



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 28, 2024

Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo

Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain

Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff

Lay Leader: Tom Ogren

Sunday, January 28, 2024 - 9:30 a.m. Service

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

GATHERING MUSIC

Whom Shall I Fear by Chris Tomlin
Worship Band

INTROIT

The Lord Is My Song

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in this sacred space,
to offer our thanks to God with all our hearts.
We gather with this community of faith,
to follow Jesus, who longs to lead us into life.
We gather in these moments,
to learn all we can of grace from the Holy Spirit.
We gather in the name of Jesus,
to worship the Living God!

*HYMN #370

This Is My Father's World

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Jesus calls us to enter the joy of discipleship, the joy of following in his way.
But sin clings closely, and we struggle to respond fully to Christ's invitation.
Let us seek God's forgiveness so that we may know more deeply the joy God
intends.

**Prayer of Confession*

Merciful God, in Jesus, we have seen your glory. Yet, our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess. We find faults easily in others, while ignoring our own shortcomings. We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon our lives. Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day, we might become more like you. Amen.

**Silent Prayer*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God relentlessly seeks us out with abundant grace and boundless mercy.
This is good news!
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**

HYMN #377

I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU TO OUR OUTGOING ELDERS & DEACONS

Elders:

Frank Berzinis, Marianne Comstock, Kaylee Franklin, Sara Sweeney, and Barb Terpstra

Deacons:

Jackie Burgwald, Betsy Cameron, Amy Carter, Karen Comstock, Dianne Donaldson, Chuck Lansdowne, Nancy Quinn, Tom Reynolds, and Laura Shields

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Ed Alfonsi, Nora Alfonsi, Ron Allen, Grace Kim, Gabriel McElwain, Megan McElwain, Michelle Myers, Josie Uidl, and Ryan Uidl

Congregational Response

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry for we are all one in Christ.

WORD THROUGH MUSIC

Everytime I Think About Jesus

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

O God, with faith and hope, we offer these gifts. Use them, even as you use us, to accomplish your purposes in Jesus Christ, the Head of the church and the Lord of our lives. Amen.

Offertory

Let Everything That Has Breath Praise the Lord by Matt Redman
Worship Band

(Children K - 5th grade are invited to exit at this time for their fellowship time in Room 301. Parents may pick up at 10:30 a.m. after their Sunday School lesson.)

**Doxology #606*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, illumine these words by your Spirit that we might hear what you would have us hear and be who you would have us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 111:1-10

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Life of Prayer
Rev. Angela Ryo

*HYMN #753

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Westminster Connection Point

HOW CAN WE HELP?

_____ A PASTOR

_____ STEPHEN MINISTER

_____ PHONE CALL

_____ A DEACON

_____ PRAYER REQUEST

_____ HOME COMMUNION

_____ NEW MEMBER

_____ OTHER

CONTACT INFORMATION

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WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

Passing of Chris Orrick- husband of Morgan and son-in-law of Wendy Borbely.

New Concerns

Judith Mills (niece of Sandy Walsh)

Weekly Concerns

Jean Armstrong
The Borbely family
The Cafmeyer family in the passing of Stephen.
Charlotte (niece of Barb McKinney)
Mary Lou Crowley (leader of The 3 Bs)
Patty Dawes
Dave Ferguson
Grace Delcano (friend of Amy Carter)
LuAnn Franklin
Paul Hoekstra
Laura Kenworthy (niece of April Cafmeyer)
Zora Ludwig and family
Judith Mills (niece of Sandy Walsh)
Susie Nastos (cousin of Cindy Siergey)
Dawn Nielsen (niece of Sandy Walsh)
Sharon Orr and family
Glenn Rhodes
Octavio Ruiz (neighbor of Chuck Weier)
Donna Sharp
John Shields
The family of Carl Strain
Stacy Pierce (relative of Sandy Walsh)
Pat Snyder (mother of Christine Cangiano)
Jim Vliek
Kimmy Walker (friend of Nora Alfonsi)
Wendy Wilke-Sola

Continuing Care & Prayers

Ron Allen
David Cafmeyer
Cheryl Clement
(Alan Carlson's niece)
Jennifer Dye Foreit (friend/Michelle Pedrick)
David Dal Santo (Husband of Dawn)
Jack Estill (father of Gene Estill)
Bruce Elliot (cousin of Chuck Weier)
Mike Feege
Ed Harrison
Don Hill
Kim Karlen
John & Carole Keener (family of Ron Robbins)
Joe McDaniel
Betty Morris
Pedrick family
Morgan Borbely Orrick
Jan Quintelier (cousin of Barb McKinney)
Family of Keith Robbins (brother of Ron Robbins)
Richard Simkins
Elaine Schnider and her friend Debbie (friends of Robin Webber)
Colleen Splant (friend of Chuck Weier)
Susan Geri Snider (Zora Ludwig/sister)
Shelly Walsh (friend of Chuck Weier)
Natalie & Jeff Ziemendorf (daughter & son-in-law/Sonja Ross)

Today's Events



Sunday School (K-5th Grade) - Room 301

Children will enjoy fellowship time during worship prior to their Sunday School lesson from 10 - 10:30 a.m.



Disciples & Donuts (6th - 12th Grade) - Room 401

Youth in 6th -12th grade will meet from 10 - 10:30 am.



Cake - After Service

Enjoy a slice of cake after service in honor of our new members our outgoing officers.

Upcoming Events



Tuesday Study Time & Youth Group Activity - January 30 - Room 401

Join us directly afterschool for snacks and studying or join us at 4:30 for a lesson and fun games.



Thursday Study Time & Volleyball - Room 401 & South Hall

Join us after school for snacks and studying or just come directly to practice at 4:30 for middle school and 5:30 for the high school team.



Pickleball

Join us on select Saturdays and Sundays in January. Contact Dave Radovich at dsmrad@sbcglobal.net or register through the app.



One Service - February 4 at 9:30 a.m.

Join us for one service with the annual meeting to follow.



Annual Congregational Meeting - February 4 at 10:30 a.m.

Our annual congregational meeting will immediately follow the 9:30 a.m. service.



Pastor Angela Ryo's Installation Service - February 4 at 4:00 p.m.

Please join us for Pastor Angela's installation service.



Preschool Registration - Opens Monday, February 5 for Members!

Registration for the 2024-2025 preschool year opens Feb. 5 at 9am for our church members (current families on Feb. 12 and new families on Feb. 19).



Second Serving - Sunday, February 11 - 10:00 a.m. in South Hall

Join us in South Hall to help make blankets for children in foster care at SAFY and Kemmerer Village.



Nature Hike - Sunday, February 11 - 12:30 p.m. at Indiana Dunes State Park

Commune with nature and members of the congregation by hiking together! Every few months we will organize a WPC hike to a nearby trail. Weather permitting, our first hike will be to tackle the 3-dune challenge. Meet in the church parking lot at 12:30 to carpool or meet at the State Park Nature Center at 1:30. Drivers will be responsible for the parking fee of \$9. RSVP to Jean Dixon at mtdixons@comcast.net or Jenny Coble at jennifer.coble@gmail.com



Ash Wednesday Service - Wednesday, February 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Join us for this year's Ash Wednesday service. More informatino to follow.

The sanctuary will also be open from 7:00-9:00 a.m. for the imposition of ashes and time of personal meditation.