



THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude (8:30)

Suite in G Major

Johann Adam Reincken

Prelude (11:00)

Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice

Matthias Weckmann

Welcome and Announcements

*Share the Peace of Christ

*Call to Worship

Leader: Anyone who thirsts, come and drink!

People: If you have no money, but you're hungry, come and receive food and drink without a price tag.

Leader: Why do you spend money on what does not nourish you?

People: Why do you work for what does not nurture you?

Leader: Listen, come and eat healthy food that will delight you.

People Come and partake in the Spirit that will give you life.

*Opening Hymn No. 403

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

UNSER HERRSCHER

*Prayer of Confession

God of justice and mercy, we admit that we are not always free of deceit. We are fooled by the false promises of the world into pursuing things that do not truly nourish us. Hear our cry, and save us, dear God, in Jesus' name. Amen.

(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. 468	Lord, Be Glorified	
	1. In my life, Lord, be glorified; be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today.	
	3. In your church, Lord, be glorified; be glorified. In your church, Lord, be glorified today.	
	4. 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	Matthew 14:13-21	New Testament, page 16
	Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.	
	People: Thanks be to God.	

Sermon	A Deserted Place	Jason Freyer
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WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

Offertory Anthem	Hast Thou Not Known <i>Matthew Walley, soloist</i> Isaiah 40:28-31	Robert F. Swift
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*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

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 Sending

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*Closing Hymn No. 65	Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah	CWM RHONDDA
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*Benediction

*Postlude (11:00)	Canzona in C Major	Weckmann
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Leading in worship: Jason Freyer, Laura Bentley, Sara Kyle, and Matthew Walley

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Sunday, August 2, 2026

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

We rejoice with parents Lauren and Christopher Moore as they present Kyran James and Xander Lawrence for the Sacrament of Baptism.

The congregation extends condolences to Shannon Radinick and family on the death of her mother, Helen Perrine.

Baptism Celebration at Scott Township Pool **TODAY | 7:00 p.m.**

Join Westminster in celebrating with Chris and Lauren Moore as their sons, Kyran and Xander, are baptized at the Scott Township pool. A pool party with snacks and desserts immediately to follow until 9:30 p.m. All are welcome!

Save the Date: Confirmation Fall 2026 & Spring 2027

Fall Session: Sundays, September 20 & 27, October 4 & 11 | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Spring Session: Sundays, January 24 & 31, February 14 & 21 | 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Students in 10th-12th grade are invited to take a deeper look into what it means to be a member of the church and how their individual faith impacts their daily lives. This class will be taught by the youth ministry department and the pastors. To complete the class, students must be able to attend the total of 4 sessions. More information and registration will be available soon. Send questions to Laura Ecklin at ecklin@westminster-church.org.

Westminster Walkabout “Meadowcroft Rockshelter”

Sunday, August 9 | 1:00-3:00 p.m. | Offsite at Meadowcroft Rockshelter and Historic Village
401 Meadowcroft Road, Avella PA, 15312

Please join Westminster Walkabouts for a tour of the Meadowcroft Rockshelter lead by archaeologist Dr. Diane Beynon Landers. Cost: \$20 per person - **RSVP due by August 5** to Deborah Waller at 412-760-7523. Dinner afterwards at Breezy Heights.

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WESTMINSTER
RECREATION &
OUTREACH CENTER

Faith & Fitness - Free Event Move, Praise, and Connect with Others

Saturday, August 15, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Enjoy easy-to-follow fitness movements set to inspiring contemporary Christian music. Details & Registration, go to wroc.westminster-church.org.

Lemonade on the Lawn **Sunday, August 23, after each worship service**

Join us for Lemonade on the Lawn! Let's get out and enjoy some sunshine and each other's company. If the weather requires the 8:30 a.m. worship service to be held indoors, this event will be postponed.

Liberty Magic - Jon Tai in Road Signs **August 28 | 7:30 p.m.**

Join your friends at Westminster in a trip to Liberty Magic to see magician Jon Tai. Jon did a private show for the students of Veritas last summer and they are still talking about it a year later. Invite your friends and neighbors. Hang out with your friends from church and meet new folks!

Tickets are \$45. **Please register by August 4.** Questions, contact Laura Ecklin at ecklin@westminster-church.org.



NOTE: The columns outside of the main sanctuary entrance are being painted. Please use the breezeway entrances.

Choirs Return for Fall - Music Schedule for 2026-2027

Wednesdays, beginning August 26, Rooms 176 and 268 (Cherub and Junior Choirs)

Thursdays, beginning August 27, Room 268 (Chancel Choir)

Come sing with us at Westminster! Scripture shows that singing to God is both ordained and encouraged — from the Psalms to the New Testament, it is presented as a commanded and vital part of worship. Whether in personal devotion or corporate praise, singing is a biblical mandate for God's people. And, it's fun!



Call for 11:00 a.m. Ushers

We need YOU to volunteer to usher! Ushers play a vital role in providing welcome and hospitality to members and visitors. Children with a parent, and youth are encouraged to volunteer. Please consider joining the team today. Contact Emily Shubilla at shubilla@westminster-church.org.

Westminster Nursery School Is Hiring!

Do you love working with children and making learning fun? We are looking for Assistant Teachers for our Mon-Tuesday-Thursday Pre-K 4s, and MWF 3s classes. Westminster is a wonderful place to work!

Contact Lori Feldmann for more information at 412-835-2906 or feldmann@westminster-church.org.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

AUGUST 2-8, 2026

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

8:00a	Nursery (Birth-Preschool)*	Rm. 222
8:30	Traditional Worship	North Courtyard
	Wiggle Room***	Rm. 239
9:00	Welcome Center	North Main Entry
9:30	Bridge Contemporary Worship	WROC/Livestream
	Bridge Sunday School (4yrs-4th Grade)**	Rm. 176
	Wiggle Room - The Bridge***	WROC Fitness
11:00	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary/Livestream
	Wiggle Room***	Rm. 239
7:00p	Moore Baptism Celebration	Scott Township Pool

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

8:00a	Charlie	Off Site
12:00p	AA (Door #20)	Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

7:00a	Tuesday Morning Men's Group	Rm. 238
8:00	Charlie	Off Site
10:30	Staff Meeting	Rm. 238
7:30	Boy Scout Troop 366	Rm. 107

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

8:00a	Charlie	Off Site
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

8:00a	Charlie	Off Site
4:00p	Farmers Market	South Parking Lot
7:30	NA (Door #14)	Rm. 107
	Nar-Anon (Door #14)	Rm. 131

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

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

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

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

*Nursery - Staffed care for infants through preschool.

**Sunday School - 9:30 a.m., dismissed from worship after children's message.

***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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