

Service of Worship 2nd Sunday after Pentecost June 3, 2018 8:15 a.m. and 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

Roger Atkins, Cathy Lang, Dan McAllister, Hugh Underhill, Lois Underhill, Lowell Underhill, Sue Weissinger

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

9:45 - 11:15 a.m. Nursery for babies and toddlers

10:00 - 10:55 a.m. Worship with communion in the Sanctuary

Children are always welcome in worship. We also provide additional opportunities for children to grow in faith.

❖ Summer Sunday School - Following Time with Our Children, children age 2 through 2nd grade may leave for Sunday School in the Preschool Suite.

11:00 a.m. Summer Tea in Rodney Chapel and the Meeting Room

Also Today

11:15 a.m. Flying Solo Brunch Catherine Rooney's

1:00 p.m. Homebound Communion Members' homes

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

8:00 p.m. AA Club Room

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 3 – August 26

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

10:00 a.m. Worship service in the sanctuary

Join us for Summer Tea hosted by our deacons following

the 10:00 a.m. service.

TO EXPLORE OUR FULL CALENDAR, VISIT CALENDAR. WPC. ORG



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 for available dates. The next available dates are June 24; July 1, 22 and 29.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ 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. Margie Lounsbury at Cokesbury, Les Whitney at Maris Grove, and Doris and Jerry Larson at Shipley Manor.
- ❖ 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 seems 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 by 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 (10:00) Craig Checkel

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

O God, giver of all good gifts, you have given me life. You have bestowed upon me your love and that love includes your hopes for me. What am I to do?
All life is a call and a response.
I pray for grace to hear your voice and a heart to respond.
I am ready to listen.

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

ORGAN PRELUDE (10:00)

Intermezzo

Joseph Bonnet

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Spirit summons: "Listen for the voice of your Creator."

Here I am, for you have called me.

We come, craving the Word that sustains life.

Speak Lord, for your servants are listening.

Young and old, seasoned servants and new disciples, we gather in the presence of the Lord.

Let us worship God!

*HYMN No. 35

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

LOBE DEN HERREN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God -

You welcome us into your presence,

and call us to lead holy lives.

Sometimes we cannot hear your voice;

we are so weighed down by despair that we miss your message of hope.

Sometimes we ignore your voice;

we are so distracted by daily demands that we don't pause to pay attention.

Forgive us, O God.

Speak again into our confusion, our brokenness, our darkness, and lead us in your way of grace and truth.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

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

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN (10:00)

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Old Testament, page 229 Dave Mathé, Lay Reader (8:15) Tom Hogue, Lay Reader (10:00)

SERMON

Sudie Niesen Thompson

OFFERING

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts.

~ Psalm 96:8

OFFERTORY ANTHEM (10:00)

"This Is the Day the Lord Has Made"

Mark Hayes

This is the day that the Lord has made, and I will be exceeding glad! I will sing my Maker's praise! I will rejoice and give God praise! Who is like unto our God the Lord, strong and mighty? Who is like unto our God who reigns above in glorious splendor? You are the Rose of Sharon, the Lover of my soul. You are my heart's Desire; My soul implores me to exalt your holy name. Your name is music unto my ears; And I must sing of the great love you've shown to me because my heart will not be still.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

This is the joyful feast of the people of God!

We come from east and west, and from north and south to sit at table in the kingdom of God.

Come! This is the Lord's table;

all who hope in Christ are welcome here.

Let us share the feast Christ has prepared!

HYMN No. 503 (10:00)

"Lord. We Have Come at Your Own Invitation"

O QUANTA QUALIA

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Bob Stoddard

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.

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

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

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.

Those sitting in the balcony at 10:00 a.m. will be served in their pews.

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

COMMUNION ANTHEM (10:00)

"O Praise the Lord"

Adrian Batten

O praise the Lord all ye peoples, praise him all ye nations. For his merciful kindness is evermore and more towards us, and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Amen.

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.

(From Book of Common Worship, 2018)

*HYMN No. 722

"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"

CANONBURY

BENEDICTION

CHORAL POSTLUDE (10:00)

Seven-Fold Amen

John Stainer

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 (8:15) or Marlys Kerr (10:00), following the service. They are happy to share information about our many programs for children, youth and adults.

Please join us in Rodney Chapel for iced tea after the 10:00 a.m. service.

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT – A Periodic Series

Sunday, June 10, 9:00 a.m. Ruth Christie Room

Facilitated by Sue Linderman



White people are unaccustomed to talking about race and its implications in their lives. Yet at some level everyone recognizes that racism and prejudice have a profound impact on our communities and our country. We need opportunities to experience the challenges and benefits that come from bringing racial issues into the light of day. Join us on June 10th as we continue the journey of exploring our beliefs about race, with openness to differing opinions and respect for one another. At this session, we will discuss taking a knee during the National Anthem.

New to Westminster?

Welcome! We are so glad you are here.

Here is some information you might find helpful:

- In the Sanctuary, 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 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 by the Chapel door or at the back of the Sanctuary 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 our website (www.wpc.org) or contact the Rev. Sudie Niesen Thompson at sniesenthompson@wpc.org or (302) 654-5214 ext. 103.



Please join us for iced tea in Rodney Chapel after the 10 a.m. service.

Ask someone to show you the way!

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