



WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Service of Worship
Transfiguration of the Lord
March 3, 2019
9:00 a.m.

A Covenant Network Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)
An Earth Care Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

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This Morning at Westminster

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Deacon Board Meeting in Rodney Chapel

8:30 – 11:15 a.m. The Holy Toast Café, in Community Hall, offers free coffee, tea, and fellowship. Breakfast items are available for one dollar per item.

Deacon Team of the Month

Barry Cobb, Nancy Diver, Luke Mathé, Lois Underhill, Lowell Underhill, Gen Wallace-Roe, Pam White

8:45 – 12:15 p.m. **Nursery Care**

9:00 – 9:55 a.m. **Worship**

Children are always welcome in worship. We also provide additional opportunities for children to grow in faith. Children are escorted to classes after TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN during worship.

- ❖ **Godly Care** – Children ages 2 through 4 in Preschool Suite C.
- ❖ **Godly Play 1** – Children in Kindergarten through 2nd grade in the Ruth Christie Room.
- ❖ **Sing-to-Praise Choir Program** – Children in grades 3 through 6 in the Youth Music Room.

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 guardian or an adult pre-approved by the guardian. Thank you for your help.

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| 10:10 a.m. | Education for All Ages | |
| | ➤ Sunday School for Preschoolers | Preschool Suite C |
| | ➤ Joyful Noise Choir Program Grades K – 2 | Youth Music Room |
| | ➤ Creation Station for Grades 3 – 8 | Art Room 4 |
| | ➤ High School and Confirmation Class | Classroom 7 |
| | ➤ Sunday Seminars | see page 7 |
| 11:15 a.m. | Living Mosaics Worship | Rodney Chapel |
| 12:00 p.m. | Fellowship Time after Living Mosaics | Meeting Room |

Later Today

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| 11:15 a.m. | Flying Solo Brunch | Off Site Location |
| 5:00 p.m. | 180° Dinner and Fellowship | Classroom 6/Community Hall |
| 6:00 p.m. | Clean But Not Straight – NA | Club Room |
| 8:00 p.m. | AA | Club Room |

The mission of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians is to strengthen the church of Jesus Christ, with the help of God's grace by working for the unity of the church, furthering the inclusion of LGBTQ persons, seeking understanding and reconciliation, and joining with others seeking a still more just and inclusive church.



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 are given to the glory of God and with great thanksgiving in honor of the wedding anniversary of Gary and Kitty Knox.

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 to schedule. The next available dates are March 10, 17 and 24; April 14.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Recently hospitalized:** Susan Alexander and Arun Loptes.
- ❖ **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 Evelyn Measley and Tee Jay King 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.

Afghanistan, Iraq, and Syria often seem far away, and we may neglect to realize that Americans, as well as Afghans, Iraqis, Syrians 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 long-lasting and deep.

WORSHIP NOTES

Easy-to-use assisted listening devices may be found in the back of the sanctuary and the side entrance off the main hallway.

Worship Resources – You can obtain large print hymnals and listening devices from any usher. Worship bags for children ages 3 through 6 include a children's bulletin designed for them. Children's bulletins for ages 7 through 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



Daylight Saving Time Begins Next Sunday, March 10, 2:00 a.m.

Remember to set your clocks one hour AHEAD before you go to bed this Saturday night (March 9). We don't want you to be late for church on Sunday morning! ☺

ORDER OF WORSHIP

TOWER CHIME

Craig Checkel

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

I watch this morning for the light that the darkness has not overcome. I watch for the fire that was in the beginning and that burns still in the brilliance of the rising sun. I watch for the glow of life that gleams in the growing earth and glistens in sea and sky. I watch for your light, O God, in the eyes of every living creature and in the ever-living flame of my own soul. If the grace of seeing were mine this day I would glimpse you in all that lives. Grant me the grace of seeing this day. Grant me the grace of seeing.

J. Philip Newell, Celtic Benediction

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

*PASSING THE PEACE

ORGAN PRELUDE

Dialog

Russell Schulz-Widmar

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather as a family of faith to listen for the voice of God.

May our faces shine in anticipation of what we will hear.

We come eager to encounter our Creator
and to be transformed by God's Spirit.

**Let us open our hearts to God
so that we may live abundant lives.**

*HYMN NO. 81

"Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

AUSTRIAN HYMN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of compassion, in Christ you bring light, yet we still dwell in darkness.

Your word offers guidance, but we choose to ignore your counsel.

Your promise offers renewal, but we disregard your wisdom.

We bow to the gods of this world, which help us hide from your truth.

Speak to us again from beyond the clouds of our sinfulness

and shine on us anew with the light of Christ's love. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

*Children through Grade 6 may leave for Godly Care, Godly Play 1, and Sing-to-Praise Choir,
or they may remain in worship.*

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

SERMON

Greg Jones

OFFERING

HYMN-ANTHEM

“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”
(Hymn #1)

arr. Robert Lau

All: **Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Choir sings verses 2 & 3

All: **Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!**
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

*HYMN NO. 193

“Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain”

UNSER HERRSCHER

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

The Lord’s Supper is open to all who trust in Christ.
For those who have wheat allergies, we provide gluten-free rice crackers with the communion bread.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

“Bread of Heaven”

Peter Mathews

Bread of heav’n, on thee we feed,
For thou art our food indeed;
Ever may our souls be fed
With this true and living Bread;
Day by day with strength supplied,
Through the life of him who died.

Vine of heav’n, thy Blood supplies
This blest cup of sacrifice;
Lord, thy wounds our healing give,
To thy cross we look and live:
Jesus, may we ever be
Grafted, rooted, built in thee.

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

BENEDICTION

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Toccatà

Joseph Jongen

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, Jeanne Checkel, 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.



A S H
W E D N E S D A Y
March 6, 2019

**Worship service at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary (child care provided).
Soup supper, including vegetarian options, in Community Hall following worship.**



Sunday Seminars

Bustles to Bras – Connecting Women, History and the Clothes That Tell Their Story

Grace Hall

Presenter: Karen Jessee

Join Karen as she combines humor and history on this fashion journey of women's most outrageous silhouettes... and a peek underneath them all... to see how the culture of the times influenced the fashions of the era from Marie Antoinette of the 1770s to the British Invasion of the 1970s. A small display and audience participation are all part of the fun.

The Gospel of Mark – Part 2

Classroom 6

Presenter: Greg Jones

What does it mean to be a follower of Jesus? How do his teachings speak to us today?

Join us for an in-depth look at the teachings of Jesus, the final week of his life, and the enigmatic ending of this gospel. We will focus on the last half of the Gospel of Mark, but knowledge of the first half of this gospel is not essential.

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 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 coffee or tea in Community Hall after the service.

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

MUSIC STAFF

Paul Fleckenstein, Organist/Director of Music
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YOUTH LEADERS

Tommy Neilson
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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,
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