



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, April 23, 2023**

**Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo**

**Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain**

**Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff**

**Lay Leader: Ken Schoon**

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Sunday, April 23, 2023 - 9 a.m. Service

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

## PRELUDE

## INTROIT

*Let Us Praise Your Name*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

We have been walking, Lord,  
**on roads of uncertainty and fear,  
on roads of exhaustion and doubt,  
on winding roads that have led us here.**

Join us on our journey, Lord.

**By your presence, refresh our spirits,  
set our hearts ablaze,  
and give us new direction!**

## \*HYMN #254

*That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright*

## \*CALL TO CONFESSION

When we say, "we don't sin," we deny who we are. But when we say, "there's no way out," we deny who God is. Trusting that God's grace is more powerful than our sin, let us confess our sins together.

### *\*Prayer of Confession*

**Jesus, Teacher, we confess today our outright foolishness. We have been foolish to doubt your promises. Foolish to withhold love from neighbor. Foolish to chase riches, prestige and power. Foolish to waste your gifts and spoil your creation. Foolish to think hope is lost. Wise us up again. Open our hearts to your presence in our lives, in our neighbors, in our world. In your grace, help us grab onto our millionth second chance, and forge a new road from here on. Amen.**

### *\*Silent Prayer*

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! New life is not only possible, it has drawn near to us in Jesus. The promise is for us and for all the children of God.

**By the grace of God, the glory of Christ, and the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are forgiven, and we are free! Alleluia! 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.**

## \*PASSING THE PEACE

## HYMN #630

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FAITH IN ACTION

Dara Grady, NWI Veterans Village (Please see insert for details)

### 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

God of surprises, take these gifts and astound us by what they do. Through the work of your church, restore a broken world into the beloved community you dream of for us. Show us how to take these offerings and use them to love each other deeply from the heart. In your grace we trust. Amen.

#### *Offertory*

*Ain't Got Time to Die*

Westminster Chorale with soloist, Don Hill

*(Children Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to exit during the offertory to attend fellowship time followed by Sunday School in Room 301. Parents may pick up at 10:30 a.m.)*

#### *\*Doxology #606*

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy Spirit, send your fire to dance across these familiar words, illuminating ancient stories, illuminating weary hearts. Set us ablaze again with the promises of the Holy Word, still proclaimed for us. Amen.

### SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-35

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*The Road to Emmaus*

Rev. Angela Ryo

#### **\*HYMN #836**

*Abide with Me*

#### **\*BENEDICTION**

### POSTLUDE

J.S. Bach

# WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

## Heartfelt Sympathy

Keep the families of Virginia (Ginny) Eib, Andrew Justak, and Carol Lukes in your prayers.

## New Concerns

Larry Edwards (neighbor and friend of Chuck Weier)

Elaine Schnider and her friend Debbie

## Weekly Concerns

Dave Ferguson

Larry Fiegle

Donna Gross (friend of Pam Yttri)

Hunter Mitchell (friend/Diane Hart-Coons)

Dawn Nielsen (niece of Sandy Walsh)

Dennis Orr

John Shields

Wendy Wilke Sola (daughter of Martha)

## Continuing Care & Prayers

Anderson/McHie Family (passing of John)

Jean Armstrong

Ron Allen

Cathy Bomberger, spinal surgery

Buddy Borbely

Morgan Borbely Orrick

Brown/Boyle Family (passing of Tom)

Kimberly Gardner-Bronisz

Nancy Ciefiak- (sister of Mary Kopasz)

Jessica Cook, (friend/Daun DePaul)

Cunningham Family (passing of Bill)

Edwards Family (passing of son Joshua)

Mike Feege

Jennifer Dye Foreit (friend/Michelle Pedrick)

Jack Estill (father of Gene Estill)

Larry Fiegle

Fiegle Family (passing of Carol)

Ed Harrison

Don Hill

Kim Karlen

Mary Kopasz

Largus Family (passing of Tom)

Eden & Eliana Les (friends/Wendy Borbely)

Joe McDaniel

Tracy Mitrano (niece of Art Morgan)

Betty Morris (Mother of Sandy Coxhead)

Pedrick family

Eugene Pidzarko

Jan Quintelier (cousin of Barb McKinney)

Robbins Family (passing of Barb)

The Rumas Family (passing of mother Gwen)

Sannito Family (passing of John's brother)

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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## Westminster Connection Point

HOW CAN WE HELP?

\_\_\_\_\_ A PASTOR

\_\_\_\_\_ A DEACON

\_\_\_\_\_ NEW MEMBER

\_\_\_\_\_ STEPHEN MINISTER

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\_\_\_\_\_ OTHER

\_\_\_\_\_ PHONE CALL

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# CONTEMPORARY *service*

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023 • 10:45AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRAISE & WORSHIP**

*Never Get Over It*

Michael Neale

*Your Love Awakens Me*

Phil Wickham

**FAITH IN ACTION**

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**SCRIPTURE READING**

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**MESSAGE**

*The Road to Emmaus*

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**REFLECTION**

*Are You Listening?*

Brock Human

**CLOSING SONGS**

*Be Thou My Vision*

EQ Worship

**BLESSING**

# Today's Events



## Sunday School (K-5th Grade) 10-10:30 a.m.

Children will enjoy a lesson on Jesus and Thomas in Room 301 / 302.



## Disciples & Donuts (6th - 12th Grade) - 10:00 - 10:30 a.m. in Room 401.

Youth 6th through 12th grade enjoy a devotion and donuts in Room 401 from 10 - 10:30 a.m.



## Westminster Forum - April 23 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 209

Dr. Ken Sawyer, the professor of church history at McCormick Theological Seminary, will be continuing his Sunday series about the history of the Presbyterian Church in America. After today, he will be with us one last time on April 30.



## New Member Meet & Greet - April 23 at Noon in Room 209

Our new members will be meeting today to learn more about becoming a part of our church family.



## Pickleball - Today at 2:00 p.m.

Register on the app or website to play Pickleball with us select Saturdays and Sundays.

# Upcoming Events



## Youth Group:

Study Time (3-4:30) followed by Study Break activity (4:30 - 5:30) will take place this week in Room 401. Youth ages 6th through 12th grade invited.



## Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser

WPC Youth are headed to Nashville this July. Help them fundraise for their mission trip to Music City by donating your old records, cds, cassettes, and even 8-tracks. Anything music related can be donated, including vintage concert t-shirts, instruments, equipment, books, and memorabilia. Donations can be brought to church May 1- 14 and will be sold by the youth on Sat., May 20 at the Cash for Clutter event in the parking lot of the community pool. Donation pick-ups can be arranged. Y'all got questions, just give a holler to Amy Carter: 773-376-0344 or amy@pegboardchicago.com.



## Dementia Conversations - April 26 at 6:30 p.m.

When someone shows signs of dementia, it's time to talk. This program offers tips on how to have honest and caring conversations to address some of the most common issues. Call 1-800-272.3900 to register.



## The Good Book Club - Blessings by Anna Quindlen - April 28 at 1pm

The Good Book Club will meet April 28 at 1:00pm in room 209.



## Youth Group Monthly Fellowship Activity

Glow Night at Sky Zone on Friday, April 28 from 9 - 11 p.m. RSVP to Mrs. Shelton at childrenyouthministry@wpcmunster.org.



## Special Congregational Meeting - May 7 at 10 a.m.

Please join us for a special congregational meeting to elect PNC members.



## Interested in learning more about our WPC Missions Team?

You're Invited to Join us Sunday, May 7th for a visioning meeting with Rev. Estevez at noon to discuss the future of WPC Missions Committee. Let Ginny know if you'll be able to join us as we'll be ordering in lunch at: [missions@wpcmunster.org](mailto:missions@wpcmunster.org) and be sure to fill out our Missions Survey by following this link: [bit.ly/wpcmissionsurvey](https://bit.ly/wpcmissionsurvey)