



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, September 3, 2023

Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo

Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain

Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff

Lay Leader: Patty Dawes

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Sunday, September 3, 2023 - 9 a.m. Service

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

PRELUDE

Finlandia by Sibelius
The Reasoners

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather hoping to see God.

Here in worship, we realize that we see God in one another.

We can see God

when we show love to one another,

when we pursue hospitality to strangers,

when we live in harmony with one another,

when we rejoice in hope.

Let us worship the visible God amongst us.

*HYMN #1

Holy, Holy, Holy

*CALL TO CONFESSION

God wants us to be ourselves. But every time we hurt one another or ourselves, we get further and further away from who we are. It is in our confession, in admitting the truth of our lives, that we can be our genuine selves again. Let us join in our prayer of confession together:

**Prayer of Confession*

Holy and gracious God, your steadfast love abides with your people in every age. You teach us to trust in you and call us to live in peace with one another.

Show us the way to live grateful lives without fear, knowing the true worth of your creation, including ourselves. Help us to rest in you now and always. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**Silent Prayer*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, God's love for us never ends. When we need it the most, God's grace washes over us seeping into the cracks of our brokenness and saturating our thirsty hearts. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

We are forgiven and at peace. 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 OF THE PEACE

HYMN #14

For the Beauty of the Earth

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Holy God, who gives life, nourishment, and strength to all creation, we thank you for the community of faith you have built, for the gospel's welcome to all in need, and for the healing that comes from your watchfulness. Bless these gifts that all may be nurtured in truth. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Offertory

Heart of the Heartlands by Peter Ostroushko
The Reasoners

(Children K-5th grade are invited to exit for fellowship time in Room 301. There will not be Sunday School today so parents may pick up after worship.)

**Doxology #606*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O Holy Creator, who spoke all of creation into being, we ask that you keep speaking to us now. Speak to us as we read Scripture, that we might hear your voice ringing loud and clear through the many voices around us. Speak to us, Holy Spirit, that we might hear, understand, and live out your word in faith. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:38-42

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Life Worth Living: Making It Stick
Rev. Angela Ryo

***HYMN #824**

There Is a Place of Quiet Rest

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

O God Beyond All Praising by Aaron David Miller

WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

Lou Anselmo and the family of Ann Hudson
Ralph Gardner and Kimberly Bronisz
for the passing of their son/brother,
Jeffery Ralph Gardner

New Concerns

Chuck Weier
LuAnn Franklin

Weekly Concerns

PNC Committee
Anka (niece of Heidi Morgan)
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)
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)
Kelly Eryman (friend Barbie Cook)
Dave Ferguson (family 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 Mecredy (nephew of Cheryl
Anderson)
Susie Nastos (cousin of Cindy Siergey)
Dawn Nielsen (niece of Sandy Walsh)
Elaine Schnider and her friend Debbie (friends
of Robin Webber)

Paul Strand (friend of Barbie Cook)
Family of Keith Robbins (brother of Ron
Robbins)
Donna Sharp
Shelly Walsh (friend of Chuck Weier)
Bruce Elliot (cousin of Chuck Weier)

Continuing Care & Prayers

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
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)

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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, SEPTEMBER 3, 2023 • 10:45AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE & WORSHIP

From the Day

I Am They

Love the Lord

Lincoln Brewster

BAPTISM

Carter James Hernandez

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 10:38-42

MESSAGE

Life Worth Living: Making It Stick

Rev. Angela Ryo

REFLECTION

Build My Life

Pat Barrett

CLOSING SONGS

Lay Me Down

Chris Tomlin

BLESSING

Today's Events



Sunday School

There will be no Sunday School today because of the holiday weekend. Classes will resume next week.

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 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 - 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.

Habitat Update

We have raised \$806 of the \$2000 we need to finish funding this year's panel build!! Please continue dropping donations to the office or in the box next to our little Lego house outside the sanctuary and be sure to sign up for the build. Thank you for your generosity.



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, app, calling the church or by signing up at church.