



April 1, 2018

EASTER SUNDAY

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services of Worship – 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

*Christ
is
Risen!*

Westminster Presbyterian Church extends an enthusiastic welcome, in Christ's name, to all who worship here or join us in fellowship. Our church family seeks to embody God's boundless love by embracing, liberating and empowering people – whoever they are and wherever they may be on their faith journeys – to realize the transforming power of Christ in our congregation, community and the world beyond.

This Morning at Westminster

8:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast in Community Hall

8:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Nursery for babies and toddlers

9:00 a.m. Festive Worship in the Sanctuary

Childcare for children through 2nd grade is available in the Preschool Suite following Children’s Time (see page 5).

10:15 a.m. Children through 2nd grade and their parents gather in Grace Hall to decorate bags and participate in the Easter Egg Hunt.

11:15 a.m. Festive Worship in the Sanctuary

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Also Today

12:00 p.m.	Easter Lily Delivery	Member’s Homes
6:00 p.m.	Clean But Not Straight – NA	Club Room
8:00 p.m.	AA	Club Room

Deacon Team of the Month

Roger Atkins, Liz Bacon, Diane Chandler, Kris Marvel, Lisa Stoddard, Gen Wallace-Roe



Westminster is certified as an “Earth Care Congregation” by the Presbyterian Church (USA). This honor means that we have exhibited exceptional leadership in protecting God’s creation and being good stewards of earth’s resources through our worship, education, outreach and advocacy. We are one of 140 congregations (out of more than 10,000) that has earned this distinction.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God from Skip and Linda Watson.

Consider giving the flowers for Sunday worship to remember or honor loved ones or to celebrate an event, while expressing praise and thanksgiving to God. Please contact Linda Watson during business hours at 302-571-6719 or lwatson@ycst.com. Dates available are April 29, May 6 and 27.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Those recently hospitalized:** Richard Bush, Fred Carspecken and Susan Pyle.
- ❖ **Westminster's homebound family** who can no longer attend worship with us, by sending a card, saying a prayer, or visiting. This week we ask you to remember Betty Drennen, Howard and Nancy Horne, Gordon Lewis and Caroline Sparks, all at Stonegates.
- ❖ **Westminster's Prayer Team** prays for the needs of our community of faith. You may submit a prayer request by leaving a confidential message on 302-654-5848, ext. 335; or filling out a prayer request card (in the pew pocket) and placing it in the offering plate; or sending an email to wpcprayerlist@gmail.com.

Afghanistan and Iraq often seem far away, and we may neglect to realize that Americans, as well as Afghans, Iraqis and members of coalition forces continue to die. As Christians, we are called to pray for the spreading of peace and justice and an end to violence. If someone in your family is serving in the military, please let us know, so that we may include that person on our prayer list. Contact Cathy Lang: 302-654-5214 ext. 129, or cathylang@wpc.org.

This week we pray for those suffering from Traumatic Stress Disorder, whose scars may be deep and long-lasting.

WORSHIP NOTES

All children who leave the sanctuary after Time with Our Children must have a completed yellow security label on their backs. If you do not find a security label in the pew pocket, you can obtain one in the Preschool Suite. This policy is for your child's protection. Children will only be released to a parent or an adult pre-approved by the parent. Thank you for your help.

Worship Resources – You can obtain large print hymnals and hearing devices from any usher. Worship bags for children ages 3-6 include a children's bulletin designed for them. Children's bulletins for ages 7-12 are also available from the ushers.

Are you wearing a nametag? Whether you are a long-time member or new to our church family, wearing a nametag provides others the opportunity to meet you, greet you by name, and for you to become more familiar with others at church. You will find nametags and markers in baskets at all major entrances.

You can make a contribution to Westminster Presbyterian Church by visiting our website www.wpc.org and click the "Donate Now" button or scan the QR code on your smart phone.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

TOWER CHIME

Sue Spilecki (9:00)
Craig Checkel (11:00)

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Might we dare approach the dark places in our lives and in our world? We have heard whispers that light has overcome the darkness. Might we dare let go of fear and despair? We have heard whispers of an empty tomb.

PRELUDE MUSIC

<i>(Brass/Organ)</i>	An Easter Alleluia	Robert Elmore
<i>(Organ)</i>	Toccata in G major	Denis Bédard
<i>(Brass/Organ)</i>	The Strife Is O'er	arr. David N. Johnson

*CALL TO WORSHIP

If Christ is alive, despair is no longer the final word.
If Christ is alive, we live in hope.
Let everyone turn from the darkness and embrace the light!
Christ is risen! HE IS RISEN INDEED!

*HYMN NO. 232

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

EASTER HYMN
arr. David Cherwien

PRAYER

God of empty tombs, God of promises fulfilled,
you bring hope from despair and life from death.
**Raise us this day from fears and doubts
to lives that are filled with expectation and joy.**
Touch us with your life-giving Spirit,
so that we may show our brothers and sisters
**that love is more powerful than hatred,
forgiveness is more powerful than vengeance
and peace is more powerful than violence.**
We pray in the name of the Risen One,
**who encourages us to dream impossible dreams
and to accomplish extraordinary things. Amen.**

ANTHEM

“Haec Est Dies”

Jacobus Gallus

Haec est dies, quam fecit Dominus:
Exsultemus et laetemur in ea. Alleluia.

*This is the day which the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Alleluia.*

*Passages in **bold** may be said by all. At the asterisk (*), please stand as you.*

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Children through Grade 2 may leave for Childcare or they are welcome to remain in worship.

*HYMN NO. 245

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!”

LLANFAIR
arr. Jeremy J. Bankson

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 16:1-8

New Testament, page 47

SERMON

Greg Jones

CHORAL RESPONSE

“Hallelujah,” from *Messiah*

G. F. Handel

Hallelujah! for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ: and He shall reign for ever and ever. King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah!

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We trust in Jesus Christ, God with us in human flesh,
who proclaimed the reign of God.
He preached good news to the poor and release to the captives;
He healed the sick and ate with outcasts;
He forgave sinners and called all people to repent and believe.
Condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified.
But God raised him from the dead,
vindicating his life, breaking the power of sin and evil,
and delivering us from death to eternal life.**

A Brief Statement of Faith, PCUSA

OFFERING

Please sign and pass the friendship folder, at the end of the pew, to the person next to you.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Risen, Alleluia!”

Allen Keopke

Christ the Lord is ris'n today,
All creation join to say:
Raise your joys and triumphs high,
Sing ye heav'ns and earth reply:

Death in vain forbids him rise,
Christ has opened paradise.
Love's redeeming work is done,
fought the fight, the battle won.

Lives again our glorious King,
Alleluia, let us sing!
Where O death, now is thy sting?
Alleluia, Christ is King!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (page 35 in our *Glory to God* hymnal, using “debts” and “debtors”)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Entrata Festiva

Flor Peeters

GOING FORTH

*If you are visiting with us and wish to learn more about our church family,
we invite you to meet today’s ambassador, Bill Nace at the back of the center aisle following the service.
He is happy to share information about our many programs for children, youth and adults.*

Leading the music for today’s worship services:

Trumpets: Matt Gallagher, Jay Snyder
Trombones: Addison Maye-Saxon, Emily Smith
Timpani: Harvey Price

The Westminster Choir
Paul Fleckenstein, organist/conductor

Easter Lilies

“Symbol of the Resurrection”

In Honor of:

*Amelia and Samuel, our Children
Our Grandparents
Our Parents and Children
Bill and Relva Reign
Our Westminster Family
Susan Moseley*

Given By:

*Adam and Jennifer Blackford
Kevin and Chelsea Collins
Chris and Lynne Perkins
Margo Reign
Josh, Rick, Alejandro and Leonardo
The Van Amerongen Family*

Easter Lilies
“Symbol of the Resurrection”

In Loving Memory of:

Bernie Alexander
Carolyn and Edsell Eady
Joan and Al Bacon
Jose Varela
William C. Deans
Teddy Bedrossian
Jane and Wally Johnson, and Em and Jim Bercaw,
our Parents
Mr. and Mrs David Bernhard, and Mr. and Mrs. John R.
Becker, my Grandparents
Mr. Victor Lawryniuk, my Grandfather
Frau Marianne Wizgall, my Aunt
John R. Becker, my Uncle
Bill Beyer, Evelyn and George Beyer
E. Louise and Willard Leh
Jennie Dettra
Our Parents and other Loved Ones
William S. Browne, Sr., my Husband
Helen M. Thompson, my Mother
Our Parents
Brittany, our Sister
Betty and Harold Carspecken
Mr. and Mrs. William J. Taylor
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Checkel
Bob Churchill
Inez and Bill Cobb
Jo and Phil Collins
Our Grandparents
Art Connolly, Jr., my Husband
Charles Depfer
Arthur G. Diver, my Husband
Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Lowe, my Parents
Bob Donaghy
Janet and Bob Eissner
Jessie and Cerd Marsh
Emma, Ester and Floyd Fedeler
Audrey Hatfield
Russell and Myrtle Hickey
Our Parents
Conrad L. Hoover
Fred Hurlock, Jr.
Frances and Fred Hurlock, Sr.
Sarah and Dave Frie and their son David

Given by:

The Alexander Family
Liz and Brud Bacon
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Fay Deans Barnaby
Ned and Iryna Bedrossian
Nancy and Walter Bercaw
Diane M. Bernhard
Diane M. Bernhard
Diane M. Bernhard
Diane M. Bernhard
Bryn Beyer
Linda L. Beyer
Linda L. Beyer
Nancy and Herb Boden
Dianne Browne
Dianne Browne
Gary and Sue Bryde
Alexis and Zi Burns
Fred Carspecken
Jeanne and Bob Checkel
Jeanne and Bob Checkel
His Family
Rosemary and Barry Cobb
The Collins Family
Kevin and Chelsea Collins
Joan M. Connolly
Linda Depfer
Nancy Diver
Nancy Diver
The Donaghy Family
Their Family
Barbara and Jerry Fedeler
Barbara and Jerry Fedeler
The Hatfield and Hickey Family
The Hatfield and Hickey Family
Tom and Carol Hogue
Barbara A. Hoover
Suzie Hurlock
Suzie Hurlock
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Easter Lilies
“Symbol of the Resurrection”

In Loving Memory of:

Bob Kelley, my Husband
Gail Kelley Veith, my Daughter
Our Parents and Grandparents
Stephen Gemmell, my Son
Jerry Lee
Parents and Grandparents
Amy Michener Lengel
Loved Ones - Thompson, Lewis, Hardy and Ellison
Alice, Arnold and Charles Sharpley
Lillian and John Michener
Amy Michener Lengel
Ingrid Pamm
Georges Pamm
Robert Currin
Lu Currin
George H. Patrick
George R. Patrick
Martha Patrick
Carrie Peters
Raymond H. Peters
Janet and Jack Foster
Sara Jane Evans and Charles Pfleegor
Catherine Myers Moore, my Mom
Rachel Davis Myers, my Grandmom
Rita Thomas and Orion Cavanaugh
Our Parents
Our Parents
Minna and Russell Vollmer
Marion and Albert Shaddock
Robert K. Shaddock
Our Parents
Paul D. and Dorothy L. Steen
William and Helen Stoffer, Howard and Eleanor Lips,
our Parents
Ross Stevens
Aunt Joan
Edna Budd, my Grandmother
George Fleming
Warren and Hazel Welch
Phil Weymouth, Jr.
Barbara W. Wheatley
Mary Jo and Phil Collins

Given by:

Helen Kelley
Helen Kelley
Gary and Kitty Knox
Cathy Lang
Virginia Lee and Family
Virginia Lee and Family
Eric, Kate, Jason and Justin
Ralph L. Lewis
Bunny and Jack Michener
Bunny and Jack Michener
Bunny and Jack Michener
The Pamm Family
The Pamm Family
The Pamm Family
The Pamm Family
The Patrick Family
The Patrick Family
The Patrick Family
The Patrick Family
The Patrick Family
Chip Pfleegor
Chip Pfleegor
Cassandra Lloyd Piovosio
Cassandra Lloyd Piovosio
Margo Reign
Charlie and Linda Reinhardt
Julie and Fred Schmitt
Ann Shaddock
Ann Shaddock
Ann Shaddock
Jane M. and David Stabler
Barbara Steen
Paul and Judy Stoffer
Zora Stevens
Sandy and Stark Thompson
Linda Budd Watson
Nancy Fleming and Dan Weintraub
Jeff Welch
Charlie Weymouth
Her Family
Don and Dolly Windsor

New to Westminster?

Welcome! We are so glad you are here.

Here is some information you might find helpful:

- Hymnals are located on a shelf under the pew in front of you, or at the ends of the pew. Please join us in singing!
- A red Friendship Pad at the end of the pew will be passed during the service. We hope you will sign it and let us know how we can welcome you with a follow-up contact.
- There will be an Ambassador at the back of the church at the end of worship, who would love to answer any questions you might have or give you more information about Westminster.
- For more information about our community of faith, sign up for our weekly e-newsletter from the home page of the our website (www.wpc.org), call the Westminster office at (302) 654-5214, or email Barbara Jobe (Convener, Membership & Evangelism Committee) at bjobe@comcast.net.



Please join us for Easter Breakfast in Community Hall this morning any time between 8:00 and 11:00. Ask someone to show you the way!

PASTORAL STAFF

Gregory Knox Jones, Head of Staff
Sudie Niesen Thompson, Associate Pastor
Jill Getty, Pastoral Care Assistant

CHURCH EDUCATOR: Susan Moseley

DIRECTOR OF PRESCHOOL MINISTRIES: Teisha Fooks

MUSIC STAFF

Paul Fleckenstein, Organist/Director of Music
Merideth Hite Estevez, Director of Faith Formation through Music and Arts, Teaching Artist in Residence
Kevin Flaherty, Assistant Director of Children's Music
Soloist/Section Leaders: Elizabeth Holmes, Sharon Babcock, Christian Sanders, Travis Lucas,

YOUTH LEADERS

Merideth Hite Estevez, Susan Moseley
Josh Cox, Chris Hickey, Tommy Neilson

SUPPORT STAFF

Susan Alexander, Reception Area Supervisor
Paul Crothamel, Director of Facilities and Security
Colleen Falasco, Director of Financial Operations
Nicole Hughes, Director of Marketing and Communications
Jerry Hunter, Financial Assistant
Suzie Hurlock, Administrative Assistant
Cathy Lang, Administrative Assistant
Sextons: Thomas Carter, Robert King, Joan Truitt, John Young
Nursery: Beatrice Taylor, Kim Carrick (interim)

SESSION

Jen Barrington, Karen Beer, Ty Burns, Sally Buttner, Chad Chandler, Jeanne Checkel, Joe Daley, Karen Dietz, Rich Diver, Michael Enderle, Peter Gildner, Cathy Higgins, Carol Hogue, Barbara Jobe, Kelly McCulloch, Mark Mosher, Margo Reign, Carrie Saathoff, Kent Smith, Janet Steinwedel, Barb Stratton, Mary Vane, Susan Williamson, Helen Zumsteg

BOARD OF DEACONS

Jeff Argus, Roger Atkins, Liz Bacon, Don Beddie, Amy Bickhart, Kyle Carrick, Beatty Chadwick, Diane Chandler, Barry Cobb, Nancy Diver, Teisha Fooks, Nicole Fox, Laura Holmes, Louis Horton, Hillary King, Cathy Lang, Kris Marvel, Luke Mathé, Dan McAllister, Sally McBride, Debbie McCullough, Blair McConnell, Mary Lou McDowell, Carol Neff, Ann Shaddock, Lisa Stoddard, Josh Thomas, Sharlym Torres, Jennifer Trickey, Hugh Underhill, Lois Underhill, Lowell Underhill, Jennie Wagner, Gen Wallace-Roe, Sue Weissinger, Pam White, Sandy White, Debbie Wise

TRUSTEES

Charley Babcock, Gary Bryde, Jim Carter, Denison Hatch, Bobbe Hoy, Fred Iobst, Mary Lu Pamm, Bob Ridout, Tom Preston, Barbara Steen, Bruce Weber, Dan Weintraub

PARTNERS IN WORLDWIDE MINISTRY

Congo – PCUSA Mission Co-workers: John and Gwenda Fletcher, Jeff and Christi Boyd,
Larry and Inga Sthreshley, Cecilé de Sweemer, MD; Kananga Presbytery and Members of Kamulumba-Ditalala Parish
Iran, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon – PCUSA Mission Co-workers: the Reverends Elmarie and Scott Parker, Dr. Mary Mikhael
Ibillin and Haifa, Israel/Palestine – Peace Drums Steel Band
Guatemala – Rosario Diaz and the Association of Mam Christian Women for Development, CEDEPCA,
PCUSA Mission Co-Workers: Leslie Vogel, Sandi and Brian Thompson-Royer

Music at Westminster

presents

THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE CHORALE

in concert

Friday, April 27
8:00 p.m.



Under the direction of Dr. Paul Head, the prize-winning UD Chorale once again brings to Westminster an evening of choral artistry at the highest level. If you've heard them before, you know what we are talking about; if you've not yet heard this amazing choir, this is your chance! Be prepared for an unforgettable musical experience.

FREE ADMISSION; OFFERING RECEIVED

Westminster Recognized for Environmental Leadership

For the ninth year in a row, we have been certified by the Presbyterian Church (USA) as an "Earth Care Congregation." This honor recognizes our efforts to be good stewards of the earth's precious resources through our leadership in worship, education, outreach, facilities management, and advocacy. Only 2% of the 10,000 Presbyterian churches have earned this distinction. Read more about the steps we have taken in the April issue of our newsletter, *The Westminster Chimes* (available on our literature table or online at www.wpc.org). And be sure to check out these upcoming opportunities to learn more on Sunday mornings at 10:10 a.m.:

April 15 – Hear how LED technologies can help the planet and save money in your homes and at the church

April 22 – Earth Day! Plant native seeds to take home and support local wildlife and pollinators (all ages welcome)

May 6 – Solar energy for your home

Also, throughout the month of April, we will have a photographic tribute to the breath-taking beauty and awe of nature by photographer Gary Bryde. Enjoy the display in the main hallway across from the reception desk.

