

W E S T M I N S T E R PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COMMUNION SUNDAY 10 July 2022 + 10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Voluntary Allegretto

Eric Thiman

*Ringing of the Bell

The congregation rises at the ringing of the Tower Bell.

*Call to Worship

Psalm 8

Leader: Teach us your way, O God;

People: show us your great mercy.

Leader: Teach us to be good neighbors,
showing mercy to one another.

Leader: Let us worship God.

*Hymn 749

Come, Live in the Light

We are Called

*Prayer of Confession

Faithful and loving God, we confess that we have not lived in faith and love. You show us the measure of justice, but we seek to tip the scales in our favor. Forgive us, God of grace. Let us lead lives that are pleasing to you, growing in faith and knowledge and bearing fruit in every good work; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Hear now our silent prayers of confession.

*Sung Response

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Hymnal, Back Cover

*Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Response of Praise Gloria Patri

Hymnal, Back Cover

Youth Mission Trip Commissioning

Congregational Response

Listen, listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting, offering forgiveness, comfort, and joy.

Students in grades Pre-K – 2 will go to Sunday school class during the Congregational Response.

First Scripture Reading Amos 7:7-10

Pew Bible, OT pages 855

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 10:25-37

Pew Bible, NT pages 71-72

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Meditation A

A Plumb Line Question Rev. Dr. Blythe D. Kieffer

Text: "But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, 'And who

is my neighbor?" Luke 10:29

Solo It Is Well with My Soul

Philip P. Bliss

The text for the solo is 840 in the hymnal

RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS

*Prayer of Welcome

We, as a church of Jesus Christ, lovingly receive you to our communion. We welcome you to this fellowship with us, in the blessings of the gospel, and we promise to treat you with Christian affection, to watch over you with tenderness, and to offer our prayers on your behalf.

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn

We All Are One in Mission

Es flog ein kleins Waldvögelein

We are all one in mission; we all are one in call, our varied gifts united by Christ, the Lord of all.

A single, great commission compels us from above to plan and work together that all may know Christ's love.

The Presentation and Dedication of Our Gifts

At this time all worshipers are asked to sign and pass the Ministry of Friendship folders at the end of each pew.

Offertory

Voluntary in c-minor

Maurice Greene

*Offertory Response

Doxology

Hymnal, 606

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

People: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

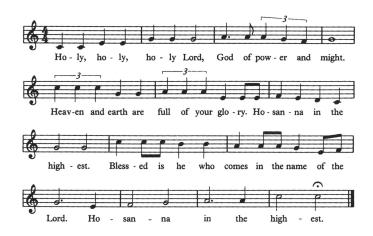
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and

praise...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever

sing to the glory of your name:

The people sing:



Leader: You are holy, O God of majesty...Accept this, our sacrifice

of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified

and risen. Great is the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and

upon these your gifts of bread and wine...Hear now the

prayer Christ taught us to pray, saying:

Words of Institution

Distribution of Elements

The elements are served without interruption. Partake of the bread as you receive it and hold the cup until all have been served so that we may symbolize our unity in Christ.

Music at the Communion

Improvisation

*Prayer after Communion

Merciful God, in Jesus Christ you have shown us what it means to love you with our whole being and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Help us to show your mercy to those who are in trouble or need, so that all may have a share in the fullness of life you offer. Amen.

*Hymn 515 I Come with Joy

Dove of Peace

*Charge and Benediction

*Voluntary Postlude

Théodore Dubois

(*) The congregation is invited to stand.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY AT WESTMINSTER

- Sunday Liturgist: Rev. Christian K. Choi
- Greeters: Linda and Bill Schlosser
- Communion Prep Team: Bill Deemer, Mary Ray, Carol Bloemer, Ann Collins, Priscilla and Tim Kluge, Elisabeth and Mark Luttrell, Krista Steller
- Elders Serving Communion: Jim Kontio (Lead), Aaron Berkowitz, Peter Kieffer, Dave Leonatti, Lynn McMenamin, Michael Morthland, Bryce Pound, Mary Ray, Karen Sherrick, Krista Steller, Eleanor VanDeventer, Pete VanGieson
- Ushers: Jim Parker (Head Usher), Braden Barton, Sophia Choi, Erin Ekstedt, Rachael Hickman, Mia Marcy, Susan Shaw, Bob Stuart
- **Safety Team:** Dick Cordier
- Music: Eleanor VanDeventer, soprano, Lyle, VanDeventer, bass, Dale Rogers, organ
- Videographers: Bob Fox and Krista Steller

EDUCATION AND FELLOWSHIP THIS SUNDAY AT WESTMINSTER

- 9:30 a.m. New Members Received by Session (Libray)
- 9:30 a.m. 12 noon Infants, toddlers, 2- & 3-year-olds (Nursery) gather for play, songs, and Bible stories. Caregivers: Leigh Milward, Caroline Haynor
- 10:00 11:00 a.m. Children Pre-K Grade 2 begin in worship with their families & go to Summer Sunday school in the Third Floor Chapel following the Children's Sermon for Summer Sunday school. The story this week is: The Sower. *Teacher: Karen Sherrick*
- 11:30 a.m. Youth Mission Trip Departure (Parking Lot)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS. Information about who we are can be found on our website at www.wpcspi.org. Please complete the Ministry of Friendship folder located on the end of each pew. If you are interested in joining Westminster, speak to one of our pastors.

NEW MEMBERS were received this morning at a Special Session meeting. We welcome:

Georgina Hudspeth by Letter of Transfer from St. James Episcopal Church in LaGrange, TX. *Her sponsor is Kathy Moore.*

Ann Kelson by Letter of Transfer from First Presbyterian Church in Springfield, IL. Her sponsor is Brownie Anderson.

Glenna Kniss by Letter of Transfer from First Presbyterian church in Springfield, IL. *Her sponsors are Dr. Roy Wehrle and Vonnie Hinesley.*

Dr. Vena Long by Letter of Transfer from United Church of Christ in Columbia, MO. *Her sponsor is Dr. Mike Nenaber.*

Barry F. Denham by Reaffirmation of Faith. His sponsor is Dr. Peter Kieffer.

THE 2022 YOUTH MISSION TRIP: JULY 10-16

Thirteen youth will be commissioned during the 10:00 a.m. worship service today. They depart following worship and join adult mentors **Suzanne Borland, Cathy Brower, Bill Deemer, Amanda Kurmann,** and **Mary Ray** led by **Rev. Christian Choi** (Associate Pastor for Parish Life) on a mission to Madisonville, KY.

Braden Barton Jeffery Elms Carter Magalis
Jessica Borland Luke Elston Samantha Magalis
Emily Brower JT First Bryce Pound
Aerwyna Eastvold Clayton Kurmann Matthew Scott

Kristianna Eastvold

They will work with Hopkins County Emergency Management Agency and Long-Term Recovery Committee to assist in the rebuilding effort in Bremen, Barnsley, or Dawson Springs, KY, three cities which experienced devastation from the December 2021 tornado that swept through western Kentucky. The WPC youth are grateful for the congregation's continued support and prayers and look forward to leading worship on Sunday, July 17.

WESTMINSTER SUMMER CHOIR The Westminster Summer Choir will meet on Thursday, July 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Room to prepare for the 10:00 a.m. service on **Sunday**, **July 17**.

LITTLE PANTRY NEEDS MINISTRY PARTNERS - Please contact Jeanne or Pete VanGieson at 217-652-1310 and they will arrange for you to be mentored and schedule a day for you to help.

DMA (DON'T MENTION AGE) will meet **Friday**, **July 15** with a 6:30 p.m. potluck and a 7:15 p.m. program. Joe Crain will provide the program "Behind the Scenes of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library." Please bring a side dish to share. Please RSVP with our weekly email link, website, or by emailing or calling the church office.

SOUND CELEBRATION CHORUS AND LAND OF LINCOLN CHORUS present an outdoor concert Saturday, July 10 at 6:00 p.m. at Duncan Park (formerly Douglas Park). Bring your lawn chairs, drinks, snacks, and enjoy an hour of upbeat acapella music. You may see a couple Westminster members!

DAILY BREAD MEALS ON WHEELS DELIVERIES – We have openings on July 18 and 28. It will take 45 minutes to an hour for each route. The online signup is on our website.

MAKEUP DIRECTORY PICTURES – Bob Leffler will take directory photos on **Tuesday**, **July 19 9:00 a.m.** – **3:00 p.m.** at Westminster for members who missed getting family photos for this year's directory. Call Jennie in the church office to request a photo time that day.

CONTACT MINISTRY BACKPACK COLLECTION - We will collect backpacks through Sunday, August 14 to be distributed at Contact Ministries' Ready for Success Back to School Event on Wednesday, August 17, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Please avoid mesh or clear plastic backpacks. Around 250 school-aged children will receive a new backpack from Contact Ministries and a new pair of Payless Shoe

Source shoes from Share the Spirit! Last year, we collected 195 backpacks! Please drop your donated backpacks in the basket located in the West Narthex. Contact Jennie Alt if you have ordered online with delivery to the church office.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Monday, July 11

Youth Mission Trip 9:30 AM King's Daughters Training Board Meeting

Tuesday, July 12

Youth Mission Trip

10:30 AM Staff Meeting (Pastor's Study)

12:00 PM Knitters Lunch (2nd Floor Classroom)

1:00 PM Knit 2, Purl 4 Mission (2nd Floor Classroom)

Wednesday, July 13

Youth Mission Trip
10:30 AM Worship Planning (Pastor's Study)

Thursday, July 14

Youth Mission Trip
7:30 PM Westminster Summer Choir

Friday, July 15

Youth Mission Trip 6:30 PM DMA Potluck 7:15 PM DMA Program

Saturday, July 16

Youth Mission Trip
10:00 AM Visitation for Lionel Stirrett (Sanctuary)
11:00 AM Memorial Service for Lionel Stirrett
12:00 PM Memorial Lunch Reception (Parish Hall)

2:00 PM Mission Trip Youth return (Parking Lot)

6:00PM Sing in the Park (Duncan Park)

Sunday, July 17

10:00 AM Worship Service led by Youth Mission Trip Team 10:15 AM Summer Sunday School (Pre K-2)

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