



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, October 22, 2023

Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo

Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain

Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff

Lay Leader: Craig Thompson

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Sunday, October 22, 2023 - 9 a.m. Service

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

PRELUDE

INTROIT

Spirit of Jesus Christ

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 92:1-2)

It is good to give thanks to you, O Lord.

We declare your steadfast love in the morning.

It is good to sing praises to your name.

We proclaim your faithfulness by night.

For you, O Lord, have made us glad by your work;

at the work of your hands, we sing for joy!

*HYMN #687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

*CALL TO CONFESSION

As a tree is known by its fruit, so we are known by our words. It is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks. Let us confess the brokenness that is in our hearts and our speech. As we confess our sins to God, we also confess our faith in God's victory over sin and death through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Prayer of Confession*

O God our Rock, in you there is no unrighteousness. We are quick to see the fault in others, but do not see our own failings. Forgive us, we pray, for any haughtiness or hypocrisy in us. Correct our hearts, we pray, that we may correct our mouths and our actions. Forgive us for putting our trust in shallow things and give us faith to trust the sure foundation you have established. We pray in the name of the One who sees us clearly and loves us well, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Silent Prayer*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Because Jesus Christ has been raised from the dead, sin and death have been swallowed up. God's victory over every destructive power is assured.

This is the good news upon which we stand: 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 OF THE PEACE

WPC where people

HYMN #721

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEWARDSHIP

Doug Williams

WORD THROUGH MUSIC

Psalm 85: Your Mercy Like Rain by Rory Cooney
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 and generous God, you are with us always, providing for our needs. Even when we seem far from you, you lead us back, offering joy and peace. Receive what we have brought today: our tithes, our prayers, and our praise, signs of our dedication to you. Creator of abundance, Spirit of wisdom, may you use the gifts of the church and the gifts of our lives that your kingdom may come, and your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Offertory

Music by John Magrou

(Children K - 5th are invited to exit during this time for Fellowship followed by Sunday School at 10 a.m. Parents may pick up at 10:30 a.m. from Room 301.)

**Doxology #606*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, as rain and snow fall from heaven, your word now falls upon us. May it produce good seed in us, becoming bread for a hungry world. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may your word never return to you empty. In us, even in us, may your word accomplish your purpose. We ask it in Christ's name. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Kings 17:1-16

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

CONNECTION INTERVIEW

Kateland Beals and Josh Long

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SERMON

Together We Can: Grow by Receiving
Rev. Angela Ryo

*HYMN #716

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

Cathy Bomberger and family in the passing of her son Craig aged 55.

The family of Barbara Cook

Zora Ludwig and family in the passing of her husband Eugene Pidzarko

The Strand family in the passing of Paul

Weekly Concerns

PNC Committee

Anka (niece of Heidi Morgan)

Lou Anselmo and the family of

Ann Hudson

Linda Bishop (friend of Chuck Weier)

Buddy Borbely

David Cafmeyer

Charlotte (niece of Barb McKinney)

David Dal Santo (Husband of Dawn, WPC

Financial Secretary)

Patty Dawes

Dave Ferguson (family of Gene & Paula Estill)

LuAnn Franklin

The family of Jeffery Ralph Gardner

Diane Golden (neighbor of Chuck Weier)

Pat Jaracz

Julie (niece of Zora Ludwig)

John & Carole Keener (family of Ron

Robbins)

Susie Nastos (cousin of Cindy Siergey)

Dawn Nielsen (niece of Sandy Walsh)

Dennis Madsen (friend of the Estills)

Elaine Schnider and her friend Debbie

(friends of Robin Webber)

Barry Reasoner

Miranda Rockey

(Sandy Coxhead's niece-in-law)

Donna Sharp

Carol Strand

Rochelle Simmons (friend of Nora Alfonsi)

Colleen Splant (friend of Chuck Weier)

Shelly Walsh (friend of Chuck Weier)

Wendy Wilke-Sola

Bruce Elliot (cousin of Chuck Weier)

Continuing Care & Prayers

Ron Allen

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

Jennifer Dye Foreit (friend/Michelle Pedrick)

Jack Estill (father of Gene Estill)

Mike Feege

Donna Gross (friend of Pam Yttri)

Ed Harrison

Don Hill

Kim Karlen

The Kozlowski family

Chuck Landsdowne for the passing of his mother.

Joe McDaniel

Betty Morris

Pedrick family

Dennis Orr

Morgan Borbely Orrick

Holly Ptacek

Jan Quintelier (cousin of Barb McKinney)

Family of Keith Robbins (brother of Ron Robbins)

Richard Simkins

Susan Geri Snider (Zora Ludwig/sister)

The Family of Larry Toll

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

Oct. 22, 2023



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, OCTOBER 22, 2023 • 10:45AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE & WORSHIP

Any More
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Everything
Chris Tomlin

2024 STEWARDSHIP

Doug Williams

SCRIPTURE READING

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CONNECTION INTERVIEW

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MESSAGE

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REFLECTION

You Are
Ben Cantelon

CLOSING SONGS

Great Things
Phil Wickham

BLESSING

Today's Events



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

Children will exit worship at 9:30 for fellowship followed by Sunday School with a lesson on Elisha. 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.

Disciples and Donuts will continue their Essential Lessons study.



Let's Connect!

Today during coffee hour, please stop by the tree to write down what you receive by being a part of the WPC family.



Westminster Forum - Today at 10:30 a.m.

Peter Katic is the first speaker we've had who is an Orthodox Christian. On October 22 and 29 he will discuss his time at the Holy Lands and the Christian Orthodox faith.



Thanksgiving Food Drive - Now through November 12

Pick up a bag and list to provide Thanksgiving meals to all our neighbors.

Upcoming Events



Youth Group

Tuesday and Thursday afterschool study time (3 - 4:30 p.m.) continue on days school is in session in Room 401. Tuesday activity (4:30 - 5:30) varies and volleyball practices have now begun for the Thursday activity (4:30 - 5:45 p.m. for middle school, 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. for high school.)



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Consecration Sunday - October 29

Please remember to bring your pledge cards!



Health & Healing - Wednesday, October 25 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion on scams and personal safety with James Ghrist, DARE/Crime Prevention Officer from the Munster Police Department.



Phantom of the Organ - Friday, October 27 at 7:13 p.m.

Members of the American Guild of Organists present music from our splendid organ to enhance the Halloween season. Come in costume if you so choose!



Red Cross Blood Drive - Saturday, October 28 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m..

Visit the app or website under upcoming events to schedule your appointment to give blood!



Dungeons & Dragons - Saturday, October 28 at 5:00 p.m.

You're invited to join in and play Dungeons and Dragons in room 401.



Second Serving - Sunday, November 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Join us for Second Serving where we'll be decorating ornaments for our Giving Tree in South Hall!



Wayfaring Stranger Screening - Saturday, November 18 at 7:00 p.m.

WPC is excited to present the Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana premiere of "Wayfaring Stranger", a new faith-based film that features one of our youth in a supporting role! Please register for this event by visiting: <https://bit.ly/wocwavfarinastranger>