



*Westminster*  
**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Sunday, June 18, 2023 - 9:30 a.m.**

**Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo**

**Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain**

**Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff**

**Lay Leader: Anne Severa**

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

## PRELUDE

*King of Kings* by Newboys  
WPC Worship Band

## INTROIT

## CALL TO WORSHIP

On an ordinary Sunday, we come to worship God:

**we come, trusting God will speak to us; we come, hoping God will surprise us.**

On this day, like every other day, we seek to follow Jesus:

**we follow, believing Jesus will be with us; we follow, hoping Jesus will work through us.**

On this day, we lift our souls to God's Spirit:

**we open our hearts, that the Spirit may fill us; we open our hands, that we might be a gift to others.**

## \*HYMN #667

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

## \*CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's love is this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Assured already of God's grace and forgiveness, let us confess our sin together.

## *\*Prayer of Confession*

**Almighty God, you have promised liberation for your people and reconciliation for all of creation. We confess that we have grown weary of waiting. We have lowered our hopes, and scaled our expectations according to the world, rather than believing in your steadfast Word. We confess that we have grown comfortable in our waiting. We cry out for justice, if it doesn't cost us too much. We proclaim your liberation, as long as it doesn't impinge on the freedoms that we value most. We want to follow Jesus, healing the sick and doing good deeds, but we don't want to be mistreated or hated. We don't want to stir up the dust, much less shake it from our feet. Forgive us, we pray. Give us words to speak your liberating Word and endurance to persevere until your kingdom comes. Amen.**

## *\*Silent Prayer*

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news: God's steadfast love endures forever, and God's faithfulness is promised to all generations.

**We are God's people: called, that we may follow; gifted, that we may serve; forgiven, that we might bring hope.**

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 THE PEACE

## HYMN #738

*O Master Let Me Walk with Thee*

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FAITH IN ACTION

Bob Grow, Munster Lion's Club

### WORD THROUGH MUSIC

*In the Shadow of Your Wings*

Kathy Madgiak, soloist

### 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 OF DEDICATION

Where the broken are, may we bring them healing. Where the lonely are, may we be their family. Where the hungry are, may we offer them hope. Wherever and however we find your people, O God, may we go to share the gifts you have given to us. In Jesus' name, Amen.

### *Offertory*

John Magrou

*(Children and youth are invited to exit during this time for a short lesson and games in South Hall.)*

### *\*Doxology #606*

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God who speaks, your law is perfect, reviving the soul; your commandment is clear, enlightening the eyes. May your Spirit illumine this Word that our eyes may be opened and our souls revived. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

### SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:4b-16

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*Life Worth Living: The Pursuit of Happiness*

Rev. Angela Ryo

### *\*HYMN #626*

*As the Deer* by Shane and Shane

WPC Worship Band

### *\*BENEDICTION*

### POSTLUDE

*Rondo* Arranged by Drummond Wolf

# Upcoming Events



## **TODAY - Summer Sunday School - From Offertory through end of Worship Service**

Children and Youth are invited to South Hall for a lesson on the "Joy" and games related to today's topic, Love. Parents should pick up at worship's conclusion.



## **Youth Car Wash - Sunday, June 25 at 10:00 - Noon**

Our youth will be providing a car wash in the South parking lot. Donations appreciated and will help fund the youth mission trip to Nashville in July.



## **Vacation Bible School - July 17 - 20, 9 a.m. until Noon each day**

Students ENTERING Kindergarten through Fifth Grade are invited to sign up for Stellar: Shine God's Light VBS. Registration is \$10.00 and will open on June 12 online at [wpcmunster.org](http://wpcmunster.org). Youth Helpers can also sign up online to volunteer.



## **Loaves & Fishes Call out**

We're looking for volunteers to join our Wednesday morning team to help pick up and sort incoming donations! To get involved, email Ginny at: [missions@wpcmunster.org](mailto:missions@wpcmunster.org)



## **Munster 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade - Volunteer Call Out**

WPC will be in this year's Munster 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade! We are looking for volunteers to walk in the parade at 1 p.m. and help represent WPC - especially families! If you are able to participate, please contact Brandon Smith at [smith.brandon@gmail.com](mailto:smith.brandon@gmail.com) or (312) 218-5757.

## WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

### **Heartfelt Sympathy**

The Kozlowski family  
The family of Margaret Morris

### **New Concerns**

John & Carole Keener (family of Ron Robbins)  
Keith & Barbara Robbins (family of Ron Robbins)

### **Weekly Concerns**

PNC Committee  
Anka (niece of Heidi Morgan)  
Jean Armstrong  
Linda Bishop (friend of Chuck Weier)  
Julie Bland (friend of Amy Carter)  
The family of Kathy Dunn (friend of Pam Yttri)  
Larry Edwards (neighbor and friend of Chuck Weier)  
Dave Ferguson (brother-in-law of Gene & Paula Estill)  
The family of Amy Franklin for the loss of her father, Tom Young  
Kimberly Gardner-Bronisz  
The family of Diane Hernandez

### **Weekly Concerns Cont.**

Pat Jaracz  
The family of Ryan Mecredy (nephew of Cheryl Anderson)  
Betty Morris  
Susie Nastos (cousin of Cindy Siergey)  
Dawn Nielsen (niece of Sandy Walsh)  
Ruth Norton (passing of her sister)  
Dennis Orr  
Holly Ptacek  
Elaine Schneider and her friend Debbie (friends of Robin Webber)  
Donna Sharp  
Wendy Wilke Sola (daughter of Martha)

### **Continuing Care & Prayers**

Anderson/McHie Family (passing of John)  
Jean Armstrong  
Buddy Bobbely  
Brown/Boyle Family (passing of Tom)  
Lydia Brunton (sister-in-law of Mary Lomey)  
Nancy Ciefiak- (sister of Mary Kopasz)  
Jessica Cook, (friend/Daun DePaul)  
Cunningham Family (passing of Bill)  
Edwards Family (passing of son Joshua)

### **Continuing Care & Prayers Cont.**

The Fiegle Family  
Jennifer Dye Foreit (friend/Michelle Pedrick)  
Jack Estill (father of Gene Estill)  
Donna Gross (friend of Pam Yttri)  
Ed Harrison  
Don Hill  
Kim Karlen  
Mary Kopasz  
Mike Feege  
Morgan Bobbely Orrick  
Joe McDaniel  
Pedrick family  
Dennis Orr  
Eugene Pidzarko  
Jan Quintelier (cousin of Barb McKinney)  
Ron Allen  
Richard Simkins  
Susan Geri Snider (Zora Ludwig/sister)  
Trent Family (passing of John & Sally)  
Kurt Visak (brother/Wendy Edwards)  
Natalie & Jeff Ziemendorf (daughter & son-in-law/Sonja Ross)  
Williams Family (passing of Ann's mother)