se renouvelle chaque matin. Que ta fidélité est grande, Seigneur!

All: **They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.**

One: Je le dis: le Seigneur est mon trésor, voilà pourquoi j'espère en lui.

All: **"The Lord is my portion," says my soul. "Therefore, I will hope in him."**

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 36 (Glory to God hymnal) For the Fruit of All Creation Ar hyd y nos

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Gracious Lord, you created the whole world and called it good, but we look out at your world and see division and suffering. You call us to maintain the unity of spirit in the bond of peace, but we choose division over diversity, confrontation over civility, conflict over peace born from justice. You call us to love the least of these among us, but we hear the cries of the oppressed and choose our own comfort. We allow senseless suffering rather than sacrifice for our neighbors. Forgive us. Grant us fresh vision to see one another as siblings in Christ. Rekindle in us your gifts - the spirit of power, love and self-discipline - that with faith in Christ, we might be made new and be part of bringing forth your peaceable kingdom. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON Dinah Reindorf
Kyrie eleison. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Chancel Choir

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

*RESPONSE Gloria Patri No. 576 (blue hymnal) Jacques Berthier

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING Lamentations 1:1-6, 3:19-26

MINUTE FOR MISSION

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00) Allie Brewington

Children age 4 through 2nd grade are invited to go to the playground after the lesson.

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 17:5-10

SERMON "The Little Things" Rev. Dr. Anne McKee

*HYMN NO. 498 (Glory to God hymnal) Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken
Beach Spring

THE OFFERING

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Salmo 150 Ernani Aguiar

Laudate Dominum in sanctis eius. Laudate eum in firmamento virtutis eius.

Laudate eum in virtutibus eius. Laudate eum secundum multitudinem

magnitudinis eius, Laudate eum in sono tubae. Laudate eum in psalterio et

cithara. Laudate eum in timpano et choro. Laudate eum in chordis et organo.

Laudate eum in cymbalis benesonantibus. Laudate eum in cymbalis

jubilationis. Omnis spiritus laudet Dominum, Laudate Dominum, Alleluia!

Praise the Lord in his sacred places, praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him for his mighty acts, praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him with the sound of the trumpet, praise him with the psaltery and the harp. Praise him with the timbrel and the dance, praise him with strings and pipes. Praise him with high-sounding cymbals, praise him with cymbals of joy. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Alleluia!

trans. Ron Jeffers

*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology Lasst uns erfreuen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (responsive)

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

(Prayer continues)...with your heavenly chorus to sing:

SANCTUS NO. 553 (red hymnal) John Merbecke

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory:

Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.

(Prayer continues)...binds us together in peace.

AGNUS DEI NO. 555 (red hymnal) John Merbecke

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE SACRAMENT

MUSIC FOR COMMUNION Chant de Paix Jean Langlais
Song of Peace

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE Jesus Christ, Our Living Lord Sandor Szokolay

Jesus Christ, our living Lord, We believe you keep your word. Whatever may befall us, stretch, or stall us, We'll trust your voice to call us.

Lord in all we do today, Let our lives prepare your way. May peace and love befriend us and defend us Where you require and send us.

Erzsebet Turmezei

Chancel Choir

*POSTLUDE Carillon de Westminster (from Pièces de Fantaisie) Louis Vierne

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Barbara Froula and William Milam
CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR OCTOBER: Kathy Shilling
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from ushers.

SERVING TODAY

GREETERS (11:00): Paul and Judy Jorden

LITURGIST: Rev. Ann Brunger

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Chancel Choir

SAFETY TEAM: William Gibbons

SENIOR USHER: Tim Ryan

USHERS:

(9:00) Carol Beilharz and Dan Berry

(11:00) David and Shawn Owens, LoAnn Price, Charlie and Alice Mercer

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Laura Stockdale in loving memory of her father, Jim Stockdale and her twin sister, Mary Stockdale.

THE BIRTH CANDLE is lit today in celebration of Brooks Ellis Quinn born September 27 to parents Connor and Carolyn (Ellis) Quinn, and grandparents Reed and Lisa Ellis.

THIS MORNING'S MUSIC comes from around the world. We hear Italian-born Giovanni Battista Fasolo's four-verse setting, rich in imitation and counterpoint, where each short movement explores a different color of the organ. The Kyrie sung by the Chancel Choir comes to us from Ghana. It was written by Dinah Reindorf, a Nigerian who formerly conducted the Nigerian National Orchestra. The offertory anthem is by the Brazilian choral conductor, musicologist, and composer Ernani Aguiar. His energetic *Salmo 150* features rhythmic ostinati and rapidly repeated text in a brilliant, visceral, and driving setting. Hungarian composer Sandor Szokolay, who wrote the benediction response, is Professor of Composition at the Ferenc Liszt Academy in Budapest.

ACOLYTING DURING WORSHIP: An Acolyte has a long history in the church. They perform the very important function to bring the light of God into the sanctuary at the beginning of the each worship service and carry the light of God out into the world at the end of each service. Parents of 4-8th graders, you should have received the schedule on Friday. Please see Melissa with any questions.

SHOW AND WAMS (WPC YOUTH): At Noon, we will travel to Blaze Pizza in Alcoa for lunch!! After lunch, we'll drive to Maple Lane Farms and enjoy their awesome corn maze!! If we have time, we'll also go on a hayride!! We will return to church by 3:30 so everyone can make it to choir! Please bring \$20 to cover the cost of lunch, corn maze, and hayride. (We can provide scholarships for anyone who needs help with the cost.)

ABBEY DEADLINE is TODAY! You can submit your articles to unitedprinters@comcast.net.

THE BIG SCARY QUESTIONS group meets at 12:00 on Tuesdays. This week, October 4, we will talk about the PCUSA statements regarding gun violence. If you are not already on the list and want to read materials ahead of time, let Anne or the office know and we will send you the links.

CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS AT WESTMINSTER

During 9:00 Worship:

-Nursery available for children 0-5 years old

During 10:00 Hour:

-Nursery available for children 0-5 years old

-Fellowship time for kids 1st-4th grade

During 11:00 Hour:

-Nursery available for children 0-3 years old

-Primary Sunday school for children 4 y.o.-Kindergarten

-Intermediate Sunday school for children 1st-4th grade

(Children will be walked to Sunday school classes following the Time with the Children during the 11:00 worship service)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 am

Adult Bible Study: Led by Scott Brunger, this class meets in the McKinnon Room. The class chooses a book of the Bible to unpack in depth.

Feasting on the Word: This is a lectionary-based curriculum. The class, led by a rotating team of knowledgeable teachers, studies the scriptures that are used in worship. This class meets in the Fellowship Hall.

The Wired Word: Take a look at current events with a theological eye. The class, which meets in the library, is facilitated by a rotating team. The library is in the education wing. Go through the breezeway and turn right after you enter the building. There is plenty of lively discussion!

WESTMINSTER 101: Are you interested in learning more about Westminster, whether as a visitor, new member, or long-time member? A four week class continues today, and goes up through 10/9 during the Sunday School hour in the Pavilion. Don't worry if you have to miss a week or two; just let Anne know you're interested, and we'll make it work!

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY is today! The Peace and Global Witness offering will be collected. This PCUSA special offering confronts systems of injustice and promote reconciliation in places around the world - and right here at home. 25% of this offering stays within our congregation to support peacemaking and reconciliation in our own community. 25% goes to our mid council and joins with other congregation gifts to support peacemaking in our region. 50% supports work for peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians across the globe. **As part of our Matthew 25 initiative, we will be using a portion to fund scholarships for the civil rights trip in January.**

OCTOBERFEST SIGN-UPS OPEN! This year's Oktoberfest will be held at WPC on Sunday, Oct. 23 4:30-7:30 p.m., in the Ruthie Carey Pavilion. Adults over 21 are invited to join us for traditional fare, carefully selected craft beers, a trivia contest, and music by WPC's own Oompa Band. Sign up at the registration table in the Schilling Gallery after 11:00 worship or by calling the church office. Payment of \$15 is due in advance by noon Oct. 16 and can be paid through online giving, check, or cash at time of registration.

WESTMINSTER CHORISTERS rehearses this afternoon at 4:00.

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Renee Wiesehuegel, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Melissa Everett, Administrative Assistant

Debbie Bendy, Abbey Editor

Arthur Collins, Worship Tech

OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 2

9:00 am - Pavilion Worship

10:00 am - Sunday School

11:00 am - Sanctuary Worship

12:00 - YOUTH Corn Maze

4:00 pm - Choristers

Monday, October 3

7:00 pm- Congregational Zoom

Tuesday, October 4

12:00 Big Scary Questions

Wednesday, October 5

4:45 pm Boys' and Girls' Choirs

6:30 pm- Companions Group - Prayer Room

7:45 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 6

10:30 am Women's Bible Study

4:30 pm Brass Choir

OTHER IMPORTANT WPC DATES:

October 15- Habitat Build

October 23- Oktoberfest

October 29- Habitat Build

October 30- Fall Festival

November 4- Musica Organi

November 5- Young Families Dinner

Class of 2023

Jaclyn Beeler

Jack Carley

William Milam

Penny Tschantz

Bill Wiesehuegel

Youth Elder: Meghan Oros Clerk of Session: Leigh Dunlap

Robert McKeehan

THE SESSION

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