

Westminster

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Christmas Morning - Sunday, December 25, 2022 Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff

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Sunday, December 25, 2022 • 10 a.m. Service *Please stand in body or spirit. • BOLD text is sung or spoken in unison.

OPENING PRAYER

CAROL

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

CAROL

CHRISTMAS AFFIRMATION

Let the love that shaped earth and heaven dwell within us this Christmas. Let the love that created humanity dwell within us this Christmas. Let the love that overcomes suffering and hatred dwell within us this Christmas. Let the love that causes us to rejoice with loved ones dwell within us this Christmas. Let the love that forgives and renews dwell within us this Christmas. Let the love that brings reconciliation after separation dwell within us this Christmas. Let the love that brings the blessing of peace dwell within us this Christmas. And may we share that peace with all people near and far.

Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

CAROL

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

CAROL

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

God of all good gifts, who gives freely to us, have mercy on us and grant us the peace that only the Prince of Peace can provide. Grant that our lives would be an offering, and that our work would be a good gift, just as the gifts that the magic brought, pleasing to you and fit for the king of all creation. We look to you, our Prophet, Priest and King, to rule the world with justice, and to give salvation to all who call upon you. Amen

OFFERTORY

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of manger straw and swaddle cloth, God of silent nights and joyfully-chaotic mornings,

we long to know you.

The hustle and bustle of this time of year can be more than distracting, so for a moment, we pray,

Still our busy hearts. Quiet our minds. Help us to sink deeply into this day.

Help us to pause here, to linger here as we hear your good news spoken over us.

God, we long to know you, so speak to us now.

With grateful hearts, we pray. With grateful hearts, we listen. Amen.

POETIC SCRIPTURE READING

John 1:1-5

MESSAGE

Let Your Light Shine Rev. Angela Ryo

CAROL

*BENEDICTION

Like Mary, we believe in cherishing good news. Like the angels, we believe in singing God's praise. Like the shepherds, we believe that God's presence in our life is something worth talking about. Like generations before, we believe that God is with us. Like the generations to come, we believe that God is with us. God is here. God is love. God goes with you. We believe. Thanks be to God!

scoming Events

2023 New Years Day 10 a.m. Worship Service

Start out your 2023 with worship and let's ring in the new year together! Join us for a special Sunday service on Jan. 1!



WPC Blood Drive - Jan. 6 from 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Visit our app or website under upcoming events to schedule an appointment.



New Member Meet & Greet - Jan. 22 at Noon

Are you interested in becoming a part of our church family? Come meet the pastor and other members and find out more about our church!

There are a few ways you can sign up

1. Sign up at the visitors table

2. Call the church at 219-838-3131

3. Email gnida@wpcmunster.org

4. Or, visit the app/website under upcoming events to register!

WORSHIP WITH US EACH SUNDAY Traditional Service at 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service at 10:45 a.m.



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