



Welcome
TO
Westminster
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WHO WE ARE:

Westminster is a community where people of all ages are transformed by God's love to serve and grow as disciples of Jesus.



Sunday, August 27, 2023

Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo

Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain

Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff

Lay Leader: Janet Krieger

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Sunday, August 27, 2023 - 9 a.m. Service

Please stand in body or spirit.* • **BOLD text is sung or spoken in unison.

PRELUDE

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus Christ summons us to answer God's call of mercy.

Christ gathers us and gives us power to be healed and to heal,

to be forgiven and to forgive,

to be freed from sin and to set others free,

to tell one another and the world: God's presence is at hand.

Let us worship the Living God.

*HYMN #450

Be Thou My Vision

*CALL TO CONFESSION (*IRomans 12:3*)

The Apostle Paul writes, "Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but think of yourself with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned." In sober judgment and humility, let us confess our sin before God and one another:

**Prayer of Confession*

Gracious God, you are always present and active amid your people. We confess that sometimes we fail to recognize and respond to your saving work in the world. Behold, you are doing a new thing; help us to perceive it. Forgive us when we do not respond to your call. Liberate us from our fears and self-imposed limitations. Guide us into the fullness of life and love that you have promised us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**Silent Prayer*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, hear the good news: Our God makes a way where there is no way, infusing our world with grace and hope when such goodness feels long gone. We are a people redeemed and restored.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

**Response*

Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE

HYMN #269

Lead On, O King Eternal

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEPHEN MINISTRY COMMISSIONING

Joe Keefner, Gene Estill, Tom Jenkins & Patty Daws

WORD THROUGH MUSIC

Bridge Over Troubled Waters by Paul Simon

Don Hill

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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING AND PRAYER

Generous God, you are the source of all good gifts, and you are the one who taught us how to give. Receive our offering — an act of faith that even our small gifts have power and purpose in your world. Amen.

Offertory

When Are We Living

Abby Pennanen

(Children Kindergarten - 5th grade are invited to exit for fellowship time followed by Sunday School at 10 a.m. Parents may pick up from Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.)

**Doxology #606*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

By your Word, O God, everything was made. Your Word is powerful and can transform our hearts. Speak to us today, O God. Open our hearts and minds to your living Word and give us guidance and strength. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:17-22

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Life Worth Living: Change Is Hard

Rev. Angela Ryo

**HYMN #69*

Here I Am, Lord

**BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

Lou Anselmo and the family of Ann Hudson

New Concerns

Chuck Weier

Weekly Concerns

PNC Committee

Anka (niece of Heidi Morgan)

Cassie (Karen Holden's sister)

Linda Bishop (friend of Chuck Weier)

Julie Bland (friend of Amy Carter)

Richard Boyd (Ronda Reynolds brother)

Mario Bravo (friend of Barbie Cook)

David Cafmeyer

Herb Cook (brother-in-law of Barbie Cook)

Pamela Clark (Karen Holden's neighbor)

Charlotte (niece of Barb McKinney)

David Dal Santo (Husband of Dawn, WPC

Financial Secretary)

Kara Diamond (friend of Barbie Cook)

Sam Dal Santo (friend of Barbie Cook)

Judy Den Hartog (friend of Barbie Cook)

Hank Eizenga (friend of Barbie Cook)

The family of Geraldine Elman in the passing of her daughter Robin Schalgel

Kelly Eryman (friend Barbie Cook)

Dave Ferguson (brother-in-law of Gene & Paula Estill)

Diane Golden (neighbor of Chuck Weier)

The family of Diane Hernandez

Bob Hobbs (friend of Barbie Cook)

Pat Jaracz

Julie (niece of Zora Ludwig)

John & Carole Keener (family of Ron Robbins)

The family of Ryan Mcreddy (nephew of Cheryl Anderson)

Susie Nastos (cousin of Cindy Siergey)

Dawn Nielsen (niece of Sandy Walsh)

Holly Ptacek

Elaine Schneider and her friend Debbie (friends of Robin Webber)

Paul Strand (friend of Barbie Cook)

Family of Keith Robbins (brother of Ron Robbins)

Donna Sharp

The family of Harry Witbeat (friends of Barbie Cook)

Shelly Walsh (friend of Chuck Weier)

Chuck Weier's cousin Bruce Elliott

Continuing Care & Prayers

Anderson/McHie Family (passing of John)

Buddy Borbely

Lydia Brunton (sister-in-law of Mary Lomey)

Nancy Cieflak- (sister of Mary Kopasz)

Cunningham Family

The family of Kathy Dunn (friend of Pam Yttri)

Jennifer Dye Foreit (friend/Michelle Pedrick)

Jack Estill (father of Gene Estill)

Mike Feege

Kimberly Gardner-Bronisz

Donna Gross (friend of Pam Yttri)

Ed Harrison

Don Hill

Kim Karlen

Mary Kopasz

The Kozlowski family

Joe McDaniel

The family of Margaret Morris

Betty Morris

Pedrick family

Dennis Orr

Morgan Borbely Orrick

Eugene Pidzarko

Holly Ptacek

Jan Quintelier (cousin of Barb McKinney)

Ron Allen

Richard Simkins

Susan Geri Snider (Zora Ludwig/sister)

Natalie & Jeff Ziemendorf (daughter & son-in-law/Sonja Ross)

Wendy Wilke Sola (daughter of Martha)

Williams Family (passing of Ann's mother)

August 27, 2023

Westminster Connection Point

HOW CAN WE HELP?

_____ A PASTOR

_____ A DEACON

_____ NEW MEMBER

_____ STEPHEN MINISTER

_____ PRAYER REQUEST

_____ OTHER

_____ PHONE CALL

_____ HOME COMMUNION

CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

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CONTEMPORARY *service*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023 • 10:45AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE & WORSHIP

Never Get Over It

Michael Neale

Unto Your Name

House Fires

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark: 10:17-22

MESSAGE

Life Worth Living: Change Is Hard

Rev. Angela Ryo

REFLECTION

Always

Chris Tomlin

CLOSING SONGS

Your Love Awakens Me

Phil Wickham

BLESSING

Today's Events



Sunday School (K-5th Grade) - 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Children Kindergarten through 5th Grade will exit worship at 9:30 for fellowship time followed by Sunday School at 10 a.m. Parents may pick their children up in Room 301 at 10:30 a.m.



Disciples & Donuts (6th - 12th Grade) - 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Join us for donuts and a devotion in room 401.

Upcoming Events



Youth Group Tuesday Kick-off - Tuesday, September 5 at 4:30 p.m.

Youth 6th through 12th grade are invited to Room 401 afterschool for Study Time until 4:30 p.m. and then a Study Break Activity from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. Door 7 is open for youth drop off and pick up.



Westminster Forum - Sunday, September 10 at 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Jina Kang, an assistant professor of Old Testament at the McCormick Theological Seminary, will be here to host a presentation on "Exile and the Book of Ezekiel" in room 209.



Welcome Sunday - September 10 During Both Services

Invite your friends and family to join us during one of our services at 9 or 10:45 on September 10. WPC is Where People Care and Where People Connect! Bring your friends and family to experience the joy in our worship and stay after to connect with those who care over gourmet coffee and cookies. We look forward to seeing all of you there!

Pick up invitations to pass out to your friends and family from the table outside of the sanctuary.



Youth Group Movie Night - September 15 at 9:30 p.m.

Students 6th through 12th grade are invited to an outdoor movie night on Friday, September 15 from 7 - 9:30 p.m.



Habitat for Humanity Panel Build & Prep

Prep Work - September 21 at 8:30 a.m.

We need 10 adult volunteers to join us at 8:30 am to prepare and cut lumber in advance of our Westminster Panel Build on Saturday September 23rd! Families be sure to save the date, Saturday, September 23rd at 8:30 am as all ages are welcome to help us build a wall together for a new Habitat family.

Panel Build - September 23 at 8:30 a.m.

Families be sure to save the date as all ages are welcome to help us build a wall together for a new Habitat family!

Please contact Ginny at missions@wpcmunster.org if you are interested in either of these events.



Fall Small Groups - Starting the Week of September 24

Small Groups are back! If you'd like to develop meaningful relationships that will last a lifetime, sign up for our sermon-based small group this fall. There is a small group for every day of the week except for Friday and Saturday. "Together We Can: Belong, Connect, Serve, Grow" is the theme for the fall. Register today for a 7-week fall sermon-based small group starting the week of Sept. 24 and ending the week of Nov. 5!

You can register by visiting our website and call the church or by signing up