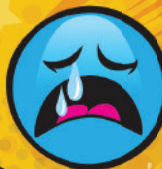
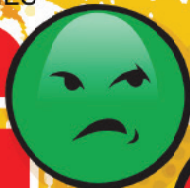




AUGUST SERMON SERIES

BIG FEELINGS



THE Celebration OF Worship

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude (8:30)
Prelude (11:00)

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee
O Trinity of Blessed Light: Variations 1-6

Georg Böhm
Samuel Scheidt

Welcome and Announcements

***Share the Peace of Christ**

***Call to Worship**

Leader: In the lonely places
where we stand forlorn,
windswept and alone,

People: **God calls us home.**

Leader: In the dark places
where we hide our fears
and the tears fall,

People: **God is with us.**

LONELINESS



*Prayer of Confession

Dear God,

We confess that we have forgotten what it means to feel fully alive. Day by day we live in crowded places, surrounded by people, and caught in routines that insulate us from one another and you. We feel so alone at times.

We confess that our loneliness causes us to turn inward and retreat further. We lash out in ways we regret. Free us from our prisons of fear and selfishness. Make us over, day by day, by your grace.

(A time of silence for personal confession)

*Assurance of God's Love and Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

*Sung Response

Lord, Be Glorified

Bob Kilpatrick

1. In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.
2. In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

John 6:24-35

New Testament, page 98

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Big Feelings: Lonely Hearts

Jo Forrest

WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

Offertory Anthem

Something About That Name
Paige and Traci Krzywicki

Wedgeworth, Wilson and Hulse

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

Hymnal (page 35)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.

The Sacrament of Communion

Communion Anthem

In His Presence
Holly Jones, soloist

Dick and Melodie Tunney

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Institution of the Lord's Supper

Prayer of Dedication

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*Closing Hymn 460

Break Thou the Bread of Life

BREAD OF LIFE

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

Go Ye Now in Peace
Holly Jones, Paige and Traci Krzywicki

Joyce Eilers

Postlude

O Trinity of Blessed Light: Variation 7

Scheidt

Leading in worship: Jo Forrest, Paul Adamo, Sara Kyle, Holly Jones, Paige Krzywicki, Traci Krzywicki, and Lorraine Milovac.

BIG FEELINGS

God fashions our beings from dirt along with air, water, and the divine spirit. However autonomous we might imagine ourselves; these fleshy souls remain entirely dependent upon and responsive to God's world. In addition to thirst or sweaty hot sensations, things as subtle as a creepy-crawly or the startling thunder from a screaming parent spark feelings. Our willingness to feel deeply runs the gamut from fear to elation, rage to compassion, or lonely to intimate and brings us closer to being fully alive in God. Our final summer sermon series will explore stories from scripture about these Big Feelings.

Loneliness

By Mary Oliver

I too have known loneliness.
I too have known what it is to feel
misunderstood,
rejected, and suddenly
not at all beautiful.
Oh, mother earth,
your comfort is great, your arms never withhold.
It has saved my life to know this.
Your rivers flowing, your roses opening in the morning.
Oh, motions of tenderness!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



The Writers of Westminster

Looking for More Writers – Everyone has a story!

Wednesday, August 21 | 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. at Jim O'Brien's house:
512 Hunt Club Drive, McMurray, PA 15317

The Writers of Westminster are calling all writers as they begin gathering stories for Westminster's 6th Christmas book of inspiring stories. Come listen to stories and perhaps share one. Please RSVP to 412-221-3580.



HOLY SCOOPS

Sundaes, Sundaes, Sundaes on Wednesday

Wednesday, August 21 | 6:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall Courtyard

What's more enjoyable in the summer than ice cream? Join your church family; bring a friend. No need to RSVP.

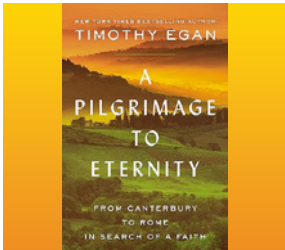
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Living Stones

Sunday, August 25 | 3:30 p.m. - approx. 6:00 p.m.
Fairhaven United Methodist Church, Overbrook

Please help us feed those in need by volunteering to serve food at the buffet line. Transportation provided from the church's north parking lot. Contact Jan Baumann at baumann@westminster-church.org.



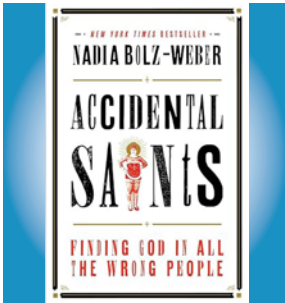
Summer Reading Group

Tuesday, August 27 | 7:00 p.m. | Memorial Parlor

Gather for a casual reading group led by Jo Forrest.

August 27 - *Pilgrimage to Eternity* by Timothy Egan

No reservations necessary. Contact Jo Forrest for more information.



LIFT (Ladies in Fellowship Together) Book Group

Thursdays, September 5 through October 24 | 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. | Rm. 283

In a time when many have rightly become disillusioned with Christianity, *Accidental Saints* demonstrates what happens when ordinary people share bread and wine, struggle with scripture together, and tell each other the truth about their real lives. This unforgettable account of their faltering steps toward wholeness will ring true for believer and skeptic alike. This is a group for women of all ages to come together and share the realness of life. Drop in as you are able, even if you are behind on reading. Contact Kristy Berrott with questions kristy@berrott.com.



Extended Communion

Sundays, September 1, December 1, 2024, and March 2, May 4, 2025
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

"We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." -*Ephesians 2:10*. The Westminster Deacons have the privilege of serving communion to our homebound congregation four times a year. The Deacons will contact the recipients the week before and schedule a time to visit and serve communion. Please contact Laura Bentley to confirm or add yourself or a loved one to the list of recipients.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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MyWPC is an online tool that will help you stay connected with Westminster's activities and events, as well as manage your personal information and giving. Read more at https://www.westminster-church.org/my_WPC or contact Anna Hiner at hiner@westminster-church.org or 412-835-6630x207.



PHISHING ALERT

DANGER: Phishing

Phishing is the fraudulent practice of sending emails or other messages claiming to be from reputable people to get individuals to reveal personal information, such as passwords and credit card numbers.

Unfortunately, pastors, members, and church staff can be impersonated in texts and email. Therefore, if you receive a text or email from someone on staff asking for your assistance or money, please be careful about opening any links or replying. If there is a churchwide campaign, it will be included in an email from the church, not from an individual staff member. If you're not sure, please call the church to verify.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Memorial Service Reception Volunteer

We need a new team leader for memorial service receptions following funerals. This person notifies the team of experienced volunteers, orders the cookies, and oversees the reception in Memorial Parlor. Training provided. Please contact Jan Baumann at baumann@westminster-church.org with questions or to volunteer.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Looking for a Part Time Job?

KITCHEN MANAGER

Like working in the kitchen? Enjoy working with great volunteers and serving an amazing community? This could be the job you are searching for. Approximately 10 hours a week. Complete training provided.

Contact Jan Baumann with questions or to apply, baumann@westminster-church.org.



Westminster Nursery School

ASSISTANT TEACHER

Westminster Nursery School is looking for an assistant teacher for morning Pre-K and also, morning classroom floaters. These are great part-time jobs and nursery school is a happy place to be! For more information please contact Lori Feldmann at feldmann@westminster-church.org or 412-835-2906.

THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

AUG 4-AUG 10, 2024



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SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

8:30	Traditional Worship Wiggle Room**	North Courtyard Rm. 239
9:00	Welcome Center	North Main Entry
9:45	Bridge Contemporary Worship Bridge Sunday School (PreK-4th Grd.) Wiggle Room - The Bridge**	WROC/Lvstrm. Rm. 176 WROC Fitness
11:00	Traditional Worship Wiggle Room**	Sanctuary/Lvstrm. Rm. 239

*Sunday School - Dismissed from worship after the children's message. Pickup after worship in Room 176. A time for children in PreK through 4th grade to explore the Bible, enjoy fellowship together, and grow in their faith.

Wiggle Room - 9:45 - Upstairs WROC Fitness Room; 8:30/11:00 - Room 239. Available to **families with children from birth through age 3 who would prefer a separate space to step away while listening to the worship service. Please see an usher if you need help finding the Wiggle Room.

MONDAY, AUGUST 5

12:00	AA	Fellowship Hall
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

7:00	Tuesday Morning Men's Group	Rm. 238
10:00	Staff Meeting	Rm. 238

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

9:00	Men's Small Group Bible Study	Rm. 231
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Wednesdays @ Westminster are on summer break. Programs resume August 28.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

4:00	Farmers' Market	South Parking Lot
7:00	LIFT - Book Group (Ladies in Fellowship Together)	Rm. 283
7:30	NA Nar Anon	Rm. 107 Rm. 131

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

6:30	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
7:00	AI Anon AA	Rm. 231 Rm. 107

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10



Children's & Family Ministry



Music & Choirs

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TEXT-TO-GIVE: Text WPCUSC to 73256. Standard text messaging rates may apply.



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