

Sunday, October 12, 2025 | 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH



THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude Andante Cantabile C.M. Widor

Introit (11:00) This Is the Day Lee Garrett
Junior Choir

Welcome and Announcements

*Share the Peace of Christ

*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather because God has spoken our names.

People: **Here we are, Lord—ready to worship, ready to listen.**

Leader: We gather because God's word is life, even when it is hard to hear.

People: **Here we are, Lord—seeking truth, courage, and hope.**

***Opening Hymn No. 41** O Worship the King, All Glorious Above! LYONS

*Prayer of Confession

Holy God,
you speak and we confess that too often we do not listen.
We close our ears to the voices we would rather not hear,
and we turn away from truths that feel too heavy.
You call us to honesty, yet we cling to comfort.
You call us to courage, yet we hide behind silence.
You call us to love, yet we resist the cost.
Forgive us, Lord.
Open our ears to your voice,
our hearts to your presence,
and our lives to your calling.

(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.**

Refrain:

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

Verse:

You are the potter, I am the clay.
Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.
(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.**

Congregational Response

THREEFOLD AMEN

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

1 Samuel 3:10-19

Old Testament, page 247

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Worthy of Trust

Laura Bentley

WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

Offertory Anthem

He's Got the Whole World with
This Is My Father's World

arr. Joel Raney

***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**

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***Closing Hymn No. 451**

Open My Eyes, That I May See

OPEN MY EYES

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response**

Go Ye Now in Peace

Joyce Eilers

Go ye now in peace and know that the love of God will guide you.
Feel his presence here beside you, showing you the way.
Know that the God who sent his son to die that we might live
will never leave you lost and alone in his beloved world.

Postlude

Toccata

Theodore Dubois

Leading in worship: Laura Bentley, Barb Myers, Christine Hestwood, Jim Burns, Beth Ketterman, Lana Kipp, the Quartet, Cherub, Junior, and Chancel Choirs.

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A PC(USA) Congregation



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

The congregation extends condolences to Alexis Scott and family on the death of her mother, Jean Scott. A memorial service will be held at the church at a later date.

The congregation extends condolences to Eileen Slater on the death of her brother, John Erskine.

Westminster Seminars Biblical Responses to Current Questions

The Bible and Immigration

TODAY | 9:45 a.m. | Galbreath Chapel

Next Week's Topic: Biblical Responses to Current Questions: The Bible and Antisemitism

For more info and the Zoom link, go to westminster-church.org/event/westminster-seminars/.

Steven Tuell, Professor Emeritus of Hebrew
and Old Testament
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary



LIFT (Ladies in Fellowship Together) Fall Session

Thursday, October 16 | 7:00–8:30 p.m. | Memorial Parlor

LIFT is a place where we gather for fellowship first. We hope to grow, laugh, and get to know you better this fall at LIFT. We will discuss *Wholehearted Faith* by Rachel Held Evans. Questions, contact Kristy Berrott at kristy@berrott.com.

Fall Festival Sunday, October 19 | 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. | Gilfillan Farm

Join us for an afternoon of fall fun featuring pumpkins, a food truck, crafts, games, and more! The Roaming Bean and Hermes Food Truck will be on site selling delicious eats. Enjoy the grounds at Gilfillan Farm as you decorate pumpkins, play fall games, adventure through a scavenger hunt, and delight in the fall season with family and friends. In the event of inclement weather, the event will move to Fellowship Hall. Contact Faith Kemmler with questions.

Register Now for WROC Fall Session II Fitness Classes!



The WROC offers a variety of cardio, strength, and flexibility classes that range from beginner to advanced. Visit our website for details and registration. wroc.westminster-church.org

Gentle (Hatha) Yoga
Wednesdays, 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Cardio Strength Fusion (55+ Friendly)
Mon./Wed./Fri., 8:00–9:00 a.m.

One Hit Wonders: One Story at a Time

Wednesday, October 22 | 6:15–7:15 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Join us for a conversation with Rabbi Aaron Meyers of Temple Emanuel as he teaches from the Book of Judges. These stories are off the beaten path, yet they carry vital wisdom for today: how to live in ways so that we can encounter God in our lives and how to treat one another in ways that please God.



Catacombs - Veritas Youth Friday, October 24 | 7:00 p.m.–Midnight | Youth Wing

Students in 7th–12th grade are invited to a giant game of hide-and-seek with a biblical twist.

Cost is \$5. Annual Veritas registration is required to attend. No late registrations will be accepted.

Registration deadline is October 17. Contact Harrison Burgess at burgess@westminster-church.org with questions.

Women 2 Women Study Group

Thursday, October 23 | 10:00 a.m. | Room 238

All women are invited to join us for fellowship and coffee, prayer, and study. There is always room at the table. Contact Sue Davis for more information at planetsue66@gmail.com.

Westminster Walkabout Tour of Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Wednesday, October 29 | 11:00 a.m. | Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Please join us for a tour of the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. The seminary is hosting our group for lunch. **RSVP due by Monday, October 27**, to Deborah Waller 412-760-7523.

WPC Book Group Wednesday, October 29 | 12:00 p.m. | Church Library

The next meeting we will be discussing *Cry, the Beloved Country* by Alan Paton. All are welcome.

Questions or comments, contact Nana Wilson at callingnana@gmail.com.

Volunteer Training: Emergency Response

Saturday, November 8 | 9:00 a.m. | Sanctuary & Yahweh Café

Safety and security are of the utmost importance at Westminster and to help prepare us for a variety of situations, we will be hosting a Volunteer Training. Please RSVP on Realm or to Emily Shubilla by Wednesday, November 5.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

OCTOBER 12-18, 2025

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:00	Nursery (Birth-Preschool)*	Rm. 222
8:30a	Traditional Worship	North Courtyard
	Wiggle Room***	Rm. 239
9:00a	Welcome Center	North Main Entry
9:30a	Bridge Contemporary Worship	WROC/Livestream
	Bridge Sunday School (4yrs-1st Grade)**	Rm. 176
	Bridge Sunday School (2nd-4th Grade)**	Rm. 284
	Wiggle Room - The Bridge***	WROC Fitness
9:45a	Westminster Seminars	Galbreath Chapel
11:00a	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary/Livestream
	Sunday School (4yrs-4th Grade)**	Rm. 233
	Wiggle Room***	Rm. 239

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

12:00	AA (Door #20)	Fellowship Hall
6:30	Scout Pack 366 Meeting	Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

7:00a	Tuesday Morning Men's Group	Rm. 238
10:00a	Staff Meeting	Rm. 238
7:00	Mission & Fellowship Commission	Rm. 231
7:15	Pastor Nominating Committee	Rm. 238
7:30	Boy Scout Troop 366	Rm. 107

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:00	Men's Bible Study	Rm. 231
4:45	Little Ones and Loved Ones	Rm. 222 Nursery
	Cherub Choir	Rm. 176
	Junior Choir	Rm. 268
5:15	Wednesday Food & Fellowship	Fellowship Hall

6:00	Kids' Connection (5yrs-2nd Grade)	Rm. 233
	Kids' Connection (3rd-4th Grade)	Rm. 176
	JAM - Youth Group (5th-6th Grades)	Rm. 257 JAM
	Veritas Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)	Youth Dept.
7:00	Westminster Ringers	Rm. 268

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

10:00a	Women2Women	Rm. 238
7:00	Chancel Choir	Rm. 268
	LIFT (Ladies in Fellowship Together)	Memorial Parlor
7:30	NA (Door #14)	Rm. 107
	Nar Anon (Door #14)	Rm. 131

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

6:30a	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
7:00	AA (Door #14)	Rm. 107
	Al Anon (Door #14)	Rm. 131

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

Please see an usher if you need help finding the following:

*Nursery - Staffed care for infants through preschool.

**Sunday School - 9:45 a.m., dismissed from worship after children's message; 11:00 a.m., report directly to Room 233.

***Wiggle Room - Available to families with children who would prefer a separate space to step away while listening to the worship service.



Children's & Family Ministry



Food & Fellowship Menu



Music & Choirs