



Welcome
TO
Westminster
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Independence Day

OUTDOOR SERVICE

SUNDAY, JULY 2, 2022 - 9:30AM

Pastor: Rev. Angela Ryo

Music Director & Organist: Verdeen Strain

Contemporary Worship Music Leader: Chris Gloff

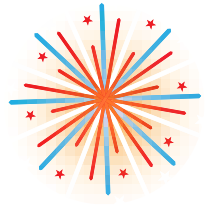
Lay Leader: Ken Schoon



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

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PRELUDE



CALL TO WORSHIP

God, who rules the universe, calls us;
Christ, who took up his cross, calls us;
Holy Spirit, who frees us body and soul, calls us.
Let us faithfully answer by worshiping the triune God.

*HYMN #556

Holy, Holy, Holy
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore Thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Christ Jesus did not call down destruction upon those who rejected him. How much more will he show mercy to those who seek forgiveness. In faith, let us confess our sins.

**Prayer of Confession*

O God, Holy Trinity, by our thoughts, actions, and the meditations of our hearts we show how far we are from walking in the Spirit. O Fire of heaven, have mercy on us. Satisfy the longings of our souls by taking us up into your Spirit that we may love our neighbor. Rekindle our desire to follow our Savior, Jesus Christ, whose passion for obeying you leads us to our inheritance, which is your promised kingdom. To you and the Son and the Spirit, One God, be all worship and praise now and forever. Amen.

**Silent Prayer*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The crucified Christ has set us free to live in the Spirit of life.
Hear the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
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 #307

God of Grace and Glory

God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power; crown thine ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days. Cure thy children's warring madness; bend our pride to thy control; shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore. Let the gift of thy salvation be our glory evermore. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR PRAYER FOR THE NATION LEADING TO THE LORD'S PRAYER

As we remember the birth of our nation, and the gifts of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, let us offer our thanks and prayers to God, the giver of all good gifts.

For patriots who dreamed of, and fought for, a free nation,

We thank you Lord.

For the men and women who laid the foundation of our democracy, and who pledged liberty and justice for all,

We thank you Lord.

For the innovators and artists, poets and teachers, farmers and factory workers; for all who labor and provide for the common good,

We thank you Lord.

For this land, with its peaks and valleys, coasts and deserts, fields and meadows,

We thank you Lord.

For our own community, for those who came before us in this place, and for our neighbors near and far,

We thank you Lord.

And we pray to you, Lord, that we might always be a nation where all are free to worship and pray,

We pray to you Lord.

That those who are elected to govern and lead would be guided by you and be ever aware of the trust that has been given them,

We pray to you Lord.

That we would be a people who repent from our sins, and who always return to you and to your grace,

We pray to you Lord.

O Lord, as your people turn to you and pray, come and heal our land.

Amen

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

God our maker, our Savior, our source of life, we thank you for your self-giving love. Help us to be more like you as we present our offerings and commit ourselves to follow Jesus Christ, love our neighbors, and share the fruits of the Spirit. We give you thanks and praise, O holy, triune God. Amen.

Offertory

Ashokan Farewell

*Doxology #606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, by your Spirit plant your word within us that we may follow your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, and never leave him. May we find our home in your kingdom and our life in your Spirit. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Galatians 5:13-14

SERMON

Life Worth Living: Who Do We Answer To?

Rev. Angela Ryo

*HYMN #687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the
stormy blast, and our eternal home:

Beneath the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is thine
arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame, from everlasting thou art
God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone, short as the watch that ends
the night before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever rolling stream, bears all our years away; they fly forgotten, as a
dream dies at the opening day.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guard while
life shall last, and our eternal home.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



Thank you to our guest band, Bourbon Aristocracy, for today's music!

Today's Events



July 2nd Outdoor Service

Enjoy music from Bourbon Aristocracy, ice cream & pie!

Upcoming Events



Munster 4th of July Parade - Volunteer Call Out

WPC will be in this year's Munster 4th 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 or (312) 218-5757.



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. Youth Helpers can also sign up online to volunteer.



The Good Book Club - Friday, July 28 at 1:00 p.m.

The Good Club will meet in room 209 to discuss Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Strout.



Habitat for Humanity Opportunities

Check your calendars now and join us to support Habitat for Humanity of NWI for on-site work days, Saturday, July 15th & August 19th at 8:30 am! We need 10 amazing adults to join us each day to work on homes that are currently being built across NWI. No prior experience is needed - RSVP to Christina Iwachiw at jiwachiw@comcast.net



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

God Bless & Have a Great Week!



WPC PRAYER REQUESTS

Heartfelt Sympathy

The Family of Geraldine Elman in the passing of her daughter Robin Schalgel.

New Concerns

Dave Dal Santo (Husband of Dawn, WPC Financial Secretary)
Chuck Weier's cousin Bruce

Weekly Concerns

PNC Committee
Anka (niece of Heidi Morgan)
Linda Bishop (friend of Chuck Weier)
Julie Bland (friend of Amy Carter)
Harry Book (brother-in-law of Barbie Cook)
Mario Bravo (friend of Barbie Cook)
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 McCauley Family in passing of Rebecca's brother Edward.
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 Schnider and her friend Debbie (friends of Robin Webber)

Keith & Barbara Robbins (family of Ron Robbins)
Donna Sharp
Wendy Wilke Sola (daughter of Martha)
The family of Harry Witbeot (friends of Barbie Cook)
Chuck Weier's cousin Bruce

Continuing Care & Prayers

Anderson/McHie Family (passing of John)
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)

July 2, 2023

Westminster Connection Point

HOW CAN WE HELP?

_____ A PASTOR _____ A DEACON _____ NEW MEMBER
_____ STEPHEN MINISTER _____ PRAYER REQUEST _____ OTHER
_____ PHONE CALL _____ HOME COMMUNION

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