



Services of Worship
3rd Sunday after Epiphany
January 22, 2012
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, Susan Rheingans,
Justin Gonzalez, Raymond Sambolin

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

Beth Bowersock, Kris DeMesse, Patti Ridout, Emily Crawford

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

9:00 – 9:55 a.m. Worship

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 stories, crafts, songs and prayers. Classes are in **Under Six Classrooms A and C.**
- ❖ **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.**
- ❖ **Hebrew Scouts** – Children in grades 2 and 3 will become “Hebrew Scouts,” experiencing the stories of the Israelite people. You may pick up your children in **Under Six Classroom C.**
- ❖ **Treasure Seekers** – Children in grades 4 and 5 will begin with the story of Jesus’ baptism and continue with stories of Jesus’ ministry of teaching and healing. You may pick up your children in **Under Six Classroom C.**

10:10 a.m.

Education for All Ages

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| ➤ Under Six Sunday School | Under Six Classrooms |
| ➤ Sunshine Choir for Grades K – 2 | Classroom 7 |
| ➤ D.R.U.M. for Grades 3 – 6 | Youth Music Room |
| ➤ Middle Schoolers on the Move - Grades 6 - 8 | Classroom 1 |
| ➤ 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. Children are always welcome in worship; however, childcare is available in Under Six for ages 2 through Grade 2.

Later Today

4:00 p.m.	180° Grades 7 & 8	Community Hall, Cl. 6, Kitchen
4:00 p.m.	180° High School	Off Site Location
6:00 p.m.	Clean But Not Straight – NA	Club Room
6:30 p.m.	Youth Choir	Youth Music Room
8:00 p.m.	AA	Club Room

WORSHIP NOTES

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Dick and Bob Geuder, Emily and Hanson Hodge from Sara Geuder.

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. Available dates for flowers are January 29 and February 26.

The Christmas Decorating Committee would like to thank Donna and Clark Collins, Dolly and Don Windsor, Jean and Bob Custin, Linda McGregor, Ralph Lewis, Robert King, Roger Atkins and Linda Watson for all their help with decorating the Sanctuary and Chapel so beautifully for the Christmas season.

Worship Resources – You may obtain large print hymnals and hearing devices from any usher. Worship bags for children ages 3-6 and *Kids' Notes* for ages 7-12 are available from the ushers. *Kids' Notes* emphasize *listening* and *seeing* during worship.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Those recently hospitalized:** Erik Bryde, Natalie Krause, John Little, Ross Stevens.
- ❖ **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 Elva Carty and Doris Corner, both of Cokesbury Village - Sussex, 726 Loveville Road, Hockessin, DE 19707.
- ❖ **Our brothers and sisters** in worldwide ministry in Guatemala, Kenya, Congo and Israel/Palestine.

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 Barnet, Edward Maloney, Ann Exline Starr, Russell Lee Thomas
- The families of those from the U.S. who have died recently:
Specialist James Burnett, Jr., age 21, of Wichita, Kansas
Private 1st Class Matthew Colin, age 22, of Navarre, Florida
Specialist Sean Walsh, age 21, of San Jose, California
Private 1st Class Adam Dobreiner, age 21, of Moline, Illinois
Lance Corporal Joshua Corral, age 19, of Danville, California
Sergeant 1st Class Dennis Murray, age 38, of Red Boiling Springs, Tennessee
Private Jackie Diener, II, age 20, of Boyne City, Michigan
Corporal Zachary Reiff, age 22, of Preston, Iowa
Corporal Adam Buyes, age 21, of Salem, Oregon
Staff Sergeant Vincent Bell, age 28, of Detroit, Michigan
- 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 9:00 A.M.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

In calling the Galilean fishermen to discipleship, Jesus does not just ask them to add one more task to their busy lives. He calls them into new ways of being. Consider this quote: "Becoming a faithful Christian disciple takes both a moment and a lifetime."

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

"Praise to the Lord the Almighty"
Reverberations Handbell Choir

Arr. Kevin McChesney

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to respond to the call of God's love,

Thankful that someone cared enough to share the good news with us.

May we be compassionate enough to share the divine presence with others.

Love, when shared, is not divided but multiplied.

Love, given away, is not diminished but expanded.

May our lives encourage others, near and far, to know God's love.

*HYMN NO. 411

"Arise, Your Light Is Come!"

FESTAL SONG

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you call us to new and abundant lives in Christ, but we pursue our own projects, dwell on our private dreams, invest in our personal hopes. Truly, our pursuits pale before your divine invitation. We gladly affirm that you bring comfort to your people, you intend justice for the vulnerable, you command mercy and compassion for all. Help us to repent. Turn us, O God, from our will to yours, that we may find our true freedom in your sovereign purpose.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

ANTHEM

"As You Cause the Sun to Rise, O God"
Westminster Choir

Kenneth Lowenberg
(b. 1939)

As you cause the sun to rise, O God, bring the light of Christ to dawn in our souls and dispel all darkness. Give us grace to reflect Christ's glory; and let his love show in our deeds, his peace shine in our words, and his healing in our touch, that all may praise him now and forever. Amen.

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

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

TELLING OF THE SCRIPTURE STORY

Mark 1:14-20
Jill Getty, storyteller
Westminster By Heart

SERMON

“Career Change”
Take a moment to reflect on God’s message to you

Anne Ledbetter

*HYMN No. 377

“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**God sent his Son
to proclaim release to those who are bound,
to announce that God’s promised kingdom is at hand,
to urge everyone to repent and believe the good news.
We believe that God sends us
to tell all nations
that Christ calls everyone to repentance, faith and obedience.
We are to proclaim by word and deed
that Christ gave himself to set people free
from sin and self-hatred,
from ignorance and disease,
from all forms of oppression,
and even from death.
We are to offer them in Christ’s name fullness of life now and forever.
We invite people everywhere
to believe in Christ and become his followers.
We urge them to join us in telling others the good news
and in struggling for justice, compassion, and peace.**
from A Declaration of Faith PCUSA

OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Dear Lord and Father”
(Text: Hymn #345)

C. Hubert H. Parry
(1848-1918)

*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

*HYMN

“Jesus Calls Us”

GALILEE

1. Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his sweet voice soundeth,
saying, "Christian, follow me!"
2. Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, "Christian, love me more!"

3. In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these!"
4. Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,
Savior, may we hear thy call,
give our hearts to thine obedience,
serve and love thee best of all.

BENEDICTION

ORGAN POSTLUDE

March in B-flat

E. Silas
(1827-1909)

GOING FORTH

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.



REPLENISH



RENEW



REJOICE

Thank you to all who made a pledge for 2012! If you have not yet made a pledge, please complete a card today to support continuing Westminster ministries in 2012.

“As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.”

(1 Timothy 6:17-19)



Adult Education Classes This Morning

Choosing a College – Today in Classroom 5

Sue Crump, M.Ed., college consultant, has spent the past several years guiding high school students and their families through the college admissions process. Tap into her expertise as she discusses key factors to consider and steps to take in making smart college decisions. Sue has spent time visiting campuses, interviewing admissions staff and talking with current students, making her a valuable resource when discussing the unique qualities of different colleges. Students in grades 10 and 11 and their parents are highly encouraged to attend this special event.

POLO (Parents of Little Ones) – Sundays, in Rodney Chapel

Beginning this Sunday, the **POLO group** will be taking a closer look at the person and ministry of Jesus. Using a DVD program entitled *Saving Jesus*, the group will have the opportunity to explore contemporary, religious questions and articulate the significance of Jesus Christ for the third millennium. The program will be interspersed with breaks for the Annual Meeting on January 29, Yvonne Nass – first Sundays of the month, the Lent Event on April 1, and Easter on April 8. Susan Moseley will facilitate the group discussions, and the class is open to all.

Fire on the Mountain, by Ray Vander Laan – Today through February 5

DVD class and discussion in the Meeting Room

Today: I Led You Like a Bride (*Jebel Katarina*)

Come along as we join Ray Vander Laan in the Holy Land, showing us where the Israelites would have gone after they left Egypt. When the Israelites left Egypt, they were finally free – free from persecution, free from oppression, and free to worship their own God. But with that freedom came a new challenge – learning how to live together the way God intended. In this ninth volume of Faith Lessons, discover how God taught the Israelites what it means to be part of a community that loves him, and the lessons we can begin to live out in our lives today.

Does Evolution Reward Virtue? – Today through February 19

A new framework for addressing today's problems with old virtues

Led by Dave McBride in Classroom 6

Do the classic virtues of altruism, empathy, sharing and cooperation have any significant role in addressing the fundamental problems afflicting the United States and Europe or in reforming societal institutions and philosophies? In *Supercooperators: Altruism, Evolution and Why We Need Each Other to Succeed*, Martin A. Nowak, the Director of the Program for Evolutionary Dynamics at Harvard University, and Roger Highfield, editor of the *New Scientist* magazine, add to the mounting literature and research arguing that cooperation, not competition, has always been the key to evolution.

Relationships – Today through February 5

Led by Karen Beer and Bill Kaye in the Daughtry House Classroom

The 'Surviving...' series of videos provides a unique approach to emotional self-help. Each program features popular lecturer, author and psychotherapist Clayton Barbeau doing what he considers his best work: individual counseling with you, the viewer, as the one seeking advice and affirmation. Today we will view and discuss the following video: *Surviving Failure/Rejection* In this program, Clayton Barbeau explains how important it is for every person to value themselves, because surviving rejection or failure has a lot to do with self-acceptance. It also means realizing that it is human, and sometimes even a good thing to fail or to experience hurt. Using some well chosen anecdotes, Mr. Barbeau reveals how paralyzing the fear of failure can be, and he points out that all real growth in life- and in intimacy and love-involves risk, even in the face of rejection or failure.

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Prelude

"Praise to the Lord the Almighty"
Reverberations Handbell Choir

Arr. Kevin McChesney

Welcome and Announcements

*Passing of the Peace

Call to Worship

*Opening Songs

"Arise, Shine"

**Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.**

"Loving God of All Creation"

HYMN TO JOY

**Loving God of all creation, Hear our hymns of grateful praise:
We give thanks for calls to witness, And to serve in varied ways.
Show us how to be connected To Your church in every place.
Praising Christ in lives of service, Make us instruments of grace.**

**Grant us courage for the present, Matching that of yesterday,
When Your faithful servants ventured On a distant, unknown way.
We, today, have unknown pathways, Far away and near at hand.
Grant us ears and hearts to listen For Your loving , clear command.**

**Still today You call for workers True to Christ, the servant Lord,
Sharing values, blending cultures; Thus new mission is explored.
Through the gospel's urgent message You connect us, land to land,
Building bridges, spanning chasms, Joining people, hand in hand.**

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Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

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Adapted from "Awed to Heaven" by Walter Brueggeman

Silent Prayer

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Children's Time

Telling of the Scripture Story

Mark 1:14-20
Jill Getty, storyteller
Westminster By Heart

Response

"As We Meet beside the Lakeshore"

NETTLETON

**As we meet beside the lakeshore,
Christ, you beckon, "Come with me.
Cast your net in deeper water;
venture toward a farther sea."
Calm my fear and fire my courage
When I hear you call my name.
Guide me as I journey onward,
growing as I own your claim.**

**As I tremble by the lakeshore,
Christ, you counsel, "Do not fear.
You will catch not fish, but people;
Cast your net both far and near."
Show me where the need is deepest
and where you would have me go.
Give me faith to risk and follow,
leaving everything I know.**

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Sermon

"Career Change"
Take a moment to reflect on God's message to you

Anne Ledbetter

Response

"Lead Me, Guide Me"

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way,
for if you lead me, I can - not stray.
Lord, let me walk each day with thee.
Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

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Offering

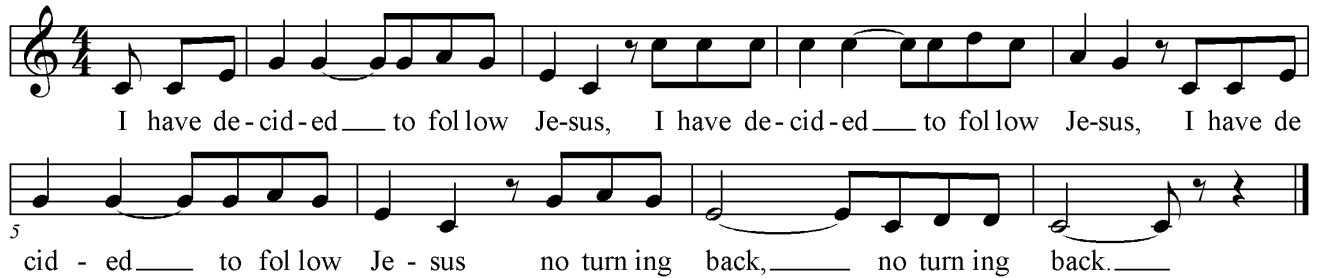
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Offertory Anthem

Prayers of the People

*Closing Song

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"



I have de-cid-ed ___ to fol low Je-sus, I have de-cid-ed ___ to fol low Je-sus, I have de
cid - ed ___ to fol low Je - sus no turn ing back, ___ no turn ing back. ___

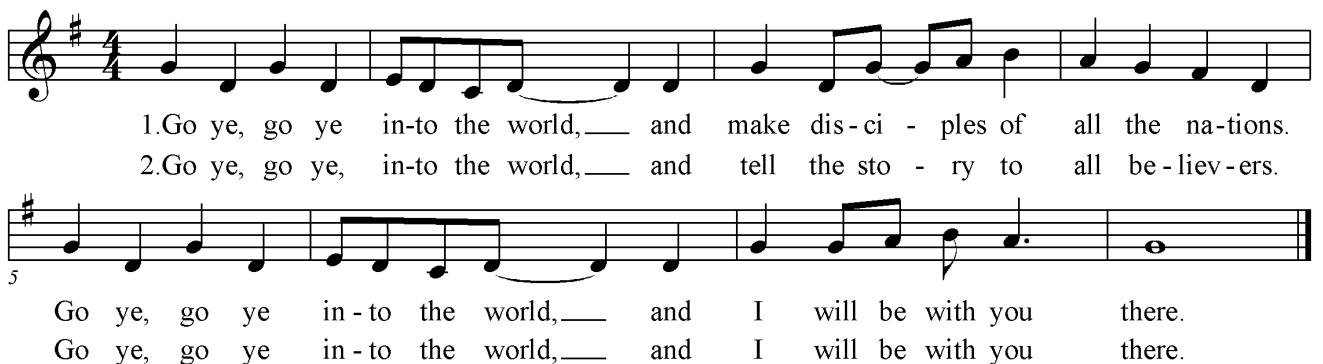
2. The world behind me, the cross before me . . .

3. Though none go with me, still I will follow . . .

Benediction

Response

"Go Ye, Go Ye into the World"



1. Go ye, go ye in-to the world, ___ and make dis-ci - ples of all the na-tions.
2. Go ye, go ye, in-to the world, ___ and tell the sto - ry to all be - liev - ers.
Go ye, go ye in - to the world, ___ and I will be with you there.
Go ye, go ye in - to the world, ___ and I will be with you there.

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CALL FOR ANNUAL MEETING

The annual congregational and corporate meetings of Westminster Presbyterian Church will be held on **Sunday, January 29, 2012, at 10:10 a.m. in Community Hall** for the purpose of conducting the following business:

1. To receive the report of the Church Officer Nominating Committee and to elect elders, deacons, and trustees;
2. To elect congregational-at-large members to the Church Officer Nominating Committee;
3. To receive the financial report of 2011;
4. To receive the budget report for 2012;
5. To consider changes to the calls of the pastors; and
6. To consider any other business which may properly come before the meeting.



By order of Session:

Gregory Knox Jones, Moderator

Jan Patrick, Clerk of Session

Plan to stay for a chili lunch hosted by the Deacons.

Music at Westminster

PRESENTS

WINTER MUSICAL GALA 2012

More "Greatest Hits" from the worlds of church, opera, and musical theatre



**Friday, February 3
8:00 p.m.**



featuring

Diana Milburn, soprano Susan Rheingans, mezzo-soprano Justin Gonzalez, tenor Raymond Sambolin, baritone
The Westminster Choir Paul Fleckenstein, director & accompanist

Join us for another spectacular musical evening with selections from Puccini's *La Bohème*, Bizet's *Carmen*, music of Cole Porter, and lots more! No admission charge; offering received.

ADDED BONUS

In conjunction with Wilmington's monthly art-loop event, *Art on the Town*, the church doors will open at 6:30 p.m. for the opening of an art exhibit featuring watercolors by Chadds Ford artist Robert A. Nickle, whose works represent "the vanishing American heritage."