



**Service of Worship
All Saints' Sunday**

**November 3, 2019
9:00 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.

**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

8:30 – 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

Roger Atkins, Liz Bacon, Laura Holmes, Kris Marvel, Dan McAllister,
Sally McBride, Martha Spaethling, Gen Wallace-Roe, Sandy White, Debbie Wise

8:45 – 12:15 p.m. **Nursery Care** in Preschool Suite D

9:00 – 9:55 a.m. **Worship**

Children are always welcome in worship. If they prefer, they can follow teachers to classes after the TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN. Please use the identification wristband or stickers in your pew.

- ❖ Ages 2 – 4: **Godly Care**, in *Preschool Suite C*, uses the *Deep Blue* curriculum.
- ❖ K – 2nd grade: **Godly Play**, in the *Ruth Christie Room*, is a place of worship where children learn Bible stories using Montessori-style methods. *Pick up in Preschool Suite*.
- ❖ 3rd – 6th grade: **Sing-to-Praise Choir**, in the *Youth Music Room*, uses the *Growing in Grace* curriculum to learn about the Bible, hymns, and music theory. Sing-to-Praise occasionally leads in worship.

10:10 a.m. **Education for All Ages**

- Ages 2 – 4: **Childcare** in *Preschool Suite C*.
- K – 2nd grade: **Joyful Noise Choir**, in the *Youth Music Room*, uses the *Growing in Grace* curriculum to learn about the Bible, hymns, and music theory. Joyful Noise occasionally leads in worship.
- 3rd – 6th grade: **Creation Station**, in *Classroom 4*, is learning about the prophet Samuel today.
- 7th – 12th grade: **Agora**, in *Classroom 7*, meets the first Sunday of every month to discuss a topic related to our walk of faith. Today we discuss *What Is the Deal with the Trinity?* There will be donuts!
- **Educational Offerings for Adults** see page 7

11:15 a.m. **Living Mosaics Worship** Rodney Chapel

12:00 p.m. **Fellowship Time** Meeting Room

Later Today

11:30 a.m.	Flying Solo Brunch	Off Site Location
12:15 p.m.	Bazaar Setup	Community Hall
1:00 p.m.	Homebound Communion	Members' Homes
5:00 p.m.	180° Dinner and Fellowship	Off Site location
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 in loving memory of Fred Hurlock, Jr., along with the saints listed in the bulletin and those who have gone before them.

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.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Recently hospitalized:** Kendal Trickey
- ❖ **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 Jim Coker, Margie Lounsbury, and Reade Tompson at Cokesbury.
- ❖ **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 be deep and long-lasting.

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. 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

Sue Spilecki

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

On All Saints' Sunday the church celebrates the witness of the people who have gone before us. Originally, it was an occasion for the church to commemorate those martyred for their witness to Christ. It eventually came to include glad remembrance of all God's faithful people who have died. In the New Testament, the word saint is used to refer to any follower of Christ. The Greek word for saint literally means "one being made holy." Thus, a follower of God is one who is being transformed. Today, we celebrate All Saints' Sunday by giving thanks for those who loved us and those whom we loved and who now live eternally with God.

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

Elegy

G. T. Thalben-Ball

CALL TO WORSHIP

O Lord, you are our God.

We will exalt you; we will praise your name!

You have been a refuge to those in distress –

a shelter from the downpour, a shade from the heat.

O Lord, you are our God.

We will be glad and rejoice in your salvation!

(Adapted from Isaiah 25)

*HYMN No. 550

"Give Praise to the Lord"

LAUDATE DOMINUM

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**We give you thanks, O Lord,
for all your saints and servants
who have lived justly, loved mercy,
and walked humbly with their God.**

For all the high and holy ones,
who have done wonders
and been shining lights in the world,
we give you thanks.

For all the meek and lowly ones,
who have earnestly sought you in darkness,
held fast to their faith in times of trial,
and accomplished good as they have had opportunity,
we give you thanks.

For those whom we have known and loved,
who, by their steadfast hope and generous care,
have reflected Christ to us.
we give you thanks.

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

**As they have comforted and upheld our souls,
grant us grace to follow in their steps,
and at last to share with them
in the inheritance of the saints in light. Amen.**

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Greg Jones

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

Old Testament, page 612
Sue Linderman, Lay Reader

SERMON

Sudie Niesen Thompson

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“And I Saw a New Heaven”

Edgar Bainton

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: For the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; And there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain, for the former things are passed away.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

*HYMN NO. 516

“For the Bread Which You Have Broken”

KINGDOM

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

“Abide with Me”
(Text: Hymn #836)

arr. John Bertalot

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

**God of glory, in this holy feast
you have made us one with Christ
and with that great multitude of the faithful –
those who hunger and thirst no more
and worship night and day in your temple.
Lead us in the paths of righteousness
and guide us to the springs of the water of life,
until we join the choir of the saints
who forever sing your praise. Amen.**

*HYMN No. No. 326

“For All the Saints”

SINE NOMINE

Vs. 1: All

Vs. 2: Men

Vs. 3: Choir

Vs. 4: Women

Vs. 5: All

BENEDICTION

CHORAL POSTLUDE

“Souls of the Righteous”

T. Tertius Noble

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.*

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Prayer Following Communion are adapted from prayers published in the *Book of Common Worship*,
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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!



Today's Educational Offerings for Adults

Retirement & Beyond: Strategies and Advance Planning

Classroom 5

Presenter: Richard J. Thomas, CFP®

Retirement today involves many considerations and challenges. A generation ago, the concept of retirement was simpler; most people assumed they'd stop working around age 65, without giving much thought to what they'd do next. Today, retirement is less about retiring from work and more about transitioning to a new phase of life. This requires not just traditional financial planning and "crunching numbers," but perhaps, more importantly, discerning one's future to envision what retirement may look like. The best result – and least stress – is achieved when this process is begun well in advance of retirement. This segment will provide information benefiting anyone – those just starting out, in mid-career, approaching retirement or currently retired. Topics to be covered will include Social Security benefit strategies, investment risk tolerance, retirement planning options, estate planning, and eldercare planning.

Peace and Justice: Human Miracle/Human Need

Classroom 6

Presenter: Dave McBride

The reconciliation of science and spirituality is an important goal for modern theology. This class discusses the human needs that religion characteristically addresses but that are not being met in the secular world. These needs will be met, and the only question is whether they will be met in a constructive or a destructive manner. One of those needs is the experience of the transcendent, the desire to be part of something bigger than each of us individually.

What's Not in the Bible

Classroom 3

Facilitator: Bob Cox

Did you know that there were more than four books written about Jesus after his death? Join Bob Cox to explore these other books and learn from other accounts about Jesus' life.



Celebrating Paul Fleckenstein's Career at Westminster

Sunday, November 17, 4:00 PM

Come to Westminster's sanctuary and be musically transported during this "quasi-farewell" concert (so named because Paul will still be around for another month and a half). This will be his final concert at Westminster as organ soloist prior to his retirement at the end of the year. The program will feature solo organ works by J. S. Bach, Horatio Parker, Joseph Jongen, and Edwin H. Lemare, as well as Josef Rheinberger's spectacular Organ Concerto in F-major, with 17-piece orchestra conducted by Dr. Paul Head.

Free admission (Offering received)

Reception following

CEDEPCA: TRANSFORMING LIVES AND REALITIES IN GUATEMALA

**Sunday, November 17
10:10 AM in Classroom 6**

We are honored to welcome Judith Castañeda, executive director of the Protestant Center for Pastoral Studies in Central America (CEDEPCA), to Westminster for the first time. Judith will update us on the current political and socio-economic crises that continue to unfold in Guatemala and highlight how CEDEPCA is working on the front lines to address issues of poverty, immigration, violence against women, and climate change.



Judith will be joined by two other CEDEPCA colleagues: Delia Leal, Regional Coordinator of the Women's Ministry, and Nancy Carrera, Program Coordinator of the Intercultural Encounters Program. Please join us for this informative presentation.



Please note that this presentation will be recorded and broadcast live on Westminster's Facebook page.

GOD'S VISION STARTS WITH YOU



How blessed we are by this community of faith that is Westminster! Our love of God and one another inspires us to give generously to our church's life-changing ministries and programs. This year, we are sharing special videos to explore how God's vision inspires our members to pledge. Check out this week's video on www.wpc.org, and stay tuned for more videos to come. Please give prayerful consideration to your response to God's love and know that your gifts are used wisely in ways that demonstrate God's vision for our church and for our world. Please send in your pledge card or pledge online today at www.wpc.org/pledge. Thank you for your support. Stewardship 2020: God's vision starts with you!

Prophetic Spirituality 2019 Fall Sermon Series

Do the Scriptures reveal wisdom for not merely *surviving* life in the 21st century, but for sculpting a better world? It is essential for people of faith to spend time alone with God in prayer, to reflect on Scripture, and to attempt to discern the whispers of God deep in our soul. However, our interior life is immature if it does not propel us to work for the common good. We can resist the moral deterioration of today and throw ourselves into nudging the world toward God’s vision by committing ourselves to following the path of Jesus and the prophets.

As followers of Jesus, we focus the bulk of our attention on his teachings and ministry. However, we stunt our faith if we have scant knowledge of the prophets who came before him, because Jesus stands on the shoulders of the Jewish prophets.

This fall, Dr. Jones is preaching a sermon series entitled “Prophetic Spirituality.” To say that our faith is prophetic is to say that we are actively engaged in resisting evil, righting wrongs, and spreading love. To say that our faith is spiritual is to say that it is grounded in worship, prayer, and reflecting on God’s message. Prophetic Spirituality intertwines interior work with outward action so that we can go deeper with God and live the life God calls us to live.

September 8	Introduction to Series	“Prophetic Spirituality”
September 15	Moses	“Let My People Go”
September 22	Amos	“Let Justice Roll Down Like Waters”
October 13	Jeremiah	“This is the Temple of the Lord – If You Walk Justly with One Another”
October 20	Hosea	“Following Other Gods”
November 10	Isaiah	
November 17	Micah	
December 1	Jonah	

Westminster Church Annual Bazaar

Friday, November 8, 2019

9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Collectibles, White Elephants, Children’s Department, Books, Baked and Gourmet Specialties, Gift Boutique, Handcrafts, Holiday Shop

Hot Dog Stand
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Traditional Spaghetti Dinner
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Our annual bazaar is a colossal one-day-only extravaganza of bargains! Thank you to EVERYONE for donating treasures, time, and energy. Donation drop-off of new or gently used items in good condition begins Sunday, November 3. No donations will be received after Wednesday, November 6. Total proceeds support WPC local and global mission outreach efforts.

In Memoriam

On this day we remember those who have died since All Saints' Sunday last year. Included below are the names of members as well as the names of loved ones whose families requested we include in our remembrance today.

Eleanor Alexander

Erdem Atadan

Evelyn Barto

James Wilcox Brown

Peggy Cartmell

Cornelia Cates

Bob Checkel

Ann Enderle

George W. Emerich

Natalie Freeman

Jane Frelick

Dottie Gkonos

Edward Hagopian

Cappy Hanke

Gladys Means Hilley

Bill Heinsohn

Emmett Jacobs

Frederick Johnston, II

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Betty Kelley

Florence Kielar

Frances Kirkpatrick

Carolyn Kleinpeter

Bob Kline

Patsy Knepper

William Marsh

Daniel McCann

Agnes McGeehan

Francis Xavier McGraw

Fran Miersch

Andrew Moore, II

Mary Lou Nagle

Edward Oliver Pollock, Jr.

Kevin Powell

Charles Pride

Relva Reign

Frances Ripley

Sonia Sloan

Vincent P. Sullivan

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Anne Waugh

Vincent J. Wemlinger, II

Doris Yorkston

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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,
Janet Steinwedel, Barb Stratton, Mary Vane, Susan Williamson, Helen Zumsteg

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