



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Services of Worship
10th Sunday after Pentecost
August 21, 2011
8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Westminster Presbyterian Church extends an enthusiastic welcome, in Christ's name, to all who would worship here or join us in fellowship. We affirm that there can be no exclusion within the body of Christ. We invite all children of God to join us as disciples of Christ and participate fully in the life of our congregation.

PASTORAL STAFF: Gregory K. Jones, Head of Staff
Anne R. Ledbetter, Associate Pastor
Jill Getty, Pastoral Care Assistant

CHURCH EDUCATOR: Susan Moseley

CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR: Debbie Brown

MUSIC STAFF: Paul Fleckenstein, Organist/Director of Music
Mary Beth Davis, Director of Music for Children, Youth and Handbells

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This Morning at Westminster

8:30 a.m.	Worship with Communion in Rodney Chapel
9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Child Care for Cribbery (birth – toddler)
10:00 a.m.	Worship and Blessing of the Backpacks in the Sanctuary Sunday School for Under Six in the Under Six Classrooms
11:00 a.m.	Summer Tea and ice cream social in Community Hall

Deacon Team of the Month: Patty Rittenhouse, Jill Voss, Ruth Nace, George Evans

Later Today

3:30 p.m.	180° Pool Party	The Hickeys
6:00 p.m.	Clean But Not Straight – NA	Club Room
8:00 p.m.	AA	Club Room



Month of Musical Masterworks

This morning we continue our **Month of Musical Masterworks**, where on each Sunday in August we have a major instrumental concerto interspersed throughout the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Today we welcome clarinet soloist *Joshua Kovach* in Carl Maria von Weber's Clarinet Concerto in E-flat. Josh performs with the Reading Symphony Orchestra and the Pennsylvania Ballet Orchestra, and teaches at Community College of Philadelphia and Montgomery County Community College.

AUGUST 7

Carl Reinecke: Flute Concerto in D major, op. 283
Kimberly Reighley, flute

AUGUST 14

Johannes Brahms: Violin Concerto in D major, op. 77
Timothy Schwarz, violin

AUGUST 21

Carl Maria von Weber: Clarinet Concerto no. 2 in E-flat, op. 74
Joshua Kovach, clarinet

AUGUST 28

Felix Mendelssohn: Piano Concerto no. 1 in G minor, op. 25
Julie Nishimura, piano

WORSHIP NOTES

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. Dates available for flowers are September 4, 11, 18.

Worship Resources – You may obtain large print hymnals and hearing devices from any usher. We provide children's bulletins for ages 7-12 during the summer. *Kids' Notes* will resume in the fall. Worship bags for children ages 3-6 are available from the ushers.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Those recently hospitalized:** Cathy Higgins.
- ❖ **Westminster's homebound family** who can no longer attend worship with us by sending a card, saying a prayer, or visiting. This week we ask you to remember Ed Bloom, Granite Farms Estate – Cherry Blossom Lane #307-A, 1343 W. Baltimore Pike, Media, PA 19063 and Betty Kelley, c/o Anne Kelley, 78 Laurel Crest Road, Madison, CT 06443.
- ❖ **Our brothers and sisters** in worldwide ministry in Guatemala, Kenya, Congo and Israel/Palestine.

Westminster's Covenant Prayer Group prays weekly for specific needs of the faith community. **Anyone 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.

Iraq and Afghanistan often seem far away, and we may neglect to realize that Americans, as well as Iraqis, Afghans 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 Colleen Falasco: 302-654-5214 ext. 131, or cfalasco@wpc.org.

This week we pray for

- Those known to the WPC Community presently serving in Afghanistan:
Richard Barnett, Matt Burton, Leonard Kosicki, Ann Exline Starr
- The families of those from the U.S. who have died recently:
Staff Sergeant Thomas Dudley, age 29, of Tega Cay, South Carolina
Specialist Nathan Beyers, age 24, of Littleton, Colorado
Specialist Nicholas Newby, age 20, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Retired CT State Police Officer Paul Protzenko, age 46, of Enfield, Massachusetts
Sergeant Christopher Soderlund, age 23, of Pineville, Louisiana
Sergeant 1st Class Terryl Pasker, age 39, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Specialist Rafael Nieves, Jr., age 22, of Albany, New York
Lance Corporal Norberto Hernandez, age 22, of Logan, Utah
Sergeant Steven Talamantez, age 34, of Laredo, Texas
Seaman Aaron Ullom, age 20, of Midland, Michigan
Lance Corporal Robert Greniger, age 21, of Greenfield, Minnesota
Sergeant Jeremy Summers, age 27, of Mount Olivet, Kentucky
Lance Corporal Christopher Camero, age 19, of Kailua Kona, Hawaii
Sergeant Lex Lewis, age 40, of Rapid City, South Dakota
Specialist Daniel Elliott, age 21, of Youngsville, North Carolina
- Those who have returned from service, possibly suffering from wounds or Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, whose scars may be deep and long-lasting.

ORDER OF WORSHIP AT 8:30 A.M.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

God, good beyond all that is good, fair beyond all that is fair, in you we discover true peace. Heal the dissensions that divide us from one another and bring us back to a unity of love bearing some likeness to your divine nature. Through the embrace of love and the bonds of godly affection, make us one in the Spirit by your peace which makes all things peaceful. We ask this through the grace of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

We come together to thank the Creator of life.

We come to praise God's name and to seek God's ways.

We come seeking truth, meaning and hope.

We come to be a community that is filled with God's wisdom and love.

*HYMN NO. 412

“Eternal God, Whose Power Upholds”
Verses 1-3

FOREST GREEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

Love is at the heart of who we are,
but we often allow anger or indifference to rule our emotions.

Let us confess the ways we have failed to love others.

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 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

God liberates those who turn to the way of Christ.

We are set free to walk the path that leads to abundant life.

At the asterisk (), please stand as you are able.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 15:21-28

Barbara Hoover, Lay Liturgist

SERMON

“The Outsider”

Greg Jones

OFFERING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

We come to the table as children of God.
We share a common faith and a common desire.
We come to be transformed into new people
who live according to the loving spirit of Christ.
May Christ transform us and bring us peace.

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 16 in *The Presbyterian Hymnal*, using “debts” and “debtors”)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

For those who have wheat allergies, we provide gluten-free rice crackers with the communion bread.

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

**Loving God, we pray that we may know Christ’s transforming love
and live a new life in him.
Give us who are nourished by him,
the grace to share our bread with the hungry
and with the hungry of heart.
Keep us faithful in your service
until the day we join you in your eternal realm.
Through Christ, we pray. Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 436

“We Are Your People”

WHITFIELD

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PRELUDE

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Carl Maria von Weber
(1786-1826)

I. Allegro

Joshua Kovach, clarinet

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TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Blessing of the Backpacks

*After Time with our Children, children up through 2nd Grade may leave for Summer Sunday School.
Older children remain in worship with their families.*

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Matthew 15:21-28

New Testament, page 15
Lisa Stoddard, Lay Liturgist

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WHITFIELD

OFFERING

*During the offering, please sign your name and pass the red folder down your row.
As folders are returned to the center aisle, note the names of fellow worshippers on your pew.*

OFFERTORY

Clarinet Concerto in E-flat
II. Romanze: Andante con moto

Weber

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn No. 591)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (page 16 in *The Presbyterian Hymnal*, using "debts" and "debtors")

*HYMN NO. 432

"Song of Hope"
sing twice

ARGENTINA

continued on next page

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Clarinet Concerto in E-flat
III. Alla polacca

Weber

If you are visiting with us for the first time, we invite you to meet today's ambassador, Marlys Kerr, at the back of the sanctuary. She will have a gift for you, and can share information regarding our many ministries for children, youth and adults.

*Please join us for tea and an ice cream social in
Community Hall following the service.*

At today's Ice Cream Social we have the opportunity to speak personally with Melvin Diaz and wish him Godspeed as he returns home to Guatemala tomorrow. Melvin's presbytery in Guatemala and our New Castle Presbytery are partners in mission, and our congregation has sponsored Melvin at the UD English Language Institute for the past eight months. We will miss Melvin and look forward to seeing how God continues to use him to enhance Christ's realm on earth.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

September 4

10:00 a.m. One Worship Service

September 11 – May 13[†]

9:00 a.m. Worship*

9:00 – 9:55 a.m. Godly Time

10:10 – 11:00 a.m. 10:TEN Christian Education for All Ages

11:15 a.m. Worship*

The *Holy Toast Café* is open in Community Hall throughout the morning. Stop in for refreshments and fellowship!

[†]Except for one-service Sundays, which are currently scheduled for December 25 (10:00 a.m.), January 1 (10:00 a.m.) and January 29 (9:00 a.m.).

**Kids' Notes* and *Worship Bags* are available at the sanctuary entrances before both the 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. worship services.

LET'S BUILD TWO HOUSES!

Habitat "Road Show Build" - Westminster's front lawn Saturday, September 24.

We will work in two-hour shifts, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., to hammer together the framing sections for two homes for the Mathias and Baker families, recipients of homes from the June 2011 *Bike 2 Build* event in memory of Chad and Chris Miller.

Come be part of this terrific event, and remember to wear your red *Bike 2 Build* t-shirt or pick one up if you don't already have one. Volunteer sign-up forms are available on the main literature table at the church.

Pictured on right: Our last Habitat build on the church lawn back in 2007.



FAITH IN ACTION
making a difference

