



Service of Worship
7th Sunday after Pentecost
July 28, 2019
10:00 a.m.

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 (USA)
An Earth Care Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

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This Morning at Westminster

Deacon Team of the Month

Roger Atkins, Liz Bacon, Laura Holmes, Tara Lee, Blair McConnel, Hugh Underhill, Pam White

8:15 a.m. **Worship** with Communion in Rodney Chapel

9:45 - 11:15 a.m. **Nursery Care**

10:00 – 10:55 a.m. **Worship** in the Sanctuary

Children are always welcome in worship. We also provide additional opportunities for children to grow in faith. Following TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN, children age 2 through 2nd grade may leave for **Summer Sunday School** in the Preschool Suite.

11:10 a.m. **Membership Exploration Class** in the Ruth Christie Room.

11:00 a.m. **Summer Tea** in Rodney Chapel and the Meeting Room.

Later Today

6:00 p.m. Clean But Not Straight – NA Club Room

8:00 p.m. AA Club Room

New to Westminster?

Welcome! We are so glad you are here.

Here is some information you might find helpful:

- Hymnals are located on a shelf under the pew in front of you, or at the ends of the pew. Please join us in singing!
- A red Friendship Pad at the end of the pew will be passed during the service. We hope you will sign it and let us know how we can welcome you with a follow-up contact.
- There will be an Ambassador at the back of the church at the end of worship, who would love to answer any questions you might have or give you more information about Westminster.
- For more information about our community of faith, sign up for our weekly e-newsletter from the home page of our website (www.wpc.org) or contact the Rev. Sudie Niesen Thompson at sniesenthompson@wpc.org or (302) 654-5214 ext. 103.

Please join us for coffee or tea in Rodney Chapel after the service.

Ask someone to show you the way!

The mission of the Covenant Network of Presbyterians is to strengthen the church of Jesus Christ, with the help of God's grace by working for the unity of the church, furthering the inclusion of LGBTQ persons, seeking understanding and reconciliation, and joining with others seeking a still more just and inclusive church.



Westminster is certified as an **Earth Care Congregation** by the Presbyterian Church (USA). This honor means that we have exhibited exceptional leadership in protecting God's creation and being good stewards of earth's resources through our worship, education, outreach and advocacy. Only 2% of the 10,000 Presbyterian congregations in this country have earned this honored distinction.

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 for available dates. The next available dates are August 25 and September 1.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Recently hospitalized:** Lola Miller
- ❖ **Those unable to attend worship on a regular basis** by sending a card, saying a prayer, or visiting. This week we ask you to remember Polly McPheeters and Jeanne Butz at Foulk Manor, and Helen Kelley at home.
- ❖ **Westminster's Prayer Team** prays for the needs of our community of faith. You 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; or sending an email to wpcprayerlist@gmail.com.

Afghanistan, Iraq and Kuwait often seem far away, and we may neglect to realize that Americans, as well as Afghans, Iraqis 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 Cathy Lang: 302-654-5214 ext. 129, or cathylang@wpc.org.

This week we pray for:

- The families of those from the U.S. who have died recently:
Sergeant William Friese, age 30, from Rockport, West Virginia
- Those suffering from Traumatic Stress Disorder, whose scars may be deep and long-lasting.

WORSHIP NOTES

Easy-to-use assisted listening devices may be found in the back of the sanctuary and the side entrance off the main hallway.

All children who leave the sanctuary after TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN must have a completed yellow security label on their backs. If you do not find a security label in the pew pocket, you can obtain one in the Preschool Suite. This policy is for your child's protection. Children will only be released to a parent or an adult pre-approved by the parent. Thank you for your help.

Worship Resources – You can obtain large print hymnals from any usher. Worship bags for children ages 3-6 include a children's bulletin designed for them. Children's bulletins for ages 7-12 are also available from the ushers.

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

You can make a contribution to Westminster Presbyterian Church by visiting our website www.wpc.org and click the "Donate Now" button or scan the QR code on your smart phone.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

TOWER CHIME

Craig Checkel

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Loving God, you have made me so that I cannot live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from your mouth. Give me a hunger for your word and, in that food, satisfy my daily need. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the friendship folder, at the end of the pew, to the person next to you.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ORGAN PRELUDE

Sonata on the 5th Tone

Joaquin de Oxinagas

CALL TO WORSHIP

Become aware of God's presence in the world and in your life.

We will seek to understand the ways of God.

Love God with your hearts, your souls and your minds.

We will strive to deepen our faith

so that we may live rich and meaningful lives.

*HYMN No. 267

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

MADRID

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, we pray that we may become mindful of your presence in and around us.

We give you thanks for the gift of life and the blessings we enjoy.

Where we have been weak,

may we be filled with your strength;

where we have been uncertain,

may we discover your guidance;

where we have been anxious,

may we be assured you will never leave us;

and where we have been dead,

may we be infused with new life. Amen.

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Hudson Gray Downing

Crosby Ford Downing

Sons of Erin and Scott Downing

Grandsons of Ells and Gail Edwards

*The congregation is asked to please refrain from taking photographs
or video recording during the worship service.*

*Passages in **bold** print may be said by all. At the asterisk (*), please stand as you are able.*

OPENING WORDS

People brought little children to see and to hear Jesus.
 The disciples tried to turn them away, but Jesus said:
**“Let the little children come to me and do not stop them;
 for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.”**
 And Jesus took the children in his arms, laid his hands on them and blessed them.

PROMISES OF COMMITMENT

Do you acknowledge Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior? **We do.**

Relying on God’s grace, do you promise to live the Christian faith and to teach that faith to your sons? **We do.**

CONGREGATION

Will we, the people of the church, nurture and support Hudson and Crosby, and will we encourage them to become faithful Christians? **We will.**

CHILDREN

Will you promise to help Hudson and Crosby become a part of our church family by being a friend to them?

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING OVER WATER

ACT OF BAPTISM

PRAYER FOLLOWING BAPTISM

Children age 2 through 2nd Grade may leave for Summer Sunday School in the Preschool Suite, or they may remain in worship.

SCRIPTURE LESSON	Luke 10:38-42	New Testament, page 62 Bill Moore, Lay Reader
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SERMON	“Sitting at the Feet of Jesus”	Greg Jones
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*HYMN NO. 707	“Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord”	HALL
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OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING	Scherzando	Gabriel Pierné
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD’S PRAYER (page 35 in our *Glory to God* hymnal, using “debts” and “debtors”)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Waltz in D-flat, op. 64 no. 1
 (“Minute Waltz”)

Frédéric Chopin

Note: Though Chopin’s “Minute Waltz” is a rather short piece, it is not meant to be played in one minute. (You can put away the stopwatch.) The nickname, added by the original publisher, was intended to mean a “miniature” waltz. Chopin’s inspiration for the piece came from watching a small dog chasing its tail, and he originally named the piece Valse du petit chien (“Waltz of the Little Dog”).

GOING FORTH

If you are visiting with us and wish to learn more about our church family, we invite you to meet today’s ambassador, Jeanne Checkel, at the back of the center aisle following the service. She is happy to share information about our many programs for children, youth and adults.

Please join us for summer tea in Rodney Chapel.

REMINDER! The church office is closed on Fridays in August.

ARE YOU CONSIDERING MEMBERSHIP AT WESTMINSTER?

Today and Next Sunday, August 4, at 11:10 a.m.

Ruth Christie Room (access through Rodney Chapel or the Ruth Christie Hallway)

Have you been considering membership at Westminster? Are you interested in learning more about this community of faith? Please join us for a two-session Membership Exploration Series this morning (July 28) and August 4, following the 10:00 a.m. worship service, to discuss the Presbyterian tradition, Westminster’s ministry and mission, and ways to connect with our church family. There will also be an opportunity to join the Westminster congregation at the end of the second session on August 4.





Month of Musical Masterworks

AT WESTMINSTER

August 2019

Another August, another month of great instrumental music at Westminster. On each of the four Sundays in August, our 10 o'clock worship service is enhanced with a major instrumental work, with the movements interspersed throughout the service as Prelude, Offertory and Postlude. This year the line-up includes two concertos and two sonatas, representing a broad range of timbres and styles.

August 4

Alessandro Marcello: Oboe Concerto in C minor
Merideth Hite Estevez, oboe

August 11

Carl Reinecke: Harp Concerto, Op. 182
Anne Sullivan, harp

August 18

Karl Pilss: Sonata for Trumpet and Piano
Robert Skoniczin, trumpet

August 25

Felix Mendelssohn: Organ Sonata no. 1 in F minor
Paul Fleckenstein, organ

Of course, for the two concertos (the first two Sundays), Paul will play the orchestral accompaniments on the organ and will accompany the trumpet sonata at the piano. For the organ sonata, he's on his own!

PASTORAL STAFF

Gregory Knox Jones, Head of Staff
Sudie Niesen Thompson, Associate Pastor
Jill Getty, Pastoral Care Assistant

MUSIC STAFF

Paul Fleckenstein, Organist/Director of Music
Soloist/Section Leaders: Hye Eun Choi, Sharon Babcock, Jason Berger, Brenton Mattox

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES STAFF

Teisha Fooks, Director of Preschool Ministries
Nursery: Beatrice Taylor, Kristen Wolanski

YOUTH LEADERS

Tommy Neilson
Josh Cox, Chris Hickey, Emily Knepper, Molly McPheeters

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Susan Alexander, Reception Area Supervisor
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Cathy Lang, Administrative Assistant
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SESSION

Karen Beer, Ty Burns, Sally Buttner, Chad Chandler, Karen Dietz,
Rich Diver, Michael Enderle, Peter Gildner, Cathy Higgins, Carol Hogue, Barbara Jobe, Kelly McCulloch,
Mark Mosher, Jan Patrick, Todd Piercy, Margo Reign, Roger Reinicker, Carrie Saathoff, Kent Smith,
Janet Steinwedel, Barb Stratton, Mary Vane, Susan Williamson, Helen Zumsteg

BOARD OF DEACONS

Jeff Argus, Roger Atkins, Liz Bacon, Amy Bickhart, Jennifer Blackford, Kyle Carrick, Ron Carrick,
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Charley Babcock, Gary Bryde, Denison Hatch, Bobbe Hoy, Fred Iobst, Brock Jobe, Mary Lu Pamm,
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PARTNERS IN WORLDWIDE MINISTRY

Congo – PCUSA Mission Co-workers: Jeff and Christi Boyd, Larry and Inga Sthreshley;
Kananga Presbytery and Members of Kamulumba-Ditalala Parish
Iran, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon – PCUSA Mission Co-workers: the Reverends Elmarie and Scott Parker, Dr. Mary Mikhael
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CEDEPCA, AJPU, Rosario Diaz and the Association of Mam Christian Women for Development