

Service of Worship 6th Sunday after Pentecost June 26, 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

Barry Cobb, Cathy Lang, Judy Stoffer, Sue Weissinger, Sandy 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. Summer Brunch Community Hall, Cl. 6 and Kitchen

Later Today

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

8:00 p.m. AA Club Room



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

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 July 17, 24, 31, and August 7.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- **Those recently hospitalized**: Drew Holmes, Conrad Hoover.
- ❖ 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 Harry Hoopes at Genesis, Lucille and Gerry Greth, Bob Churchill, and Betty Kelley, all at home.
- * Alex Sprague, who is participating in the Young Adult Volunteer Program in Chinook, Montana.

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:

Brian Gorman, grandson of Art and Barbara Gorman Jeremy Lushnat, nephew of Arch and Melody Layman The Rev. Susannah Tulloch, of New Castle Presbytery

• 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

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.

Worship Resources – You may 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 the church, 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 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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

MUSIC OF THE TOWER BELLS Craig Checkel

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

O God, our Guide and Guardian, you have led me apart from the frantic world into the serenity of your house. May I be attentive to your presence and alert to your nudges that challenge me to live as Christ lived and to love as Christ loved. May I worship you not only with my words, but with my deeds each day of my life. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION

The Reverend Edwin Estevez

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ORGAN PRELUDE Prelude in D minor Anton Bruckner

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

We follow Christ, who says, "Take up your cross."

We follow Christ, who calls us to commit to his way.

We follow Christ, who summons us to new adventures.

Let us worship God with gladness.

*HYMN No. 612 "We Praise You, O God" KREMSER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we confess that we do not always live for you.

You invite us into new life,

yet we cover our ears and turn our heads away from your invitation.

You show us the way to love,

yet often we choose the path of indifference.

You call us to the ministry of reconciliation,

vet we are tempted to distance ourselves from those who need us.

Prick our conscience and release us from the bonds of self-centeredness.

Give us the courage to respond to your summons,

so that we may extend the boundaries of your kingdom on earth. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

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

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

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

ANTHEM "Christ, Whose glory Fills the Skies"

T. Frederick H. Candlyn

Westminster Choir (Text: Hymn #662)

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 9:51-62

New Testament, page 61

Teresa Wemhoff, Lay Reader

SERMON

"I'm Ready to Follow You, Lord; but First..."

Greg Jones

*HYMN No. 432

"How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

REPTON

OFFERING

"The one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:6-7)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Open Our Eyes"

Will C. Macfarlane

Open our eyes, O loving and compassionate Jesus, that we may behold Thee, walking beside us in our sorrow. Thou hast made death glorious and triumphant; for through its portals we enter into the presence of the Living God. Open our eyes, O loving and compassionate Jesus, that we may see to follow Thee, Jesus our Saviour and Redeemer. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

*HYMN No. 733

"We All Are One in Mission"

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BENEDICTION

CHORAL POSTLUDE

Peter C. Lutkin

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord lift his countenance upon you, and give you peace; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. Amen

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

Please join us after the service for Summer Brunch downstairs in Community Hall.

PASTORAL STAFF

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

CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR: Debbie Brown

CHURCH EDUCATOR: Susan Moseley

MUSIC STAFF

Paul Fleckenstein, Organist/Director of Music Section Leaders/Soloists: Diana Milburn, Sharon Babcock, Hunter Torggler, Jerry Polman

YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM

Susan Moseley, Mike Gnade

SUPPORT STAFF

Susan Alexander, Reception Area Supervisor
Paul Crothamel, Director of Facilities and Security
Colleen Falasco, Operations Assistant
Nicole Hughes, Director of Communication and Database Management
Jerry Hunter, Financial Assistant
Suzie Hurlock, Administrative Assistant
Sextons: Roger W. Atkins, Terrence Clarke, Robert King, Joan Truitt

SESSION

Jen Barrington, Sally Buttner, Chad Chandler, Jeanne Checkel, Art Colbourn, Joe Daley, Rich Diver, Mike Enderle, Mary Field, Mike Gnade, Cathy Higgins, Carol Hogue, Barbara Jobe, Dick Jolly, Kali Kniel-Tolbert, Jon McPheeters, Mark Mosher, Roland Pamm, Roger Reinicker, Craig Stabler, Barbara Stratton, Mary Vane, Susan Williamson, Helen Zumsteg

BOARD OF DEACONS

Liz Bacon, Don Beddie, Beatty Chadwick, Diane Chandler, Barry Cobb, Tammy Daley, Nancy Diver, Teisha Fooks, Nicole Fox, Sue Frost, Laura Holmes, Hillary King, Cathy Lang, Kris Marvel, Mary Lou McDowell, Susan McPheeters, Lola Miller, Bob Moore, Carol Neff, Keith Pierce, Cassandra Piovoso, Kris Ruebling-Jass, Ann Shadduck, Mark Shiflett, Jerry Spilecki, Lisa Stoddard, Judy Stoffer, Josh Thomas, Natalia Thompson, Sharlym Torres, Jennifer Trickey, Jennie Wagner, Gen Wallace-Roe, Sue Weissinger, Pam White, Sandra White

TRUSTEES

Charlie Babcock, Gary Bryde, Jim Carter, Denison Hatch, Bobbe Hoy, Fred Iobst, Charles McDowell, John McFarland, Bill Nace, Mary Lu Pamm, Kris Qualls, Chris Singewald

PARTNERS IN WORLDWIDE MINISTRY

Guatemala – Leslie Vogel (CEDEPCA), Sandi and Brian Thompson-Royer, Rosario Diaz
Kenya – JOHABETO Ruth and Martin Shikuku, Kitale, Kenya
Congo – PCUSA Mission Co-workers Bob and Kristi Rice, John and Gwenda Fletcher, Jeff and Kristi Boyd
Ruth Brown, Cecilé de Sweemer, MD, Pastor Jean-Marc Katujudi Nkuna
and Members of the Kamulumba-Ditalala Parish
Iran, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon – Mission Co-workers the Reverends Elmarie and Scott Parker
Peace Drums Steel Band – Ibillin and Haifa
Montana – Alex Sprague, Young Adult Volunteer

Summer Brunch

This morning in Community Hall following the 10:00 a.m. worship service



Please join the deacons for a summer brunch. There will be a variety of delicious breakfast casseroles, salads, and desserts provided by the deacons. Members of the congregation are invited to bring salads or desserts as well.

This is a great time to gather with friends and enjoy delicious food. We hope to see you there!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2016

JULY 18 - 22

8:45 a.m. – 12:00 noon Age 4/Pre-K to Grade 6

Children will experience God's love and discover ways to live out that love.

Each day, we will look at a Bible Story that tells of God's Amazing Love:

Day 1: Creation - God Creates

Day 2: Miriam Cares for Moses – God Helps

Day 3: Baptism of Jesus – God Loves

Day 4: Jesus Calms the Storm – God Calms

Day 5: Breakfast on the Beach – God Sends

PLAN NOW TO JOIN US AT WPC FOR A FUN-FILLED VBS!

Cost: \$25 per child/\$40 maximum per family

Pick up a registration form on the literature table or download online at: www.wpc.org/learn/for-children

