



**Service of Worship**  
**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 18, 2019**  
**8:15 a.m.**

**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 you are and wherever you may be on your faith journey – to realize the transforming power of Christ in our congregation, community and the world beyond.

**A Covenant Network Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)**  
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## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bob Checkel whose memorial service was held yesterday.

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](mailto:lwatson@ycst.com) for available dates. The next available date is September 1.

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Recently hospitalized:** Nancy Boden
- ❖ **Those unable to attend worship on a regular basis** by sending a card, saying a prayer, or visiting. This week we ask you to remember Tee Jay King, Evelyn Measley and Jay Ritter at Country House.
- ❖ **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](mailto:wpcprayerlist@gmail.com).

**Afghanistan, Iraq and Kuwait 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](mailto:cathylang@wpc.org).

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

## WORSHIP NOTES

We continue our *Month of Musical Masterworks* at the 10:00 o'clock service this morning as **Robert Skoniczin** joins us to present the Trumpet Sonata by Karl Pilss. Rob serves on the music faculty at West Chester University, in addition to a busy schedule as a performer in numerous venues.

**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](http://www.wpc.org) and click the "Donate Now" button or scan the QR code on your smart phone.



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*At the starting line of this day,  
I call on your name, God of grace.  
As I run the race that is set before me,  
help me keep my eyes on your goals, not my own.  
When I falter, give me fresh strength and courage.  
When I am fleet-footed, let me give you the glory.  
In the name of Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, I pray. Amen.*

*~ Adapted from a prayer by Carol Penner*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Like Moses in the wilderness, prophets in the town square,  
and disciples along the lakeshore, God calls us.

**We join together as a family of faith  
in prayer and praise, worship and work.**

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,  
we lay aside all that would weigh us down and hold us back

**to run the race that is set before us –  
our eyes fixed on Jesus, our souls sustained by his grace.**

## \*HYMN No. 826

“Lift High the Cross”

CRUCIFER

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God,  
in baptism you claim us as beloved children,  
and set us apart as witnesses to your love.  
At times we forget we bear the mark of your grace  
and act as if you have no claim on our lives.  
You call us to the often risky work of justice and peace,  
but we default to what is comfortable and safe.  
You call us to ministries of generosity and compassion,  
but we make little room in our busy lives for gestures of mercy  
beyond moments of spontaneous kindness.  
Wash us again with your grace and transform us by your Word,  
that we might proclaim your good news in word and deed.**

## ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

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

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Craig Stabler, Lay Reader

SERMON

Sudie Niesen Thompson

OFFERING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Eternal God...

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*This is not just a Presbyterian table;*

*the Lord's Supper is open to all who trust in Christ.*

*When you approach a communion station, please take a piece of bread,  
the symbol of Christ's love for you, and dip it in the cup, representing the new life in Christ.*

*If you are unable to come to a station, please tell an usher so that you may be served.*

*For those who have wheat allergies, we provide gluten-free rice crackers with the communion bread.*

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

**Gracious God,  
how can we thank you for such a gift?  
For you have met us, fed us,  
drawn us to you,  
and bound us to one another.  
Now send us out to share your love  
and proclaim our hope  
until Christ comes again. Amen.**

\*HYMN No. 846

"Fight the Good Fight"

DUKE STREET

BENEDICTION

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, Robin Rosser, at the back of the center aisle following the service. She is happy to share information about our many programs for children, youth and adults*

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# TODAY

## Meet Chesna Hinkley

Our new *Director of Christian Education*  
and

## Alexis Droke

Our new *Director of Music for Children and Youth!*

## Blessing of the Backpacks

During 8:15 and 10:00 a.m. services

## Ice Cream Social

11:00 a.m. in Community Hall



## 5TH ANNUAL Summer Celebration

AT FRANKS WINE

Thursday, August 22

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a two-hour wine and beer tasting at Franks Wine (1206 N. Union Street, Wilmington, DE 19806). The tastings are BYOG (bring your own glass!), and we'll have light snacks to enjoy. As an added bonus, there is a 10% discount on beer, wine, and spirits purchased during the event. Plus, Franks Wine will donate back 10% of total sales that evening to WPC! Everyone who has attended this event in the past has said they had a really great time mingling with Westminster friends in a casual atmosphere. The cost is \$20 per person. Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/y9mkpwp>. Must be age 21 or over to participate.



# Month of Musical Masterworks

AT WESTMINSTER

August 2019

Another August, another month of great instrumental music at Westminster. On each of the four Sundays in August, our 10 o'clock worship service is enhanced with a major instrumental work, with the movements interspersed throughout the service as Prelude, Offertory and Postlude. This year the line-up includes two concertos and two sonatas, representing a broad range of timbres and styles.

**August 4**

Alessandro Marcello: Oboe Concerto in C minor  
*Merideth Hite Estevez, oboe*

**August 11**

Carl Reinecke: Harp Concerto, Op. 182  
*Anne Sullivan, harp*

**August 18**

Karl Pilss: Sonata for Trumpet and Piano  
*Robert Skoniczin, trumpet*

**August 25**

Felix Mendelssohn: Organ Sonata no. 1 in F minor  
*Paul Fleckenstein, organ*

Of course, for the two concertos (the first two Sundays), Paul will play the orchestral accompaniments on the organ and will accompany the trumpet sonata at the piano. For the organ sonata, he's on his own!

**PASTORAL STAFF**

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

**MUSIC STAFF**

Paul Fleckenstein, Organist/Director of Music  
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Soloist/Section Leaders: Hye Eun Choi, Sharon Babcock, Jason Berger, Brenton Mattox

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Chesna Hinkley

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**SESSION**

Karen Beer, Ty Burns, Sally Buttner, Chad Chandler, Karen Dietz,  
Rich Diver, Michael Enderle, Peter Gildner, Cathy Higgins, Carol Hogue, Barbara Jobe, Kelly McCulloch,  
Mark Mosher, Jan Patrick, Todd Piercy, Margo Reign, Roger Reinicker, Carrie Saathoff, Kent Smith,  
Janet Steinwedel, Barb Stratton, Mary Vane, Susan Williamson, Helen Zumsteg

**BOARD OF DEACONS**

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