All Saints' Day Sunday, November 1, 2026 | 8:30 a.m.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE JOY OF GIVING STEWARDSHIP 2026

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude Elegy George Thalben-Ball

Welcome and Announcements

***Share the Peace of Christ**

***Call to Worship**

Leader: For this reason, we bow our knees before God,
People: from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name
Leader: We pray that according to the riches of his glory, he may grant us strength.
People: Let Christ dwell in our hearts through faith as we are rooted and grounded in love.

***Opening Hymn No. 394** Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation WESTMINSTER ABBEY

***Prayer of Confession**

Loving God, we know that our roots settle into that which is not love. We ground ourselves in selfishness. We ground ourselves in greed. We ground ourselves in violence. We ground ourselves in arrogance. Lord, forgive us, and open our hearts to allow your Spirit to move us until we are rooted and grounded in love. This we pray in Jesus' name, as we bring our confessions to you in the stillness of our hearts.

(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** Just as I Am, without One Plea
Verse 3

Just as I am, though tossed about
with many a conflict, many a doubt,
fightings and fears within, without,
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson Ephesians 3:14-21 New Testament, page 193

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

Sermon Rooted and Grounded Jason Freyer

WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

Offertory Anthem *Agnus Dei from Requiem* Matthew Coleridge

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them eternal rest.

***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. 326**	For All the Saints	SINE NOMINE
***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**	Alle Menschen müssen sterben	J.S. Bach

Hark, a voice saith, all are mortal,
Yea, all flesh must fade as grass;
Ere it rise in glorious might,
Fit to dwell with saints in light.

Leading in worship: Jason Freyer, Laura Bentley, Jim Burns, and the Quartet

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Giving to Westminster

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Westminster Staff Contact Information

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

The congregation extends condolences to the family of *Ted Cook* on his death.

In Memoriam

Today, in observance of All Saints' Day, we honor the memory of Westminster's members who have died over the past year. We remember God's faithful people through the ages in the unity of believers past and present. During worship, each name will be read, followed by a bell toll.

Reese Berdanier
Rick Collins
Ted Cook
Lora Lee Duncan
Susan Elliott
Burt Etherington
Sue Eynon
Gretchen McGinley Herron
Don Huffman
Roy Leuch
I. Hale Oliver
Nancy Polachek
John Redfield
Lowell Rein
Carol Russo
Mary Winks
Margorie Woodworth

THE JOY OF GIVING
STEWARDSHIP 2027

Thank you to the 34 households that have already submitted their pledge for the 2027 Joy of Giving Stewardship Campaign. Giving is one of the most beautiful ways we express our love for God and our care for one another. It is more than a financial contribution; it is an act of faith, an expression of gratitude, and an opportunity to participate in the work God is doing through Westminster. As you prayerfully consider your participation in this year's stewardship campaign, we promise you that there is no gift too small when it is given with a willing heart. Scan the QR code to the right to make a pledge.

Westminster Seminars

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

TODAY, and November 8 & 15:

Looking at the World from Europe's Underside: A Report from the Balkans

Presented by John Burgess, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

WESTMINSTER Seminars
Thoughtful Christian Dialogue

Matthew Coleridge's Requiem

TODAY | 11:00 a.m. service | Sanctuary

The Chancel Choir will present the Pittsburgh premiere of Matthew Coleridge's Requiem at the 11:00 service in honor of All Saints' Day. Requiem is written for choir, organ, string quintet, solo cello, and percussion. Communion will be served.

WROC
WESTMINSTER RECREATION & OUTREACH CENTER

Register Now for WROC Fall Session II Fitness Programs!

Classes begin November 2

- **Barre Sculpt**
- **Cardio Drumming**
- **Cardio Strength Fusion**
- **Faith & Fitness**
- **Gentle and Flow Yoga**
- **Parkinson's Fitness Classes**
- **Pilates**
- **Tai Chi**
- **Zumba – AM/PM/Drop In $10**
- **Stronger Bones/Better Balance**

For registration visit wroc.westminster-church.org or call Kathy Long **412-835-6630**

Tuesday Evening Book Group **Tuesday, November 3 | 7:00-8:30 p.m. | Memorial Parlor**

We will discuss *Dinners with Ruth* by Nina Totenberg. All are welcome even if you haven't read the book. Any questions can be directed to Tom Drake at tom.mdrake@yahoo.com.

One Hit Wonder **Wednesday, November 4 | 6:15-7:15 p.m. | Fellowship Hall**

Behind many deployed servicemen stood loved ones whose stories remain untold. Based on more than thirty personal interviews, Westminster member Charlotte McDaniel captures the voices of Vietnam-era wives in her book. They served, too, sacrificed and persevered. Come meet these unsung heroes!

Westminster Walkabout: Carnegie Museum of Art

Monday, November 9 | 10:30 a.m. | Carnegie Museum of Art - 4400 Forbes Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Please join us for a guided/hosted tour of the Carnegie Museum of Art led by docent and former pastor Rev. Louise Rogers. Tour is free. RSVP to Deborah Waller at 412-760-7523. Lunch afterwards at Union Grill Oakland.

Veritas Thanksgiving Food Drive **Collection on November 18**

For the 20th year, Veritas is collecting non-perishable food donations. This food drive collects thousands of pounds of food to feed local families this holiday season. Please bring non-perishable food donations to church before November 18. Visit https://westminster-church.org/event/veritas-thanksgiving-food-drive/ or scan the QR to the right.

Wired Word **Wednesday, November 18 | 6:00-7:30 p.m. | Memorial Parlor**

News is inevitable, whether good or bad. The Wired Word is an adult study group that brings current events and Scripture into conversation, helping us find hope, wisdom, and encouragement as we reflect on our world and navigate our daily walk of Christian faith together.

Veritas Winter Retreat 2026

Friday-Sunday, December 4-6 | Crestfield Camp & Conference Center

Veritas will join other youth groups from the Pittsburgh area at Crestfield Camp & Conference Center for a weekend retreat. This retreat is open to students in 7th-12th grade. Tiered pricing options are available. **Registration deadline is Thursday, November 12th.** Contact Harrison Burgess with questions.

Scotland & England Pilgrimage: June 21-29, 2027

Step away from the rush to walk where saints have gone before us. Join us on an inn-to-inn hiking pilgrimage along the 65-mile St. Cuthbert's Way on the border of England and Scotland. Pastor J will making an appearance too. The pilgrimage will be June 21-29, with an optional weekend stay in Edinburgh June 18-20. Cost, excluding travel to and from the UK, is $1800. A $500 deposit secures your spot. **Registration closes December 7.**

Questions? Ready to register? Contact Pastor Laura, bentley@westminster-church.org.

SAVE the DATE: Annual Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 13 | 7:00 p.m. | Sanctuary

The Annual Christmas Concert features the Chancel, Junior, and Cherub Choirs, and the Westminster Ringers. Come and hear inspiring music and sing along to some of your favorite Christmas songs!