

Sunday, October 19, 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

Here I Am, Lord  
*Holly Jones, soloist*

Shutte/arr. Sherman

Joyful, Joyful  
*Westminster Ringers and Jim Burns*

Beethoven/arr. Line

### Welcome and Announcements

### \*Share the Peace of Christ

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: When the world feels like chaos,

**People: God invites us to be confident in our abilities.**

Leader: When change is coming,

**People: God calls us to rise up in courage.**

Leader: When we see more than anyone can accomplish,

**People: God invites us into work together  
as we dedicate our lives to the church.**

### \*Opening Hymn No. 634

To God Be the Glory

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### \*Prayer of Confession

Dear God, too often we expect instant results these days  
and confess that we forget what it's like to be patient.  
When we persistently make self-centered decisions  
rather than Christ-centered ones,  
we ignore the goodness we could offer.  
Merciful God, forgive us  
so that we may truly care for one another.

*(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*)

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**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.**

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**Congregational Response**

THREEFOLD AMEN

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**WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination**

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**Scripture Lesson**

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Old Testament, page 244

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

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**Sermon**

See Different

Frank Yamada

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**WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE**

**Offertory Anthem (8:30)**

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Kevin A. Memley

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; nought 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.

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.

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.

**Offertory Anthem (11:00)**

Glorious Everlasting

M. Thomas Cousins

Glorious, everlasting. I will praise Thee, O Lord among the people.  
I will sing unto Thee among the nations.  
I will praise Thee, O Lord, I will sing unto Thee.  
I will praise Thee among the people.  
I will sing unto Thee, O Lord. Be Thou exalted, O God,  
above the heavens. Let Thy glory be above all the earth. Amen.

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**\*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.

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**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

**\*Closing Hymn No. 738**

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

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**\*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.

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**Postlude**

Postlude on *Lauda Anima*

Robert Powell

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**Leading in worship:** Frank Yamada, Jo Forrest, Jim Burns, Lorraine Milovac, Jim Marshall, Westminster Ringers, the Quartet, and Chancel Choir.

## Guest Preacher Frank Yamada



The Reverend Dr. Frank M. Yamada serves as Executive Director for the Association of Theological Schools and the Commission on Accrediting. Previously he served as the President and the Cyrus McCormick Professor of Bible and Culture at McCormick Theological Seminary, authored numerous essays and books, and served as an editor and contributor to *The People's Companion to the Bible* and *The People's Bible*, a cross-cultural study. Dr. Yamada is a leading voice on the future of the church and theological education and is an ordained minister of Word and Sacrament in the PC(USA).

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Westminster Seminars Biblical Responses to Current Questions

*The Bible and Antisemitism*

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

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

For more info and the Zoom link, go to [westminster-church.org/event/westminster-seminars/](https://westminster-church.org/event/westminster-seminars/).

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



## Fall Festival TODAY | 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.

## 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.



## LIFT (Ladies in Fellowship Together) Fall Session

Thursdays through November 13 | 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](mailto:kristy@berrott.com).

## Register Now for WROC Stronger Bones – Better Balance Class!



Build and maintain bone strength! Low impact, joint friendly workout. Visit our website for details and registration. [wroc.westminster-church.org](https://wroc.westminster-church.org)

Tuesdays 10:10 – 11:10 am

Nov 4 – Dec 23

FREE class October 21 or 28.

No registration required!

## 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](mailto:planetsue66@gmail.com).

## Tuesday Evening Book Group Tuesday, October 28 | 7:00 p.m. | Memorial Parlor

Please join the Tuesday Evening Book Group to discuss a wide range of genres in lively and candid discussion of *The End of the Alphabet* by C.S. Richardson. All are welcome. Questions may be directed to Tom Drake at [tom.mdrake@yahoo.com](mailto:tom.mdrake@yahoo.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](mailto:callingnana@gmail.com).

## Volunteer Bake and Make Event

Sunday, November 2 | 3:00-5:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall and Kitchen

Join us for a night of baking and making cards and blessing bags for Meals on Wheels at the Crossroads and The Life Hub. All ages are welcome! Please RSVP at the QR code to the right or to Emily Shubilla at [shubilla@westminster-church.org](mailto:shubilla@westminster-church.org).



## 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 via the QR code to the right or to Emily Shubilla by Wednesday, November 5.



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

OCTOBER 19-25, 2025

### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

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
	Fall Festival	Gilfillan Farm

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

12:00	AA (Door #20)	Fellowship Hall
6:00	Cub Scout Den Meeting	Rm. 107
6:30	Scout Pack 366 Meeting	Fellowship Hall
7:00	Session Meeting	Galbreath Chapel

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

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

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:00	Men's Bible Study	Rm. 231
4:45	Little Ones and Loved Ones	Rm. 222
	Nursery	Rm. 176
	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
	Veritas Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)	Youth Dept.

6:15	One Hit Wonders	Fellowship Hall
7:00	Westminster Ringers	Rm. 268

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

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 24

6:30a	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
7:00	Catacombs - Veritas Youth	Youth Wing

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

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.



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Children's & Family Ministry



Food & Fellowship Menu



Music & Choirs