



Service of Worship All Saints' Sunday

November 4, 2018
9:00 a.m.

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
Merideth Hite Estevez, Director of Faith Formation through
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Allison Martin, Assistant Director of Children's Music
Soloist/Section Leaders: Ryan Colbert (guest), Sharon Babcock,
Jason Berger, Brenton Mattox

YOUTH LEADERS

Merideth Hite Estevez
Josh Cox, Chris Hickey, Emily Knepper,
Molly McPheeters, Tommy Neilson

DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

Colleen Falasco

DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES AND SECURITY

Paul Crothamel

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.

This Morning at Westminster

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

Deacon Team of the Month

Liz Bacon, Amy Bickhart, Beatty Chadwick, Barry Cobb, Sally McBride, Pam White

8:45– 12:15 p.m. Nursery Care

9:00 – 9:55 a.m. Worship

Children are always welcome in worship. We also provide additional opportunities for children to grow in faith. Children are escorted to classes after TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN during worship.

- ❖ **Godly Care** – Children ages 2 through 4 in Preschool Suite C.
- ❖ **Godly Play 1** – Children in Kindergarten through 2nd grade in the Ruth Christie Room.
- ❖ **Sing-to-Praise Choir Program** – Children in grades 3 through 6 in the Youth Music Room.

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 guardian or an adult pre-approved by the guardian. Thank you for your help.

10:10 a.m. Education for All Ages

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| ➤ Sunday School for Preschoolers | Preschool Suite C |
| ➤ Joyful Noise Choir Program for K – 5 | Youth Music Room |
| ➤ Middle Schoolers for Grades 6 – 8 | Art Room |
| ➤ High School/Confirmation Class Grades 9 – 12 | Classroom 7 |
| ➤ Sunday Seminars | See page 7 |

11:15 a.m. Living Mosaics Worship in Rodney Chapel

12:00 p.m. Fellowship Time after Living Mosaics Meeting Room

Later Today

11:15 a.m.	Flying Solo Brunch	Catherine Rooney’s
12:15 p.m.	Bazaar Setup	Community Hall
1:00 p.m.	Home Communion	Members’ Homes
5:00 p.m.	180° Dinner and Fellowship	Classroom 6/Community Hall
6:00 p.m.	Clean But Not Straight – NA	Club Room
8:00 p.m.	AA	Club Room



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

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Matthew Hammond Mah (November 10, 1980 – May 8, 2016), the son of Marsha and Dennie Mah. "We are all made of stardust".

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 November 25; December 16 and 30.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE AND PRAYER

Please remember in your prayers:

- ❖ **Recently hospitalized:** Kay Johnson and Frank Waldburger.
- ❖ **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 Frances Kirkpatrick and Hans Krahmer at Stonegates.
- ❖ **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 and Iraq often seems 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 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.

Worship Resources – You can obtain large print hymnals and listening devices from any usher. Worship bags for children ages 3 through 6 include a children's bulletin designed for them. Children's bulletins for ages 7 through 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



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 Community Hall after the service.

Ask someone to show you the way!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

TOWER CHIME

Sue Spilecki

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

On All Saints' Sunday the church celebrates the witness of the people who have gone before us. Originally, it was an occasion for the church to commemorate those martyred for their witness to Christ. It eventually came to include glad remembrance of all God's faithful people who have died. In the New Testament, the word saint is used to refer to any follower of Christ. The Greek word for saint literally means "one being made holy." Thus, a follower of God is one who is being transformed. Today, we celebrate All Saints' Sunday by giving thanks for those who loved us and those whom we loved and who now live eternally with God.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

*PASSING THE PEACE

ORGAN PRELUDE

Fantasy on *Sine Nomine*
(Tune: Hymn #326)

Michael Bedford

CALL TO WORSHIP

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
let us lay aside every weight and the sin which easily distracts us.

And let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

Let us look to Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who endured the cross,

and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God. (Hebrews 12:1-2)

*HYMN NO. 385

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

OLD HUNDRETH

PRAYER OF PRAISE

God of all time and space,
we praise you for the faithful ones who have gone before us:

**for those who lived justly, loved mercy,
and walked humbly;**

for apostles and martyrs, for teachers and mentors;

**for generations gone by,
for grandparents, parents and extended family;**

for all those who in life and death
were shining lights in the world;

**for those who shared their faith with us,
nudging us to grow in our love and commitment to Christ.**

We give you thanks for entrusting us with children and grandchildren,
and for inviting us to share your story of grace with them.

We are indeed blessed, O God.

Help us to be faithful and become a blessing for your sake. Amen.

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

*Children through Grade 6 may leave for Godly Care, Godly Play 1, and Sing-to-Praise Choir,
or they may remain in worship.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Revelation 21:1-7

New Testament, page 230
Chris Hickey, Lay Reader

SERMON

Greg Jones

OFFERING

“We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give.”
– Winston Churchill

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Valediction

Alfred V. Fedak

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there, no torment shall touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die, but they are at peace. Come, then, be joyful for the righteous, for they shall be gathered together, and shall praise the eternal God forever. Amen.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

Jesus said: “I am the bread of life.”
**Whoever comes to him will never be hungry,
and whoever follows him will have abundant life.**

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 35 in our *Glory to God* hymnal, using “debts” and “debtors”)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*The Lord’s Supper is open to all who trust in Christ.
For those who have wheat allergies, we provide gluten-free rice crackers with the communion bread.*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION “O Rest in the Lord” (from *Elijah*)
Sharon Babcock, mezzo-soprano

Felix Mendelssohn

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for Him, and He shall give thee thy heart’s desires.
Commit thy way unto Him, and trust in Him; and fret not thyself because of evil doers.

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

**Everlasting God, number us among your saints,
and join us with the faithful of every age,
that we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us.**

**Grant us the courage to serve you faithfully
until our promised day of resurrection,
when we will feast with you and all the redeemed at your table in glory. Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 326

“For All the Saints”

SINE NOMINE

Vs. 1: All

Vs. 2: Men

Vs. 3: Choir

Vs. 4: Women

Vs. 5: All

BENEDICTION

CHORAL POSTLUDE

“Souls of the Righteous”

T. Tertius Noble

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, Cathy Higgins, 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.



Westminster Church
Annual Bazaar
Friday, November 9, 2018
9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Collectibles, White Elephants, Children's Department, Books, Baked and Gourmet Specialties, Gift Boutique, Handcrafts, Holiday Shop

Hot Dog Stand
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Spaghetti Dinner
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Our annual bazaar is a colossal one-day-only extravaganza of bargains. Thank you to EVERYONE for donating treasures, time, and energy! Donation drop-off begins today. No donations will be received after Wednesday, November 7. Total proceeds support WPC local and global mission outreach efforts.



Sunday Seminars

The Challenge of Paul

Today through December 16

Classroom 3

Facilitator: Bob Cox

The Challenge of Paul is an educational video series of lectures featuring historical Jesus scholar, John Dominic Crossan, who guides participants through the three-dimensional world of the Apostle Paul's time and place. Crossan pushes past generations of doctrine and dogma to reveal the real-life character of Paul who shaped a generation of courageous Christ-followers to challenge boldly the greed and violence of the Roman Empire, the overlord of the first century Mediterranean world.

The Gospel of Mark

Classroom 6

Presenter: Greg Jones

How much do you know about the life and teachings of Jesus? When were the gospels written? Did the authors of the gospels work independently of one another or did subsequent writers have access to the first gospel? What is the spiritual wisdom of Jesus and how does it relate to our lives in 21st century North America? For answers to these questions and more, join us for this study of the first half of Mark's Gospel. Previous knowledge of the gospels is not a prerequisite!

Race In America: Legacy and Future

Today and November 11

Classroom 5

Facilitators: Sue Linderman and Dave McBride

Race—the Power of an Illusion

This session is based upon a PBS series of the same name and *Fatal Invention: How Science, Politics and Big Business Re-create Race in the Twenty-First Century* by Dorothy Roberts (the George A. Weiss University Professor of Law and Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania). Is our concept of race based upon biology and genetics or is it a social construct created for economic and political reasons? *This series will use portions of a motion picture in each class, with a subsequent full showing and discussion of each film on a week night following the Sunday morning 10:TEN session.*

In Memoriam

On this day we remember those who have died since All Saints' Sunday last year. Included below are the names of members as well as the names of loves ones whose families requested we include in our remembrance today.

Frederick Alekel

Abigail Bacon

Jim Bercaw

James Bowman

Wilson Brown

Carolyn Brunner

Nancy Anne Carmine

Fred Carspecken

Douglas Clarke

Lu Currin

Jean Diver

Richard Diver

James Everett

Lynn Foltz

Walter Ford

Eleanor Forslund

Mary Ann Griffin

Jane Arthur Hamlin

Dorothy Heldt

Gertrude Hood

John Jessup

Kitsey Kiley

Jean Lewis

Harriette "Sissy" Long

Nancy McFadden

Barbara Miller

Betty Murchison

Jean Murrill

Frank Pickering

Edward Risell

Lois Rogers

Josh Rohe

Hal Schonhans

Clarke Slade

Charles Taylor

Louise "Weezie" Teaf

Frieda Tice

Christine Trostle

Vincent Stallone, Jr.

Dennis Wehrle

Barbara Wilhide

Stephanie Wise