

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Inviting All. Exploring Faith. Experiencing God.

MORNING WORSHIP, 9:30AM

NOVEMBER 6, 2022

When your children ask their parents in time to come, 'What do these stones mean?' then you shall let your children know, 'Israel crossed over the Jordan here on dry ground.'

Joshua 4:21-22 (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 Pray Ground (located behind the pews).

Please note that assisted listening devices are available at the back of the sanctuary. Our worship service is always livestreamed, so there are multiple cameras in the sanctuary. You may be on camera during your worship experience with Westminster.

** 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.

TIME OF WELCOME

Leader: God be with you!

People: And also with you!

*GATHERING SONG GTG #507: *Come to the Table of Grace* (vs. 4)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Called to be faithful stewards of creation, we come to worship:

People: to sing to the One who has created all that is good, beautiful, and true and who has shared everything with us.

Leader: Called to be disciples of Jesus Christ, we come to learn:

People: to follow the One who meets us in every moment of our lives, in every place where we find ourselves.

Leader: Called to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, we come to find the words:

People: to be taught by the Spirit who moves in and through us, as we serve the world.

Leader: Called by God as bearers of God's Kingdom, let us offer our whole selves in worship to God.

OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Holy and merciful God, in all our weakness and strength, with our youth-filled spirits and aging bodies,

People: We come to be your people, O God.

Leader: Strong in faith and eager with questions, singing our praise and whispering our prayers,

People: We come to be your people, O God.

Leader: Filled with saintly determination, yet mindful of our human limitations,

People: We come to be your people, O God.

Leader: Made strong in your endless love for us, we know ourselves to be yours, and

People: We come to be your people, O God.

Leader: May we truly become your people today, for we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

*HYMN GTG #367: *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

*TIME OF RECONCILIATION

Invitation to Confession

Silent Prayer

Prayer of Confession

God of love and mystery, make us whole. Heal the wounds we carry in us, and heal the wounds we have created in others. Make us strong in the broken places, that we will know of what we speak when we offer mercy and hope. Forgive us, and enable us to forgive in that same way. God of love and mystery, make us whole, through your Son Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Sung Response GTG #48: Rain Down

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Leader: Friends believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

Sung Response GTG #582: *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

ANTHEM

TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Scripture: selections from Joshua 3 & 4 (NRSVUE)

Leader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table of Christ

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Child: Why do we give thanks and praise before this table?

People: We give thanks for God's work of creation and salvation.

Telling the Story

Child: What do we remember at this table?

People: We remember God's gracious love for us, Christ's death and resurrection for us, and the Spirit's tender care for us. And in remembering, we offer ourselves and our gifts for the world.

Sharing the Feast *(all bread is gluten free)*

Child: These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer After Communion *(including prayers for Westminster saints who have died this year)*

*HYMN GTG #326: *For All the Saints*

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Presentation

Profession of Faith

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.

Welcome

FAREWELL TO BARB PETERSON

Leader: And for that we give thanks and praise to God.

People: You have deepened our joy and lightened our sorrow. We will miss you, yet we rejoice that you will now bless others as you have blessed us.

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving
Offertory

*HYMN GTG #37: *Let All Things Now Living*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Leader: And all God's people said:

People: Alleluia! Amen.

*SUNG RESPONSE GTG #748: *Go with Us, Lord*

POSTLUDE

Westminster Presbyterian Church is a Certified Hunger Action Congregation and Earth Care Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA).

WESTMINSTER CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S FLOWERS – are donated by Rich Henderson in memory of Susan Henderson.

HOTLINE ANNOUNCEMENT: Due to the Stewardship Campaign wrapping up on November 6th, we will be publishing our November Hotline in mid-November. We hope to include Stewardship numbers and Advent and Holiday happenings. **The information deadline for the Hotline is Tuesday, November 8th.**

EMAIL PROBLEMS – In case you have been wondering why you haven't been receiving any bulletin emails...we have been experiencing email problems the past few weeks.

HELP GET THE WORD OUT ABOUT WESTMINSTER! - Now's your chance to share your love for Westminster by leaving a Google review that will show up to "church shoppers" using that search engine. It's really simple (and quick) ... and it is one small thing you can do that is a BIG BENEFIT to Westminster! Use this link to go directly to WPC-Dubuque's review page: **<https://bit.ly/3z5y6Kr>**

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING CALLED FOR NOVEMBER 20 - The Session has called a Congregation Meeting to be held on Sunday, November 20 following worship. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the report of the Nominating Committee and to elect members to serve as Elders, Deacons and Members At Large of the Nominating Committee for 2023.



JOIN US ON NOVEMBER 20! - The third Sunday of November is going to be an exciting day in the life of the Westminster congregation! Join us for a special experimental worship with our Timbrel and Lyre group leading the music. Then, we'll have a short congregational meeting after worship to elect officers for the coming year. And finally, **our very first Financial Forum** (in the fellowship hall) which will allow congregation members to hear more about Westminster's finances and ask questions about the road ahead!

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL – Join us after worship today! Pick up at **noon** is in the Sunday School rooms downstairs.

THE TECH TEAM needs additional members to aid in staffing the Sunday Morning Worship live streaming for those unable to join us in person. It requires you to be available Sunday Morning from 8:30 to a bit after the service ends. If you ever want to help with these services online, don't hesitate to contact Neil MacNaughton or Rev. MargaretAnne Overstreet; we will assist you in getting involved.

THE FINAL TOTAL OF 1436.7 LBS. of fresh produce has been given away from Westminster's Mission Gardens. Thanks to all the volunteers involved.

THE GARDEN AT WESTIMISTER IS STILL LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD LEAVES.

PLAY MISSION BINGO! - If you haven't yet received your **MISSION BINGO CARD**, be sure to **pick one up behind and to the right of 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 now and December 18 of this year. Check off things as you complete them and let the Mission Team know when you get a BINGO! **Win PRIZES!**

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. The grocery cart is located at the "Donation Station" near the church office.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

THE JULIEN CHAMBER CHOIR, under the direction of Kristen Eby, presents their fall concert "Vices and Virtues" on Sun., Nov. 13 at 4 PM at Lord of Life Lutheran Church (2899 Hales Mill Road, Asbury) and on Mon., Nov. 14 at 7:30 PM at Galena Center for the Arts (971 Gear Street). The 20-voice ensemble will perform a variety of styles and genres, including works by Hassler, Chilcott, Lauridsen, and Rutter. Freewill donations accepted.

WESTMINSTER LIFE AND MINISTRY

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

Pastor: Rev. MargaretAnne Overstreet
Director: Christian Formation: Bonnie Sue Lewis
Care Ministry Coordinator: Lisa MacNaughton
Director of Music: Dr. Luke Tyler
Adult Choir: Steve Peake
Timbrel & Lyre Director: Dr. Luke Tyler
Adult Handbells Director: DeLano Cain-Watson
WPC Band & Beginner Handbells: Sally Stulken
Organist/Pianist: Dr. Luke Tyler

Church Administrator: Mary Kay Pancratz
Financial Secretary: Becky Jenkins
Custodian: Tim Till
Digital Storytelling Director: Clare Kysely
Worship Technology: Monson Nguyen
Greeters: Tom & Linda Stovall
Ushers: Carolyn Dausener & Sue Dravis
Hospitality Set Up: Rich Henderson
Clean Up: Pat Edwards

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Prayers for Barb Peterson who will be in transition moving to Toledo, OH.
- Prayers for the family of Betty Carlin who passed away on Oct. 25 after a brief illness. Services will be at Behr Funeral Home on Nov. 12th with visitation from 11-1 p.m. and a brief service led by Bonnie Sue Lewis at 1:00. Cards may be sent to Betty's son and daughter-in-law, Mike & Vicki MacFarland, 8644 S. Massasoit, Burbank, IL 60459.
- Prayers for Leona Hibben who is dealing with serious heart issues.
- Prayers for Carol Althoff who is now on Hospice.
- Prayers for Hanna Rose, daughter of Adam and Tarra Etheredge, undergoing treatment for brain health.
- Prayers for Chuck Whalen, who continues to have other health issues and concerns.
- Prayers for Wally Brown who is in Finley Hospital Rm 5729.
- Prayers for a friend of Shelley Malone's, Mark, who has Multiple Myeloma.
- Prayers for Mary Kay's friend, Mary Schroeder, whose Lymphoma has returned.
- Continued prayers for Howard Wallace who is on Hospice and for Nancy Wallace as she continues with her successful treatment for breast cancer.
- Please pray for Bennett Lewis, 11 years old, who has bone cancer.
- Prayers for Tom Stovall who is receiving chemo treatments for prostate 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).



FROM YOUR WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION:

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



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

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

NOVEMBER 6 – NOVEMBER 13

Sunday, November 6

Sacrament of Communion

Handbells Playing

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts

9:30 a.m. Worship

10:45 a.m. Stewardship Celebration Potluck

1:00 p.m. Boland Baby Shower, FH

Monday, November 7

11:00 a.m. PEO, Eliz. Recher, FH, K

5:00 p.m. Hospitality Team, BR

6:00 p.m. Pack 20 Parent Mtg., BR

7:00 p.m. Adult Handbell Rehearsal, SA

Tuesday, November 8

HOTLINE DEADLINE

6:00 a.m. General Election, FH

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi, Nthx

11:00 a.m. Finance Mtg., BR

7:00 p.m. Grief Support Grp., Library

Wednesday, November 9

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, Loft

Thursday, November 10

11:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study, BR

Saturday, November 12

9:00 a.m. League of Women Voters, BR

9:00 a.m. Session Workday, FH

Sunday, November 13

8:20 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, SA

8:40 a.m. WPC Band Rehearsal, SA

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts

9:30 a.m. Worship

10:45 a.m. Children's Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Remembering 2, BR

12:30 p.m. Heartland Harmony, SA

5:00 p.m. Youth Grp @ WPC Media Rm.



GREEN TEAM TIP

Iowa Interfaith Power & Light

The mission of Iowa Interfaith Power & Light (I IPL) is to inspire and equip people of faith to become leaders in addressing climate change finding solutions. The organization provides support and training to the development of Green Teams in congregations and the organization of local chapters. Westminster is a covenant congregation of I IPL as is our WPC Green Team. Go to www.iowaipl.org for more information.



Westminster Office Hours

Please call first.

Monday 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

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Bonnie Sue is gone thru Wed., Nov. 9