

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Inviting All. Exploring Faith. Experiencing God.

MORNING WORSHIP, 9:30AM

MAY 7, 2023



IF YOU ARE WORSHIPPING FROM HOME / ONLINE:

Welcome to Westminster Online! As we continue to celebrate the new life we have in Jesus, the Westminster community is exploring what it means to live as disciples. We're in week #4 of a 7-week sermon series about how we live the Christian life - both as individuals and as a congregation. Don't worry if you're joining us mid-series, each week's sermon is valuable and life-giving, even if you haven't heard any of the previous ones. (The previous ones are on online, if you'd like to view them!)

Since worship today includes communion, we encourage you gather something to eat and drink. It could be a cracker or bread, and some juice or even coffee. No matter what you have available, Christ will still be present in the meal for you today! Also, all the worship songs and words will be on your screen so that you can fully participate.

We can't wait to worship with you today, to lift our joy and praise to God together. We hope your experience of worship today is meaningful and uplifting.

IF YOU ARE WORSHIPPING IN THE SANCTUARY:

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Just a few notes about worship: If you are comfortably able, we invite you to stand during the portions of worship marked with an asterisk (*). The congregation reads the portions of the worship listed in **bold text**.

For those who need them, please note that assisted listening devices are available at the back of the sanctuary. Any of our greeters will be happy to offer assistance to you with locating and using them.

Also, our worship service is always live-streamed and there are multiple cameras in the sanctuary. You may be on camera during your worship experience with Westminster.

IF YOU ARE WORSHIPPING WITH SMALL CHILDREN:

Everyone is welcome at Westminster! We are always delighted with the presence of (and sometimes the sounds of!) children in worship. Children (and adults) are welcome to use any of the resources in our Pray Ground (located behind the back pews). If you prefer, we also provide nursery care for children 5 years of age and under.

PRELUDE: Westminster Band

*Let us know you're here so that we can connect with you! We encourage you to use this time to "check in" to worship, either by texting the word **worship** to (563) 227-8441 (then following the prompts), by scanning the purple QR code with your smartphone (then following the prompts), or by writing your name in the white binder at the end of the pew.*



TIME OF WELCOME

God be with you!

And also with you!

*SONG OF PRAISE: GTG #408 - *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

*INVITATION TO WORSHIP

We are here to follow Jesus	With halting steps
And questioning minds	With ready hands
And pierced hearts	With joy for each other
And gratitude to God.	So, let us follow Jesus,
And let us joyfully worship God.	

*OPENING PRAYER

*SONG OF PRAISE: GTG #384 - *Soon and Very Soon*

*TIME OF RECONCILIATION

Invitation to Confession

Confession and Assurance

Before God, with the people of God, I confess to my brokenness: to the ways I wound my life, the lives of others, and the life of the world

May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

Amen.

Before God, with the people of God, we confess to our brokenness: to the ways we wound our lives, the lives of others, and the life of the world.

May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the spirit enable you to grow in love.

Amen.

*Sung Response: *GTG # 66 – Every Time I Feel the Spirit (chorus, verse 1, chorus)*

TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

TIME OF PROCLAMATION

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture [NRSVUE] - Philippians 2:3-8

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Scripture [NRSVUE] - John 17:1, 6-11

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Sermon – *Cultivating Humility*

SONG OF RESPONSE: GTG #834 - *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

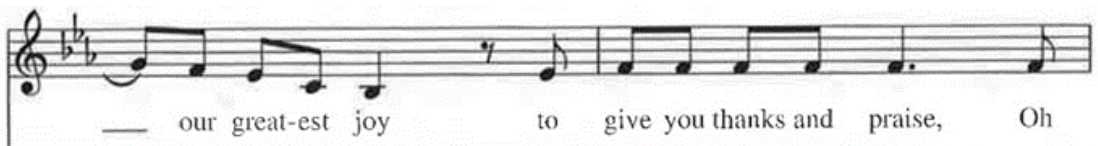
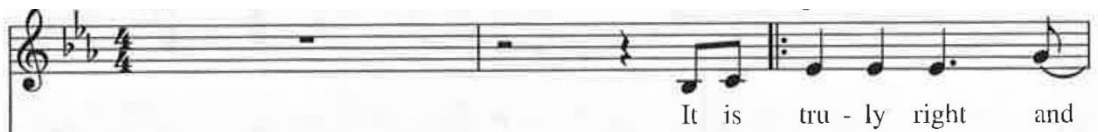
Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Refrain - *It is Truly Right (see music below)*





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.

Telling the Story

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

Thanks be to God.

Prayer after Communion

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

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Minute for Vision

Discipleship Opportunities

Offering – Westminster Choir

*Sung Response: GTG #339 – *Lift Every Voice and Sing (verse 1)*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*HYMN OF SENDING: GTG #317 – *In Christ There is no East or West*



SCAN TO GIVE!
 Use your smartphone camera to scan this code and give online.

*CHALLENGE AND BLESSING

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


*SUNG RESPONSE: GTG # 66 - *Every Time I Feel the Spirit (chorus, verse 2, chorus)*

POSTLUDE

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Prayers for Paula Dix, Jeanne Beeghley's daughter who lives in Bettendorf, for courage to deal with her depression.
- Prayers for Linda Stovall as she recovers from total knee replacement surgery.
- Continued prayers for Wendell Comer who is dealing with serious health issues.
- Continued prayers for Wally Brown for ongoing health concerns.
- Continued prayers for Janet Neumeister's cousin June to get her sight back in one eye. She is improving but does not have her full sight back yet.
- Prayers for Russ Hibben who is recuperating at his son and daughter-in law's. Cards should be mailed to Russ' home address. They pick up his mail.
- Prayers for HannaRose, daughter of Adam and Tarra Etheredge, as she continues to manage her brain health.
- A sincere thank you for all the prayers for Barbara McMurray who is at home recovering.
- A sincere thank you for all the prayers for Paul Uzel who still has a long road of recovery but is doing ok.

TODAY'S CHANCEL FLOWERS: are provided by Arlys Williams in honor of Les Sonksen's 96th birthday on May 12th!



What is "Journey of the Heart"?

The phrase, *Journey of the Heart*, is the language we're using to talk about the renewed engagement of EVERY SINGLE PERSON in this congregation.

Because if we're going to re-invigorate our congregational life together then it's going to take renewed engagement from EVERY SINGLE PERSON in this congregation.

And because we love God, love one another, love this church, and love our community ... we're calling this journey toward revitalization: A Journey of the Heart.

Embracing New Life: Stepping into God's Call for the Future

New
Sermon
Series!



APR
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Follow Me

Sermon theme: Lifelong Discipleship
Musical theme: Contemporary Christian



APR
23

Along the Way

Sermon theme: Authentic Evangelism
Musical theme: Southern Gospel



APR
30

Let Love be Genuine

Sermon theme: Serving Neighbor
Musical theme: Jazz



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Cultivating Humility

Sermon theme: Servant Leadership
Musical theme: African American Gospel



MAY
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Made for Worship

Sermon theme: Spirit-Inspired Worship
Musical theme: Pipe Organ



MAY
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Like a Child

Sermon theme: Caring Relationships
Musical theme: Folk



MAY
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About to Do a New Thing

Sermon theme: Congregational Vitality
Musical theme: Global



Weekly
Specialty
Music!

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

MAY 7TH - MAY 14TH

BECKY'S SCHEDULE: TUESDAY, WED. &
THURSDAY UNTIL 12:45 P.M.

Sunday, May 7

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

8:20 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, SA

8:45 a.m. WPC Band Rehearsal, SA

9:00 a.m. Coffee, Donuts, & Fellowship

9:30 a.m. Worship

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

10:45 a.m. Re-Membering 4, BR

2:00 p.m. Dubuque Chorale Concert, SA, FH

Monday, May 8

7:00 a.m. DSOL Flower Sale, FH, K

6:00 p.m. Pack 20 meeting, clsrms

Tuesday, May 9

9:00 a.m. Tai Chi, FH

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, WR

1:00 p.m. Property Mtg., BR

3:00 p.m. Galatians Bible Study, BR

6:00 p.m. Journey of Heart, small grp CR

7:00 p.m. Grief Support Group, Lib

Wednesday, May 10

10:00 a.m. Journey of Heart BR

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

5:00 p.m. MHA Fundraising Dinner, FH, K

6:15 p.m. P.I.N., BR

7:00 p.m. WPC Choir Rehearsal, LOFT

Thursday, May 11

6:00 p.m. Interfaith Book Study, FH

Sunday, May 14

9:00 a.m. Coffee, Donuts, & Fellowship

9:30 a.m. Worship, SA

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

10:45 a.m. Re-Membering 4, BR



*Buy Scrip in the WPC office
M - Th, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Hy-Vee coupon books
are here!!*



FROM YOUR WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION:

2023 Foundation Grant applications are now available and must be submitted by June 1st. Forms are available in the church office.

GREEN TEAM TIP: Save Energy and Get Paid!

Are you buying a new energy efficient refrigerator or freezer but aren't sure what to do with the old one? You can recycle it and get \$50 from Alliant Energy per appliance. Plus, they will pick up and haul it away for free!