

***Prayer of Confession** (Adapted from prayers of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.)

O God, we thank you for the lives of great saints and prophets in the past, who have revealed to us that we can stand up amid the problems and difficulties and trials of life and not give in. In that same spirit, we ask that you remove all bitterness from our hearts and give us the strength and courage to face any disaster that comes our way. Grant that we will go on with the proper faith and the proper determination of will, so that we will be able to make a creative contribution to this world.

(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**

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace.

Anthem (11:00)

Look Down

Natalie Sleeth

Junior Choir

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.

Choral Response

SEVENFOLD AMEN

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

Luke 5:4-5

New Testament, page 62

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Really?

Richard Norris

WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

Offertory Anthem

According to Thy Wisdom

Daniel E. Gawthrop

May I speak each day according to thy justice. Each day may I show thy chastening, O God.
May I speak each day according to thy wisdom. Each day and night may I be at peace with thee.
Each day may I count the causes of thy mercy. May I each day give heed to thy laws.
Each day may I compose to thee a song. May I harp each day thy praise, O God.
May I each day give love to thee, Jesu. Each night may I do the same, Jesu.
May I laud thy goodness to me, O God.

***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. 722**

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

CANONBURY

***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

Grand Choeur in B-flat

William Faulkes

Leading in worship: Richard Norris III, Jo Forrest, Emily Shubilla, Christian family, Cherub, Junior, and Chancel Choirs, Jim Burns, Christine Hestwood, Beth Ketterman, and Lana Kipp.

FEBRUARY SERMON SERIES:

Throughout the month of February we will focus on the practice of hearing and being heard as we encounter Jesus' words in the Gospel of Luke.

Sometimes he soothes us. Other instances his words incite rage. Jesus shows us what it means to hear and attend to God's spirit above all else.

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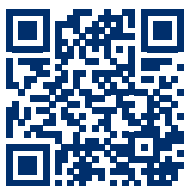
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Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

The congregation extends condolences to Anna and Jeff Hiner on the death of Anna's mother, Giacinta Diana Cipollone, on February 2.

We offer our prayers for Lexi Galbraith who is recovering from surgery.

Westminster Seminars

Christianity for a Post-Christian Context: New Possibilities for Faith and Practice

TODAY, and February 16 & 23 | 9:45 a.m. | Galbreath Chapel

Scott Hagley, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

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



Deacon's Blood Drive

Sunday, February 16 | 8:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Please preregister for your appointment by using sponsor code **UG0010171**, to secure a time slot. Registration is easily done by calling Vitalant at 877-258-4825 or online at www.vitalant.org.

For those planning to donate, please remember to eat a good breakfast and drink plenty of non-caffeinated beverages. There will be snacks and goodies available for all donors!



What's [Really] Going On at the U.S./Mexico Border?

Wednesday, February 19 | 6:30 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

There is a wealth of explosive rhetoric about immigration in the United States. While on a trip to Agua Prieta, Sonora, Mexico, Richard Norris III got to contextualize that rhetoric. You might be surprised to hear what Richard found—he sure was surprised to see it himself.



Hunger Action Month: Rise Against Hunger

Saturday, February 22 | 9:00-10:30 a.m. or 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m. | Fellowship Hall/WROC

The world is hungry for love and compassion, but also for food. You can make a difference here at Westminster by joining us on the assembly-line for one morning of packaging over 40,000 meals. Invite others—this event is for all ages. Please register online for a 90-minute shift and come provide for those around the world in need. Contact Emily Shubilla for more information at shubilla@westminster-church.org or 724-984-8202.



SIGN UP!



GIVE TODAY!



Consider donating to Hunger Action Month using this QR code to fund this ministry and others similar.

Continued on reverse

Tuesday Reading Group

Tuesday, February 25 | 7:00 p.m. | Room 273

Please join the Tuesday Reading Group to discuss a wide range of genres with curious readers. **James** by Percival Everett, is one of 2024's highly acclaimed novels. Some critics recommend listening to this.

No reservations necessary; drop in for one or all of the discussions. Contact Jo Forrest for more information.

Westminster Book Group

Wednesday, February 26 | Noon - 1:15 p.m. | Church Library

At the next meeting of the Westminster Book Group, we will be discussing **Winter Journey** by Isabel Colgate. All are welcome!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

FEB 9-15

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

All Day	Westminster Women's Retreat	Offsite
8:30a	Traditional Worship Wiggle Room**	Sanctuary Rm. 239
9:00a	Welcome Center	North Main Entry
9:45a	Bridge Contemporary Worship Bridge Sunday School (4yrs-4th Grade)*	WROC/Livestream Rm. 176
	Wiggle Room**	WROC Fitness
	Westminster Seminars	Galbreath Chapel
11:00a	Traditional Worship Confirmation Class	Sanctuary/Livestream Rm. 283
	Sunday School (4yrs-4th Grade)*	Rm. 233

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

12:00	AA (enter door #20)	Fellowship Hall
6:00	Scout Pack 366 Meeting	Fellowship Hall
7:00	Scout Pack 366 Adult Committee Meeting	Rm. 107
	Youth Commission Meeting	Rm. 238

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

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

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

9:00a	Men's Small Group Bible Study	Rm. 231
1:00	Movers and Shakers	Fellowship Hall
4:30	Bible Read Along	Rm. 238
4:45	Cherub Choir (K-2nd Grade)	Rm. 176
	Junior Choir (3rd-6th Grade)	Rm. 268
	Little Ones and Loved Ones	Rm. 194
5:30	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 Grades)	N. Main Entry
	Veritas Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)	Youth Dept.
7:00	Westminster Ringers	Rm. 268

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

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

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

6:30a	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
9:00a	Priority2Work	Rm. 176
7:00	NA (enter door #14)	Rm. 107
	Nar Anon (enter door #14)	Rm. 131

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

*Sunday School - Dismissed from worship after the children's message. Pickup after worship 9:45 in Room 176; 11:00 in Room 233. A time for children 4 years 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 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.



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