

June 23, 2024 | 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH



THE Celebration OF Worship

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude (8:30)

Prelude in D Major

J.S. Bach

Prelude (11:00)

Two Preludes on American Hymns Tunes
New Britain
Nettleton

Gilbert Martin

Welcome and Announcements

Living Our Faith

***Share the Peace of Christ**

***Call to Worship**

Leader: God calls us to have the kind of heart that is capable of viewing others through a lens of empathy, understanding, and grace.

People: **We ask God to see us through grace-colored glasses.**

Leader: Come, let us worship God.

***Opening Hymn No. 33**

Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show

LLANFAIR

*Prayer of Confession

Dear God,
Sometimes we are afraid to see the hope and new life around us.
Forgive us for walking around with blinders, unwilling to notice.
Forgive us for the limits we place on ourselves
and the ways we discount one another.
Give us the eyes of faith to see new possibilities
where none were found before.
Help us to perceive the living Christ
among the poor and homeless,
in the prisons and hospitals,
and in the lands of famine and war.
The journey starts with ordinary steps.

(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

Lord, Be Glorified

Bob Kilpatrick

1. In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.
2. In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.
In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

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.

Congregational Response

THREEFOLD AMEN

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Old Testament, page 259

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

Sermon

Teach Us to See

Jo Forrest

WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

Offertory Anthem

Psalm 150

Ned Rorem

*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. 546

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

SICILIAN MARINERS

*Benediction

*Benediction Response (Hymn No. 748) Go with Us, Lord

Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

Postlude

Postlude on *Restoration*

Martin

Leading in worship: Jo Forrest, Michele Burgess, Faith Kemmler, Jim Burns, and Rich Williams.



Barefoot School – Thank You!

Children's & Family Ministry

Many thanks to all of our volunteers who made this year's Barefoot School VBS such a success. Thank you for all your planning and preparation as well as your willingness to play, sing, be silly, and have fun while sharing God's love with the children in our community. God is great, God is good, and we thank God for all of you at Camp Firelight!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Westminster Seminars

Those Revolting Presbyterians: What Were They Thinking?

TODAY | 9:45 a.m. Galbreath Chapel



Medical Debt

Coming Up:

Undue Medical Debt

Sunday, June 30 | 9:45 a.m. Galbreath Chapel

Jean Miewald, *Bower Hill Community Church*

In 2023, Jean Miewald spearheaded an online campaign to abolish medical debt for residents living in the geographic area of the Synod of the Trinity, PCUSA. She will discuss that campaign, the problem of medical debt in the U.S., and current legislation to help alleviate some of the difficulties that occur when people are unable to pay their medical bills.

For more information and the Zoom link, go to <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/westminster-seminars>.



Let There Be Light Project

The project to update the church's electrical system continues outside Galbreath Chapel. There will be no work inside the building for the time being. There will be times during the week when the front driveway will be closed for work activities.

Read more about this project including FAQs and how to donate at <https://www.westminster-church.org/let-there-be-light-project>.



Veritas Mission Trip Donations Needed

Through prayer, storytelling, volunteering, and more, this church has modeled to our youth what it means to be a disciple. Now our youth have heard the call to service and need your help. We are seeking donations of tools and food items to support us on our upcoming mission trip to Logan, West Virginia. View our wish list and donation details here:

bit.ly/VeritasServes. Contact Faith Kemmler for more information.

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2024 Organ Summer

Thursdays, through July 25 | 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Plan now to take a refreshing musical break to enjoy thirty minutes of exceptional organ music featuring *Daniel Kovacic* on June 27, *Mitchell Stecker* on July 11, *Jim Burns* on July 18, and *Jacob Gruss* on July 25. Musicians donate their time and talents; a freewill offering is welcome.

Westminster Single Women's Group Upcoming Events

Dinner at Mitchell's Fish Market

Tuesday, June 25 | 4:30 p.m. | Galleria

Following dinner, join us in Fellowship Hall at 6:30 to hear author Christopher Whitlatch as he shares stories from his book, *Notorious Pittsburgh*. Registration appreciated.



Upcoming Event: PITTSBURGH PIRATES vs. NEW YORK METS, Monday, July 8
(Transportation Included) **Only 2 seats left!**

For more information and to register for any event, go to <https://wroc.westminster-church.org>.



WROC Talk: Free Speaker Series Notorious Pittsburgh

Tuesday, June 25 | 6:30 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Join author Christopher Whitlatch as he shares stories from his book, *Notorious Pittsburgh*. Step into the dark alleyways, back rooms, and even board rooms as Christopher Whitlatch recounts Pittsburgh's seedier past. Registration: wroc.westminster-church.org or call Kathy Long 412-835-6630.



The Frick Art Museum Tour

Thursday, June 27 | 3:00 p.m. | The Frick, 7227 Reynolds Street, Pgh, PA

Please join the Adult Spiritual Development Commission for a self-guided tour of the current exhibition at The Frick - Vermeer, Monet, Rembrandt: Forging the Frick Collections in Pittsburgh and New York. Dinner (pay on your own) afterwards at the Frick Park Tavern. Contact Deborah Waller 412-760-7523 for registration details. Read more at <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/the-frick-art-museum-tour>.

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The WEST SCHOLARSHIP FUND for Post-High School Education

Deadline for submission:
Friday, June 28

Have you graduated from high school and are continuing on to some kind of higher education or an accredited vocational program? If so, you qualify to apply for a Westminster Education Service Trust (WEST) Scholarship Fund.

Details are included in the online application. Go to <https://www.westminster-church.org/forms/westminster-education-service-trust-west-fund-application>. For questions, contact Jan Baumann, baumann@westminster-church.org.



Veritas Youth - Charlie (Week of Fun)

July 29 - August 1 | Times and locations vary

Charlie (randomly named by the youth) is a few days of straight FUN! Each day looks a little different. We will be going to Puttshack, doing an escape room, helping City Mission, and going on a mystery trip! Details and time estimates available online. You can come to one day or come to all - whatever works! Cost: \$75 for whole week (price is broken down by day in registration portal) Registration deadline is July 1. This trip is available to kids who have completed sixth grade - graduated high school seniors. For questions or more information, contact Laura Ecklin.



Extended Communion

Sunday, September 1, December 1, 2024, and March 2, May 4, 2025
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

"We are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." -Ephesians 2:10. The Westminster Deacons have the privilege of serving communion to our homebound congregation four times a year. The Deacons will contact the recipients the week before and schedule a time to visit and serve communion. Please contact Laura Bentley by July 31, 2024, to confirm or add yourself or a loved one to the list of recipients.



Baptism Blankets Needed

Calling all crafters! Did you know that at each baptism we welcome the newest members of God's family with blankets lovingly made by our community? We are in need of additional crafters to make and donate crocheted, knitted, or quilted baby blankets for baptism gifts. For more information contact Faith Kemmler at kemmler@westminster-church.org.

THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

JUNE 23-29, 2024



Scan here for complete church calendar



Scan here for a full WROC schedule & information

SUNDAY, JUNE 23

8:30	Traditional Worship Wiggle Room**	Sanctuary Rm. 239
9:00	Welcome Center	North Main Entry
9:45	Bridge Contemporary Worship Bridge Sunday School (PreK-4th Grd.) Wiggle Room - The Bridge** Westminster Seminars	WROC/Lvstrm. Rm. 176 WROC Fitness Galbreath Chapel
11:00	Traditional Worship Wiggle Room**	Sanctuary/Lvstrm. Rm. 239
3:00	Mission Trip Meeting	Zoom

***Sunday School** - Dismissed from worship after the children's message. Pickup after worship in Room 176. A time for children in PreK through 4th grade to explore the Bible, enjoy fellowship together, and grow in their faith.

****Wiggle Room** - 9:45 - Upstairs WROC Fitness Room; 8:30/11:00 - Room 239. Available to **families with children from birth through age 3** who would prefer a separate space to step away while listening to the worship service. Please see an usher if you need help finding the Wiggle Room.

MONDAY, JUNE 24

12:00	AA	Fellowship Hall
7:00	The Grace Westminster Book Club	Zoom

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

10:00	Staff Meeting	Rm. 238
4:30	Single Women's Group Dinner	Galleria
6:30	WROC Talk: Notorious Pittsburgh	Fellowship Hall
7:30	Scout Troup 366	Rm. 107

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

12:00	Preacher Read Along	Rm. 238
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Wednesdays @ Westminster are on summer break. Programs resume August 28.

THURSDAY, JUNE 27

3:00	ASD - The Frick Art Museum Tour	Offsite
4:00	Farmers' Market	South Parking Lot
5:00	Organ Summer Concert	
7:30	NA Nar Anon	Rm. 107 Rm. 131

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

6:30a	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
7:00	AI Anon AA	Rm. 231 Rm. 107

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

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Children's & Family Ministry



Music & Choirs

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Giving to Westminster

ONLINE: <https://www.westminster-church.org/give>

TEXT-TO-GIVE: Text WPCUSC to 73256. Standard text messaging rates may apply.



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