

Sunday, March 19, 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

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*HYMN #175

Seek Ye First

*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*

God of perfect love, you continually bring forth life, transforming sadness to joy, and despair to hope. We are weak, but you are strong. Our ways are flawed, but your ways are true. We are seldom right, but you are never wrong. Forgive us, redeem us, transform us. Take away the sin that burdens us and restore us to the people you would have us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

**Silent Prayer*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The psalmist assures us that God's goodness and mercy will follow us, even pursue us, all the days of our life. As God's forgiven people, receive this goodness and mercy, and live a new life in the grace of Jesus Christ.

We will live as children of the light for Christ shines on us!

**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 #192

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORD THROUGH MUSIC

Sicut Cervus

Palestrina, Performed by 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, with faith and hope, we offer these gifts. Use them, as you use us, to accomplish your purposes in Jesus Christ, the head of the Church and the Lord of our lives. Amen.

Offertory

(Kindergarten through Fifth grade children are invited to exit during the offertory for fellowship time prior to Sunday School. Parents may pick up their children from Room 301 at 10:30 a.m.)

**Doxology #606*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, illumine our hearts and minds as the Scriptures are read and proclaimed, so that by the power of your Holy Spirit we may see what is good and right and true. And seeing, help us to do what is pleasing to you, so that your glory becomes visible in our words and deeds. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 9:1-41 (The Message)

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Seeking: Sight

Rev. Angela Ryo

**HYMN #649*

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

**BENEDICTION*

POSTLUDE

Afton Water

Aaron David Miller

WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

Please keep the Sannito family in your prayers for the loss of John's brother. In life and in death we belong to God.

New Concerns

Prayers for relief/healing/other
Cathy Bomberger, Spinal surgery
Scott Eizenga (friend of Barbie Cook)

Weekly Concerns

Mike Feege
Kimberly Gardner-Bronisz
Heidi Green (friend of Barbie Cook)
Donna Gross- (friend of Pam Yttri)
Hunter Mitchell (friend/Diane Hart-Coons)
Betty Morris (Mother of Sandy Coxhead)
Dawn Nielsen (niece of Sandy Walsh)
John Shields

Continuing Care & Prayers

Anderson/McHie Family (passing of John)
Ron Allen
Jean Armstrong
Buddy Borbely
Morgan Borbely Orrick
Brown/Boyle Family (passing of Tom)
Nancy Cieflak- (sister of Mary Kopasz)
Jessica Cook, (friend/Daun DePaul)
Cunningham Family (passing of Bill)
Edwards Family (passing of son Joshua)

Continuing Care & Prayers

Jennifer Dye Foreit (friend/Michelle Pedrick)
Jack Estill (father of Gene Estill)
Fiegle Family (passing of Carol)
Dan Fieldhouse Family (friend/Shirley Golden)
Ed Harrison
Don Hill
Kim Karlen
Elaine Kirk (mother of Ann Williams)
Mary Kopasz
Largus Family (passing of Tom)
Eden & Eliana Les (friends/Wendy Borbely)
Joe McDaniel
Tracy Mitrano (niece of Art Morgan)
Denny Orr
Pedrick family
Eugene Pidzarko
Kim Piekarski- breast cancer
(sister-in-law of Patty Yackanich)
Jan Quintelier (cousin of Barb McKinney)
Robbins Family (passing of Barb)
The Rumas Family (passing of mother Gwen)
Laura Shields
Richard Simkins
Susan Geri Snider (Zora Ludwig/sister)
Xavier Sopher- Soldier going overseas
pray for protection (friend of Wendy Borbely)
Mark Sweigart (friend of Barbie Cook)
Trent Family (passing of John & Sally)
Kurt Visak (brother/Wendy Edwards)
Jim Yackel
Natalie & Jeff Ziemendorf
(daughter & son-in-law/Sonja Ross)

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Lyn McHie wishes to thank the loving WPC congregation and staff for the wonderful heartfelt prayers and expressions of sympathy in recognition of her husband's, John Anderson, passing.

Please provide your name in the Fellowship Pad located in the pews.

Westminster Connection Point

HOW CAN WE HELP?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A PASTOR | <input type="checkbox"/> A DEACON | <input type="checkbox"/> NEW MEMBER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> STEPHEN MINISTER | <input type="checkbox"/> PRAYER REQUEST | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PHONE CALL | <input type="checkbox"/> HOME COMMUNION | |

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CONTEMPORARY *service*

SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023 - 10:45AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE & WORSHIP

Great Things

Phil Wickham

Sing & Shout

Matt Redman

BAPTISM, INSTALLATION & ORDINATION

Kaylee Franklin, Youth Elder

SCRIPTURE READING

John 9:1-41 (The Message)

MESSAGE

Seeking: Sight

Rev. Angela Ryo

REFLECTION

House of God Forever

Jon Foreman

CLOSING SONGS

Rescuer (Good News)

Rend Collective

BLESSING

Today's Events



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



Disciples & Donuts (6th through 12th Grade) - 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Middle and High School age youth are invited to Room 401 for donuts and a devotion.



Westminster Forum - March 19 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 209

Westminster member, Gerry Pearson, will discuss Presbyterian efforts assisting churches in Guatemala and programs to provide fresh drinking water.



Youth Volleyball League End of Season Banquet - St. Maria Goretti at 5:30 p.m.

The team will celebrate a great season along with the other churches involved in the league.

Upcoming Events



Easter Sunday Spring Flowers - Order by March 26

Purchase spring flowers for \$20.00 each, with check made payable to Westminster (Please note "Easter flowers" on the memo line). Flowers may be given in honor of or in memory of a loved one. Please include your preference on a note enclosed with your check. Mail your check to the church office or drop it in the basket located on Gina's desk.



Stations of the Cross - Art Exhibit - Opens April 2

Our Stations of the Cross Art Exhibit opens on Palm Sunday, April 2 and will remain open throughout Holy Week during normal business hours. Please feel free to come and walk the Stations.



Maundy Thursday - April 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Join us for a communion service. Come early to enjoy potluck soup and a salad supper prior to service at 6:00 p.m. Bring your family!



Good Friday - April 7 at 1:00 p.m.

Gather with us for a time of meditation followed by a pilgrimage to Carmelite Shrine to walk the Stations of the Cross at 2:00 p.m. *Weather permitting



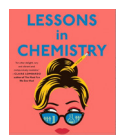
Sadderday Service - April 8 at 7:00 p.m.

Come and meditate with U2 songs led by our WPC worship band and guest musicians from our community!



Easter Sunday Services - April 9 at 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Celebrate Easter Sunday with us! An Easter Egg Hunt for children will be followed by the first service.



The Good Book Club - March 24 at 1:00p.m.

Join an engaging book club to discuss Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus. Questions? Contact Belva Knight at (219) 9742-4931 by text.



Vacation Bible School - Save the Date - July 17 - July 20

Get excited for an intergalactic VBS this summer! Open to Children Entering Kindergarten through fifth grade. Stay tuned for registration details!