Congregational Meeting Sunday, October 25, 2026 | 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE JOY OF GIVING
STEWARDSHIP 2027

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude — Two Preludes on *A Mighty Fortress* — Nicolas Hanff, Johann Gottfried Walther

Welcome and Announcements

***Share the Peace of Christ**

***Call to Worship**

Leader: The world belongs to God,
People: the earth and all its people.
Leader: It is good to live in community,
People: to work and talk with each other.

***Opening Hymn No. 275** — A Mighty Fortress Is Our God — EIN' FESTE BURG

***Prayer of Confession**

God of abundance, we confess that while you shower us with every good and perfect gift, we too often neglect those gifts in favor of our own abilities. We choose to be withholding, rather than generous with what you give. We choose to keep our gifts to ourselves, rather than to share with our neighbors. Forgive us, loving God. Remind us that by your grace, and your grace alone, have we been saved, and raise us up to new life, even in the here and now. This we pray 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** To Know You More Joe Horness

1. To know you in all of your glory, to love you with all that I am.
   With all of my heart, Lord, this is my prayer: To know you more.
2. To know you in all of your power, to trust you with all that I am.
   With all of my heart, Lord, this is my prayer: To know you more.
3. To know you in all of your mercy, to serve you with all that I am.
   With all of my heart, Lord, this is my prayer: To know you more.

Welcome New Members

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 Ephesians 2:1-10 New Testament, page 192

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

Sermon Grace and Works Rev. Jason Freyer

WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

Offertory Anthem Glory Be Heather Sorenson

***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. 81**	Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken	AUSTRIAN HYMN
***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**	Fughetta on *These Are the Holy Ten Commandments*	J.S.Bach

Leading in worship: Jason Freyer, Laura Bentley, Emily Shubilla, Laura Ecklin, Christine Hestwood, Jim Burns, the Quartet, Chancel Choir

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Giving to Westminster

ONLINE: https://westminster-church.org/give
TEXT-TO-GIVE: Text WPCUSC to 73256.
Standard text messaging rates may apply.

Westminster Staff Contact Information

We would love to hear from you. Give us a call, drop us an email, or stop by the church office.

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westminster-church.org/podcasts

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https://westminster-church.org/mywpc/

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

The congregation extends condolences to Suzanne Wynne and family on the death of her mother, *Gail Lips Ford.*

Recovering from surgery: Linda Robinson

Congregational Meeting

The meeting will be immediately following each of the three worship services,* when the Nominating Committee will present the nominations for Session, Board of Deacons, Nominating Committee, and Endowment and Special Gifts Committees. Nominations currently include:

Endowment Class of 2030
Randy Langlois
Tammy Singleton-English

Nominating Committee 2026 At-large Members
Jennifer Bollman
Marge McCabe
Drew Kushner
Mandy Thomas
Amy Walker
Dee Waters

Elders Class of 2029
Anne Marie Christian
Katy Jopperi- Davis
Nora Green
Joe Rubino
Shannon Radinick
Roberta Sarraf
Steve Schmitt
Claire Thornburgh
Luke Walker

*The congregational meeting will be convened at the end of each of the three worship services so that everyone can participate.

Deacons Class of 2029
Karen Beisner
Dave Daube
Karen Gannon
Laurie Malarkey
Betty McGuire
Nancy Nunley
Laura Pasky
Ken Ranalli

Deacons Class of 2029 (Youth)
Adriana Daniele
Riley Green
Grace Widmar

Welcome New Members

Today we welcome the following new members:

Peg and Jack Anderson
Karen Choi
Jenn and Mark Cimarolli
Laura Gonnella
Val Marraccini
Cassandra Millis
Lolly and David Owens
Emily Shubilla
Deborah and Joe Sprinkle
Bill Volbers

Congratulations to Our New Confirmands!

Kayla Berrott
Scarlett Burgess
Payton Cunningham
Collin Exley
Jake Fisher
Wes Jones
Evan Loomis
Kate McClintock-Comeaux
David (DJ) Poe
Maura Ralston
Bailey Zihar

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

Barmen and Belhar: Church Struggles Against Nazism and Apartheid - Part 4
Presented by Derek-Woodard Lehman, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Coming Up Next: November 1, 8 & 15:
Looking at the World from Europe's Underside: A Report from the Balkans
Presented by John Burgess, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Jewish Christian Dialogue Tuesday, October 27 | 12:00-1:00 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Join us for the return of the Jewish Christian Dialogue! Pastors Jason Freyer and Laura Bentley will join Rabbis Alex Greenbaum and Aaron Meyer to share together, learn from each other's tradition, and enjoy a few laughs along the way. Coffee and snacks provided!

WPC Book Group Meeting Wednesday, October 28 | Noon-1:15 p.m. | Church Library

We will discuss *The World Played Chess* by Robert Dutoni. All are welcome even if you haven't read the book. Any questions can be directed to Nana Wilson at callingnana@gmail.com.

Open Adult Spiritual Development Commission Meeting

Wednesday, October 28 | 6:15 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

How is God inviting you to grow? What if your next step in faith is something you haven't yet considered? Come and explore Westminster's opportunities for adult spiritual growth, hear about emerging ideas, and help shape future offerings including retreats, pilgrimages, Bible studies, small groups. Contact Claire Thornburgh at pennstateclaire@outlook.com.

Matthew Coleridge's Requiem

Sunday, November 1 | 11:00 a.m. service | Sanctuary

The Chancel Choir will present the Pittsburgh premiere of Matthew Coleridge's Requiem at the 11:00 service on November 1 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.

Family Worship & Sacrament Classes

Wednesdays, November 4, 11 & 18 | 6:00-7:30 p.m. | Rm. 284

Worship and Sacrament classes are recommended for families with children and youth in 2nd through 12th grade. Together we will learn about why and how we worship and the two Presbyterian Sacraments: Baptism and Communion. Advance registration is appreciated.

Volunteering at SHIM **Sunday, November 8 | 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

2601 South Park Rd., Bethel Park

Join us at South Hills Interfaith Movement (SHIM) as we package pet food and make cards for families in need. Ages 5 and up welcome and a parent must accompany children. Registration is required and limited: https://bit.ly/4hvZNTk or scan the QR to the right.

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 11**

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 11. 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.

All-Church Retreat: Register Now!

November 20-22 | Crestfield Camp & Conference Center

Westminster is trying something new! Join us for our All-Church Retreat. Come away for a weekend of rest, renewal, worship, fun, fellowship, connection, and more. Everyone and anyone is invited! Come with family or friends, as a couple, or on your own.

Register by November 2: https://bit.ly/allchurch26 or scan the QR to the right.

WEEKLY CALENDAR | OCTOBER 25-31, 2026

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

8:00a	Nursery (Birth–Preschool)*	Rm. 222
8:30	**Traditional Worship/ Congregational Meeting**	**North Courtyard**
	Wiggle Room***	Rm. 239
9:00	Welcome Center	North Main Entry
9:30	**Bridge Contemporary Worship/ Congregational Meeting**	**WROC/Livestream**
	Bridge Sunday School (PreK-K)**	Rm. 233
	(1st–2nd Grade)**	Rm. 235
	(3rd–4th Grade)**	Rm. 284
	Wiggle Room – The Bridge***	WROC Fitness
9:45	Westminster Seminars	Galbreath Chapel
11:00	**Traditional Worship/ Congregational Meeting**	**Sanctuary/Livestream**
	Wiggle Room***	Rm. 239
	Sunday School (4yrs–4th Grade)**	Rm. 233

MONDAY, OCTOBER 26

12:00p	AA (Door #20)	Fellowship Hall
6:00	Cub Scout Den Meeting	Rm. 107
7:00	Deacon Meeting	Memorial Parlor

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

7:00a	Tuesday Morning Men's Group	Rm. 238
10:30	Staff Meeting	Rm. 238
12:00p	Jewish Christian Dialogue	Fellowship Hall
7:00	Tuesday Evening Book Group	Memorial Parlor
7:30	Boy Scout Troop 366	Rm. 107

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28

9:00a	Mens Bible Study	Rm. 231
12:00p	Westminster Book Group	Church Library
4:45	Cherub Choir (K-2nd Grade)	Rm. 176
	Junior Choir (3rd-6th Grade)	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. 237
	Veritas Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)	Youth Dept.
6:15	Open Adult Spiritual Development Commission Meeting	Fellowship Hall
7:00	Westminster Ringers	Rm. 268

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

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

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

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; 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.*

Use the QR codes to the right for calendar information:

Scan here for complete church calendar

Scan here for a full WROC schedule & information

Scan here for Food & Fellowship Menu