



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 24, 2023

Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo

Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain

Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff

Lay Leader: Sara Sweeney

PRELUDE

INTROIT

Spirit of Jesus Christ

CALL TO WORSHIP (From Psalm 107:1-3, 43)

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Let those who are wise give heed to these things and consider the steadfast love of the Lord.

Let us worship the Living God!

*HYMN #326

For All the Saints

*CALL TO CONFESSION

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. With that assurance and the promise of God's grace through Jesus Christ, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

**Prayer of Confession*

Gracious God, forgive us when we grumble and complain against your goodness as the Israelites did in the desert. We judge and weigh your gifts according to our standards. We often question your fairness instead of receiving your grace with thanksgiving and joy. Help us to see your world through your eyes and with your spirit of generosity and grace, that we may welcome the chance to serve in your kingdom and all who join with us. Forgive us, Lord, in your grace and mercy through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

**Silent Prayer*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Psalm 145:9 and Ephesians 2:8-9)

The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made. For by grace, you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing;

it is the gift of God — not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia!

**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 #37

Let All Things Now Living

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SECOND SERVING PREVIEW

A video on Rise Against Hunger.

WORD THROUGH MUSIC

Many Gifts, One Spirit by Allen Pote

Westminster Chorale

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

Gracious God, we know that every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from you. We thank you for your many blessings, especially your perfect gift of your Son Jesus Christ, your indescribable gift! Help us to receive your gifts and grace with thanksgiving and humility and to use them faithfully in and for your kingdom. We ask this in the name of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Offertory

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Men of the Choir

(After the Offertory,, children K-5th grade are invited to join us for Sunday School. Parents may pick them up at 10:30 a.m.)

**Doxology #606*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Holy God, your Word teaches us that all Scripture is inspired by you and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed today, speak to us, and inspire us that we may be proficient and equipped for every good work; through Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:29-39

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

CONNECTION INTERVIEW

An interview with Sam and Lauren Baud

SERMON

Together We Can: Let's Connect

Rev. Angela Ryo

*HYMN #310

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord (Verses 1 & 2)

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Piano solo by John Magrou

WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

The family of Herb Cook

New Concerns

Patty Dawes

Barry Reasoner

Weekly Concerns

PNC Committee

Anka (niece of Heidi Morgan)

Lou Anselmo and the family of Ann Hudson

Linda Bishop (friend of Chuck Weier)

Julie Bland (friend of Amy Carter)

David Cafmeyer

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

Charlotte (niece of Barb McKinney)

David Dal Santo (Husband of Dawn, WPC

Financial Secretary)

Dave Ferguson (family of Gene & Paula Estill)

LuAnn Franklin

The family of Jeffery Ralph Gardner

Diane Golden (neighbor of Chuck Weier)

Olivia Jean Ice (Mary Pawlicki's granddaughter)

Pat Jaracz

Julie (niece of Zora Ludwig)

John & Carole Keener (family of Ron Robbins)

Chuck Landsdowne for the passing of his mother.

The family of Ryan Mecredy (nephew of Cheryl Anderson)

Susie Nastos (cousin of Cindy Siergey)

Dawn Nielsen (niece of Sandy Walsh)

Dennis Madsen (friend of the Estills')

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

Paul Strand (friend of Barbie Cook)

Donna Sharp

Rochelle Simmons (friend of Nora Alfonsi)

Carol Strand (friend of Barbie Cook)

Shelly Walsh (friend of Chuck Weier)

Bruce Elliot (cousin of Chuck Weier)

Continuing Care & Prayers

Ron Allen

Anderson/McHie Family (passing of John)

Buddy Borbely

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

Nancy Cieflak- (sister of Mary Kopasz)

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

The family of Diane Hernandez

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)

Family of Keith Robbins (brother of Ron Robbins)

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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NEW PROGRAM! Helping Hands

Once in a while a church member needs a helping hand to get to an appointment, run an errand, or a visit while a caretaker is gone for a short time. If you would like to help but can't commit to a regular time or schedule, this is the perfect opportunity to be the answer to someone's prayer. Just call or stop by the office or Card Table to sign up to lend a Helping Hand as a need arises and it matches your schedule. For more information contact Nancy Quinn or Mary Lomey

CONTEMPORARY *service*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 • 10:45AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE & WORSHIP

Say So

Israel Houghton

Forever

Chris Tomlin

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SCRIPTURE READING

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MESSAGE

Together We Can: Let's Connect

Rev. Angela Ryo

REFLECTION

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Matt Redman

CLOSING SONGS

Everlasting God

Brenton Brown

BLESSING

Today's Events



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

Students will enjoy a lesson on The Ten Commandments in Room 301/302.



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

Youth are invited to Room 401 for donuts and a lesson from their Essential Biblical Characters to Know study.



Westminster Forum - at 10:30 a.m.

Father Charles Niblick, pastor emeritus at St. Maria Goretti in Dyer, will be here to discuss religious communications in a program he calls "Notes on Poetry and Religion" in room 209.



Let's Connect

During coffee hour, please draw a name from the Connect Bowl and connect with the person this week! Also, write down ministries/activities you connected with at our church and put the leaf on the tree!



Flu Shots - September 24 Between Services

Pharmacists Nina and Sam Arzumian are back! Bring your insurance card and get your vaccination on one of those days to protect yourself and your loved ones.

Upcoming Events



Youth Group - Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m.

The group will continue our focus on Combating Stress with a lesson on Connecting with Others.



Health & Healing - Wednesday, September 27 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us for a Response to Trauma event with Lisa Jameyfield, LMFT, from the Samaritan Counseling Center.



Confirmation Class - Sunday, October 1

This class is for 9th graders (and above) with Pastor Angela from 4:30-6 p.m. This six week course will provide our youth with the opportunity to affirm their baptism, explore their faith and learn more about our church. To learn more, please contact Tricia at childreneyouthministry@wpcmunster.org



October 1 one service at 9:30 followed by All Church Brunch

Please join us for an All Church Brunch in South Hall immediately following the service! Come meet your deacons over delicious food and connect with each other as we dream about the future of our church!



Second Serving: Rise Against Hunger - Sunday, October 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Join us as we pack 12,000 meals for vulnerable communities around the world! Rise Against Hunger will be in South Hall. All ages and families welcome!



Flu Shots - October 15 Between Services

Pharmacists Nina and Sam Arzumian are back! Bring your insurance card and get your vaccination on one of those days to protect yourself and your loved ones.



Youth Volleyball - Kicks off Thursday, October 19

Middle School practice 4:30-5:30 p.m. & High School will practice 5:30-6:30 p.m. If interested and need more information, please contact Tricia at childreneyouthministry@wpcmunster.org.