



THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude

Outbursts of Joy
The Heavens Are Telling
Westminster Ringers and Jim Burns, organ

Cynthia Dobrinski
Haydn/arr. Martha Lynn Thompson

Welcome and Announcements

*Share the Peace of Christ

*Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is alive among us.
He is not distant nor hidden, but as near as our neighbor.

People: **We open our eyes to your presence, O Christ.**

Leader: In ordinary moments and unexpected places,
God's love draws close and walks beside us.

People: **We open our hearts to your presence, O God.**

Leader: When hope feels faint and questions remain,
the Spirit's light still burns, steady and sure.

People: **We open our lives to your presence, O Spirit.**

Leader: Let us worship the Triune God, alive in this world,
and with us here and now!

*Opening Hymn No. 246

Christ Is Alive!

TRURO

*Prayer of Confession

God of persistent love,
you draw near to us in ways we do not always recognize.
Too often, we turn away from the stirrings within us.
We silence our questions;
we doubt the quiet nudges of your Spirit;
we choose distractions, cynicism, or fear instead of trust.
Christ walks beside us,
yet we fail to see him in our neighbors and in strangers.
We pass by without noticing
and forget that his face meets us in every life.
Forgive us.
Open our eyes to your presence and soften our hearts to your leading.

(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 - Hymn No. 240 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Sacrament of Baptism (11:00)

Hymn No. 486 (11:00)

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise
Verses 1 and 4

KINGDOM

Prayers of the People 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.

Congregational Response

THREEFOLD AMEN

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

Luke 24:13-35

New Testament, page 90

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Burning Hearts

Laura Bentley

WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

Offertory Anthem

We Walk by Faith

Joseph Martin

*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. 254

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

*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

Postlude on *Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

Robert Powell

Leading in worship: Laura Bentley, Paul Conley, Harrison Burgess, Jim Burns, Lorraine Milovac, Jim Marshall, Westminster Ringers, the Quartet, and Chancel Choir.

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Sunday, April 19, 2026

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

We rejoice with *Emily and Anthony Martini* as they present *Lucas Grayson Martini* and *Olivia Eileen Martini* for the Sacrament of Baptism.

The congregation celebrates with joy the birth of *Camden Scott Kauffman* on April 9. Congratulations to parents *Jessica and Zachary Kauffman* and grandmother *Tracy Hapeman*.

We offer our prayers for *Kristy Berrott*, who is recovering from surgery.

We offer our prayers for *Kathie O'Brien* for an upcoming surgery.

The congregation extends condolences to the family of *Roy Leuch* who passed away on April 11.

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

SPRING SERIES: Under Our Own Vine and Fig Tree: The AME Movement - Part 3
presented by *Richard Norris III*, our 2024-25 seminary intern. For more info and the Zoom link, go to westminster-church.org/event/westminster-seminars/.



Pocket Change Project **THANK YOU!**

Thank you for your generosity - a little under \$1,000 was collected this year! Your donations will enable us to provide school tuition for four students, and their families will receive rice and beans. You can still give a donation by scanning the QR code to the right.

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Youth Mission Trip Bingo Fundraiser

Sunday, April 26 | 3:00-5:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Come on down and invite your friends to your favorite church bingo hall (Fellowship Hall) for what is sure to be a great night of bingo fun! All congregation members and friends are invited to attend. Proceeds will go toward the Veritas youth summer mission trip.

Online registration is required. Contact Harrison Burgess at burgess@westminster-church.org with any questions. **The youth thank you for your support!**



Wear a Name Tag

In this season of new beginnings, we encourage you to wear a name tag to help our new pastor learn (or reacquaint!) with our congregation members. Sticker name tags are available in each pew, in the narthex, and at the welcome table at the Bridge.

WPC Book Group Meeting

Wednesday, April 29 | Noon-1:15 p.m. | Church Library

We will discuss *Woman of God* by James Patterson. All are welcome, even if you haven't read the book! Any questions can be directed to Nana Wilson at callingnana@gmail.com.



CARDIO DRUMMING/Power Beats

Fridays, May 1-June 19 | 1:00-2:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

(Appropriate for all
Fitness Levels)

Whole-body exercise that involves drumming with two drumsticks on a large exercise ball. The class can be done sitting or standing. Visit our website at wroc.westminster-church.org for a list of all fitness classes or call Kathy Long at 412-835-6630x200.

One Hit Wonder: Welcome Jason Freyer and Sarah Fetterman

Wednesday, April 29 | 6:30-7:15 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Come enjoy a pasta bar dinner on April 29 as we offer a Westminster welcome to Jason Freyer and Sarah Fetterman! Hear their story, ask questions, and help us celebrate both a homecoming and a new beginning. All are invited to share in this joyful evening together.



Golf, Fun, and Fellowship

Friday, May 29 | T-times starting at 4:00 p.m.

1781 Golf Club, 681 Church Hill Road,
Peters Twp. (Finleyville, PA 15332)

FORE! Come join Westminster folks and play 9 holes of golf at the beautiful 1781 Golf Club. The cost is \$53 per person including cart. Scan the QR code for registration. Contact Marge McCabe at 973-670-5904 with questions!



Single Women's Group - Pirate Game

Thursday, July 9 | Game Time 12:35 p.m. | Cost: \$47

Enjoy an afternoon at PNC Park and root for the Pirates as they play the Atlanta Braves. Transportation included. Space is limited to 13.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

APRIL 12-18, 2026

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

8:00a	Nursery (Birth-Preschool)*	Rm. 222
8:30	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
	Wiggle Room***	Rm. 239
9:00	Welcome Center	North Main Entry
9:30	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
9:45	Westminster Seminars	Galbreath Chapel
11:00	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary/Livestream
	Sunday School (4yrs-4th Grade)**	Rm. 233
	Wiggle Room***	Rm. 239
2:00p	Roy Leuch Memorial Service	Sanctuary

MONDAY, APRIL 20

12:00p	AA (Door #20)	Fellowship Hall
6:30	Scout Pack 366 Meeting	Fellowship Hall
7:00	Session Meeting	Rm. 231

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

9:00a	Men's Bible Study	Rm. 231
4:45p	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 Grade)	Rm. 257 JAM
	Veritas Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)	Youth Dept.
7:00	Westminster Ringers	Rm. 268

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

7:00	Chancel Choir	Rm. 268
7:30	NA (Door #14)	Rm. 107
	Nar-Anon (Doors #14)	Rm. 131

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

6:30a	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
6:30p	Al Anon Anniversary Party	Fellowship Hall
7:30	AA (Door #14)	Rm. 107
	Al-Anon (Doors #14)	Rm. 231

SATURDAY, APRIL 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.



Scan here for complete church calendar



Scan here for a full WROC schedule & information



Children's & Family Ministry



Food & Fellowship Menu



Music & Choirs