



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 29, 2023

Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo

Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain

Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff

Lay Leader: Rebecca McCauley

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Sunday, October 29, 2023 - 9 a.m. Service
**Please stand in body or spirit. - BOLD text is sung or spoken in unison.*

PRELUDE

INTROIT

Sing, Praise and Bless the Lord

CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the Lord's Day, the day of wonder and grace.

This is the day to worship the One who calls us here.

This is the Lord's Day, the day we are given joy and peace.

This is the day promised to us, the day of healing and renewal.

This is the Lord's Day, and it has come just in time!

This is the day we gather with hope, with faith, with love.

Let us worship the Living God!

*HYMN #475

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*CALL TO CONFESSION

When we remember all the mistakes we have made and all the careless words we have spoken, we have trouble looking God in the eye. But God gazes at us with mercy and love, waiting to forgive us, even as we hesitate to speak of the brokenness of our hearts. Let us go to our God in prayer.

**Prayer of Confession*

Merciful God, forgive us when we invest our energies into increasing our personal prosperity rather than enriching people's lives with the good news of Jesus Christ, and when we squander our gifts by failing to use them to build people up. Forgive us when we conceal the wideness of your mercy by our lack of compassionate behavior. Open our eyes to your kingdom in our midst, so we might discover that your day of hope and grace has already come in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

**Silent Prayer*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This is the good news: God intends for us to find life, to embrace hope, to receive forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

The end of our journey is not rejection and emptiness, but the fullness of grace and hope in our God. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven. 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 #468

Lord, Be Glorified

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

We give you thanks and praise, generous God, for every good gift that comes from your hand: for food and clothing, for life and health, for family and friends. Above all, for the treasure of your grace. Make us rich in your grace, generous and ready to share, taking hold of the life that really is life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory

I Know That My Redeemer Lives by Lewis D. Edwards
Westminster Chorale

(Children K - 5th grade may exit for fellowship time in Room 301 with Sunday School to follow. Parents may pick up at 10:30 a.m.)

**Doxology #606*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nurturing God, you give life to all things and long to satisfy the needs of your children in their desire for healing and wholeness. Send your Spirit upon us this day, that as we hear your word we may meet Jesus, the one in whom all our hungers are fed. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 8:1-12

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

CONNECTION INTERVIEW

Dave and Susan Radovich

SERMON

Together We Can: Grow by Giving
Rev. Angela Ryo

PLEDGING

(During this time, please take your pledge card with you to the front of the Sanctuary. While you wait, please fill out the Time & Talent card, which can be dropped off with your pledge card or as you leave the sanctuary.)

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Word Through Music

Climbin' Up the Mountain Children by Larry Shackley

Westminster Chorale

*HYMN #649

Amazing Grace

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

The Borbely family in the passing of Wendy's husband, Buddy.

Weekly Concerns

PNC Committee
Lou Anselmo and the family of
Linda Bishop (friend of Chuck Weier)
Cathy Bomberger and family in the passing of her son Craig.
David Cafmeyer
The family of Barbara Cook
Charlotte (niece of Barb McKinney)
David Dal Santo (Husband of Dawn)
Patty Dawes
Dave Ferguson (family of Gene & Paula Estill)
LuAnn Franklin
Diane Golden (neighbor of Chuck Weier)
Pat Jaracz
Julie (niece of Zora Ludwig)
John & Carole Keener (family of Ron Robbins)
Zora Ludwig and family in the passing of her husband Eugene Pidzarko
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
The Strand family in the passing of Paul
Rochelle Simmons (friend of Nora Alfonsi)
Wendy Wilke-Sola

Continuing Care & Prayers

Anka (niece of Heidi Morgan)
Ron Allen
Jennifer Dye Foreit (friend/Michelle Pedrick)
Jack Estill (father of Gene Estill)
Bruce Elliot (cousin of Chuck Weier)
Mike Feege
Donna Gross (friend of Pam Yttri)
Ed Harrison
Don Hill
Kim Karlen
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
Colleen Splant (friend of Chuck Weier)
Susan Geri Snider (Zora Ludwig/sister)
The Family of Larry Toll
Shelly Walsh (friend of Chuck Weier)
Natalie & Jeff Ziemendorf (daughter & son-in-law/Sonja Ross)

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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 29, 2023 • 10:45AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE & WORSHIP

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing
Reawaken

Your Grace Is Enough
Matt Maher

CONNECTION INTERVIEW

Dave and Susan Radovich

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 8:1-12

MESSAGE

Together We Can: Grow by Giving
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PLEDGING

REFLECTION

The Secret Place
Phil Wickham

CLOSING SONGS

Sing & Shout
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 Call of the Prophet Jeremiah. 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 can give to help others (besides a monetary gift).



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

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



Consecration Sunday

Let's celebrate our giving with cake during Coffee Hour!



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 after school 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.)



Westminster Forum - Sunday, November 5 at 10:30 a.m.

Dr. Reggie Williams from McCormick Theological Seminary will be back! Topic is TBD.



Second Serving - Sunday, November 12 at 10:00 a.m.

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



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/wpcwayfaringstranger>



Quilt Raffle - November 19 & 26 and December 3 & 10

Westminster Quilters have been busy! Quilt Raffle, holiday table runners, small quilts and other items will be available at Marketplace in December. Raffle tickets will be sold between worship services on November 19, 26 and December 3 and 10. Drawing for the quilt will be at Marketplace. We appreciate support for mission and Westminster Quilters!