



# 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, January 1, 2023

Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo

Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain

Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff

Lay Leader: Susan Radovich

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Sunday, January 15, 2023 - 9 a.m. Service

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

## PRELUDE

## INTROIT

*Wait for the Lord*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Sisters and brothers, rejoice! We live sustained by God's presence and love.

**Thanks be to God.**

As we struggle for justice.,

**God struggles with us.**

As we mourn the wounds of God's children,

**God weeps with us.**

As we strive for peace,

**God strives with us.**

As we work to build the beloved community,

**God works with us.**

As we offer our gifts to all,

**God blesses us.**

Sisters and brothers, rejoice! Sustained by God's presence and love,

**Let us worship the Living God.**

## \*HYMN #157

*I Danced In The Morning*

## \*CALL TO CONFESSION

God, who knit us in the womb, knows us completely. God inclines towards us and hears our cry. Assured of God's grace and steadfast love, let us confess our sin together.

## *\*Prayer of Confession*

**Merciful God, we confess that we have been timid and unreliable witnesses of Jesus Christ. Forgive us for the times we have stayed silent in the face of injustice and hate, for the times our actions have not matched our beliefs, for the times we have hoarded our abundance, for the times we have turned away from your children in need. For the many ways we fail to follow Jesus, forgive us. Invite us again to come and see, and to abide in your presence so that we may be transformed and renewed. Empower us to witness, with our words and lives, to the love and grace we've experienced in Jesus Christ.**

## *\*Silent Prayer*

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news of the gospel: God will not withhold mercy from us. The steadfast love and faithfulness of the Lord is with us, now and forever.

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

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*\*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.**

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**HYMN #738**

*O Master Let Me Walk With Thee*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WORD THROUGH MUSIC**

*What Sweeter Music*

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**

Generous God, we offer these gifts in gratitude for all we have received. Use them to strengthen the ministry of your church to meet the needs of your children. May these offerings bear witness to your love made known to us in Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*Offertory*

*Prelude in E Flat*

Rachmaninoff, performed by John Magrou on the piano

*(After the Offertory,, children K-5th grade are invited to join us for Sunday School. Parents may pick them up at 10:00 a.m. for Second Serving.)*

*\*Doxology #606*

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

God of wisdom, by the power of your Holy Spirit, invite us into your Word. Give us ears to hear, wisdom to understand, and courage to answer your call to us today. Amen.

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Isaiah 49:1-7 (CEB)

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (CEB)

*people care*

## SERMON

*The Word That You Are*  
Rev. Mike Pennanen

## \*HYMN #726

*Will You Come (Verses 1, 2 & 4)*

## \*BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*His Name So Sweet*  
Richard Billingham

# WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

### **New Concerns**

Robyn Chamberlain/Senchak  
Bill & Ellen Cunningham- health concerns  
Mike Feege  
Bruce (cousin of Chuck Weier)  
Jim Yackel

### **Weekly Concerns**

*Prayers for relief/healing/other*  
Mario Bravo-92 years old, brain bleed  
(friend/Barbie Cook)  
Rachel Cook-macular degeneration and  
abdominal surgery (family/Barbie Cook)  
Family of Dan Fieldhouse  
(friend/Shirley Golden)  
Donna Gross- (friend of Pam Yttri)  
Mary Lomey  
Holly Ptacek- back surgery

### **Continuing Care & Prayers**

Anderson Family (passing of John)  
Ron Allen  
Lou Anselmo  
Jean Armstrong  
Buddy Borbely  
Morgan Borbely Orrick  
Tom Brown  
Nancy Cieflak- (sister of Mary Kopasz)  
Jessica Cook, (friend/Daun DePaul)  
Betty Curvey  
Jennifer Dye Foreit (friend/Michelle Pedrick)  
Jack Estill (father of Gene Estill)  
Taddy Ferguson (sister of Gene Estill)  
Fiegle Family (passing of Carol)

### **Continuing Care & Prayers**

Mary Lou Feist (Family/Cheryl Anderson)  
Ed Harrison  
Don Hill  
Ann Hudson  
Kim Karlen  
Elaine Kirk (mother of Ann Williams)  
Koenes, Leonard  
Mary Kopasz  
Eden & Eliana Les (friends/Wendy Borbely)  
Joe McDaniel  
Medd Family (friend/Karen Comstock)  
Hunter Mitchell- return of brain cancer  
(friend/Diane Hart-Coons)  
Tracy Mitrano (niece of Art Morgan)  
Denny Orr  
Pedrick family  
Abigail Poerio (Niece of Sue Cook)  
Eugene Pidzarko  
Kim Piekarski- breast cancer  
(sister-in-law of Patty Yackanich)  
Nancy & Terry Quinn  
Robbins Family  
Laura Shields-surgery  
Jim Siergey-surgery  
Richard Simkins  
Susan Geri Snider (Zora Ludwig/sister)  
Trent Family (passing of John & Sally)  
Sally VanBokkelen  
Robin Webber- health concerns  
Yackel Family (passing of Erna)  
Natalie & Jeff Ziemendorf  
(daughter & son-in-law/Sonja Ross)

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# Today's Events



## Disciples & Donuts - 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Join us for donuts and a devotion.

Middle School - Room 401 • High School - Room 305



## Sunday School - 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

K-5th Grade - Room 301



## Leadership Summit - 12pm-3pm

The Long Range Planning Team invites all of our current elders and deacons to attend. Lunch will be served.



## Dungeons & Dragons - from 5 p.m.-7 p.m.

Join us to participate in a thrilling game of D&D!

# Upcoming Events



## Pickleball Season Resumes - Canceled for today, Jan. 15

Pickleball is resuming and will be on select Saturdays from 4-6 p.m. and Sundays from 1-3 p.m. Please visit the website and/or app to view the dates and to reserve your spot!



## Youth Ski Trip - Jan. 21 - R.S.V.P by Jan. 10!

The cost for this trip is \$ 120 per person (includes lift ticket, equipment rental, optional ski lesson & dinner). Everyone should bring money for lunch for the lodge cafeteria. ***IF no equipment rental needed, cost is \$92.*** WPC will cover the cost of van transportation (driven by Glenn & Brett.)

Youth attending should be active in any of our youth group activities and have a permission slip on file. Payments should be made by check written to WPC with Youth Ski Trip in memo. Please let us know if you will attend by emailing Tricia **by January 10** at [childrenyouthministry@wpcmunster.org](mailto:childrenyouthministry@wpcmunster.org). For additional details, please visit [wpcmunster.org](http://wpcmunster.org).



## New Member Meet & Greet - Jan. 22 at Noon

Are you interested in becoming a part of our church family? Come meet the pastor and other members and find out more about our church!

There are a few ways you can sign up

1. Sign up at the visitors table
2. Call the church at 219-838-3131
3. Email [gnida@wpcmunster.org](mailto:gnida@wpcmunster.org)
4. Or, visit the app/website under upcoming events to register!

*Lunch and childcare will be provided.*



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# Contemporary Service

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2023 • 10:45AM**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRAISE & WORSHIP**

*Carry Me*

Needtobreathe

*Word of God*

Brenton Brown

**SCRIPTURE READING**

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**MESSAGE**

*The Word That You Are*

Rev. Mike Pennanen

**REFLECTION**

*King of GLory*

Chris Tomlin

**CLOSING SONGS**

*King of Kings*

Newsboys

**BLESSING**