



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Service of Worship **5th Sunday of Easter** **May 19, 2019** **10:00 a.m.**

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
Soloist/Section Leaders: Hye Eun Choi, Sharon Babcock,
Jason Berger, Brenton Mattox

YOUTH LEADERS

Tommy Neilson
Josh Cox, Chris Hickey, Emily Knepper, Molly McPheeters

DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

Colleen Falasco

DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES AND SECURITY

Paul Crothamel

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

Deacon Team of the Month

Beatty Chadwick, Teisha Fooks, Dan McAllister, Blair McConnel, Emily Pfaff, Ann Shadduck,
Martha Spaethling, Lisa Stoddard, Debbie Wise

9:45 – 12:00 p.m. Nursery in Preschool Suite D

10:00 – 10:55 a.m. Worship

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

❖ **Sunday School** - Following TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN, children age 2 through 2nd grade may leave for Sunday School in the Preschool Suite C.

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

Later Today

11:00 a.m. Peace and Justice Workgroup Classroom 5

11:15 a.m. Flying Solo Brunch 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.

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 the Rodney Chapel and Meeting Room after the service. Ask someone to show you the way!

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and are given by Amy and Paul Bickhart in celebration of the marriage of their daughter, Erica, to Greg Berger on Saturday, May 18.

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 May 26; June 30; and July 21, 28.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Recently hospitalized:** Anne Marsh and Natalie Freeman (hospice care).
- ❖ **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 Tee Jay King, Evelyn Measley, and Jay Ritter 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.

WORSHIP NOTES

Guest Musicians for this morning's service:

Violin I:	Robin Mayforth, Lisa Vaupel, Irina Schuck
Violin II:	Catherine Kei Fukuda, Lee Seula, Natasha Colkett
Cello:	Lawrence Stomberg, Mark Ward
Bass:	Douglas Mapp
Oboes:	Merideth Hite Estevez, Lloyd Shorter

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

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.

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



Upcoming Sunday Worship Schedule

May 26

One service at **10:00 a.m.** in the sanctuary

Beginning June 2 (summer schedule)

Service in Rodney Chapel at **8:15 a.m.**
Service in the sanctuary at **10:00 a.m.**

ORDER OF WORSHIP

TOWER CHIME

Sue Spilecki

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

All of the choral music for this morning's service is by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart – his Coronation Mass in C major, K. 317, prepared and presented for us this morning by our dedicated Westminster Choir and soloists. The work was composed in 1779 and most likely first heard on Easter Sunday at the Salzburg Cathedral.

PRELUDE

KYRIE

Kyrie eleison,
Christe eleison,
Kyrie eleison.

*Lord have mercy,
Christ have mercy,
Lord have mercy.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather in this sacred space to worship God
**whose standards are right,
whose commandments are clear,
and whose judgments are true.**

We come to have our hearts stirred and our eyes opened wide.

**May our words, thoughts and actions
be in harmony with God's will.**

*HYMN No. 620

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

LAUDA ANIMA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Mighty God, we become so accustomed to our way of life,
that we forget who makes it possible.
We are so eager for more possessions
that we wander away from the life of faith.
Forgive us for considering ourselves more worthy than others
to enjoy your bounty,
and for looking down on those who appear less industrious.
Forgive us for turning away from the plight of our neighbors,
and for failing to extend our hospitality or to offer our help.
In your great mercy, melt our hardened hearts
and correct our misguided thinking,
so that we may experience the joyful life that comes from giving to others. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

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

GLORIA

Gloria in excelsis Deo.
Et in terra pax
hominibus bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.
Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.
Gratias agimus tibi
propter magnam gloriam tuam.
Domine Deus, Rex coelestis,
Deus Pater omnipotens.
Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.
Domine Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
Miserere nobis.
Qui tollis peccata mundi,
suscipe deprecationem nostram.
Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris,
Miserere nobis.
Quoniam tu solus Sanctus.
Tu solus Dominus.
Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe.
Cum Sancto Spiritu
in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

*Glory to God in the highest.
And on earth peace
to all those of good will.
We praise thee. We bless thee.
We worship thee. We glorify thee.
We give thanks to thee
according to thy great glory.
Lord God, Heavenly King,
God the Father almighty.
Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father.
Thou who takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou who takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou who sittest at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy upon us.
For Thou alone art holy.
Thou alone art the Lord.
Thou alone art the most high, Jesus Christ.
With the Holy Spirit
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

PASSING THE PEACE

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Sue Spilecki

Children through 2nd grade may leave for Sunday School, or they may remain in worship.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 13:21-35

New Testament, page 94
Nancy Fleming, Lay Reader

SERMON

Greg Jones

CREDO

Credo in unum Deum,
Patrem omnipotentem,
factorem coeli et terrae,
visibilium omnium, et invisibilium.
Et in unum Dominum Jesum Christum,
Filius Dei unigenitum.
Et ex Patre natum ante omnia saecula.
Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine,
Deum verum de Deo vero.
Genitum, non factum,
consubstantialem Patri:
per quem omnia facta sunt.
Qui propter nos homines,
et propter nostrum salutem
descendit de caelis.

Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto
ex Maria Virgine: et homo factus est.
Crucifixus etiam pro nobis sub Pontio Pilato:
passus, et sepultus est.

*I believe in one God,
The Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
and of all things, visible and invisible.
And I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
True God from true God.
Begotten, not made,
of one substance with the Father
by whom all things were made.
Who for us
and for our salvation
came down from heaven.

And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit
of the Virgin Mary. And was made man.
Crucified also for us under Pontious Pilate,
he suffered, and was buried.*

Et resurrexit tertia die,
secundum Scripturas.
Et ascendit in coelum:
sedet ad dexteram Patris.
Et iterum venturus est cum gloria,
judicare vivos et mortuos:
cujus regni non erit finis.
Et in Spiritum Sanctum
Dominum, et vivificantem:
qui ex Patre Filioque procedit.
Qui cum Patre et Filio
simul adoratur et conglorificatur:
qui locutus est per Prophetas.
Et unam, sanctam, catholicam
et apostolicam Ecclesiam.
Confiteor unum baptismum
in remissionem peccatorum.
Et expecto resurrectionem mortuorum.
Et vitam venturi saeculi. Amen.

*And on the third day he rose again,
according to the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
He shall come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead;
and of his kingdom there will be no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and Giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son
who together with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who spoke through the Prophets.
And I believe in one, holy, catholic
and Apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism
for the remission of sins.
I await the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

OFFERTORY

SANCTUS/BENEDICTUS

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus,
Dominus Deus Sabaoth.
Pleni sunt coeli et terra
gloria tua.
Hosanna in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit
in nomine Domini.
Hosanna in excelsis.

*Holy, Holy, Holy,
Lord God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full
of thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.*

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION:

CONFIRMATION CLASS LEADERSHIP TEAM:

Sue Spilecki, Diane Chandler, Mike Gnade, Jr., Sandy Wermus

PRESENTATION OF CONFIRMANDS

Susan Williamson

Lillian Elizabeth Holmes, Anna Marian Thomas, Kristian Luther Tolbert,
Jackson Layman Trickey, Schuyler Andrew van Amerongen

QUESTIONS FOR THE CONFIRMANDS

Sue Spilecki and Sandy Wermus

Do you confess that Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior, the one we trust to lead us in the ways of God? Do you?

Do you reject all behaviors and attitudes that alienate you from God and neighbor?
Do you?

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, striving for peace and justice among all people, protecting and restoring the integrity of God's creation, and showing Christ's love in all you say and do?
Will you?

Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, sharing in its worship and ministry through your prayers, gifts, study and service? Will you?

Will you who witness these vows support and pray for these young people as they continue their faith journey alongside us as full members of the Westminster Church community?
We will.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Sudie Niesen Thompson

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

*HYMN NO. 317

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

MC KEE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

AGNUS DEI

Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei,
qui tollis peccata mundi:
dona nobis pacem.

*Lamb of God,
who takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God,
who takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God,
who takest away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.*

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, Jenn Blackford, 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.

PLEASE JOIN US IN RODNEY CHAPEL FOR COFFEE AND TEA

THURSDAY EVENING ADULT EDUCATION: GNOSTIC GOSPELS

Thursday, June 6

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in Rodney Chapel



The Gnostic Gospels and the Gospel of Thomas
with Alan Fox, University of Delaware Professor Philosophy and Religion

The "Gnostic" Gospels are a collection of non-canonical texts, which – like the canonical Gospels of Mark, Matthew, Luke, and John – are narratives testifying to the Messiah-ship of Jesus. We will consider the reasoning behind the early Church's decision to include the familiar four and exclude the rest. We will contextualize the texts by establishing the history and significance of Gnosticism as it existed before and after the rise of Christianity. Free admission; good will offering applied towards speaker honorarium. For more information and to register, visit www.cil-de.org.

2018-2019 Confirmation Class

Confirmation Leadership Team: Sue Spilecki, Diane Chandler, Mike Gnade, and Sandy Wermus
Special class member: Rudy (Sue's "First Responder" dog)

<u>Name of Confirmand</u>	<u>Date of Baptism</u>	<u>Parish Partner</u>
Kathryn Eleanor Dietz	August 13, 2006	Kristen Marvel
Lilian Mason Gerstenschlager	September 19, 2004	Jan Patrick
Colin John Harron	September 11, 2005	Craig Stabler
Katherine Elizabeth Harron	April 13, 2003	Melissa Stabler
Lillian Elizabeth Holmes	December 14, 2008	Sue Weissinger
Colin Murphy Keenan	August 8, 2004	Jack Michener
Margaret Mae Kunz	June 22, 2003	Sara Dubberly
Melissa Katherine Kunz	June 22, 2003	Tammy Daley
Olivia Annette Langlois	February 1, 2004	Bunny Michener
Gregory Charles Mathé	April 10, 2005	Roger Atkins
Aiden Alan McCulloch	February 1, 2004	Tom Hogue
Annika Grace Pfaff	April 4, 2004	Nancy Fleming
Logan Andrew Piercy	May 9, 2004	Josh Thomas
Tucker Wyatt Poff	March 6, 2005	Barry Cobb
Alexa Grace Psaros	October 24, 2004	Susan McPheeters
Baden Robert Saathoff	December 21, 2003	Chad Chandler
Maxim Michael Steiner	January 1, 2004	Don Furry
Anna Marian Thomas	June 15, 2003	Brenda Bilous
Kristian Luther Tolbert	June 27, 2005	Mark Mosher
Jackson Layman Trickey	November 2, 2003	Joe Daley
Ellery VanLenten Underhill	August 1, 2004	Zora Stevens
Schuyler Andrew van Amerongen	November 9, 2003	Rick Suarez
Campbell Elizabeth Zehner	January 9, 2005	Nicole Fox