

June 16, 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)

The Unclouded Day/Promised Land

-arr. A.Whitworth

Prelude (11:00)

Prelude on *Engelberg*
"When in Our Music God Is Glorified"

Craig Phillips

Welcome and Announcements

***Share the Peace of Christ**

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Sometimes in the stillness of the quiet, if we listen,
we can hear, the whisper in the heart giving strength to weakness,
courage to fear, and hope to despair.

People: **We come to worship to hear God's word
and to devote ourselves to God above all.**

***Opening Hymn No. 41**

O Worship the King
verses 1, 2, 4, and 5

LYONS

*Prayer of Confession

Wise and loving God, you give of yourself to guide us through this world,
yet we rely on our limited ideas and have lost our way.
You offer to lift our burdens and give us strength,
yet we trust in our own efforts and find ourselves exhausted.
Forgive us for thinking too little of you and too much of ourselves.

(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.

Sacrament of Baptism (11:00)

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

1 Samuel 8:4-20

Old Testament, page 248

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Our Imagination Gap

Jo Forrest

WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

Offertory Anthem

Go Ye Into All the World

Eugene Butler

Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel to every creature!
Jesus said, "This is the great commandment:
that ye love one another as I have loved you.
Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.
Let not your hearts be troubled. You believe in God.
If you believe in God, you believe in me."

*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. 307

God of Grace and God of Glory

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*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

Canzonetta in G

D. Buxtehude

Leading in worship: Jo Forrest, Jim Roberts, Jim Burns, Christine Hestwood, the Quartet, and Chancel Choir.

The Quartet and Chancel Choir are taking a summer hiatus. Thank you for leading worship with your beautiful music - we look forward to hearing you again in September!

Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

Baptisms: We rejoice with Brittany and Lucas Coady as they present Brynn Christine; and with Alison and Matthew Weiss as they present Caroline Bichsel for the Sacrament of Baptism.

Recent surgery, hospitalization, or illness: Bob Morris

The congregation extends condolences to John Redfield on the death of his wife, Susan, on June 13.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Food-to-Go Packaging

Please spend a few minutes to help us assemble the bags TODAY after all three worship services in Room 274.

Westminster Seminars

The Sunflower: On the Possibilities and Limits of Forgiveness by Simon Wiesenthal
TODAY | 9:45 a.m. Galbreath Chapel



Coming Up:

Those Revolting Presbyterians: What Were They Thinking?
Sunday, June 23 | 9:45 a.m. Galbreath Chapel

Leading up to Independence Day, Bill Ludwig, Westminster's Clerk of Session, aims to spark a little curiosity about some things that most of us did not learn in school. It's an invitation to begin exploring the evidence that religion occupied a key space in the minds of those who argued for independence and in the hearts of those who fought and died to achieve it. 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>.



It's Barefoot School VBS Week at Westminster!

For the safety of our children and volunteers, the church will be closed to visitors from 9:00 a.m. to noon from Monday, June 17, through Friday, June 21. For questions, contact Faith Kemmler at kemmler@westminster-church.org.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Summer Reading Group

Tuesday, June 18 | 7:00 p.m. | North Courtyard
If inclement weather, Memorial Parlor

Gather under the summer sky for a casual reading group led by Jo Forrest.

June 18 - *Small Things Like These* by Claire Keegan

July 23 - *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride

August 27 - *Pilgrimage to Eternity* by Timothy Eagan

No reservations necessary. Contact Jo Forrest for more information.



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 *Nicholas Will* on June 20, *Daniel Kovacic* on June 27, *Mitchell Stecker* on July 11, *Jim Burns* on July 18, and *Jacob Gross* on July 25. Musicians donate their time and talents; a freewill offering is welcome.



The Writers of Westminster

Looking for More Writers – Everyone has a story!

Wednesday, June 19 | 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. at Jim O'Brien's house:
512 Hunt Club Drive, McMurray, PA 15317

The Writers of Westminster are calling all writers as they begin gathering stories for Westminster's 6th Christmas book of inspiring stories. Come listen to stories and perhaps share one. Please RSVP to 412-221-3580.

Westminster Single Women's Group Upcoming Events

Dinner at Mitchell's Fish Market

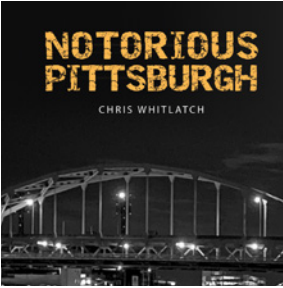
Tuesday, June 25 | 4:30 p.m. | Galleria

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 3 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>.



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 Westminister 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.

THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

JUNE 16-22, 2024



Scan here for complete church calendar



Scan here for a full WROC schedule & information

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

8:30	Traditional Worship Wiggle Room**	Sanctuary Rm. 239
9:00	Welcome Center Food to Go Packaging	North Main Entry Rm. 274
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
12:00	Barefoot School Set Up Barefoot School Volunteer Training	Sanctuary Rm. 273

*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 17

9:00	Barefoot School VBS	Fellowship Hall
6:00	Endowment Committee Meeting	Rm. 238
7:00	The Grace Westminster Book Club Session Meeting	Zoom Galbreath Chapel

TUESDAY, JUNE 18

9:00	Barefoot School VBS	Fellowship Hall
7:00	Summer Reading Group	North Courtyard
7:30	Scout Troup 366	Rm. 107

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

9:00	Barefoot School VBS	Fellowship Hall
12:00	Preacher Read Along	Rm. 238

Wednesdays @ Westminster are on summer break. Programs resume August 28.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20

9:00	Barefoot School VBS	Fellowship Hall
12:00	Dementia Caregiver Support Group	Memorial Parlor
4:00	Farmers' Market	South Parking Lot
5:00	Organ Summer Concert	
7:00	LIFT (Ladies in Fellowship Together) Book Group	Rm. 283
7:30	NA Nar Anon	Rm. 107 Rm. 131

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

6:30a	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
9:00	Barefoot School VBS	Fellowship Hall
12:00	Barefoot School VBS Celebration Luncheon	WROC
7:00	AI Anon AA	Rm. 231 Rm. 107

SATURDAY, JUNE 22

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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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