



Services of Worship
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 16, 2011
9:00 a.m. and 11:15 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
Section Leaders/Soloists: Diana Milburn, Ruth Bailis, Justin Gonzalez, Brian Carter

This Morning at Westminster

8:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. The Holy Toast Café, in Community Hall, offers free coffee and fellowship. Breakfast items are available for one dollar per item.

Deacon Team of the Month

Patti Ridout, Kris DeMesse, Carla Krupanski and Bob Cox

8:45 a.m. – noon Child Care for Cribbery (birth – toddler)

9:00 – 9:55 a.m. Worship with choir and organ

After TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN, if you wish, your children may leave the Sanctuary and go to:

- ❖ **Godly Care** – A unique opportunity for children ages 2-4 to get to know God through music, crafts, prayers and stories. Classes are in **Under Six Classroom A.**
- ❖ **Godly Play** – Children in Kindergarten and 1st grade gather in the **Ruth Christie Room** to learn the language of God’s people through sacred space, stories, parables and liturgical actions. You may pick up your children in **Under Six Classroom C.**
- ❖ **Godly Kids** – Children in grades 2, 3 and 4 will become “Hebrew Scouts,” re-living the stories of the Exodus. You may pick up your children in **Under Six Classroom C** following worship.

10:10 a.m.

Education for All Ages

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| ➤ Under Six Sunday School | Under Six Classrooms |
| ➤ Sunshine Choir for K - 2 nd Grade | Classroom 7 |
| ➤ D.R.U.M. for Grades 3 - 6 | Youth Music Room |
| ➤ Middle Schoolers on the Move - Grades 6 - 8 | Cl.1 and Grace Hall |
| ➤ Confirmation Class for 9 th Graders | Classroom 8 |
| ➤ Senior High Gathering | Classroom 3 |
| ➤ Adult Education Classes | See page 7 |

11:15 a.m. – noon

Worship with hymns, songs and creative liturgy.
Children are always welcome in worship, however,
childcare is available in Under Six for ages 2 through Grade 2.

Later Today

4:30 p.m.	Youth Choir	Youth Music Room
5:30 p.m.	180° Dinner and Fellowship	Community Hall & Classroom 6
6:00 p.m.	Clean But Not Straight – NA	Club Room
8:00 p.m.	AA	Club Room

WORSHIP NOTES

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Arthur Butters by his wife, Anna Butters.

The rosebud at the side of the pulpit this morning is in celebration of the birth of Christopher Hardy Park, born December 26, 2010, son of Phil and Pamela Sudell-Park. We welcome this child into the Westminster family.

Sanctuary Flowers - 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. An available date for flowers is January 30.

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

Are you wearing a nametag? Whether you are a long-time member or new to the church, 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.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Those recently hospitalized:** Robert Churchill, Bill Galloway, Deanne and Addison Inkell, Barbara Ross, Margaret Van Hoorebeke.
- ❖ **Westminster's homebound family** who can no longer attend worship with us. Send a card, say a prayer, visit! This week we ask you to remember: Rocchina Leoncavallo, 1724 Shadybrook Road, Wilmington, DE 19803 and Frieda Tice, 1170 W. Main Street, Apt. 29, Stroudsburg, PA 18360.
- ❖ **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 Iraq or Afghanistan:
Iraq: Chase James and Susan Harcke Afghanistan: Shawn Galbraith
- The families of those from the U.S. who have died recently:
Specialist Shane Ahmed, age 31, of Chesterfield, Michigan
Specialist Nathan Lillard, age 26, of Knoxville, Tennessee
Specialist Scott Nagorski, age 27, of Greenfield, Wisconsin
Private 1st Class Christian Warriner, age 19, of Mills River, North Carolina
Specialist Jesse Snow, age 25, of Fairborn, Ohio
- Those who have returned from service, possibly suffering from wounds or Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, whose scars may be deep and long-lasting.

9:00 a.m. Worship and Celebration

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

ORGAN PRELUDE

Paeon

Peter Hurford

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.

PROCESSION OF GOD'S LIGHT AND WORD

Acolyte: Alexandra Musi

As the acolyte lights the candle, we remember that Christ is the Light of the world.

*HYMN

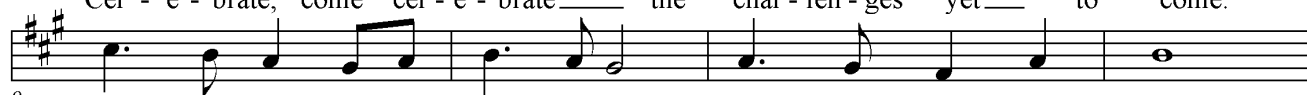
"Celebrate"



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PRAYER

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you constantly call us to follow you into the future,
inviting us to new ventures, new challenges,
and new ways to open our hearts
so that we may touch the lives of others.
When we fear the unknown, give us courage.
When we worry that we are not up to the task,
remind us that you would not call us
if you did not believe in us. Amen.**

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

ANTHEM

Laudation
Westminster Choir

Gilbert Martin

Sing to God, sing a song and rejoice!
Sing to God with bright music victorious,
sing to our God with songs yet unsung:
Anthems soaring, canticles glorious,
sing, ev'ryone, sing a song in ev'ry tongue!
Laud and honor God, kneel in devotion,
harmony raise for an offering;
Laud and honor God, praise, adoration,
hymns of greatness, hymns of glory,
for our Lord, our God, our mighty King!
Sing with love and with joyful endeavor,
sing to our God with heart and with voice;
For today, tomorrow, and ever,
sing, ev'ryone, sing a song, sing and rejoice!

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 49:1-7

Old Testament, page 638
Sue Linderman, Lay Liturgist

SERMON

“A Light to the Nations”

Greg Jones

*HYMN NO. 442

“The Church’s One Foundation”
Verses 1-4

AURELIA

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in God:
who created and is creating,
who has come in the love of Jesus to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
God calls us to be the Church;
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OFFERING

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As folders are returned to the center aisle, note the names of fellow worshippers on your pew.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“O Lamb of God”
from *Mass of the Quiet Hour*

George Oldroyd

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

*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. 421

“The Church of Christ in Every Age”
Verses 1-5

WAREHAM

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Proclamation
Reverberations Handbell Choir

Kevin McChesney

GOING FORTH

*If you are visiting with us for the first time, we invite you to meet today's ambassador,
Robin Rosser, 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.*



Adult Education Classes This Morning

Marriage Enrichment: Making Love Last a Lifetime

Led by class members, January 16, 23, February 13, 20, 27, March 6, 20, 27, in the Meeting Room

Today - Venus and Mars in the Beginning

In these eight video presentations, Adam Hamilton offers some keys to developing a healthy, satisfying and successful marriage. If you are single, these videos can equip and prepare you to have a successful relationship. If you are married, they can help you grow in your relationship with your partner so that you can experience all that God intends a marriage to be.

Membership Exploration Class

Today, in Classroom 5

Greg Jones and Anne Ledbetter will host a Membership Exploration class for anyone interested in learning more about Westminster. We will meet in Classroom 5 (across from Community Hall). Grab a cup of coffee and join us!

Religion and Justice: Is There God Without Justice? Is There Justice Without God?

Led by Dave McBride, through January 23 in Classroom 6

Today – Love and Justice: Race, Law and Courage

Is justice dependent on reason, love or both? Is it possible to have justice without empathy? We will begin to explore the fundamental question of whether justice is an outgrowth of relationships between people, more than principles writ large or small. The discussion will include scenes from the movie *To Kill A Mockingbird* (1962 winner of 3 Academy Awards including Best Actor for Gregory Peck and nominated for 8 Academy Awards including Best Picture), based upon the 1960 novel by Harper Lee about two summers in a small southern town climaxing in the trial of a black man for the rape of a white woman.

God Heard Their Cry

Led by class members, January 16, 23, February 13, 20, in the Daughtry House

Today - Israel in Bondage: God Heard Their Cry – Deir al Median

Filmed on location, *God Heard Their Cry* is a five-session video series that brings God's Word to life with astounding relevance. By weaving together the Bible's fascinating historical, cultural, religious, and geographical contexts, teacher and historian Ray Vander Laan reveals keen insights into the Scriptures' significance for modern believers. In this series, Ray follows the story of the enslavement of the Israelites by Egypt and their being led out of Egypt by Moses. Filming is done on location in Luxor, Egypt, Deir al Median, Ramesseum and at the Red Sea.

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Proclamation
Reverberations Handbell Choir

Kevin McChesney

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*Opening Song

"Celebrate"

Vs. 1: Ensemble

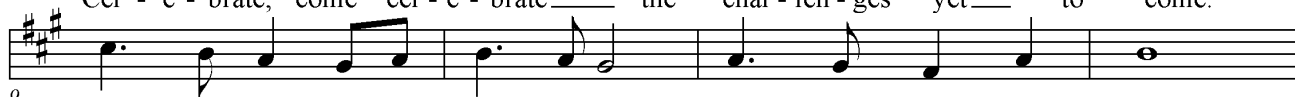
Vs. 2-4: All



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remind us that you would not call us
if you did not believe in us. Amen.**

Prayer Response

“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing, — Lord, send your
6 Spir - it in this place; — Lord, lis ten to your chil-dren pray - ing, —
12 — send us love, send us power, send us grace. —

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Children's Time

Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 49:1-7

Old Testament, page 638
Barbara Stratton, Lay Liturgist

Sermon

“A Light to the Nations”

Greg Jones

*Song

“From the Rising of the Sun”

From the ris-ing of the sun — to the go-ing down of the same, — the
5 name of the Lord shall be praised. — From the ris-ing of the sun
10 — to the go-ing down of the same, — the name of the Lord shall be
15 praised. — So — praise ye the Lord. —
20 — Praise — ye the Lord. — From the
25 ris-ing of the sun — to the go-ing down of the same, — the name of the
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Words: Anon. (Ps. 113:3) Music: Anon.

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Offertory Anthem

Laudation
Vocal Ensemble

Gilbert Martin

Prayers of the People

Prayer Refrain

"In Love You Summon"

In love you sum - mon, in love I fol - low, liv - ing to - day for
7 your to - mor - row. Christ to re - lease me, Christ to en - fold me,
13 Christ to re - strain me, Christ to up - hold me.

Words and Music: John Bell

*Closing Song

"We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise"

We bring the sac-ri-fice of praise in-to the house of the Lord.
5 We bring the sac-ri-fice of praise in-to the house of the Lord. And we
9 of - fer up to you the sac - ri - fic - es of thanks - giv - ing; and we
13 of - fer up to you the sac - ri - fic - es of joy.

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*Benediction

*Response

"Go with God"

Go with God. Go with God. As you
4 leave this place, go with God. He will di - rect your way, He will
7 light ev - 'ry day. As you leave this place, go with God.

Words and Music: Isaiah Jones, Jr.



WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS!

An Intergenerational Event for All

January 26 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

5:30 – 6:00 p.m. Pasta and Salad Dinner (\$5/person or \$15 family)

6:00 – 7:00 p.m. A Hands-On Service Activity for Everyone!

Bring donations of "gently worn" coats, hats, gloves and travel-size personal hygiene products.

Place in drop-off boxes before the 26th or bring to church with you on the 26th. We will sort and prepare items for donation to the Friendship House. Kids will be taught about what it means to be homeless in the winter and how Westminster helps the homeless through Friendship House. Kathy Graham will speak about the Friendship House ministry and the specific opportunities for WPC individuals and families to help.

What makes these Wednesdays so wonderful?

- Opportunity to participate together in a service project and share learnings on mission education.
- Opportunity to connect with children and their families.
- A great way to involve a friend or neighbor in a meaningful WPC event.

To help with food planning, RSVPs are appreciated but not required. Call the church receptionist at 302-654-5214 by noon on January 25.

