WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

Worship Services

October 24, 2010
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

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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. Table Talk will be in Classroom 5 this morning at 10:10 a.m.

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**

Under Six Sunday School	Under Six Classrooms
Sunshine Choir for K - 2nd Grade	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 9th 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.

DEACON TEAM OF THE MONTH
Steve Stallone, Melissa Stabler, Kim Carrick and Eric Etshman

Later Today

1:00 p.m.	One Shot Service Sunday	Community Hall, Cl. 6 and Grace Hall
3:00 p.m.	Pacem In Terris	Rodney Chapel
4:30 p.m.	Youth Choir	Youth Music Room
6:00 p.m.	180° Dinner~Rehearsal~Set Design	Community Hall, Classroom 6 and Kitchen
6:00 p.m.	Clean But Not Straight – NA	Club Room
6:30 p.m.	Adult Ed: Parents of Teens	Classroom 5
8:00 p.m.	AA	Club Room

WORSHIP NOTES

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Christiana and Rory's wedding on August 21, 2010 from Caroline Glaeseman.

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. The next available date is December 5.

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.

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:** Inez Cobb, James Corner, Jerry Gillette, Ed Hagopian, Barbara Mammarella, Nancy McFadden, Lorraine Pyle, Sandie Reinicker, Barbara Ross, Clarke Slade.
- **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: Erma Bowen, Carillon Crossing – Unit 204, 1515 Rockland Road, Wilmington, DE 19803 and Kneale Dockstader, 306 Greenbriar Lane, West Grove, PA 19390.
- **Our brothers and sisters** in worldwide ministry in Guatemala, Kenya, Congo and 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 Afghanistan: Shawn Galbraith
- The families of those from the U.S. who have died recently:
  1st Lieutenant Eric Yates, age 26, of Rineyville, Kentucky
  Specialist Joshua Harton, age 23, of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania
  Major Paul Carron, age 33, of Charlotte, North Carolina
  Sergeant 1st Class Ronald Grider, age 30, of Brighton, Illinois
  Private 1st Class Joshua Ose, age 19, of Hernando, Mississippi
  Senior Airman Michael Buras, age 23, of Fitzgerald, Georgia
  Chief Warrant Officer Jonah McClellan, age 26, of St. Louis Park, Minnesota
  Major Robert Baldwin, age 39, of Muscatine, Iowa
  Sergeant Marvin Calhoun, Jr., age 23, of Elkhart, Indiana
  Staff Sergeant Joshua Powell, age 25, of Pleasant Plains, Illinois
- Those who have returned from service, possibly suffering from wounds or Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, whose scars may by deep and long-lasting.

ORDER OF WORSHIP AT 9:00 A.M.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

God of mercy, may your Word speak to me this day, take root in my heart and bear fruit to your glory, for the sake of Christ. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE — Invocation — Mrs. H. H. A. (Amy) Beach
Luigi Mazzocchi, violin

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, let us worship the Lord;
For the Lord is our God and we are God's people.
Draw near to God and God will draw near to you.
Humble yourselves before the Lord and God will exalt you.

*HYMN NO. 288 — "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" — *ELLACOMBE*

CALL TO CONFESSION

We are God's children,
created with a desire to love God and to love others as ourselves
but sin tempts us to damage our deepest relationships.
Let us confess the ways we alienate ourselves from God,
from others and even from ourselves.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,
we confess that we do not strive for humility.
We are easily deceived by false pride,
imagining ourselves to be pure when we are stained,
and great when we are small.
Forgive us when we attempt to bolster our worthiness
by putting down others.
Forgive us and return us to paths of virtue and integrity
through Christ, our Savior.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life is past, the new life has begun.

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

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

TELLING OF THE SCRIPTURE STORY — Luke 18:9-14
Charlie Depfer, storyteller
Westminster By Heart

ANTHEM — The Pharisee and the Publican — Heinrich Schütz
Westminster Choir and Soloists

There were two men that went up to pray in the temple: One of them was a Pharisee, The other a Publican. The Pharisee, he stood and prayed within himself. And the Publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes to Heaven, but he smote upon his breast, and they spake thus:

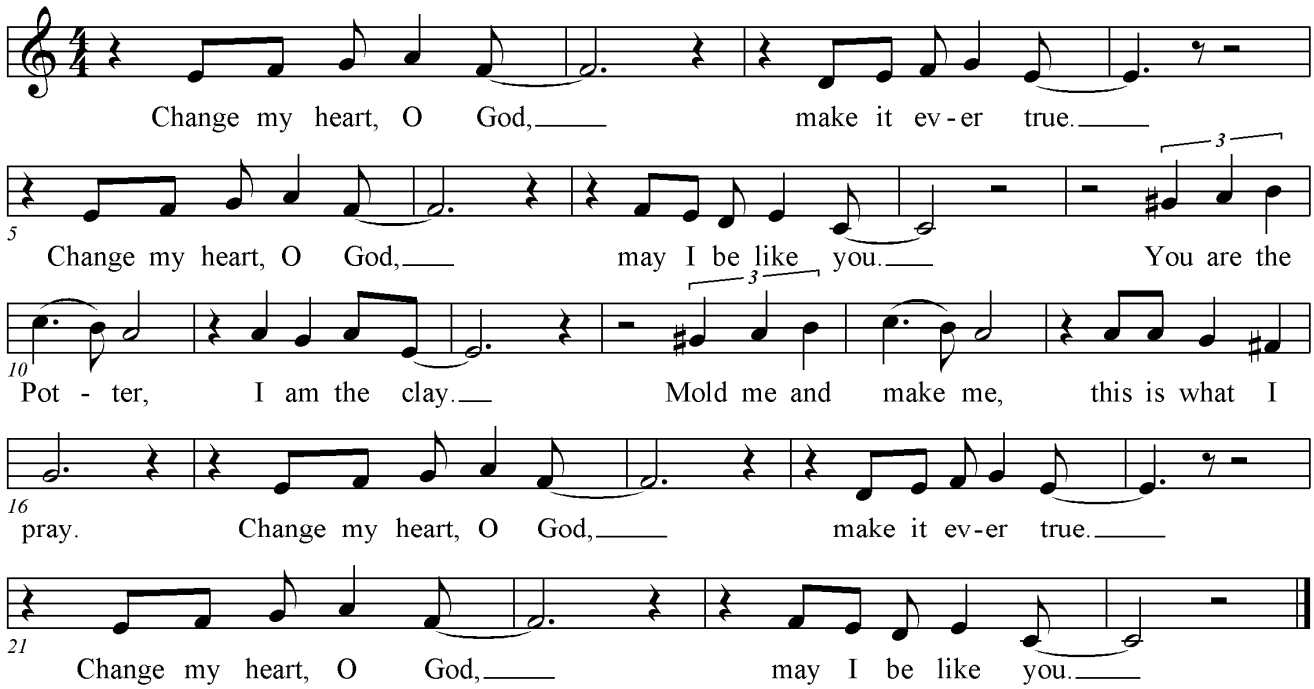
"I give thanks to thee, God, that I am not as other men are, unjust, extortioners, or even as this publican. In ev'ry week I fast on two days, and of all that I possess I give the tenth part."

"God be merciful to me a sinner! God, I am sinful, be thou merciful to me."

I say to you: This man went from thence, went down to his house justified rather than the other. He that himself exalteth, He shall abased be. And he that humbleth himself, he shall exalted be.

SERMON — "Self-Congratulations" — Greg Jones

*RESPONSE — "Change My Heart, O God"



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GREETINGS FROM THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY — Chris Iosso

OFFERING

During the offering, please sign your name and pass the red folders down each row.
As folders are returned to the center aisle, note the names of fellow worshippers on your pew.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "In the Light of His Glory and Grace" arr. Mark Shepperd

For we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is but passing away, but what is unseen is eternal.

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
look full in his wonderful face;
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim
in the light of his glory and grace.

Turn your thoughts upon Jesus,
think deep of his comforting love;
and the thoughts of sin and of self and strife
will be lost in that rapture above.

*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. 419 "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord" *REPTON*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Violin Sonata no. 3 in C major J. S. Bach
IV. Allegro assai

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.

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Adult Education Classes This Morning

Westminster By Heart
Led by Biblical Storytellers Mary-beth Howard and Shelley Gnade
Fourth Sunday each month, in the Meeting Room

Westminster By Heart provides a unique opportunity to study scripture, foster a deeper personal connection to the stories of the Bible, and develop skills for telling Scripture on a regular basis in worship. Even if you're not sure that you're ready to tell but you are fascinated by the process, you are welcome to join! Learning to tell a story is one of the deepest ways to really connect to the Bible.

Pioneers of the Spirit: DVD Class and group discussion
Today in the Daughtry House Classroom

William Blake (1757-1827) always sensed there was something different about himself, and he was surely right! Visionary, mystic, engraver, printer, poet, artist, writer – his extraordinary creative skills flowed through many forms to give expression to the extraordinary inner world he inhabited. As a result he helped us to see with new eyes. His ability to tap the depths of Biblical imagery remains a gift to the ages including the materialistic culture that surrounds us today.

Enough: Discovering Joy through Simplicity and Generosity - DVD discussion facilitated by Sally and Rick Thomas
Today through November 7, in the Meeting Room

"Wisdom & Finance"
Change your life by changing your relationship with money. You're invited to rediscover the Bible's wisdom on prudent financial practices. Find the keys to experiencing contentment, overcoming fear, and discovering joy through simplicity and generosity. Methodist pastor Adam Hamilton offers a simple series reviewing the role of money in connection with one's life purpose. Amid a culture of greed and conspicuous consumption, Hamilton calls us to a biblical joy of having the faith to say "enough is enough."

The Search for Peace in Israel-Palestine, Facilitated by Greg Jones and Bob Stoddard
Today in Classroom 6

"Breaking Down the Walls" – Chris Iosso
At its meeting in July, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (USA) approved the recommendations of the Middle East Peacemaking Issues Committee regarding the report "Breaking Down the Walls," which spotlights the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The Assembly's action followed a unanimous decision by the committee to accept an amended version of the report, which came to it from the GA Middle East Study Committee.

ORDER OF WORSHIP AT 11:15 A.M.

Welcome and Announcements

*Passing of the Peace

Opening Words

*Songs of Celebration

"Arise, Shine" Gary Alan Smith

Repeat each line after the leader:

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

*Hymn No. 261 "God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us" *O QUANTA QUALIA*

Call to Confession

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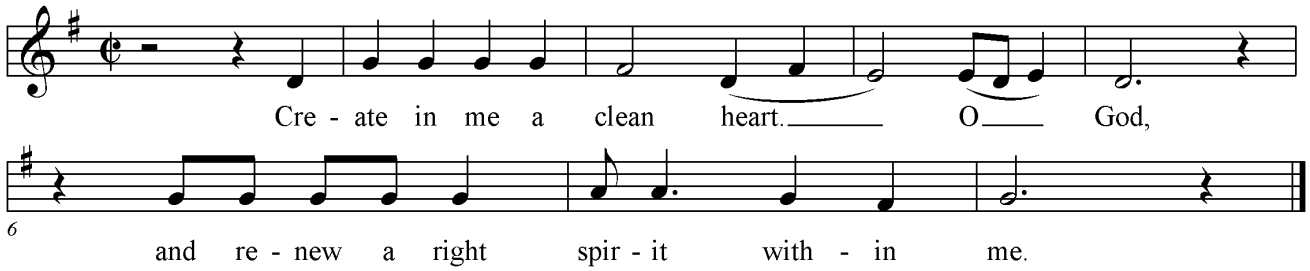
Forgive us and return us to paths of virtue and integrity
through Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Response "Create in Me a Clean Heart"



Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Children's Time

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Bob Cox, storyteller
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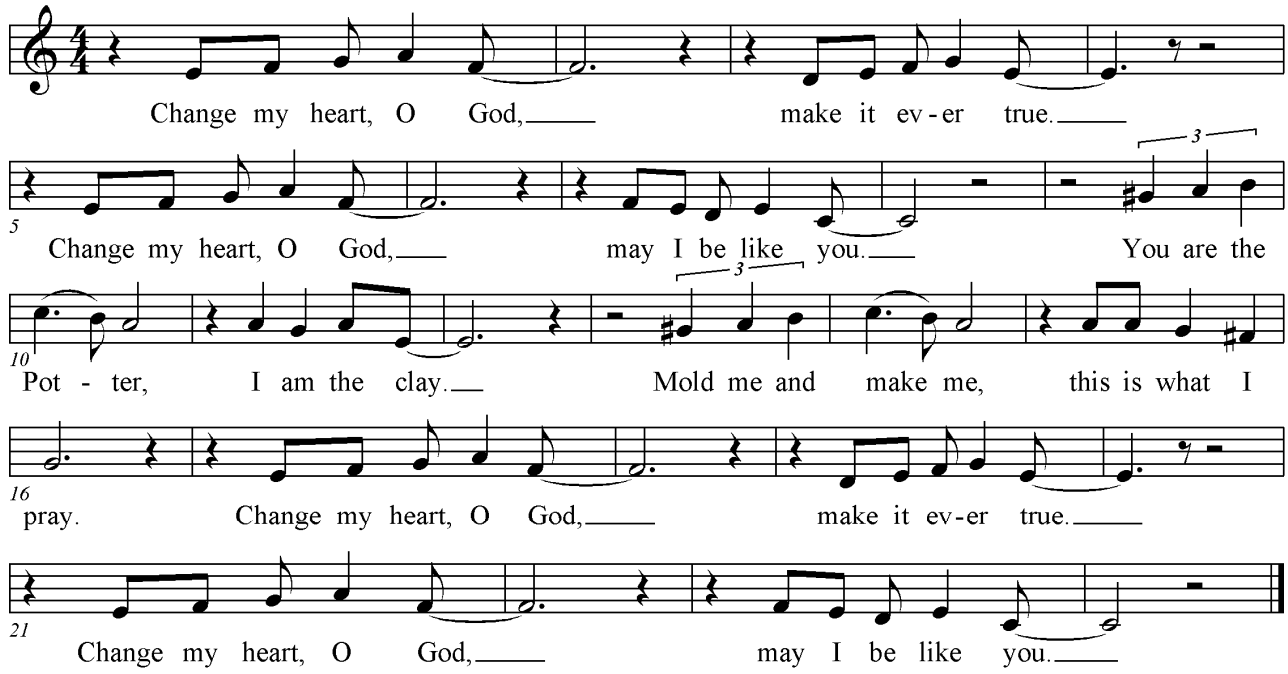
Response — "Change My Heart, O God"



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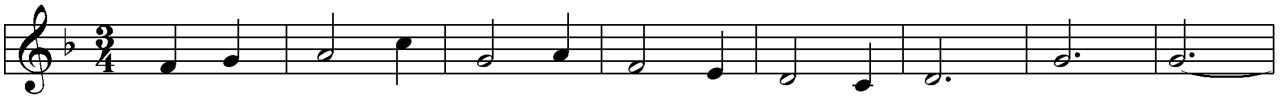
Prayers of the People

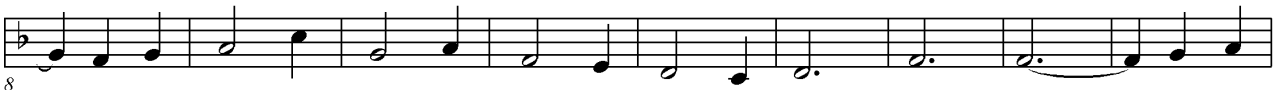
During the Prayer Refrain, all who wish may come forward to light a candle on the communion table. This is a tangible way of remembering someone in need, asking God for strength, praying for peace...the possibilities are endless. Whatever is on your heart today, express it to God. Lighting a candle is a visual representation of your prayer.

Lord's Prayer (page 16 in *The Presbyterian Hymnal*, using "debts" and "debtors")

*Closing Song "The Summons"



1.Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
2.Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call your name?
3.Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
4.Will you love the "you" you hide if I but call your name?
5.Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.



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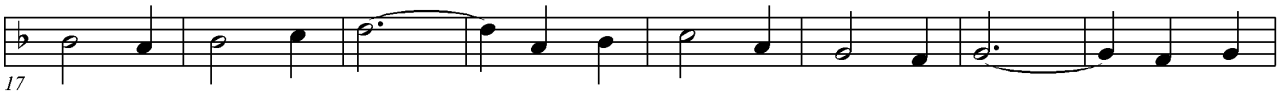
Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same? Will you
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er by the same? Will you
Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same? Will you
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same? Will you
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same. In your



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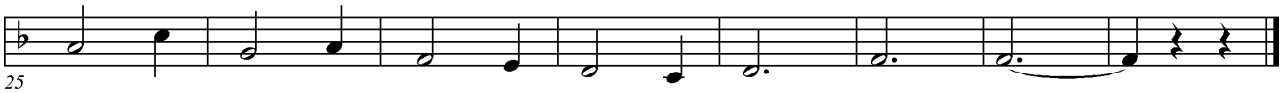
let my love be shown, will you let my name be known, will you
risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare? Will you
kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen, and ad -
use the faith you've found to re - shape the world a - round, through my
com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot - steps show. Thus I'll



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let my life be grown in you and you in me?
let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?
mit to what I mean in you and you in me?
sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?
move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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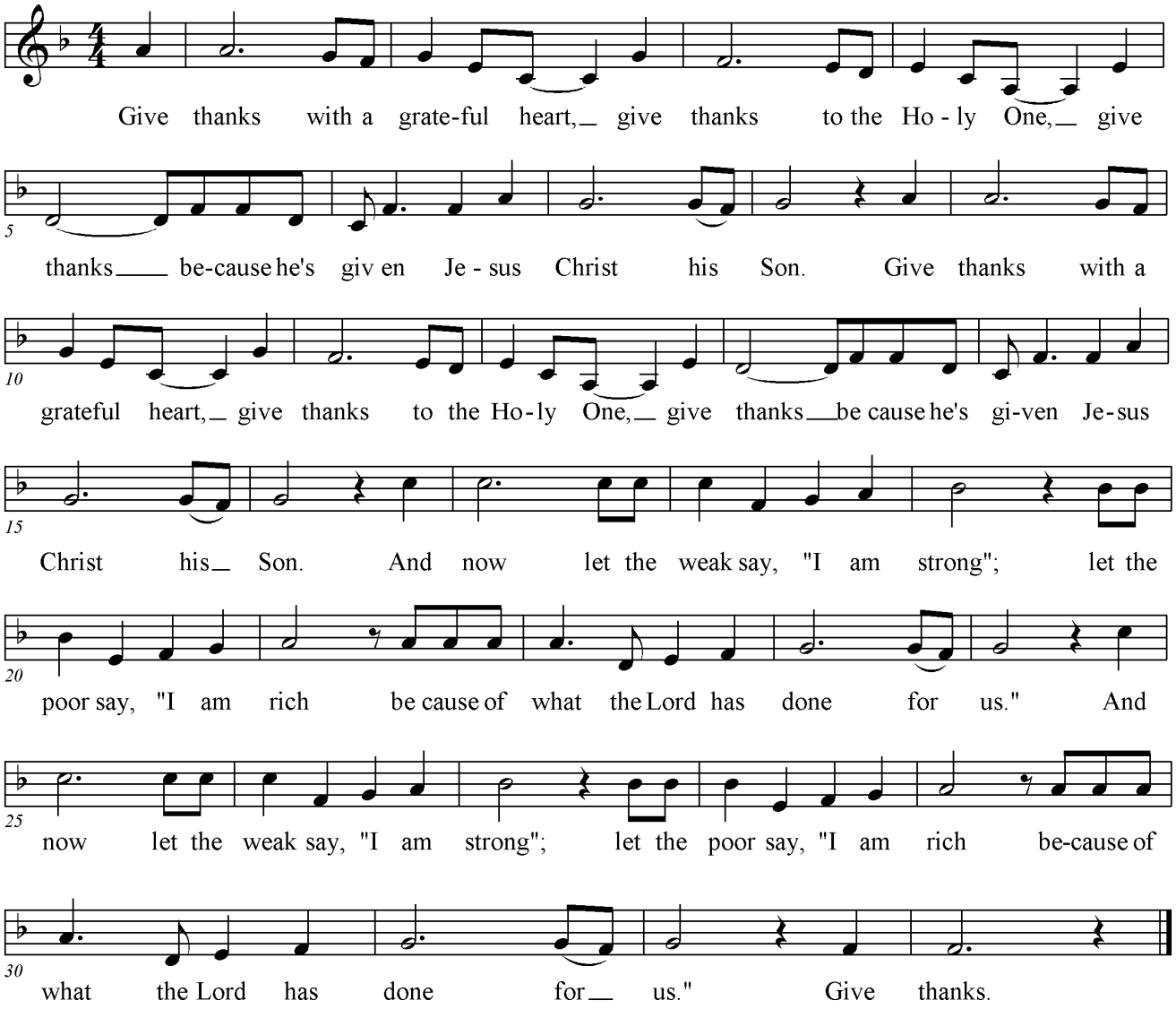
*Benediction

*Response (next page)

*Response

"Give Thanks"



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Celebrate the arrival of fall with a special church-wide picnic.

Westminster's Fall *Harvest Festival!*

Sunday, October 31st
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.
Church Lawn

(or Community Hall in case of rain)

LUNCH, PIÑATAS, APPLE-BOBBING, ARTS & CRAFTS, AND MORE!

Cost is $5 per person (children in costume eat free!).
Includes hot dogs, baked beans, apple cider, and lots of treats.

REPLENISH
RENEW
REJOICE

REPLENISH funds, *RENEW* our ministries and missions, and *REJOICE* in God's most generous gifts to us!

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR PLEDGE BY OCTOBER 25

Members of the Stewardship Committee will be in Holy Toast Café this morning with information and to answer your questions.