

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Inviting All, Exploring Faith, Experiencing God

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ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE

But the fruit of the Spirit is

Love



Goodness



Joy



Faithfulness



Peace



Gentleness



Patience



Self-control



Kindness



Galatians 5:22

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JUNE 12, 2022

9:30 A.M.

“By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things.” Galatians 5: 22-23 (NRSV)

TO OUR GUESTS: WELCOME! Thanks for joining us for worship.

**All who are able may stand.*

Prelude

Luke Tyler

Welcome

MargaretAnne

Leader: God be with you!

People: *And also with you!*

**Greeting Our Neighbors*

**Introit GTG #286 (vs. 2)* “Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

**Call to Worship*

Leader: As the community gathers for worship today,

People: *We worship together in spirit and in truth, even while we may be separated by distance.*

Leader: We pray and sing and open ourselves up to be transformed by God’s word,

People: *Despite the anxieties that pervade our lives.*

Leader: We trust Christ’s peace, despite our doubts and fears.

People: *We call upon the Spirit of God to blow through our lives with a hopeful wind of change.*

Leader: We feel the presence of Christ and the love of God with us,

People: *And we lift up our voices to celebrate all that God has in store for us.*

**Opening Prayer*

MargaretAnne

**Hymn GTG#1* “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

Invitation to Confession

MargaretAnne

Unison Prayer of Confession

Loving God, our journey to You often feels like a dance, one step forward and two steps back. We follow and we falter; we try and we give up. The good we do seems to fall flat, and the wrong we do gets magnified. For all our failings, for all our missteps, You do not give up on us. Stay with, and when we lose our way, turn us around to You. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

(Moment of silence for personal reflection)

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

MargaretAnne

Leader: ... Go and share what you have received.

People: Thanks be to God!

**Response #582*

“Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

Anthem

“In Christ Alone” by *Keith Getty*

Steve Peake

Time with Younger Disciples

MargaretAnne

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

“Moving with the Spirit”

MargaretAnne

Scripture: John 15:1-8 (NRSV)

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. 2 He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes[a] to make it bear more fruit. 3 You have already been cleansed[b] by the word that I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. 5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. 6 Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. 7 If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become[c] my disciples.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Scripture: Galatians 5:19-26 (NRSV)

19 Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, 20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, 21 envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

22 By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. 24 And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. 26 Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

**Hymn GTG #309*

“Come, Great God of All the Ages”

**Affirmation of Faith*

from the PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith

MargaretAnne

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Joys & Concerns

MargaretAnne

Prayers of the People

MargaretAnne

The 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.

Minute for Mission

"Pentecost Offering"

Sue Dravis

Invitation to Discipleship

MargaretAnne

Offertory

Luke Tyler

**Doxology - screen*

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**Prayer of Thanksgiving*

MargaretAnne

**Hymn GTG #300*

"We Are One in the Spirit"

**Benediction*

MargaretAnne

...and all God's people said: *Alleluia! Amen.*

**Response GTG #541* vs. 1 “God Be with You Till We Meet Again”

Postlude

Luke Tyler

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S CHANCEL FLOWERS were donated by Don & Sally Stulken in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary that was on June 10th.

NOTE: THE NEXT HOTLINE will be a Summer Newsletter. And will be published and sent out around mid-June.

THESE DAYS, *Daily Devotions for Living by Faith* – for the months of July, August & September are here. Pick up a copy in the Narthex.



We are now down 2 people to make Coffee for the monthly rotation. If you are interested, please contact Rich Henderson. Benefits are fresh coffee & donut holes along with great fellowship. We provide on the job training.

ATTENTION PARENTS – STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY! Registration for our ecumenical **Creators Camp** is open to children ages 4-12, it will meet Wednesday afternoons 1-4 at St. Luke's UMC from **June 15th** through August 10th. Activities include building everything from worm towers to bird feeders and new friendships! **FREE!** Please use this link to register (the form can be filled out and

submitted weekly or all at once): <https://forms.gle/bdrv3GNGgW7nJH5F9>

There is no cost. Any questions? Contact Bonnie Sue Lewis at bonniesue@wpcdbq.org or the church office (563-583-1729).

THE GARDEN TEAM thanks you for bringing in milk jugs and toilet paper rolls. **WE NO LONGER NEED PLASTIC JUGS...but do still need toilet paper rolls.**

Synod School is for everyone!

Children go FREE.

Forms are on the table by the office. There is a group going.

Come join us!



PENTECOST OFFERING: Each year on Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church. The Holy Spirit remains with us still, connecting us with the church of the past, continuing to inspire the church of today, and pointing us to the church of the future. Each year, this celebration is marked by receiving the Pentecost Offering which nurtures the faith of those who are the church to come. The Pentecost offering helps youth begin life with a strong start - a solid foundation of faith formed in the first third of life, from childhood through young adulthood.

“I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord...to give you a future with hope” (Jeremiah 29:11). These striking, comforting words reminded the Israelites that, despite their experience of the present, God’s gesture, thoughts and plans for them — and for us — are peaceful, abundant and hopeful. At Pentecost, we celebrate that God offers more than we can plan. Our gifts to the Pentecost Offering connect with God’s hope and future, supporting ministries with children, youth and young adults by building a life of faith.

Congregations keep 40% of raised funds by the Pentecost offering to initiate or support programs for young people in their communities. Since the Pentecost Offering started in 1998, Presbyterians in the U.S. have raised more than \$16 million for ministries that benefit younger members of God’s family. We believe we are called to do even more — to support and care for young people as they build a strong foundation of faith.

You will find Pentecost offering envelopes in the pews. You can leave your Pentecost offering in the offering plate or you can bring it to the Church office. If we each give a little bit, it adds up to a lot!



All Summer Long - Care for our Mission Gardens

Lots of volunteers are needed to care for all 4 of our Mission Gardens. There is planting, weeding, watering, harvesting and transporting the harvest to local food pantries. To join in contact Marsha Wilfong at 563-583-6571 or mwilfong62hr@hotmail.com

All Summer Long – Recycling at Church

Remember that we have receptacles at church for recycling prescription bottles, batteries, plastic bags (better yet don’t use them!), paper, plastic bottles, and metal cans. Please use them.

GREEN TEAM RECOMMENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

Faith and the Climate Crisis Class July 10, 17, 24, 31 (4 Sundays) 3:00-4:15 PM by Zoom
Faith and the Climate Crisis is a four-week Zoom class offered by the Presbyterian Climate Advocates organization. This class is a basic introduction to the climate crisis, environmental justice, and ways people of faith can ramp up our action on behalf of creation care in our individual lives, our congregations, and our advocacy for state and national policy decisions. It is especially geared for people who would like to join the climate movement, and for members of congregations who are already active in earth care who would like a forum for bringing others along. The class is limited to 40 people and fills up quickly. Four of Westminster’s Green Team members have attended this class and highly recommend it. Let’s have some more WPC members attend! **SIGN UP TODAY** and get more information at www.presbyclimateadvocates.org

WPC'S BOOK CLUB'S NEXT READ is "Born a Crime" by Trevor Noah. The book is available at River Lights Book Store at 15% off for Westminster readers. The book is a shorter one and easy to read. The Book Discussion will be June 22nd at 3:30 p.m. at Charlotte's Coffee House on White St.

WESTMINSTER LIFE AND MINISTRY: JUNE 12, 2022

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Pastor: Rev. MargaretAnne Overstreet	Church Administrator: Mary Kay Pancratz
Financial Secretary: Becky Jenkins	Custodian: Tim Till
Director of Christian Formation: Bonnie Sue Lewis	Digital Storytelling Director: Clare Kysely
Care Ministry Coordinator: Lisa MacNaughton	Worship Technology: Monson Cong Nguyen
Organist/Pianist: Dr. Luke Tyler	Adult Choir: Steve Peake
Adult Handbells Director: DeLano Cain-Watson	Director of Music: Dr. Luke Tyler
WPC Band & Beginner Handbells: Sally Stulken	Timbrel & Lyre: Dr. Luke Tyler
Greeters: Deb Seiffert & Sue Dravis	Ushers: Julie Woodyard & Merrill Crawford
Hospitality Coffee Set Up: Carolyn Dausener	Clean Up: Lizz Tyler

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray for all the victims and families affected by gun violence.
- Prayers for Bill Peck who is now recovering at home but needs support of others.
- Prayers for Howard Wallace who is now on Palliative Care thru Hospice.
- Prayers for Nancy Wallace who has started oral chemo for breast cancer.
- Thank you for all the prayers for Bruce Meriwether. He continues with his struggle and still needs your prayers.
- Prayers for Tom Stovall who is receiving chemo treatments for prostate cancer.
- Continued prayers for Betty Carlin who is now back home.
- Continued prayers for Wally Brown who is now back home.
- Prayers for Carol Althoff's continuing struggle with cancer.
- Prayers for Gini Gordon's, daughter-in-law, Karen Gordon who is now on Hospice.
- Please pray for those who are victims of the humanitarian crisis in the Ukraine and a for a peaceful end to the violence. Pray that through the response of the faith community that the survivors and those offering assistance be reminded of the hope that is found in Jesus Christ.
- Continued prayers for Terry Flynn & Lesley Buse's son, Mark who is battling an auto-immune disorder and recovering from surgery for renal cancer.
- Prayers for our aging members and their caretakers.

If you would like to have your name on our Bulletin Prayer Request list or want to be added to the Prayer Chain for prayers, please advise the church office (583-1729).

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER:
JUNE 12TH THRU JUNE 19TH

Sunday, June 12

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts
9:30 a.m. Worship

Monday, June 13

5:30 p.m. Mission Meeting, BR
7:00 p.m. Troop 11, FH

Tuesday, June 14

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi, BR
5:15 p.m. People in Need, ZOOM
5:30 p.m. Moderator Round Table, BR
6:30 p.m. NISOM Brbshp., BR
7:00 p.m. Grief Support Group, Library

Wednesday, June 15

1:00 p.m. Creator's Camp for Kids

Thursday, June 16

11:00 a.m. Finance Meeting, BR
4:30 p.m. Tech Team, BR
7:00 p.m. Tri-State Wind Symph/Rain Site

Saturday, June 18

9:00 a.m. Cable Car Quilters Event, FH

Sunday, June 19

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts
9:30 a.m. Worship
1:30 p.m. Worship at Bethany Home

GREEN TEAM TIP

Use the Battery Saver

Use the battery saver function on your phone or computer. This lets your phone or computer last longer and also saves energy.



We Now
have
HyVee
Coupon
Books

Westminster Office Hours
Please call first.

Monday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Tuesday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Wednesday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Thursday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

***BECKY'S SUMMER HOURS will be Mon.,
Tues., Wed. from 9 a.m.-1:00 p.m. however
Becky will be off Tuesday of this week.**



FROM YOUR WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION:

Planning ahead is part of effective stewardship. Plan your will now – and include a bequest to WPC.