



Westminster Presbyterian Church



May 8, 2022 | 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Prière à Notre-Dame

Léon Boëllmann

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: Followers of Jesus, by his cross we are redeemed from the futility of sin.

People: **Alleluia!**

Leader: By his rising, we are free from the fear of death.

People: **Alleluia!**

Leader: By his love, we are made new to live the abundant life as followers of the risen Christ.

People: **Alleluia! Thanks be to God!**

*Hymn No. 645

Sign Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

1 Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.
With healing balm my soul is filled, and every faithless murmur stilled:
to God all praise and glory!

3 The Lord is never far away, but, through all grief distressing,
an ever-present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing,
as with a mother's tender hand God gently leads the chosen band:
to God all praise and glory!

Our Mission: We seek to be a caring community of faith committed to bringing people to Christ and developing their faith through worshipping God together, teaching the faith, and serving in mission.

4 Thus all my toilsome way along I sing aloud thy praises,
that all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and body, take your part:
to God all praise and glory!

***Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, our world is filled with corruption: power disguises itself as truth; convenience masquerades as goodness; selfish pleasure imitates love. We confess to you, O God, that we have been caught in the web of the world's darkness. By the power of the Holy Spirit, save us from these deceptions and free us for glad obedience, that we may know the joy of Jesus' resurrection and realize the promise of everlasting life.

(A time of silence for personal confession)

Assurance of God's Love and Forgiveness

Leader: Sisters and Brothers, the spirit of God is resting on you, to restore, support, and strengthen you.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***Sung Response**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth.

Jesus has died and has risen. *(Refrain)*

Prayers of the People

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.

Gospel Lesson

Luke 10:38-42

NT 72

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon (8:30)

The Better Way

Louise Rogers

Children's Musical (11:00)

Life of the Party

Allen Pote & Tom S. Long

The Story of Mary and Martha

Offertory Solo

For All the World
Holly Jones, soloist

Nelson and Farrell

***Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn No. 450**

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
thou, mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

4 High King of Heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** (8:30)
(11:00)

Go Ye Now in Peace
Hand in Hand

Joyce Eilers
Pote/Long

Postlude

Minuet Gothique

Léon Boëllmann

***Please stand if you are able.**

Leading in worship: Jim Burns, Jo Forrest, Holly Jones, Louise Rogers

Life of the Party Cast & Crew

Mary: Alexa Galbraith

Martha: Adriana Daniele

Jesus: Jackson Galbraith

Lazarus: Trevor McClintock-Comeaux

Dinner Guests: Emma Barry, Scarlett Burgess,
Payton Cunningham, Nolan Daniele,
Paige Krzywicki, Kate McClintock-Comeaux,
Sierra Meier, Catherine Radinick,
Maura Ralston, Parker Seftchick,
Madeline Thomas

Cherub Choir members: Claudia Bowser,
Crosby Daniele, Lucas Daniele,
Cameron Galbraith, Aubrey Heitman,
Bennett Kramer, Savanna Meier,
Reed Morganstern, Brooklyn Senge,
Maxwell Senge, Lucinda Viviano,
Aidan Wintruba, Logan Wintruba

Stage Manager: Max Thomas

Piano: Jim Burns

Directors: Holly Jones & Beth Ketterman

Thank You Children's Choirs

Today is the final Sunday in which the Cherub and Junior choirs will be participating this season. We would like to acknowledge the accomplishments and hard work of the children and their leaders. A special thank you to Holly Jones, Director of the Junior Choir, Beth Ketterman, Director of the Cherub Choir, and Mary Zora, accompanist for the Cherub Choir. Their efforts have culminated in the wonderful musical we enjoy today. Thank you to everyone involved!

Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

We celebrate with joy

the 60th wedding anniversary of Karen & Judd Liebendorfer on May 9.

The congregation extends condolences to

Frank and Marge McCabe on the death of Frank's mother, Eileen McCabe.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today

Barefoot School (June 20-24) Registration

This year's **Food Truck Party Barefoot School registration is open online** for children K- 6th grade for the 2022-2023 school year! Register at <https://vbspro.events/p/wpc2022>



Westminster Seminars Sundays @ 9:45 a.m. in Galbreath Chapel & Zoom

The May five-week series, **Christians, the Nations, and War**, continues today, Sunday, May 8, with "Is God at Work in War? How?" For details visit <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/westminster-seminars>

This Week



Treasures for Troops

May 5-22
Collection boxes at
north, south & WROC
entries

To honor our troops for Memorial Day, the Deacons are hosting a donation drive for Operation Troop Appreciation. All donations are used for OTA's Active-Duty "Wish-List" and veteran "Welcome Home" programs. Read more here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/treasures-for-troops>

Town Hall South Evening Lecture: *the Ukraine War and Global Geopolitics*

Tuesday, May 10, 7:00 p.m., USC High School Theater
Read more and buy tickets at www.townhallsouth.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

This Week



JAM & Veritas Move Up Night

Wednesday, May 11
6:00–7:30 p.m.
Youth Wing

On May 11, 4th graders are invited to JAM and 6th graders are invited to Veritas for a chance to make new friends and settle in to new programs for a few weeks before summer time. We will eat dinner together as a large group in Fellowship Hall and part ways from there. Contact Laura Ecklin with Veritas questions and Faith Kemmler with JAM questions.



Inquirers' Gathering

Saturday, May 14
9:00 a.m.
Memorial Parlor

Learn more about Westminster Church at an informal gathering of sharing and teaching, as we explore what it means to be a follower of Christ in the Presbyterian tradition and here at Westminster. More details here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/inquirers-gathering-in-person>



WECEP Spring Arts Festival

Saturday, May 14
2:00–5:00 p.m.
Playground

Join the children of Westminster's Early Childhood Education Programs for an afternoon of art, food, fun, and fellowship! In addition to the art show, the festival features a bake sale, animal dioramas display, caricature artist, basket raffles, balloon artist & face painting, food trucks, and more! All are welcome.

Next Week



Deacons Blood Drive

Sunday, May 15
8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

The Westminster Deacons thank you in advance for your support of this worthy mission.

Westminster Deacons are hosting the second blood drive of the year! Vitalant will provide staff and supplies to handle 40 or more donors and they are now requiring all donors to:

- Make an appointment.
- Wear a mask.
- Get a temperature check on site.

Please preregister for your appointment, using sponsor code G0010171, by calling Vitalant at 877-258-4825 or online at www.vitalant.org.

Visit the church's website at www.westminster-church.org for additional details on any event or activity listing and to view a complete church calendar, located under the "Events" menu item.

Ongoing Activities & Opportunities

SUNDAY MORNINGS

The Wiggle Room

8:30/11:00 a.m. in Room 239

9:45 a.m. in WROC Fitness Room

Available to families with **children from birth through age 3** who prefer a separate space to step away while listening to the worship service.

Westminster Seminars

9:45 a.m. in Galbreath Chapel
or on Zoom

The five-week May series, **Christians, the Nations, and War**, presented by John P. Burgess, continues this week. Read more here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/westminster-seminars>.

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sunday School

9:45 a.m. in Room 194

A time for children in PreK through 4th grade to explore the Bible, enjoy fellowship together, and grow in their faith.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Wednesday Food & Fellowship

5:30–6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall
Church family, food, and fellowship! **This week's menu is Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Salad.**

JAM (Jesus & Me)

6:00–7:30 p.m. in the north entry
A youth group for 5th & 6th graders that offers a time for fun, fellowship, and faith.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Veritas

6:00–7:30 p.m. in the Youth Dept.
Youth group for 7th to 12th graders, inspiring minds and filling hearts with the love of God in a fun and exciting way. Can't make it on Wednesday? Catch the Veritalk podcast, a review of the scripture lesson and discussion questions from Veritas. Find it here: veritalk.podbean.com

STAFF PROGRAM/MINISTRY CONTACTS

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Hiring: Bookkeeper

Westminster Presbyterian Church is seeking a Bookkeeper, responsible for entering accounts payable invoices, expense reports, verifying proper approval of charges, processing payments, and filing related documentation. In addition, processing contributions and making bank deposits, and member statements. Read the full job description here: <https://bit.ly/3kBSBqC>

Please send resumes and inquiries to: recruiting@westminster-church.org

CALENDAR

2022

MAY 9 – 15

Please check our website calendar for the most up-to-date listing of events and activities:
<https://www.westminster-church.org/events/calendar>.

MONDAY, MAY 9

7:00	WCDC	Rm. 152
8:00	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
9:15	Parkinson's Level 1 Workout	WROC
9:30	PACC Movie Matinee	Yahweh Café
10:20	Parkinson's Level 2 Workout	WROC
12:00	AA	Fellowship Hall
5:30	Cardio Kickboxing	WROC
6:00	Pack 366 Meeting	Fellowship Hall
	Youth Commission	Rm. 238
6:45	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
7:00	WECEP Board Meeting	Zoom
8:10	Adult Pickup Basketball	WROC

TUESDAY, MAY 10

7:00	Men's Discussion Group	Rm. 238
	WCDC	Rm. 152
9:00	Zumba	WROC
5:30	PACC Activity Night	Yahweh Café
6:30	Centering Prayer	Zoom
	Flow (Vinyasa) Yoga	Fellowship Hall
7:00	AI Anon	Rm. 131
	Outreach Commission	Rm. 176
	Town Hall South Lecture	USC HS
8:00	Adult Pickup Volleyball	WROC
8:30	Westminster Men's Softball	Chartiers Park
	vs. Corpus Christi	

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

7:00	WCDC	Rm. 152
8:00	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
9:15	Parkinson's Level 1 Workout	WROC
9:30	Chancel Guild	Rm. 238
10:20	Parkinson's Level 2 Workout	WROC
12:30	Movers and Shakers	Fellowship Hall
5:30	Wednesday Food & Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
6:00	JAM Youth Group (Gds. 4-5)	North Entry
	Veritas Youth Group (Gds. 6-12)	Youth Dept.
7:30	Westminster Ringers	Rm. 268

THURSDAY, MAY 12

7:00	WCDC	Rm. 152
8:30	Zumba Toning	WROC
9:00	Zumba	WROC
4:00	Farmers Market	S. Parking Lot
6:00	Adult Pickleball	WROC
	Cub Scout Den Meeting	Rm. 176
7:00	Chancel Choir	Rm. 268
	Nar Anon	Rm. 131
7:30	NA	Rm. 107
8:10	Adult Pickup Basketball	WROC

FRIDAY, MAY 13

6:30	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
7:00	WCDC	Rm. 152
8:00	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
9:15	Parkinson's Level 1 Workout	WROC
1:30	Outreach Committee Meeting	Rm. 238
6:00	Adult Pickleball	WROC
	Veritas Family Fireside	Off Site
7:00	AA	Rm. 107
	AI Anon	Rm. 231

SATURDAY, MAY 14

9:00	Inquirers Gathering	Memorial Parlor
9:45	Zumba with Jocelyn	WROC
2:00	WECEP Spring Arts Festival	Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, MAY 15

8:00	Blood Drive	Fellowship Hall
8:30	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
	Wiggle Room	Rm. 239
9:00	Welcome Center	North Entry
9:45	Contemporary Worship	WROC/Lvstrm.
	Wiggle Room	WROC Fitness
	Sunday School PreK-4th Grade	Rm. 194
	Westminster Seminars	Gallbreath Chapel
11:00	Traditional Worship -	Sanctuary/Lvstrm.
	Wiggle Room	Rm. 239
	Confirmation Class	Yahweh Café

Calendar/Scheduling Reminder: To schedule an event or make a room reservation, please contact Kathy Long at 412-835-6630x200 or long@westminster-church.org for current availability.

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