



April 10, 2022

PALM SUNDAY

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Service of Worship – 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.

Today at Westminster

- 8:30 – 10:00 a.m.** **Food Collection** for Emmanuel Dining Room in the Westminster parking lot.
- 9:00 – 9:45 a.m.** **Worship** in the Sanctuary. See guidelines on page 5.
- 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.** **Kids Zone** in Classrooms 1 and 2. See page 6 for details.
- 10:10 – 11:00 a.m.** **God's Amazing Winged Creatures** in Community Hall. See announcement on page 6.
- 11:15 – 12:00 p.m.** **Living Mosaics Worship** in Rodney Chapel.
- 5:00 – 7:00 p. m.** **180 Youth** in Classroom 6. See page 6 for details.

Please see page 6 for information on Educational Offerings for Adults.

The Music: The fully vaccinated and masked Westminster Choir will lead our hymns. Please join us in lifting your voices in praise! After Easter, the choir will be preparing for a spring concert on Sunday, May 22, at 3 p.m. Would you like to add your voice to the Westminster Choir? Contact TonyThurman@wpc.org. Steven Heitzer, trumpet, joins us in worship today. He is a member of the Philadelphia Brass, Opera Philadelphia, Bach Festival Orchestra of Bethlehem, Reading Symphony, and Ocean City Pops Orchestra, and a frequent performer with the Delaware Symphony, Chamber Orchestra of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Ballet Orchestra, Lancaster Symphony, and the Walnut Street Theatre. The Philadelphia native received his undergraduate degree from Temple and his master's degree from the Manhattan School of Music.



Westminster has been certified as an Earth Care Congregation by the Presbyterian Church (USA) for the 12th consecutive year. This honor means we exhibit exceptional leadership in protecting God's creation and are good stewards of earth's resources through our worship, education, outreach and advocacy. Only 3% of the 9,000 Presbyterian congregations in the U.S. have earned this honored distinction.

Westminster is a Matthew 25 Congregation that strives to eradicate systemic poverty, dismantle structural racism, and build congregational vitality. The gospel calls us to actively engage in the world so that our faith comes alive.

Westminster is a member of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians whose mission 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 more just and inclusive church.

The flowers on the chancel are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Nancy Diver by her family. Her memorial service was yesterday.

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. Available dates are May 29, June 5, 19 and 26.

Westminster's Prayer Team prays for the needs of our community of faith. You may submit a prayer request by email: wpcprayerlist@gmail.com.

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- SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022

TOWER CHIME

Craig Checkel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Processional in D Major
Steven Heitzer, trumpet

David Johnson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing praises, people of God!

Hosanna to the Son of David!

Lay your cloaks before him; wave palms to honor him.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

We proclaim Jesus of Nazareth as the one who liberates us from powers that bind us.

He is the Way to everlasting life and peace.

*HYMN NO. 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Mighty God, like your children of old,
we gather to praise the King of kings and Lord of lords.
Yet, while our lips have praised him,
our steps have often led us away from him.
We have confessed him to be our Lord,
yet we have been hesitant to follow him wherever he leads.
Empower us to give our Lord more than words of praise
by sharing God's love in tangible ways. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

[Click here](#) to watch today's TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN on Westminster's YouTube channel.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 19:28-40

New Testament, page 78

ANTHEM

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Ted W. Barr, organ

Gilbert Martin

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his love.
See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen!
—Isaac Watts (1707)

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

SERMON

Gregory Knox Jones

*HYMN NO. 198

Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!

ST. DROSTANE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sudie Niesen Thompson

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 215

What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prayer of St. Gregory

Alan Hovhaness

GOING FORTH: OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES TO GOD

With gratitude for the grace we have received, we go forth from worship to offer our energy, our hands, and a portion of our income in service to God. A tangible way we respond to Christ's call is by giving our financial gifts to further God's mission in the world. You may mail a check to the church or make an online offering to support the many ministries of Westminster Presbyterian Church by clicking "Donate Now" on the homepage of our website (www.wpc.org).

SOURCES AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The resources for children attached at the end of the online bulletin are provided by Illustrated Ministry. Please print them to participate in this service or for family devotions throughout the week.

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NEW COVID-19 Mask Policy and Safety Measures

Updated March 29, 2022

Mask Policy and Sanctuary Seating

The side transepts and the first five pews in the center section of the sanctuary (the “nave”) are open seating and mask optional. You may sit where you wish in these sections. Please access these sections via the lectern-side transept door off the main hallway. Masks and social distancing are required in the back part of the nave and the balcony. Masks must fully cover the nose and mouth and be worn at all times in these sections. Please access these sections through the Narthex (behind the screen at the rear of the sanctuary). Ushers at the sanctuary entrances will be available to direct you to your preferred section. The choir will wear their masks when singing, but may remove them when they are not singing. Everyone is still required to wear masks in the remainder of the building. This includes Rodney Chapel, the main hallway, restrooms, classrooms, and Community Hall. This is to protect our young children who are not eligible for a vaccine and those who are immunocompromised. Again, masks must fully cover the nose and mouth.

Safety Measures

We are committed to your safety during the pandemic. No-touch hand sanitizing stations are located near the doors and in the hallways. The sanctuary, Rodney Chapel, the main hallway and the staff wing are all equipped with the same high grade air filters as in hospitals plus air purifying devices that use needle-point bi-polar ionization on the air handlers that operate in these areas. These devices break down viruses, bacteria, mold, allergens, smoke, and odors in the air. These devices, along with the fact that we have a very high vaccination rate among our worshippers, makes Westminster one of the safest environments you can find.

CONFIRMATION CLASS 2021–2022 SERVICE PROJECT

Through April 16

*Thank
you*

Through April 16, the Confirmation Class of 2022 is asking for donations toward the Hanover Food Closet. Items may include:

- Bath and hygiene supplies
- Toiletries
- Feminine hygiene products
- Infant formula, wipes, and diapers
- Cleaning and laundry supplies.

All donations can be placed inside the bins located at the church entrances.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity!



EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS

You can find virtual Christian education and small group opportunities on the homepage of the Westminster website (www.wpc.org) and discover other Education Offerings for Adults on [YouTube](#).

Kids Zone – Sundays at 9 a.m. – Classrooms 1 and 2

We are excited to share our new Kids Zone program. Children ages 4 to 11 are invited to join us in Classroom 1 at 9 a.m. (parents may attend the 9 a.m. worship service). Kids Zone includes a welcome time, songs, Bible story, games, crafts, snack, and much more. Masks are required for all students and teachers. We will socially-distance during snack time.

"Psalms Alive!" – Sundays at 10:15 a.m. – Grace Hall

"Psalms Alive!" will return on April 24; see you in two weeks! Please come see God's Amazing Winged Creatures – see announcement below.

180 Youth – Sundays from 5 to 7 p.m. – Meet in Classroom 6

Calling all 6th to 12th graders! Come on out to 180 this Sunday night at WPC! There will be games, dinner, and small groups! You don't want to miss it! See you there! For more information about 180 Youth Ministry for grades 6 to 12, email tommyjneilson@gmail.com.

Online Bible Study

Midweek Manna Bible Study – Wednesdays at Noon on Zoom

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89503349345?pwd=SlJrY2V2Y2tYa3JWQXk5ak1iZU1ldz09>

The Midweek Manna Bible Study, facilitated by the Rev. Sudie Niesen Thompson, is reading through Luke's Gospel. New faces always welcome.

Peace and Justice Thursday Evening Education Event

On Thursday, April 14, we will not host our regular weekly education event. Instead, we invite you to join us for Westminster's Maundy Thursday worship service at 7 p.m. (see the last page). Join the Peace & Justice Work Group again on April 21 for our next education event! See this week's *Weekly Word* e-newsletter for details.

God's Amazing Winged Creatures: AN INTERACTIVE EXPERIENCE

Sunday, April 10
10:10 a.m. in Community Hall



Experience and appreciate God's amazing winged creatures! Join us today for a visit from Phung Luu and his birds. Phung Luu is owner/operator of Animal Behavior and Conservation Connections. Our goal is to help Westminster members and children realize their intimate and spiritual connection to the natural world by experiencing the wonder of these birds. Author and environmental activist Thomas Berry said: *We need the sun, the moon, the stars, the rivers, and the mountains and birds, the fish in the sea, to evoke a world of mystery, to evoke the sacred.*

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The Rev. Jill Getty, Pastoral Care Assistant

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Holy Week AT WESTMINSTER

PALM/PASSION (TODAY)

Worship – 9:00 a.m. (Sanctuary) and 11:15 a.m. (Rodney Chapel)

Palm Sunday begins the final week in the life of Jesus. The Westminster Choir, joined by trumpet and organ, will herald Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Join us in person or watch the 9 a.m. service live on our [YouTube channel](#).

MAUNDY THURSDAY (APRIL 14)

Worship – 7 p.m. (Sanctuary)

The service includes scripture passages recounting the Passion and death of Christ, told by our Biblical Storytellers, *Westminster By Heart*, with stirring music by the Westminster Choir and organ. Join us in person or watch live on our [YouTube channel](#).

EASTER VIGIL (APRIL 16)

Worship – 5 p.m. (begins on Westminster's front lawn)

Since the early days of the church, Christians have gathered on the eve of Easter to remember God's work throughout time, beginning with creation and culminating in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Join us for a family-friendly worship service on this Saturday evening as we tell the story of God's love for us, receive our Confirmation Class into membership, and celebrate communion. Please note: The Easter Vigil is a traveling service and includes opportunities for congregational participation, so comfortable clothes and shoes are recommended! Join us in person or watch live on our [YouTube channel](#). The livestream of the Easter Vigil service will begin when the congregation enters the sanctuary (approximately 5:10 p.m.).

EASTER SUNDAY (APRIL 17)

Worship – 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. (Sanctuary)

Christ is risen! Join us for festive worship services celebrating Christ's triumphant resurrection, with an inspirational sermon by Dr. Jones and joyous music led by the Westminster Choir, the Philadelphia Brass, percussion, and organ. Craig Checkel and Susan Spilecki will play Easter hymns on the tower chime before and after the services. Join us in person or watch the 9 a.m. service live on our [YouTube channel](#).

Easter Celebration – 10 a.m.

See announcement below.

Easter Celebration!

**Sunday, April 17
10–11 a.m.**

The WPC Deacons are excited to host an Easter Celebration on the church lawn between the two worship services!

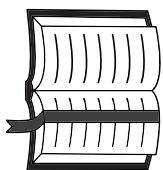
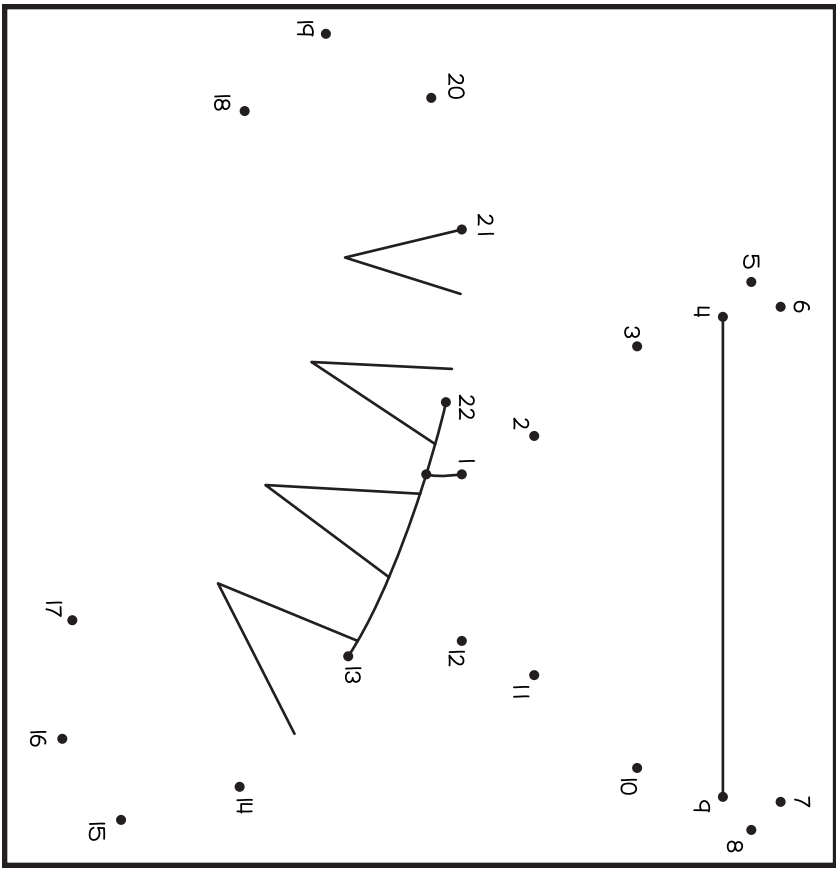
Lawn Games • Mini Bounce House for Younger Children • Easter Egg Hunt for All Ages

The Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 10:15 a.m. for ages 4 and under, followed by a hunt for ages 5–8, and then a hunt for ages 9 and older. We will have bags for anyone to decorate, but of course you are welcome to bring your own basket. If you aren't up for games, just stop by to reconnect or make new friends! Donuts, muffins, bananas, and beverages (coffee, tea, juice, and water) will be served for your enjoyment. We hope to see you there!



CONNECT the DOTS

In the Last Supper, Jesus shared a loaf of bread and cup of wine with his closest friends to show his love. Connect the dots to form the bread and cup. Inside, write or draw some ways you feel Jesus' love for you and those around you.

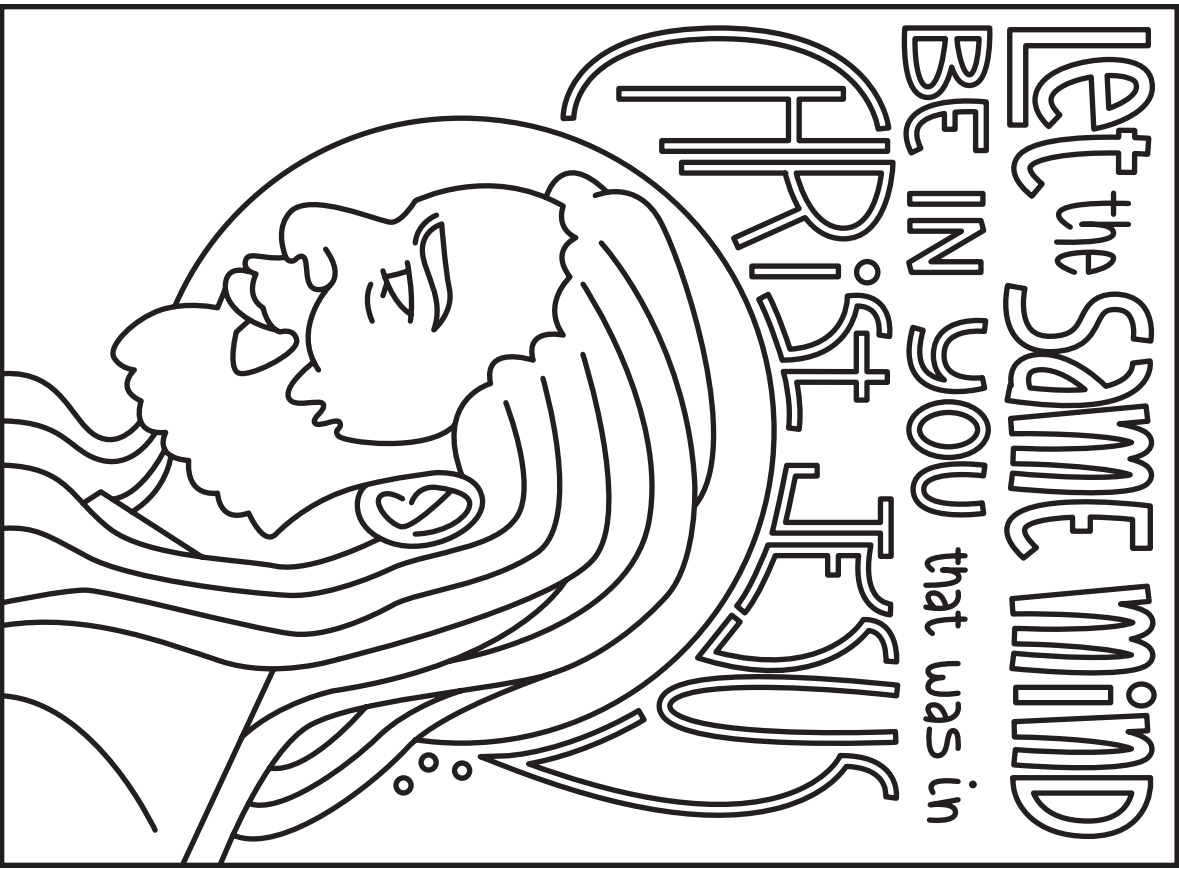


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CHILDREN'S WORSHIP • BULLETIN

Activities based on Psalm 3:19-16, Philippians 2:5-11, Luke 22:14-38.





DRAW IT

Luke 22 describes the Last Supper Jesus had with his disciples. Imagine what this looked like and draw yourself sitting at the table with all of them. How would you feel?

WORD SEARCH

Try to find the words from Psalm 31 in the word search below. Words may go diagonal, up OR down and forward OR backward.

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E F N O W E T R U S T S I P U
M A I B Y G R A C I O U S O O
Q C H O N T E I D I U T A Y S
A E S M I N D A N U T Y P W Q
U Z R P J A G S D S S T Y N P
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