

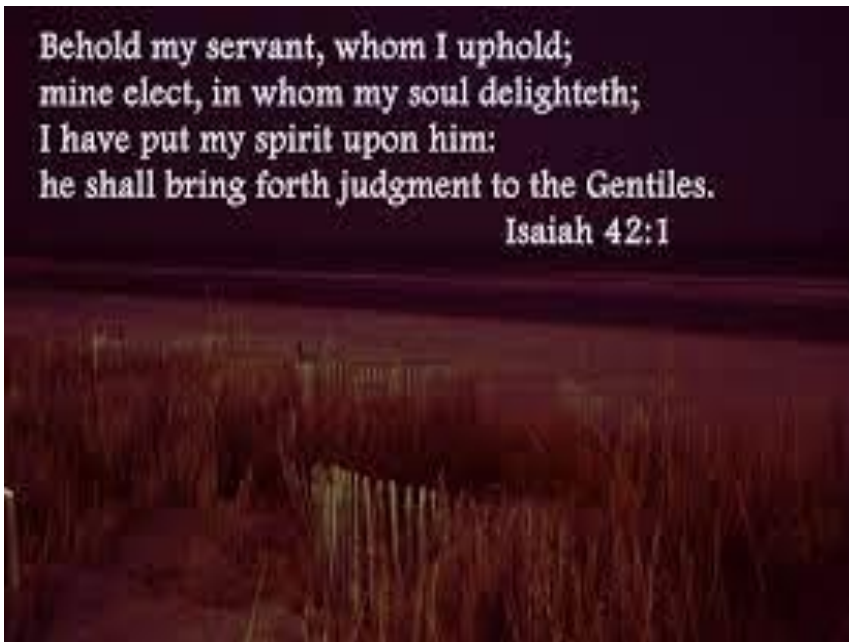
WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Inviting All. Exploring Faith. Experiencing God.

MORNING WORSHIP, 9:30AM

JANUARY 15, 2023



WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT WESTMINSTER!

We're delighted to worship with you today and hope your experience of worship is meaningful and uplifting. Please note that assisted listening devices are available at the back of the sanctuary. Any of our greeters will be happy to offer you assistance.

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).

Our worship service is always livestreamed and 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.

*GATHERING SONG: *We Will Glorify*

TIME OF WELCOME

God be with you!

And also with you!

*GATHERING SONG: *God So Loved*

OPENING PRAYERS

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayers.

Prayers of the People

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayers.

Prayers for the Church

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayers.

TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

TIME FOR SCRIPTURE AND REFLECTION

Scripture: Isaiah 42: 1-9 (NRSVUE)

Pastoral Reflection

Silent Reflection

Sung Response: GTG #769 *For Everyone Born* (refrain only)

Scripture: Isaiah 49: 1-7 (NRSVUE)

Pastoral Reflection

Silent Reflection

Sung Response: GTG #769 *For Everyone Born* (refrain only)

Scripture: Matthew 3:13-17 (NRSVUE)

Pastoral Reflection

Silent Reflection

Sung Response: GTG #769 *For Everyone Born* (refrain only)

Scripture: John 1:29- 42 (NRSVUE)

Pastoral Reflection

Silent Reflection

Sung Response: GTG #769 *For Everyone Born* (refrain only)

***TIME OF RECONCILIATION**

Invitation to Confession

Silent Prayer

Unison 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, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

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

Thanks be to God.

Passing of the Peace

May the Peace of Christ be with You.

And also with you.

*Hymn: *Revelation Song*

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The Calling of God

Reaffirmation of Baptismal Covenant

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, the Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord: Who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He arose again from the

dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Remembering Our Baptism

Constitutional Questions

Do you, members of the church, accept these individuals as ruling elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead you in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do you, the Body of Christ, believe that God has called these individuals to the ministry of leadership in this congregation?

We do.

Do you agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, to receive their ministry, and to follow as they guide you, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is the head of the church?

We do.

Do you promise to work alongside them, to stand by them in trouble, and to share their joys?

We do.

Laying on of Hands

Prayer of Thanksgiving with the responsive sung Lord's Prayer

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Musical Offering from Timbrel and Lyre: *Holy Forever*

*HYMN: GTG #300 *They'll Know We are Christians By Our Love*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

And all God's people said:

Alleluia! Amen.

*SUNG RESPONSE: GTG # 765 *May the God of Hope Go With Us*

POSTLUDE

SCAN TO GIVE!

Use your
smartphone
camera to scan this
code and give
online.



WESTMINSTER CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY IS WPC's EXPERIMENTAL WORSHIP – Worship looks a little different on the third Sunday of each month, as we explore new (and often more contemporary) forms of worship. Today, we are singing both some familiar songs, and some unfamiliar ones. Today, the “sermon” looks different than usual. We hope these creative ways of worshipping will make worship meaningful, will challenge our complacency, and will allow us to see worship through new eyes.

WESTMINSTER BOOK CLUB – Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 18th at church at 3:30 pm in the Narthex. If you wish to join us via zoom let Deb Seiffert know. Also, send titles you may be interested in reading to Deb (or bring them to the meeting to share!)

CONGREGATIONAL FORUM — The topic of our Congregational Forum in February is OUTREACH! Come and discuss what Westminster is doing, share your ideas for what we might be doing, and see what you can do to help! Join the conversation after worship on February 19th in the sanctuary.

ADULT CHRISTIAN FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Book Study: *The Gifts of Imperfection* by Brene Brown

A book study led by Ann Lorenz on letting go of who we think we are supposed to be in order to become the authentic self that God created us to be. It will meet Thursdays at 6:30 in the Board Room starting **January 12 through February 9**. Books available for purchase through River Lights Bookstore by mid-January or through Amazon.

Women's Bible Study: *Twelve Women of the Bible*, Bible Study Guide by Sherry Harney

This ongoing study of the sisters, mothers, grandmothers in the Bible, led by Shirley Meriwether and Bonnie Sue Lewis, will continue to meet every other Thursday from 11:00-12:30 in the Board Room. **Next time we meet is January 26th**. Books available for purchase through the church.

Re-Membering III: Loving the Self God Created You to Be

This is part 3 of a 4-part series of courses on Christian discipleship taught by Pastor MargaretAnne. The class will meet Sundays from 10:45-Noon in the Board Room from **January 22 through February 12**. You do not need to have attended any of the previous courses to attend this one! No preparation necessary and all are welcome!

PLEASE START SAVING YOUR T/P TUBES AGAIN AS WE HAVE USE FOR THEM IN THE GARDEN.

WPC IS HOSTING 2 EVENTS IN JANUARY

So, we will need lots of cookies & brownies!! Please let Rich Henderson know if you can provide 2 dozen of whatever goodies you enjoy baking.

- January 19th for the Children of Abraham gathering at 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
- January 24 for the DACU annual meal

LOST AND FOUND: Just an orange and navy flowered umbrella is left. Missing yours? The tub with the Lost & Found can be found by the office.

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>

THESE DAYS, *Daily Devotions for Living by Faith* – The *These Days* devotional magazine for the months of January, February & March are here. Pick up a copy in the Narthex.

ALL YEAR LONG! Purchase **Fair Trade: Help people live better lives by purchasing from SERRV.** 20% of our sales will go to the Lantern Center. You must use our web address for us to receive the 20%! Go to Westminster's Website: serrv.org?a=WPC1



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Mon. – Thurs. 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.***

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: 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: Lisa & Neil MacNaughton
Ushers: Randy Roos & Adam Etheredge
Hospitality Set Up: Doug & Jean Cheever
Clean Up: Shirley Meriwether

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Prayers for Julie Woodyard who has a tumor on her right arm and is anticipating surgery.
- Prayers for Judy Schuster who has surgery on her hip, Tues., Jan. 17th at Mercy.
- Prayers for Allen Maruyama's family. Rev. Allen Maruyama died this past Oct. 18, 2022. He was an associate pastor here at Westminster in the 60's with Rev. Dick Heydinger & Rev. Ken Hindman.
- Prayers for Russ Hibben as he deals with health issues. His address is 575 Kaufmann Ave. Dubuque, Iowa 52001
- Prayers for Jon Davison as he recovers at home. His address is: 580 Fremont St., Dubuque 52003.
- Prayers for Craig Jones who is dealing with heart issues. His address is: 10830 Cascade Dr., Dubuque, 52003.
- Prayers for Wally Brown who is home dealing with ongoing health issues.
- Prayers for Hanna Rose, daughter of Adam and Tarra Etheredge, undergoing treatment for brain health.
- Prayers for Shelley Malone's friend, Mark, who has Multiple Myeloma.
- Prayers for Mary Kay's friend, Mary Schroeder, who is in the process of her stem cell transplant now and will be in isolation for a few months.
- Prayers for Judy Schuster who will be having surgery.

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).

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FABULOUS FRIDAYS CONCERT SERIES AT ST. LUKE'S AT NOON:

JAN. 20TH - The Americana Band – David Overby, leader

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

JANUARY 15 – JANUARY 22

BECKY'S JAN. SCHEDULE:

WORKS TUES., WED. & THURS.

Sunday, January 15

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

9:00 a.m. Coffee & Donuts

9:30 a.m. Worship

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

10:45 a.m. Care/Connect Team, BR

1:30 p.m. Worship at Bethany Home

Monday, January 16

9:00 a.m. PEO, J. Cheever, BR

4:30 p.m. Adult Handbells Rehearsal, SA

6:00 p.m. Den Mtgs., Classrooms

Tuesday, January 17

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi, FH

12:30 p.m. Stewardship Wkshp, BR, CR, Lbry

6:00 p.m. Session Mtg., BR

Wednesday, January 18

3:30 p.m. WPC Book Club, Narthex

7:00 p.m. WPC Choir Rehearsal, SA loft

Thursday, January 19

11:00 a.m. Finance Meeting BR

6:30 p.m. The Gifts Book Study, BR

7:00 p.m. Children of Abraham, FH

Saturday, January 21

10:00 a.m. TSWS, BR

11:00 a.m. Glover Baby Shower, FH, K

Sunday, January 22

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 3, BR

5:00 p.m. Joint Youth Group, WPC



GREEN TEAM TIP - Light Bulbs

Change your light bulbs! LED light bulbs use 75% less energy than incandescent bulbs. Changing just one of the light bulbs in your home to an LED light bulb could make a serious impact on your energy consumption and your electric bill.

Imagine what could happen if you change them all!



FROM YOUR WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION:

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

Snowbirds...

Help us to save on postage!

Please notify the office when you leave for a period of time, so we can send important mail to your temporary address. Bulk mail does not forward.

Thank you!