



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 9, 2024



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 (U.S.A.)
An Earth Care Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
A Matthew 25 Church of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
A Stephen Ministry Congregation

TODAY AT WESTMINSTER

9:15 – 10:45 a.m. **Nursery Care** for infants and toddlers in Preschool Suite D

9:30 – 10:30 a.m. **Worship** in the Sanctuary

Time with Our Children (approximately 9:45 a.m.)

The young and young-at-heart are invited to join the worship leader at the front of the sanctuary. Following the TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN, young ones through second grade may be escorted to Children's Programming or they are welcome to remain in worship.

Children's Programming (9:50 – 10:30 a.m.)

- Children age 2 through second grade in Preschool Suite Room C

10:30 – 11:00 a.m. **Graduate Recognition** in Rodney Chapel and the Meeting Room
Enjoy cake and iced tea in honor of our recent graduates.

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. **Memorial Service** for Judy Herdeg in the Sanctuary

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. **Philadelphia Brass Concert** in the Sanctuary

4:00 – 5:00 p.m. **Reception** following the concert in Rodney Chapel

For descriptions of our programs for children and youth, visit wpc.org/children-youth.

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Guest Preacher: We welcome back to our pulpit the Rev. Dr. Randall Clayton. Randy recently retired after serving several Presbyterian churches in Delaware and in Baltimore, and was Interim Associate Pastor at Westminster a few years ago.

The Music: The text of today's anthem is a call for the unity of all people to become one loving family of faith. We care for God's creation and for ourselves when we cultivate love and inclusion. The imagery of the circle reminds us that it has no borders; all points are the same distance from the center. Would you like to add your voice to the Westminster Choir this month? Rehearsals are on Sunday mornings at 8:30. For more information and to participate, contact TonyThurman@wpc.org or speak with him after the service.

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of the Rev. Chad Miller and his brother, Chris, by their family. Consider giving the flowers for Sunday worship to remember or honor loved ones or to celebrate an event. Please contact Linda Watson at (302) 571-6719 or lwatson@ycst.com.

Westminster's Prayer Team prays for the needs of our community. Please submit your prayer request to wpcprayerlist@gmail.com or online at wpc.org/care-support.

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~ YOUTH ART DISPLAY IN THE HALLWAY ~

Pacem in Terris' 2024–2025 Traveling Peace Youth Art exhibitions are appearing in public spaces across Delaware. Seventy-five works from a spectacular collection of 600 pieces were chosen to be divided into groups and displayed at 22 locations, such as churches, hospitals, theaters, court houses, libraries, etc. These works were created by more than 650 young artists (ages 5 to 18) at more than 30 schools and community centers. Collectively, they bring an energetic and hopeful vision of what peace looks like in a youth's imagination. Westminster is privileged to host in June and July. Please slow down in our main hallway and take a look!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

~ Passages in **bold** print may be spoken by all. At the asterisk (*) please stand in body or rise in spirit. ~

TOWER CHIME

Craig Checkel

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

With Grateful Heart I Thank You, Lord

Mary Kay Beall
arr. John Carter

CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 138

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;

before the gods I sing your praise;

I bow down and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness;

for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.

For though God is great,

God regards the lowly.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,

God preserves me

and God's steadfast love endures forever.

Amen and Amen.

*HYMN No. 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION†

Gracious God,

our sins are too heavy to carry,

to real to hide,

and too deep to undo.

Forgive what our lips tremble to name,

what our hearts can no longer bear,

and what has become for us

a consuming fire of judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change;

open to us a future in which we can be changed;

and grant us grace

to grow more and more in your likeness and image;

through Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

(See "Today at Westminster" on page 2)

Karen Asenavage

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 3:20-35

New Testament, page 32

ANTHEM

Draw the Circle Wide

Mark A. Miller

Draw the circle wide, draw it wider still.
Let this be our song: no one stands alone.
Standing side by side, draw the circle wide.
— Gordon Light

SERMON

Randall Clayton

*HYMN NO. 203

Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

CHEREPONI

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

The Gift of Love

Hal Hopson
arr. John Carter

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Janet Steinwedel

THE 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. 700

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'M GONNA LIVE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

God of Grace and God of Glory

Paul Manz

**Following worship, please join us for iced tea and cake
in the Meeting Room as we celebrate our 2024 graduates.**

New to Westminster? Welcome! We're so glad you're here. If you are joining us for the first time, please introduce yourself via our contact form on the [I'm New](#) page of our website or scan this QR code to get there from your mobile device. We look forward to getting to know you.



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The Rev. Dr. Gregory Knox Jones, Head of Staff
The Rev. Jill Getty, Pastoral Care Assistant

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Cole Walker, Choral Assistant for Children and Youth

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Visit wpc.org/staff-leadership for a full listing of Westminster's staff and leadership.



Save the Date! Summer Brunch

Sunday, June 23 • 10:30 a.m. • Walton Community Hall

Brunch + Friends + YOU = A great kick-off to the summer season! Join us for our Summer Brunch on June 23 after the 9:30 a.m. worship service for delicious food prepared by our Deacons and fabulous fellowship with church family and visitors.

ADULT EDUCATION

ONGOING/WEEKLY

Online Bible Studies

Midweek Manna Bible Study
Wednesdays | 12 p.m. | Zoom

Contact: Robin Rosser
(rlrosser@aol.com)

Thursday Evening Bible Study
Thursdays | 6–7 p.m. | Zoom
Facilitators: Randy Williamson
(randywilliamson1@comcast.net)
and Mary Anne Peters

Peace and Justice Thursday Evening Education Event

Juneteenth: Faith & Freedom
*PBS video and discussion on how
Juneteenth reveals a resilient hope
that empowered the formerly
enslaved to fight for freedom*

June 13 | 7 p.m. | Zoom
Zoom link: bit.ly/peace-justice-zoom
Hosted by our Peace & Justice Work Group.
zoom.us/join | Meeting ID: 860 2752 1655

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our programs and more
adult education and small
group opportunities, visit
WPC.ORG/ADULTS or
check our events calendar
at WPC.ORG/EVENTS.
Select adult education
programs are available as
a livestream/recording on
our [YouTube channel](#).

Faith in Action: Christian Approaches to Peacebuilding in Palestine/Israel

Special guest at Westminster on Sunday, June 16



Westminster is pleased to welcome the [Rev. Dr. Mae Elise Cannon](#), Executive Director of Churches for Middle East Peace (CMEP), on June 16, when she will preach at our 9:30 a.m. service followed by a presentation at 10:45. CMEP is a coalition of more than 35 national Christian denominations working to actively promote just, lasting, and comprehensive resolutions to conflicts in the Middle East. Dr. Cannon will discuss the events that have unfolded in the Holy Land since October 7. She will share her thoughts on the war in Gaza and what it means for people of faith to pursue peace and advocate for justice in Israeli/Palestine. Join us to hear her perspective on this heart-wrenching situation.

High School Graduates

Emma Joan Burkhardt, daughter of Steve and Robin Burkhardt. Newark Charter School, Newark, DE. Emma will be attending the nursing program at the University of Delaware.

Reuben Constantine Busick-White, son of Pamela White and Kristina Busick. Odyssey Charter High School, Wilmington, DE. Reuben will attend University of Southern California, Marshall School of Business.

Campbell Collins, son Bryan and Megan Collins. Agnes Irwin High School. Campbell will attend SMU Cox School of Business.

Adelaide Kilday Etshman, daughter of Eric and Sarah Etshman. Avon Grove High School, Avon Grove, PA. Adelaide will attend Penn State University to study Environmental Science.

Megumi Field, granddaughter of Mary Field. California High School on-line schooling. Megumi will attend Stanford University.

Ava Marie Herring, daughter of Stephanie Burris-White. Odyssey Charter High School, Wilmington, DE. Ava will attend Goldey Beacom College to study Psychology.

Andrew Holmes, son of Richard and Laura Holmes. Mount Pleasant High School, Wilmington, DE – he is one of thealedictorians for his Senior Class. Andrew will attend Purdue University to study Aerospace Engineering.

Ivy Catherine Qualls, daughter of David and LeeAnn Qualls and granddaughter of Kris and Spencer Qualls. The Tatnall School, Wilmington, DE. Ivy will attend Clemson University.

Evelyn Saathoff, daughter of Carrie and Shawn Saathoff and granddaughter of Judy and Bob Stoddard. Kennett High School, Kennett Square, PA. Evelyn will attend Penn State University Main Campus to study Civil Engineering.

Elizabeth “Eliza” Grace Carey Shearer, daughter of Russell and Michelle Shearer. Georgetown Visitation High School. Eliza will attend Georgetown University.

University Graduates

Ainsley Breann Albert, daughter of Rich and Taryn Albert. Bachelor of Science in Nursing, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA. Ainsley plans to stay in Pittsburgh and work at the UPMC Children’s Hospital.

Ethan Paul and Tristan Erik Bradley, sons of Erick and Cindy Bradley. Bachelor of Arts from Bowdoin College. Ethan will be attending law school 2025; Tristan will be pursuing a Master’s program in Business.

Dana M. Crytser, granddaughter of Ruth and Bill Nace. Eastman School of Music with a Master of Music in Flute Performance.

John DuBois Dietz, son of Karen Friedman and Peter Dietz. Bachelor of Arts in Public Policy with a minor in Music. The College of William and Mary.

Benjamin Riley Fischer, son of Matt and Jessica Fischer and grandson of Margo and Gary Ramage. MBA, ESADE Business School, Barcelona Spain. Ben will be living in Santa Cruz, Bolivia.

Nathan Glenn Gerstenschlager, son of Jen Barrington and Mark Gerstenschlager. Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies and Anthropology from Washington College, Chestertown, MD. Glenn has a Fellowship with Bureau of Land Management Burns Oregon District.

Emily Mackay Haas, daughter of Keith and Heather Haas. Master of Music in Education, University of Delaware. Emily plans to work in Delaware.

Christopher Richard Hickey, son of Jon and Jamie Hickey. MBA, West Chester University. Christopher will continue to work at Chemours as a Communications Manager.

Daniel Thomas Kennan, son of Kathleen and Robert Kennan. Bachelor of Arts in Economics and International Relations, University of Delaware. Daniel will stay in Delaware and complete an internship with Mass Mutual Financial Group.

Luke Kneeland Máthé, son of David and Jennifer Waldburger Máthé, brother of Greg Máthé and grandson of former members Anne and Frank Waldburger. Double major in Systems Engineering and Economics from University of Virginia.

Ryan See-yun McDowell, grandson of Charles and Mary Lou McDowell. Bachelor of Arts from Princeton University. Ryan will intern with Princeton Evangelical Fellowship.

Theodore Robert Russell, son of Kristin and Les Russell and grandson of Gregory and Camilla Jones. Bachelor of Science in Sports Management and Entertainment, Cum Laude University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC. Theodore plans to work in Greenville, SC for ScanSource.

Hugh Bergquist Van Lenten Underhill, son of Claudia Van Lenten and Erik Underhill, brother of Ellery Underhill, grandson of Lois Underhill and nephew of Tom Underhill. Bachelor of Arts in Mathematical Economic Analysis and Sport Management, Rice University. Hugh will be working in Houston, TX as a Consultant.

Cole Walker, son of Kelly and Patrick Walker. Bachelor of Music in Education from University of Delaware. He plans to work in secondary music education.

Philadelphia Brass in Concert at Westminster

Today | 3 p.m.

Join us in person or via livestream!



The Philadelphia Brass, Westminster's ensemble in residence, will bring our closing concert of the season in a program of works by Bach, Handel, and Massenet. Be prepared to get your toes tapping to the music of Duke Ellington, George Gershwin, and Jerome Kern. A free-will offering will be collected to support Westminster's Music Fund. Suggested contribution: \$20. All are invited to join us in person or livestream at wpc.org/watch or directly on Westminster's [YouTube channel](#).

Following the concert, a reception will be held in Rodney Chapel, where you can enjoy wine and cheese or a non-alcoholic beverage and visit with the performing artists.