

Service of Worship 15th Sunday after Pentecost August 28, 2016 10:00 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 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

Deacon Team of the Month

Bob Moore, Nicole Fox, Josh Thomas, Sharlym Torres, Sue Weissinger, Pamela White

8:15 a.m. Worship with communion Rodney Chapel

9:45 a.m. - 11:15a.m. Nursery

10:00 a.m. Worship Sanctuary

Summer Sunday School Preschool Suite

11:00 a.m. Farewell Reception for Debbie Brown Community Hall

Later Today

6:00 p.m. Clean But Not Straight – NA Club Room

8:00 p.m. AA Club Room

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



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. Only 2% of the 10,000 Presbyterian Congregations in this country have earned this honored distinction.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Debbie Brown by the church staff.

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 for dates available in October, November, and December.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- **Those recently hospitalized**: Fran Crothamel, Richard Hatfield.
- ❖ 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 those who reside in Cokesbury: Wes Bowman, Nancy Henderer, Laura Stevens, and Betty and Charlie Uhlinger.

Westminster's Covenant Prayer Group prays weekly for specific needs of the faith community. 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.

Afghanistan often seems far away, and we may neglect to realize that Americans, as well as Afghans 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 Colleen Falasco: 302-654-5214 ext. 131, or cfalasco@wpc.org.

This week we pray for

• Those known to the WPC Community presently serving in various locations:

Patrick Enderle, son of Mike Enderle Brian Gorman, grandson of Art and Barbara Gorman Jeremy Lushnat, nephew of Arch and Melody Layman Sam Pittman, nephew of Roland and Mary Lu Pamm The Rev. Susannah Tulloch, of New Castle Presbytery

• The families of those from the U.S. who have died recently:

U.S. Navy Civilian Michael Baptiste, age 60, of Brooklyn, New York Special Warfare Operator 1st Class Charles Keating, IV, age 31, of San Diego, California 1st Lieutenant David Bauders, age 25, of Seattle, Washington

• Those who have returned from service, possibly suffering from wounds or Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, whose scars may by deep and long-lasting.

WORSHIP NOTES

For the fourth week in our Month of Musical Masterworks, we welcome horn soloist **John David Smith** back to Westminster this morning to bring us music of the immortal Mozart: the 3rd of his 4 horn concertos. Dr. Smith is Assistant Professor of Music at the University of Delaware, and performs as Principal Horn with Opera Philadelphia, the Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, and the Philly Pops Orchestra.

All children who leave the sanctuary after Children's Time must have a completed yellow security label on their back. If you do not find a security label in the pew pocket, you may obtain one in the Preschool Suite. This policy is for your child's protection. Thank you for your help.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Loving God, I pray for your Spirit to fill me. Where I have been weak, grant me your strength; where I have been confused, grant me your guidance; where I have been distraught, grant me your comfort; where I have been dead, grant me your life. Apart from you I am lacking; in and with you I can do amazing things! Amen.

Prelude

Horn Concerto no. 3 in E-flat, K. 447

I. Allegro

John David Smith, horn

W. A. Mozart

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the friendship folder to the person next to you.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

We are here as God's people gathered for worship.

We have come to praise God and seek God's strength for our lives. Let us celebrate the gift of life that God has given us.

Let us affirm the love and hope of people who follow Jesus Christ.

*HYMN No. 2

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

ITALIAN HYMN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, there are times when we fall short of what we can be. Forgive our lack of empathy to the pain of others, our silence in the midst of injustice, and our cowardice in the face of oppression.

Strengthen us where we lack faith, guide us where we have lost our way, and give us the courage to hold fast to our convictions, so that we may become the people you would have us become.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

At the asterisk (*), please stand as you are able.

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN Susan Moseley

Children through 2nd Grade may leave for Summer Sunday School in the Preschool Suite, or they may remain in worship.

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Kings 22:1-28 Old Testament, page 305

Carrie Saathoff, Lay Reader

SERMON "Standing Up for Truth" Greg Jones

*HYMN No. 731 "Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm" REPTON

OFFERING

"As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life." (1 Timothy 6:17-19)

OFFERTORY Horn Concerto no. 3 Mozart

II. Romanze: Larghetto

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (page 35 in our *Glory to God* hymnal)

*HYMN No. 402 "How Lovely, Lord" MERLE'S TUNE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Horn Concerto no. 3 Mozart III. Allegro

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, Teresa Wemhoff, following the service. She is happy to share information about our many programs for children, youth and adults.

Following worship, please join us in Community Hall to celebrate Debbie Brown's years of service as our Church Administrator.



For the month of August, our 10:00 a.m. Sunday worship services are framed with major works presented by outstanding guest instrumental soloists, accompanied by Paul Fleckenstein on the 53-rank Austin pipe organ or the Steinway grand piano. The three-movement works are presented as Prelude, Offertory, and Postlude for that morning's service. Most weeks, the Prelude (1st movement of the work) begins before 10 o'clock. The line-up for 2016:

August 7 Stamitz: Concerto in G major, op. 29 Eileen Grycky, flute

August 14 Bach: Sonata in G major, BWV 1027 Timothy Schwarz, viola

August 21 R. Strauss: Sonata in F major, op. 6 Lawrence Stomberg, cello

August 28 Mozart: Concerto no. 3 in E-flat, K. 447 John David Smith, horn

UPCOMING SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

September 4

8:15 a.m.

Worship in Rodney Chapel

10:00 a.m.

Worship in the Sanctuary

Starting September 11

9:00 a.m.

Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

11:15 a.m.

Living Mosaics Worship in Rodney Chapel

Holy Toast Café reopens!

COMING TO WESTMINSTER

The New Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

The Reverend Dr. J. Herbert Nelson

On Sunday, September 11, Westminster will welcome the new Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA), the Reverend Dr. J. Herbert Nelson. Dr. Nelson will preach at both the 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. services, and speak during the 10:TEN education hour in Community Hall.

The Stated Clerk is the chief ecclesiastical officer of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), furthering the ministry of Jesus Christ in the world through vision, interpretation, and inspiration.

Plan to hear this passionate and inspiring preacher on September 11.



Children and Youth Programs Begin

Sunday, September 11

Grades K – 2 and Grades 3 – 5 10:10 a.m. in Grace Hall

Parents and children can meet Merideth Hite Estevez, our new Director of Music for Children and Youth, and learn about the Sunday morning choir programs she will offer for kindergarten through 2nd grade, and 3rd through 5th grades.



Grades 6 - 12

5:00 - 7:00 p.m. in Community Hall

Parents and youth, 6th through 12th grades, are invited to attend this orientation for the 180° Youth Ministry to learn about the upcoming youth retreat and the mission trip to Guatemala in 2017. You'll also meet Merideth Estevez and hear about her vision for youth music.

