

Welcome To Jestminster

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 30, 2023 Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff Lay Leader: Patty Dawes

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Sunday, April 30, 2023 • 9 a.m. Service *Please stand in body or spirit. • BOLD text is sung or spoken in unison.

PRELUDE

INTROIT

Raise a Song of Gladness, Peoples of the Earth, Christ has Come

CALL TO WORSHIP

We are God's church: We come together to worship. God has filled us with God's power: We go out to bring others to God. God has called us into God's family: We come together to share our lives. God has given us God's Spirit: We come together to celebrate. God has showered us with God's riches: We go out to share God's goodness with others. God has freed us from our past: We come together to move forwards. God has planned for us a glorious future: We go out to live our lives to please God. We are God's church: We come together to worship the Living God!

*HYMN #837

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess all that distracts and distorts God's truth, so we can know grace and forgiveness through Christ. Let us go to God in prayer.

*Prayer of Confession

Savior God, you beckon us, but we do not heed your call. You gather us, but we wander away losing ourselves in false and superficial comforts. You speak truth, but we fail to hear and respond. Good Shepherd, do not give up on us. Redeem us. Restore us. Resurrect us for life in Christ. Amen.

*Silent Prayer

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Even when we walk through the darkest valley, God is with us. God does not abandon us. Know that you are forgiven and receive Christ's peace. **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 #826

Lift High the Cross

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

Sam & Lauren Baud, Richard & Marissa Meyers, Jason & Monica Vargas, Paul Hoekstra, Rebecca Goldsmith, Rick Parker, and Sally Woods

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

Bright Canaan 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

Risen and redeeming God, you have given us more than we could ever give you in return. You meet our needs and transform us for service. Accept these gifts as tokens of our gratitude and bless Christ's ministry with these offerings. Amen.

Offertory

(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

Savior God, we are in awe of you and the way you guide us to the greater good. You've gifted us with the Holy Spirit as our advocate and guide. Open us to the Spirit's wisdom and truth. Open our ears, minds and hearts to your Word read and proclaimed today. May we know your truth and respond in faith. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Act 2:42-47

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Awestruck Rev. Angela Ryo

*HYMN #824

There Is a Place of Ouiet Rest

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Jesus, Priceless Treasure J.S. Bach

WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

Keep the families of Elaine Kirk (mother of Ann Williams) in your prayers.

New Concerns

Lydia Brunton (sister-in-law of Mary Lomey Elaine Schnider and her friend Debbie

Weekly Concerns

Larry Edwards (neighbor and friend of Chuck Weier) Dave Ferguson Larry Fiegle Donna Gross (friend of Pam Yttri) Hunter Mitchell (friend/Diane Hart-Coons) Dawn Nielsen (niece of Sandy Walsh) Dennis Orr Elaine Schnider and her friend Debbie 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 Cieflak- (sister of Mary Kopascz) 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 Kopascz 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-inlaw/Sonja Ross)

APRIL 30, 2023

Westminster Connection Point

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- - PHONE CALL

A DEACON ____ STEPHEN MINISTER _____ PRAYER REQUEST HOME COMMUNION **NEW MEMBER OTHER**

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SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2023 - 10:45AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAISE & WORSHIP

Carry Me Needtobreathe

Holy, Holy, Holy (God With Us) Matt Maher

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

SCRIPTURE READING Act 2:42-47

MESSAGE

Awestruck Rev. Angela Ryo

REFLECTION

Build My Life Pat Barrett

CLOSING SONGS You Are Good

Israel Houghton

BLESSING

ay's Event



Sunday School (K-5th Grade) 10-10:30 a.m. Children will enjoy a lesson on Jesus and Peter.



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 30 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 209

Dr. Ken Sawyer, the professor of church history at McCormick Theological Seminary, will be ending his Sunday series about the history of the Presbyterian Church in America.



Pickleball - Today at 2:00 p.m.

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

ming Events



Mission Trip Fundraiser: Record Round Up - May 1 - 14, 2023

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 thru May 14 and will be sold by the youth on Saturday, May 20 at Munster's 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.



Book Discussion - Starting May 1

Come discuss the book, *Next Level Living* by Rich Rogers with Mary Lou DiCostanzo. Each Monday at 6:30 p.m. in room 106.



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

Please join us for a special congregational meeting to elect Pastor Nominating Committee members.



Interested in learning more about our WPC Missions Committee?

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 and be sure to fill out our Missions Survey by following this link: **bit.ly/wpcmissionsurvey**



Fourth & Fifth Grade Fellowship Event

Tuesday, May 16 from 6 - 7 p.m. in South Hall. Students in fourth and fifth grade are invited for pizza followed by fun games.



Vacation Bible School Volunteer Meeting

Sunday, May 21 from 10 - 10:30 a.m. in Room 305. Volunteers interested in helping with VBS from July 17 - July 20 are invited to join us for an informational meeting after worship on May 21.



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