



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, February 11, 2024

Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo

Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain

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Sunday, February 11, 2024 • 9:00 a.m. Service
Please stand in body or spirit.* • **BOLD text is sung or spoken in unison.

Guest Organist: Don Hill

PRELUDE

INTROIT

Raise a Song of Gladness

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 145, Isaiah 55, John 6)

O Lord, the eyes of all look to You in hope; and You give them what they need.

You open Your hand and satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.

We, too, turn to You again, longing to be filled—to eat of the Bread of Life,

to drink from Your life-giving streams, to taste Your goodness and love.

May the time we spend together in Your presence nourish our hearts and minds;

may it strengthen our relationship with You and renew our commitment to live as Your faithful disciples.

For You alone are God, the Source and Sustainer of life.

And You are here with us now. We worship the living God.

*HYMN 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

*CALL TO CONFESSION

God is vaster than the night sky, brighter than the sun, and wilder than a tornado. Yet, God loves us enough to come to us in ways that we see and understand, including Jesus Christ. Let us open our hearts to God, confessing the ways that we have fallen short of God's call to love our neighbor and love the Lord. We can do so knowing that our Creator, who is both the Lion of Judah and the sacrificial lamb, listens to us.

**Prayer of Confession*

God of mercy, when we use our words to judge—rather than to comfort,
Lord, have mercy.

When we use our power to incite violence—rather than to make peace,
Lord, have mercy

When we use our hands to destroy—rather than to build up,
Lord, have mercy.

When we use our minds to manipulate others—rather than to benefit them,
Lord, have mercy

When we use our privilege to get ahead—rather than to help get others to advance,
Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

**Silent Prayer*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Out of a heart of abundance God spoke, and the Word came into the world. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, not to judge us but to save us.

Believe the 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 #300

We Are One in the Spirit

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

FAITH IN ACTION

Emily Cabrales from La Jornada

WORD THROUGH MUSIC

Christ the Apple Tree

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

Triune God, through Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, you bring hope to the despairing, healing to the sick, and release from bondage to all who are oppressed. Through baptism into Christ, you cover us with your love. We thank you that in this new life we are set free to proclaim good news to others. Direct our gifts to fulfill your purpose as we await the time when all creation is one in your love, by the grace of Jesus Christ and communion of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Offertory

Like a Lamb Who Needs a Shepherd

Men of the Choir

(Children K - 5th are invited to exit at this time for fellowship time in Room 301. Parents are asked to pick up after worship to attend today's mission project.)

**Doxology #606*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy One, when your prophets speak justice by the Spirit, the powerless clap their hands. When your Son declares forgiveness, sinners cry tears of joy. By the power of your Holy Spirit, open our ears to your word and move our hearts to respond in ways that honor you; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Judges 6:11-18

Mark 9:2-9

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Fears and Dreams

Rev. Angela Ryo

*HYMN 177

I Will Come to You

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

John Magrou

WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

Sandy Walsh in the passing of her niece,
Judith Mills

The family of Jean Armstrong

New Concerns

Elizabeth Allen-Flores

Patty and Matt Andrews (parents of Kelly
Rommelfanger)

Lars Grow (grandson of Bob Grow)

Diane Karlen

Weekly Concerns

The Borbely family

The Orrick family

The Cafmeyer family

Charlotte (niece of Barb McKinney)

Mary Lou Crowley (leader of The 3 Bs)

Dave Ferguson

Grace Delcano (friend of Amy Carter)

Laura Kenworthy (niece of April Cafmeyer)

The Ludwig family

Heidi Morgan

Susie Nastos (cousin of Cindy Siergey)

Dawn Nielsen (niece of Sandy Walsh)

Sharon Orr and family

Octavio Ruiz (neighbor of Chuck Weier)

Donna Sharp

John Shields

The Strain family

Pat Snyder (mother of Christine Cangiano)

Ann Sullivan (neighbor of Chuck Weier)

Bob Vliek (brother of Jim Vliek)

Kimmy Walker (friend of Nora Alfonsi)

Wendy Wilke-Sola

Continuing Care & Prayers

Ron Allen

David Cafmeyer

Cheryl Clement (Alan Carlson's niece)

Jan & Charlotte, cousins of Barb McKinney

Jennifer Dye Foreit (friend of the Pedricks)

David Dal Santo (Husband of Dawn)

Jack Estill (father of Gene Estill)

Bruce Elliot (cousin of Chuck Weier)

Mike Feege

Ed Harrison

Kim Karlen

John & Carole Keener (family of Ron

Robbins)

Joe McDaniel

Betty Morris

Morgan Orrick

Jan Quintelier (cousin of Barb McKinney)

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)



You're invited to read *Pause* by Elizabeth
Caldwell this Lent with Pastor Angela!

CONTEMPORARY *service*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024 • 10:45AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE & WORSHIP

Indescribable

Chris Tomlin

True North

Rend Collective

FAITH IN ACTION

Emily Cabrales from La Jornada

SCRIPTURE READING

Judges 6:11-18

Mark 9:2-9

MESSAGE

Fears and Dreams

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REFLECTION/OFFERING

Your Love Is Enough

Jon Foreman

CLOSING SONGS

Unto Your Name

House Fires

BLESSING

Today's Events



Sunday School and Disciples & Donuts

These groups will not meet so that the children and youth can attend today's Second Serving Mission project in South Hall between worship services.



Second Serving at 10:00 a.m. in South Hall

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



Sunday Discussion Group at 10:30 a.m. in room 209

Join us as we discuss this week's topic, "Remembering History."



Nature Hike at 12:30 p.m. at Indiana Dunes State Park

Today we will 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.

Upcoming Events



4th & 5th Grade Fellowship Event - Monday, February 12 from 5 - 6:30 p.m.

Students are invited for pizza and a game of Dungeons & Dragons with host Julian Solis. Let Tricia know if your child can join us for this fun fellowship event.



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

Join us for this year's Ash Wednesday service.

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



Green Team Kick-off Meeting - Tuesday, February 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the Resource Room

Come and help us make a positive difference for God's creation!



Youth Summer Mission Trip Sign-ups

Youth interested in attending the mission trip to Kenosha, WI from July 21 - 25, 2024 should submit their deposit of \$150 to Tricia Shelton by February 25. Checks may be written to WPC with Youth Mission on the memo line.



Parenting Bible Study with Pastor Angela - Sunday, February 25 from 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Sign up on the Lenten Small Groups sign up during coffee hour.

Sign up for a Lenten small group today! You can do that during coffee hour or by going to our website/app or calling the church during the weekday.

Recurring Weekly Events

Monday

- Knitters: 12:30 p.m. in room 106
- Quilters: 1:00 p.m. in room 106

Tuesday

- Discussion Group: 10:00 a.m. in room 209
- Study Group for Youth: 3-4:30 p.m. in room 401
- Youth Group Activity: 4:30-5:30 p.m. in room 401

Wednesday

Thursday

- Study Group for Youth: 3-4:30 p.m. in Room 401
- Volleyball Practices: Middle School 4:30-5:45 p.m., High School 5:30-7 p.m.) in South Hall

Saturday

- Pickleball at 4:00 p.m. in South Hall
- Volleyball games at 9:00 and 10:00 a.m. for Middle School in South Hall and 11:00 and Noon for High School at New Life Church