



# WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**Services of Worship  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
June 5, 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.

**This Morning at Westminster**

- 8:30 a.m.                   Worship with Communion in Rodney Chapel
- 9:15 a.m.                   Table Talk in the Meeting Room – Online membership directory
- 9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.   Child Care for Cribbery (birth – toddler)
- 10:00 a.m.                 Worship with Communion in the Sanctuary  
  
                                  Sunday School for Under Six in the Under Six Classrooms
- 11:00 a.m.                 Summer Tea and Fellowship on the Church Lawn

**Deacon Team of the Month:** Barbara Fedeler, Jane Palmer, Patty Rittenhouse, Pam Bailey, Julia Stone

**Later Today**

- 6:00 p.m.                   Clean But Not Straight – NA                                   Club Room
- 8:00 p.m.                   AA   Club Room

**JOIN US FOR A PENTECOST BRUNCH!**  
**Next Sunday, June 12 in Community Hall**  
**following the 10:00 a.m. worship service**

We're celebrating Pentecost with a tasty brunch buffet! The deacons are hosting and will provide quiches, breakfast casseroles and drinks. Members can bring salads/fruit and/or desserts to share. Invite a friend or neighbor!



## WORSHIP NOTES

**The flowers in the sanctuary today** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Chad and Chris Miller and with prayers for their family from Teresa Lunardi.

**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](mailto:lwatson@ycst.com). Dates available for flowers are June 26, July 3, 17, 24 and 31.

**Individual cushions are available** at each entrance to the sanctuary for those who prefer the use of a cushion.

**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.

**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:** Doris Corner.
- ❖ **Westminster's homebound family** who can no longer attend worship with us by sending a card, saying a prayer, visiting! This week we ask you to remember Edie Lennox, Wesley Wing 3969 and Grace Austin, Apt. 3613, both of Methodist Country House, 4830 Kennett Pike, Wilmington, DE 19807.
- ❖ **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](mailto:cfalasco@wpc.org).

### This week we pray for

- Those known to the WPC Community presently serving overseas:  
Afghanistan: Matt Burton, Ann Exline Starr
- The families of those from the U.S. who have died recently:  
Staff Sergeant Jason Rogers, age 28, of Brandon, Mississippi  
Private Brandon Pickering, age 21, of Fort Thomas, Kentucky  
Sergeant Jose Pietri, age 32, of Yauco, Puerto Rico  
Sergeant Vorasack Xaysana, age 30, of Westminster, Colorado  
Specialist Brent Maher, age 31, of Council Bluffs, Iowa  
Specialist Donald Nichols, age 21, of Shell Rock, Iowa  
Specialist Joseph Kennedy, age 25, of St. Paul, Minnesota
- 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

*Welcoming God, you open your arms to everyone and your joyful embrace wraps the whole creation into one circle of love. As we come together today, teach us to welcome others as joyfully as you have welcomed us. Open our eyes to see those who are waiting for an invitation and nudge us to be the welcome you promise them. Amen.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

## CALL TO WORSHIP

We come before God in a spirit of thanksgiving;  
**As we recount the many blessings of this day.**  
We come before God with grateful hearts,  
as we marvel at the wonders of the world.  
**We sing praises to God for the gift of life,  
and for God's everlasting love.**

### \*HYMN No. 460

“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

*GROSSER GOTT*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, we acknowledge that it is easier for us to find fault than to give thanks.  
Our grievances are on our lips while your mercies go unnoticed.  
We are so occupied with details of daily living  
that we neglect to lift our eyes, to behold your goodness,  
to marvel at the wonder of your patience and the constancy of your love.  
Awaken us to the wealth of our blessing, and the poverty of our good works.  
In Jesus' name. Amen.**

## SILENT PRAYER

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Christ came into the world to seek and to save those who were lost.  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 15:11-32

Robin Rosser, Lay Liturgist

SERMON

“The Great Embrace”

Greg Jones

OFFERING

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Come to this table, you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more.

**We are invited to share in the feast of God’s presence.**

Celebrate here, celebrate now, the renewal of hope and joy.

**We come to be nourished by the Bread of Life,  
and to taste God’s boundless love for us.**

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

**Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer,  
you nourish us with this Holy meal  
and with your teachings that reveal the abundant life.  
Grant us wisdom to live each day to its fullest  
until that day when we feast with you at your table in glory. Amen.**

\*HYMN

“O God, Our Creator, You Work Every Day”

ST. DENIO

**O God our Creator, you work every day:  
A potter, you form us, your people, like clay.  
A shepherd, you guide us and seek out the lost.  
A parent, you love us, not counting the cost.**

**Lord, some live among us who need constant care,  
Whose work is to make us more humbly aware.  
They teach us the best of your lessons, by far:  
It's not what we do, Lord, you love who we are!**

**We're baptized! Your Spirit gives new work to do,  
That we, through our serving, may glorify you.  
Each person's vocation, each calling, has worth  
As you send us out to bring Christ's love on earth.**

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## ORGAN PRELUDE

Trumpet Tune in D major

David N. Johnson  
(1922-1987)

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TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 15:11-32

New Testament, page 68  
Fred Iobst, Lay Liturgist

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“The Great Embrace”

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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 ANTHEM

“Draw Us in the Spirit’s Tether”  
(Text: Hymn #504)  
*Westminster Choir*

Harold Friedell  
(1905-1958)

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\*HYMN NO. 508

“For the Bread Which You Have Broken”

*KINGDOM*

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Lift up your hearts.

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MUSIC DURING COMMUNION (Organ)

Canto Calmata

W. R. Voris  
(1877-1944)

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ORGAN POSTLUDE

Grand Choeur

Georges MacMaster  
(1862-1898)

GOING FORTH

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

**PASTORAL STAFF**

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

**CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR:** Debbie Brown

**CHURCH EDUCATOR:** Susan Moseley

**MUSIC STAFF**

Paul Fleckenstein, Organist/Director of Music  
Mary Beth Davis, Director of Music for Children, Youth and Handbells  
Sandie Reinicker, Director of Sunshine Choir  
Section Leader/Soloists: Diana Milburn, Ruth Bailis, Justin Gonzalez, Brian Carter

**YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM**

Susan Moseley, Mary Beth Davis and Mike Gnade

**SUPPORT STAFF**

Susan Alexander, Receptionist  
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Jerry Hunter, Financial Assistant  
Suzie Hurlock, Administrative Assistant  
Nicole Hughes, Director of Communication and Database Management  
Jerry Reed, Facilities Manager  
Sextons: Roger W. Atkins, Robert King, Kevin Krick, Joan Truitt

**WORLDWIDE MINISTRY**

Guatemala – Roger and Gloria Mariott, Cedepca, Karla Koll and the Mam Presbytery  
Kenya – JOHABETO Ruth and Martin Shikuku, Kitale, Kenya  
Congo – Timothee Kalonji Matadi, Cecilé de Sweemer, MD, Pastor Jean-Marc Katujudi Nkuna and  
Members of the Kamulumba-Ditalala Parish

**SESSION**

John Bowman, Sue Bryde, Ron Carrick, Clark Collins, Charlie Depfer, Karen Dietz  
Mary Field, Nancy Fleming, Ellie Furry, Mark Gerstenschlager, Anne Gunn, Dick Haden,  
Trina Hogan, Mary-beth Howard, Fred Iobst, Dick Jolly, Don Kuespert, Sue Linderman, Fred Nelson,  
Roland Pamm, Jan Patrick, Margo Reign, Jerry Spilecki, Alex Sprague, Rick Stabler, Steve Steinwedel

**BOARD OF DEACONS**

Pam Bailey, Beth Bowersock, Marcia Carle, Kim Carrick, Peggy Carroll, Diane Chandler,  
Eadie Churchill, Jack Coleman, Bob Cox, Emily Crawford, Kris DeMesse, Cathy Edge, Eric Etshman,  
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David Mathé, Carol Mosher, Ruth Nace, Donna Nelson, Sonja Pfautz, Jane Palmer, Keith Pierce,  
Patti Ridout, Patty Rittenhouse, Ann Shaddock, Melissa Stabler, Steve Stallone, Julia Stone

**TRUSTEES**

Bob Chagnon, Don Furry, Sara Geuder, Jamie Hickey, John Johnston, Lynne Kielhorn,  
Charlie McDowell, John McFarland, Bob McKeown, Stephen Poole, Christine Schiltz, Philip Timon

# Bike2Build

## Saturday, June 11

*in memory of Chad Miller and his brother Chris*

Tubman-Garrett Riverfront Park  
in Wilmington

Starts at 8:00 a.m.

Get involved! See the May/June  
issue of *The Chimes* for more details!

