



Westminster
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 25, 2023 - 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo

Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain

Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff

Lay Leader: Paul Hoekstra

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

PRELUDE

Compass Point by Lowen and Navarro
WPC Worship Band

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Extravagant God, you offer riches that no earthly pleasures can match.
You pour out mercy and cover us with love.

You show us true justice and offer us peace.

You provide us with every need and promise us eternal life with you.

In the midst of the glitz and glamour of this world,
nothing and no one shines with your brilliance.

**Bathe us in the light of Christ, illumine us with your Holy Spirit,
and enable us to live only for you. Amen.**

*HYMN #463

How Firm a Foundation (Verses 1, 2, 3 & 5)

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Already assured that forgiveness is ours in Jesus Christ, let us lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, that we might receive mercy and amend our lives. Let us go to our God in prayer.

**Prayer of Confession*

Holy God, you lavish us with good gifts, yet we persist in seeking after that which robs us of abundant life.

We hold fast to our anxieties and give in to our greed; we desire the very things that harm us.

Forgive us, purify us, and sustain us by the strength of your Holy Spirit, we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

**Silent Prayer*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If God is for us, who is against us? In Jesus Christ you have been set free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.
In Jesus Christ we have been set free. We are forgiven and at peace. 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 #465

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORD THROUGH MUSIC

Lover's Waltz

Barry & Beth Reasoner

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

All we have and all we are comes from you, O God. If we were to give thanks until the end of time, we could not repay your benevolence and grace. Take these meager offerings, we pray, and increase our generosity, that everything we say and do might show forth your irrepressible love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory

Build My Life by Pat Barrett

WPC Worship Band

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

**Doxology #606*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, allow us your wisdom. By the power of your Holy Spirit, open the Scriptures to us today that in the Word read and proclaimed, we might know your truth. In Jesus' name we ask it. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Ecclesiastes 2

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Life Worth Living: Materialism

Rev. Robert Anselmo

**HYMN #625*

How Great Thou Art

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Banish Misfortune

Barry & Beth Reasoner with Laura Crowe Greenburg on violin



REV. ROBERT ANSELMO

Robert studied theology at Trinity Graduate School of Apologetics and Theology. He was ordained a minister in 2008. In 2010, he founded Lost and Found, a ministry aimed at school-age students, young adults, and seniors. Robert's teaching style is characterized by a professorial approach to investigating, unpacking, and presenting God's Word through studies in early church history, rabbinical teachings, languages, philology, history, theology, sciences, psychology, and other academic fields. Robert currently works for Hearts in Motion and runs Warehouse 18 in Schererville, a NW Indiana outreach of Lost and Found.

WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

The McCauley Family in passing of Rebecca's brother Edward.
The family of Harry Witbeot (friends of Barbie Cook)

New Concerns

Harry Book (brother-in-law of Barbie Cook)
Mario Bravo (friend of Barbie Cook)
Chuck Weier's cousin Bruce

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
Pat Jaracz
John & Carole Keener (family of Ron

Robbins)
The family of Ryan Mecredy (nephew of Cheryl Anderson)
Betty Morris
The family of Margaret 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)
Keith & Barbara Robbins (family of Ron Robbins)
Donna Sharp
Wendy Wilke Sola (daughter of Martha)

Continuing Care & Prayers

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

Edwards Family (passing of son Joshua)
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
The Kozlowski family
Mike Feege
Morgan Borbely 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)