

# WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Inviting All. Exploring Faith. Experiencing God.*

**MORNING WORSHIP, 9:30AM**

**SEPTEMBER 25, 2022**

*He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.' Luke 16:24 (NRSVUE)*



## ***WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT WESTMINSTER!***

*We're delighted to worship with you today and hope your experience of worship is meaningful and uplifting. If you need assistance during your visit, any of our greeters will be happy to help.*

*Parents: We provide nursery care for children 5 years of age and under. All children are welcome to use any of the resources in our PrayGround (located behind the pews).*

*Please note that assisted listening devices are available at the back of the sanctuary.*

*\* Everyone who is comfortably able to stand is welcome to do so during the portions of worship marked with an asterisk.*

## PRELUDE

*The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 150)

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament!

**People: Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness!**

Leader: Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

**People: Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!**

Leader: Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

**People: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!**

Leader: Praise the Lord!

## \*HYMN GTG #35: *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

## TIME OF WELCOME

Leader: God be with you!

**People: And also with you!**

## TIME OF RECONCILIATION

Invitation to Confession

Silent Prayer

Prayer of Confession

**God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don't know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance upon those who wronged us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the deep commitment our faith expects of us. We care for ourselves but not for others. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive us, help us to repent, and make us whole, so that we might better serve you by loving others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

## Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Leader: God loves you. God forgives you. God gives you new life.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

\*Sung Response GTG #581: *Glory Be to the Father*

## TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## SERMON

Scripture: Luke 16:19-31 (NRSVUE)

*19 "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20 And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, 21 who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. 22 The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 23 In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. 24 He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.' 25 But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. 26 Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' 27 He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— 28 for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' 29 Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' 30 He said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' 31 He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'*

Leader: The Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God!**

\*HYMN GTG #450: *Be Thou My Vision*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (the Apostles' Creed)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he**

**descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

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.**

## INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Litany of Rededication for the Organ

Leader: O God, you are the source of all goodness and beauty, the creative power pulsating in our humanity, bringing forth skilled composers and poets, technicians, and musicians. Accept our heartfelt expressions of gratitude for the gift of music and, especially today, for the gift of this renewed organ. We praise you for that music which scales the heights and plumbs the depths,

**People: which makes us feel understood even as we struggle to understand, which assists in the subtle training of the soul, and which breathes new life into ancient stories.**

Leader: We rededicate this organ to your transcendent purposes:

**People: to opening the windows of our hearts to the refreshing winds of your Spirit, to the comforting of the sorrowful, to the calming of our frantic pace, to the quickening of joy, to the deepening of our communion with you, and to the celebration of divine revelations and revolutions.**

Leader: O God, enable us to be both faithful and imaginative stewards of all your gifts. We rededicate this organ and ourselves to the high and holy calling to which you have anointed us. For we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Offertory

\*Sung Response GTG #606: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

\*HYMN GTG #641: *When in Our Music God is Glorified*

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Leader: And all God's people said:

**People: Alleluia! Amen.**

\*SUNG RESPONSE GTG #547: *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* (verse 1)

POSTLUDE

*After worship today, you are invited to remain in the sanctuary and listen to the refurbished organ. Merrill Crawford will take requests, and those who would like to may go into the choir loft to see the pipes and organ console.*



## **WESTMINSTER CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL** - Sunday School for children in kindergarten through fifth grade will meet from 10:45a.m. – 12:00p.m. each Sunday. We gather in the Media Room downstairs to explore what it means to be part of God's family.

**YOUTH GROUP** - Young people in grades 6-12 will meet every other Sunday from 5p.m. – 6:30 p.m. with friends from First Presbyterian to explore everything from how to make the best pizza to questions of how to make sense of our relationship with God. Check the church calendar for upcoming meetings. And bring your friends!

**PLAY MISSION BINGO!** - If you haven't yet received your **MISSION BINGO CARD**, be sure to pick one up at the Information Station at the back of the sanctuary. The card contains 25 different things that you can do to participate in the life of your church between September 11 and December 18 of this year. Check off things as you complete them and let the Mission Team know when you get a BINGO! Then, keep on playing for more bingos up until December 18. Prizes will be awarded!

**FALL RUMMAGE SALE** – Plans are taking shape to once again, have a church Fall Rummage Sale. **The dates booked are Oct. 27, 28 & 29.** Please start to save all your unwanted treasures. Everything is accepted except microwaves, computers and tv's. A lot of help is needed all three days, but we are hopeful a lot of you will pitch in, at least for a few hours. It's fun and has always been a wonderful fundraiser for our church. See Gerda Hartman for more information.

**BOOK EXCHANGE** - The Westminster Book Exchange is back as a repurposing event sponsored by the WPC Green Team. Trade all of those books you read while having to spend time at home. Bring your used books to the bench by the office during the week of October 16. We will put them in some sort of order and on Sunday October 23<sup>rd</sup> you may pick up books to last you during the winter. Please no textbooks or really out of date books. What is left over will go to the WPC rummage sale.

**ADULT CHOIR** – The adult choir was able to return from the COVID hiatus to sing a couple times last spring. We were 'small but mighty'! Fall offers new opportunities. If you enjoy singing, consider joining us! We plan to begin rehearsals Wednesday evenings in September and current plans are to sing about twice a month. If you are interested in joining us, or have questions, let Mary Kay know or email Steve Peake at [stevedbqi@aol.com](mailto:stevedbqi@aol.com) or Luke at [director@nisom.com](mailto:director@nisom.com). As we get closer to fall, watch for more specifics. We will set rehearsal time to best match people's availability, so let us know what your preference is.

**FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION** – The food pantry is in dire need of peanut butter and jelly! Put PB&J on your next grocery list and let's fill the grocery cart with donations for the food pantry. The grocery cart is located at the "Donation Station" near the church office.

**CROP WALK** – The Dubuque Area Crop Hunger Walk is on **Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**. More information will be available in the Hotline. Donations can be turned in to the church office now or to donate online, go to [www.CropHungerWalk.org](http://www.CropHungerWalk.org) and designate DBQ, IA. It helps support the Rescue Mission, the Dubuque Food Pantry and People in Need.

**RED BASKET PROJECT UPDATE** - The Mission Team held a period packs packing event on Saturday, September 17. We had 19 volunteers participate and we assembled 715 period packs of feminine hygiene supplies for the Red Basket Project. Thanks to all who helped with the project and prayers for all of the women who will benefit.

# WESTMINSTER LIFE AND MINISTRY

Church Office Number: 563-583-1729 | For Pastoral Care emergencies: **563-279-4545**

Pastor: Rev. MargaretAnne Overstreet	Church Administrator: Mary Kay Pancratz
Director of Christian Formation: Bonnie Sue Lewis	Financial Secretary: Becky Jenkins
Care Ministry Coordinator: Lisa MacNaughton	Custodian: Tim Till
Director of Music: Dr. Luke Tyler	Digital Storytelling Director: Clare Kysely
Adult Choir: Steve Peake	Worship Technology: Monson Nguyen
Timbrel & Lyre Director: Dr. Luke Tyler	Greeters: Doug and Jean Cheever
Adult Handbells Director: DeLano Cain-Watson	Ushers: Pam and John Adams
WPC Band & Beginner Handbells: Sally Stulken	Hospitality Set Up: Tom and Judy Schutt
Organist/Pianist: Dr. Luke Tyler	Clean Up: Rich Henderson

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Prayers for Elaine Woodrum who is in rehab at Grand Meadows, Asbury, after suffering a stroke.
- Prayers for Glinda Manternach and family as they grieve the sudden loss of Leon Manternach, Glinda's husband. Cards may be sent to Glinda Manternach and family to 14472 Ryan Road, Peosta, IA 52068.
- Prayers for Mary Kay's friend, Mary Schroeder, whose Lymphoma has returned and is now in her brain.
- Continued prayers for Howard Wallace who is on Hospice and for Nancy Wallace as she continues with her successful treatment for breast cancer.
- Prayers for Chuck Whalen as he explores treatment options after his recent surgery.
- Please pray for Bennett Lewis, an 11 year old, who has bone cancer.
- Prayers for Tom Stovall who is receiving chemo treatments for prostate cancer.
- Prayers for Carol Althoff's continuing struggle with cancer.

***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

SEPTEMBER 25 – OCTOBER 2

## Sunday, September 25

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts  
9:30 a.m. Worship  
10:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Re-Membering Class, BR

## Monday, September 26

8:00 a.m. Garden Harvesting  
9:00 a.m. Westminster Tables  
6:00 p.m. Pack 20, classrooms  
7:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Rehearsal  
7:00 p.m. Troop 11, FH

## Tuesday, September 27

TIM TILL OFF  
9:00 a.m. Tai Chi, FH  
5:00 p.m. Girl Scout CPR training, FH

## Sunday, October 2

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts  
9:30 a.m. Worship  
Celebration of the Lord's Supper  
10:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Re-Membering Class, BR  
3:00 p.m. Dbq Interfaith Green  
Coalition, BR

**SCAN ME!**

Follow WPC on  
Instagram to see  
familiar faces!



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## 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

## GREEN TEAM TIP

### Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Remember the 3 R's!  
**Reduce** the use of items that harm God's creation. **Reuse** or repurpose items rather than throwing them away. **Recycle** those things that can be. And, here is a 4<sup>th</sup> R – **Rot**, which means to compost those things that can be and keep them out of the landfill.



## FROM YOUR WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION:

Who needs a will? Everyone who cares about what happens to what they leave behind ... and anyone who wants to leave a bequest to Westminster Presbyterian Church.



**SUPPORT THE YOUTH PROGRAM BUY SCRIP!**  
YOUR FAVORITE STORE IS MISSING FROM THE LIST! See Lisa