



Service of Worship
7th Sunday of Easter
May 28, 2017
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.

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An Earth Care Congregation of the PC (USA)

This Morning at Westminster

Deacon Team of the Month

Pam White, Beatty Chadwick, Sally McBride, Susan McPheeters, Cassandra Piovoso, Sharlym Torres, Debbie Wise

9:45 – 11:15 a.m. Nursery care

10:00 – 10:55 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

- ❖ **Children** are always welcome in worship.
- ❖ Please note there is **no Godly Care, Godly Play, or Sunday School this morning**, however worship bags and children’s bulletins are available from the ushers.

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

Later Today

6:00 p.m.	Clean But Not Straight – NA	Club Room
7:00 p.m.	Parent Support Group for Families with Addiction	Daughtry House Conf. 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

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Jane and Dave Stabler's 60th wedding anniversary on June 1 with love from their children and grandchildren.

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. Date available is June 4th.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Recently hospitalized:** Dorothy Dulemba
- ❖ **Westminster's homebound** who can no longer attend worship with us, by sending a card, saying a prayer, or visiting. This week we ask you to remember Caroline Sparks, Gordon Lewis and Betty Drennen, all at Stonegates.
- ❖ **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 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

- This week we pray for Brian Gorman, grandson of Art and Barbara Gorman, serving in the United States military.
- Those suffering from Traumatic Stress Disorder, whose scars may be 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 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. 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

MUSIC OF THE TOWER BELLS

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, at the end of the pew, to the person next to you.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ORGAN PRELUDE

Ode

Denis Bédard

CALL TO WORSHIP

Become aware of God's presence in your life and God's desire for mercy.

We will seek to know the ways of truth and salvation.

What must we do to inherit eternal life?

**We must love God with our heart, mind, and soul
and our neighbors as ourselves.**

*HYMN No. 268

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

DIADEMATA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Mighty God,
Jesus lived among us as the light of the world
to reveal your love for all people of the earth.
We confess that we often hide the beauty and goodness of your light
when we turn away from people in need,
when we ignore cries for justice
and when we fail to do the difficult work of peacemaking.
Forgive us for our failures,
renew us with your transforming spirit
and lead us to the path you want us to travel
so that your light may shine through us. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

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

Children thru Preschool may leave for Childcare in the Nursery, or they remain in worship.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 17:1-11

New Testament, page 97
Craig Stabler, Lay Reader

ANTHEM

“Sing Praises to God”
Westminster Choir

James Biery

God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet. Sing praises to God. Raise a song, and sing aloud to God our strength; Make music upon the timbrel and the sweet-sounding harp. And sound the trumpet at the new moon on our feast day.

SERMON

Greg Jones

*HYMN NO. 722

“Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak”

CANONBURY

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Petite Pièce Concertante
Barbara Prugh, trumpet

Guillaume Balay

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD’S PRAYER (page 35 in our *Glory to God* hymnal, using “debts” and “debtors”)

*HYMN NO. 265

“Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

DUKE STREET

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Day Is Done
 (“Taps”)

Daniel Butterfield

GOING FORTH

If you are visiting with us and wish to learn more about our church family, we invite you to meet today’s ambassadors, Dan Weintraub and Nancy Fleming, at the back of the center aisle 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



SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 4 to August 27 (Summer Schedule)

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

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

Summer Tea hosted by our deacons following the 10:00 a.m. service.



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

ADULT ED/CIL EVENING EVENT: PERENNIAL PHILOSOPHY

Thursday, June 8

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in Rodney Chapel

John Amoroso, Ph.D. and Anna Swora, M.Ed. will discuss the *Perennial Path and Perennial Astrology* which is a unique and integrated approach regarding the application of astrology to one's psychological and spiritual development. Through research in Jungian psychology, world religions, and transpersonal studies, a model for pursuing a psycho-spiritually grounded life. This model focuses on not only proven spiritual practices but the psychological dynamics or complexes that affect the process of life. John holds a Ph.D. in clinical psychology and maintains a psychotherapy practice. Anna is a professional astrologer, educator, and certified transpersonal counselor. Free event; donation optional. Registration required at: www.cil-de.org



'Young at Heart' Luncheon to Welcome Summer!

Saturday, June 10

11:30 a.m. in Classroom 6

The chance to reconnect with friends and meet new people, a delicious light luncheon and a program by Ed Okonowicz – this promises to be another wonderful event for Young at Heart, members and friends of 'retirement age' – all for only \$10! Many of you will remember Ed's informative, amusing presentation on "Muskrat, Scrapple and More" at a previous luncheon. This time, Ed will regale us with "Remembering Nights at the Drive-In", so bring some of YOUR memories along (at least the ones you can talk about). Call the church office (302-654-5214) or add your name to the signup sheet at the reception desk to make your reservation. Join us as we welcome summer!



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SESSION

Jen Barrington, Ty Burns, Sally Buttner, Chad Chandler, Jeanne Checkel, Art Colbourn, Joe Daley,
Rich Diver, Michael Enderle, Mike Gnade, Cathy Higgins, Carol Hogue, Barbara Jobe, Kali Kniel,
Kelly McCulloch, Jon McPheeters, Mark Mosher, Margo Reign, Roger Reinicker, Craig Stabler, Barb Stratton,
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BOARD OF DEACONS

Liz Bacon, Don Beddie, Amy Bickhart, Beatty Chadwick, Barry Cobb, Tammy Daley, Nancy Diver, Teisha
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Guatemala – Leslie Vogel (CEDEPCA), Sandi and Brian Thompson-Royer, Rosario Diaz
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Peace Drums Steel Band – Ibillin and Haifa, Israel/Palestine