

LARGE PRINT BULLETIN

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Knowing Christ.....Making Christ Known

September 26, 2021
11:00 A.M. Contemporary



GATHERING THOUGHT

The day I was confirmed the joy of believing filled my heart,
the blessing of belonging filled my thoughts,
the promise of God's love filled my spirit,
the light of God's Word filled my soul.

And the precious gift of knowing I am God's and God is mine, will
shape and guide my faith and guide my life forever.

Kimberly Rinehart

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

September 26, 2021

11:00 A.M.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please sign the guest book online)

STEWARDSHIP VIDEO

SONG OF PRAISE

Holy

Revelation 4

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Holy, holy, God Almighty, who was and is to come.
God of glory, You're so worthy. All the saints bow down

*Refrain: Holy is Your name in all the earth.
Righteous are Your ways, so merciful.
Everything You've done is just and true.
Holy, holy God are You. Holy, holy God are You.*

Holy, holy, God Almighty, who was and is to come.
God of glory, You're so worthy. All the saints bow down

*Holy is Your name in all the earth.
Righteous are Your ways, so merciful.
Everything You've done is just and true.
Holy, holy God are You. Holy, holy God.*

All blessing, all honor belongs to You.
All power, all wisdom is Yours.
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Refrain

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

This I Believe

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Our Father everlasting, the all creating One, God Almighty
Through Your Holy Spirit, conceiving Christ the Son,
Jesus our Savior

Refrain: *I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son
I believe in the Holy Spirit, our God is three in One
I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus*

Our judge and our defender, suffered and crucified,
Forgiveness is in You
Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious life
Forever seated high *(Refrain)*

I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth
I believe in the saints' communion and in Your holy Church
I believe in the resurrection when Jesus comes again
For I believe in the Name of Jesus

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

MOMENT FOR CHILDREN AND PASSING THE PEACE

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.

SHARING OUR GIFTS

You Are With Me

by Leslie Jordan and Sandra McCracken.

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and Paper News Publishing, CCLI#2254621

My heart is heavy and tired in this valley
Mountains grow higher and higher
But I can't find You I'll keep lifting my eyes
I know You're with me

I hear Your voice when You cry comfort comfort
Sorrow may last for a night but in the morning
Your joy breaks in with the light
I know You're with me

Refrain: *I know You're with me and You are for me
You've been behind me You go before
You walk beside me through darkest valleys
I know You are with me*

You led me here where it's dry out in the desert
You bring these bones back to life You put together
You sing a song of delight
I know You're with me *(Refrain)*

You will be praised
I will, oh I will wait (2x)

I know You are with me

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Micah 6: 6-8 (Pew Bible 757)

“With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *“What Have You Been Told?”* Don Lincoln

PROFESSION OF FAITH BY CONFIRMANDS

PRAYER FOR CONFIRMANDS LAYING ON HANDS

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: Let us welcome these who have professed their faith.

People: Friends, you have been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church through baptism. By the power of the Holy Spirit you have become members of the household of God, to share with us in the ministry of Christ and the priesthood of all believers. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into the body of Christ. Alleluia! AMEN!

SONG OF RESPONSE

Here I Am, Lord

Isaiah 6:8

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry
All who dwell in deepest sin, my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright
Who will bear My light to them, whom shall I send?

Refrain: *Here I am, Lord, Is it I Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.
I will hold Your people in my heart.*

I the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne My peoples pain,
I have wept for love of them, they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak My word to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them, My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide, till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send? *Refrain*

BENEDICTION

SONG OF SENDING

Here I Am, Lord

Isaiah 6:8



Worship Times:
9:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

WELCOME VISITORS! We are glad you are here today. To help us welcome you personally, please fill out the Visitor Card found in the pews with your name, address, email and/or phone number and drop in the offering boxes located at the back of the sanctuary.

If you are interested in knowing more about being a follower of Jesus, have any questions, or desire follow-up information, please speak to one of the pastors.

The next new members' class is Sunday, October 24, 2021, 1:00-3:00 pm via Zoom.

LECTIONARY PASSAGES FOR TODAY are: *Semicontinuous:* Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 and *Psalm 124*; *Complementary:* Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29 and *Psalm 19:7-14*; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50. In addition to Sunday readings, there are lectionary readings for

every day. Go to www.westminsterpc.org/grow/spiritual-practices/daily-lectionary to the box called “Lectionary Reading” and click on the date.

WORSHIP BAND: Jon Frost, acoustic guitar; Melanie Flynn, bass guitar; Andy Reid, drums; Becky Reid, piano; Lauren Coffey, vocals

JOURNEY CLASS today at 11:00a.m. via Zoom. We continue our exploration of the book of Exodus with today’s discussion topic: **Yahweh Encounters Moses: *The Revelation of the Divine Name (Exodus 3, 6)*** led by Dr. Sue Fry. If interested in joining via zoom, email Jennie Clark at jclark@westminsterpc.org.

WE WOULD APPRECIATE knowing what percentage of the congregation has been vaccinated. If you are willing to share your status, please call the church office at 610-399-3377, and they will be happy to update your profile. Thank you.

USHERS: Joe and Carolyn Lapps

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Ministers of Jesus Christ	All the Members of the Congregation
Pastors	Jennie Clark, Jon Frost, Ann Hatfield, Don Lincoln
Pastor Emeritus	Robert D. Young
Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries	Chris Clark

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WORSHIP INFORMATION

WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sanctuary

9:30am – Traditional worship

11:00am – Contemporary worship with band

Wednesday Morning

9:10-9:30am – Prayer and Communion worship

KIDS CONNECT CELEBRATE WONDER SUNDAY SCHOOL (pre-K-5th grade) gathers weekly in the courtyard at 9:30 a.m. Everyone must be masked regardless of vaccination status. Children do NOT go to the sanctuary. Childcare available through age 3.

A REMOTE TV MONITOR is in the church parlor (just outside the sanctuary in the west hallway) to view and hear worship in progress for those with restless children or who need to leave the sanctuary.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES are available for worship at the Information Center in the Narthex. Additionally, the sanctuary is equipped with an induction loop system that transmits to hearing aids and cochlear implants with telecoils. **PEW CUSHIONS** also available at the Information Center.

LIVE STREAMING of our services is offered over the internet. A service bulletin for worship may be found through the link on our website or in the weekly update. We invite you to join us at westminsterpc.org when not able to attend worship.

TEXT GIVING is available. You can give via your phone; it's easy, secure and instant. Start a new text message to 610-616-2826. Enter the dollar amount of your gift as the text. Send. First time givers are prompted to a link to enter credit/debit card information.

TAIZÉ PRAYER and contemplative worship occurs various times throughout the program year. Visit our website or call 610-399-3377 for dates and times.

PRAYER CHAIN members receive a weekly list of prayer requests via email and members include them in their conversations with God. To have a prayer request included in the Prayer Chain or to become a member, contact Jeanne Klaver at jeanneklaver@gmail.com or the church office.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION is celebrated the first Sunday of every month in all services.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM is celebrated the **third Sunday of every month**. Our **BAPTISM CLASS** is offered the last Sunday of each month, except December, at 10:00 a.m. Contact the office to register for the baptism class.

VIDEO AND TEXT VERSIONS OF PREVIOUS SERMONS can be found online at www.westminsterpc.org.

NEWS AND EVENTS

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CONFIRMATION CLASSES OF 2020 & 2021

In the early church, adults who wished to become members took part in a rigorous catechumen process. They dedicated themselves to prayer, study, even fasting in preparation for baptism and fully committing themselves to worship and witness with the Christian community. Confirmation mirrors that ancient practice. Youth have explored their faith via Zoom in preparation for baptism or confirming the promises their parents made on their behalf when they were baptized as young children.

Today we welcome the following youth into *full church membership*, inviting them to lead alongside and even ahead of us as God's people in and for the world. A special thank you to all these students who pursued this experience during challenging times with an open heart and mind and who confess today that Jesus Christ is their Lord and Savior. Please welcome them into the fellowship of Westminster.

Students being recognized at 9:30 a.m. Traditional

Bella Brun	Will Kilroy
Kenadee Carlson	Aimee Leigh Marvel
* Morgan Chapman	Natalie Grace Marvel
Lauren Dobie	* David Perkins
Adam Fosbenner	Nathan Pintar
Melissa Griswold	Quinn Sandy
Sophie Griswold	Tony Spaziani
* Kate Hendrix	Vivian Stilley
David Hendrix	Adam Trojanowski

* Students being baptized

Students being recognized at 11:00 a.m. Contemporary

Noah Benfer	Kara D'lorio
Elle Casten	Eleanor Day
Campbell Collins	Charlie Kammeier

LOSS AND GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP
MONDAYS, OCTOBER 18-NOVEMBER 22
7:00-8:30 PM

We all experience loss in our lives: loss of jobs, loss of health, loss of dreams, and loss of loved ones. This six-week group examines the pain we encounter from the losses we endure. We will prayerfully explore the courageous process of grieving, which allows us to move through the pain and enter into healing and wholeness. For questions or more information, contact Ann Hatfield at ahatfield@westminsterpc.org.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER EVENT
SPELLMAN HALL

Saturday, October 16, 12:00-6:30pm
Sunday, October 17, 8:30am-3:00pm

***WESTMINSTER WILL BE HOSTING OUR BIGGEST MEAL
PACKAGING EVENT EVER!!!!***

In honor of World Food Day, we hope to pack 285,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger; but we need your help! We will be partnering with other churches and organizations in Chester County to fill an entire shipping container with meals. If we are successful, the shipping container will leave from Westminster's parking lot and go directly to the port. Bring your family and friends for one or more 2-hour shifts over the October weekend. Or please consider donating to help us achieve our goal. \$75 covers the cost of a box of meals which can feed a student for an entire year. \$300 can feed a family of 4 for an entire year! Questions? Contact Angela Emrich at ang.emrich@gmail.com. To register type the following in your browser: <https://bit.ly/3nWOjNg>

NEW MEMBERS' CLASS
Sunday, October 24, 2021
1:00-3:00 PM via Zoom

Interested in learning more about Westminster or in becoming a member of Westminster? This class is for you! All welcome. No obligation to join. The goals of the class are to:

1. Increase awareness and understanding of:
 - The basics of Christian faith and practice
 - The Presbyterian Church (USA)
 - Westminster Presbyterian Church
2. Provide experiences of:
 - Christian community as a place of support and encouragement
 - Reflection and conversation on God's relationship with us
3. Provide opportunities for:
 - Deepening our commitment to Jesus Christ
 - Discovering ways to connect with ministries of WPC

To register online, visit our website at www.westminsterpc.org, hover over "About Us" at the top for the drop down menu and then click on "Membership." Scroll down a bit and fill out the registration form and hit "submit." If you have any questions, contact Jennie Clark at jclark@westminsterpc.org or call the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall KidsConnect. Children will gather along with teachers in the courtyard at 9:30am. Note the new time and that children will come directly to the courtyard rather than the sanctuary. Children and teachers must be masked regardless of vaccination status. All children Pre-K through 5th grade are welcome.

KidsConnect is looking for volunteers interested in helping on Sunday mornings. Join us in the Courtyard as we experience the wonders of God and the joy of helping children grow spiritually. Volunteer as little or as often as your schedule allows. All volunteers must have their clearances. Interested please contact Diane DeSieno-Lane at dianedesieno@msn.com.

Nursery Childcare: We are currently providing childcare at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays during worship. In order to properly staff the nursery, we'd like to have an idea of how many families might be seeking childcare for their youngest kids on Sunday mornings. Contact Chris Clark at cclark@westminsterpc.org if you plan to use the nursery this fall. Also, if you are someone who would be willing to serve as a nursery volunteer, contact Chris Clark at the above email.

Tuesday Morning Fellowship, September 28, 9:30am in Spellman Jr. or via Zoom. Join us on Tuesday for George Slick's presentation, *Life & Times of a School Superintendent*. Questions? Contact Nick Tortorello at njtortorello@yahoo.com.

Get Your Free Flu Shot! Sunday, October 3, 8:30am-12:30pm in Spellman Hall. Staying healthy this flu season is more important than ever. Representatives from Rite Aid will be offering free flu shots to anyone interested. All you need is your insurance card for the free shot! Register by typing the following in your browser: <https://bit.ly/3nBlgNV>.

Westminster is currently searching for a full-time Director of Children & Family Ministries to oversee the programs for children from nursery age through 5th grade. For a copy of the full job description please contact the church office. Interested candidates should submit their resumes to csg@westminsterpc.org. Questions? Contact Jennie Clark at jclark@westminsterpc.org.

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Recycling: Help reduce landfill waste by bringing the following **used** items to WPC for recycling: 1) Alkaline Only Batteries (place tape over both ends) and 2) K-pods. Leave them in the bins provided under the front portico.

Become a Stephen Minister. Stephen Ministry is one of the ways Westminster cares for people who are hurting. Does this sound like you? ...a child of God who walks and prays with another? ...a caring Christian who *really* listens? ...a quiet servant of God? If so, our Stephen Leaders are looking for people who feel called to be Stephen Ministers. The next Stephen Ministry Training Class begins in January 2022. To learn more, please let the church office know or speak to any Stephen Minister.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH
POSITIVE ACTION PROGRAM

In partnership with Compass Mark WC, we're offering a 10 week virtual mental health program for middle school youth to grow in their self-care this fall. We'd like to hear from families about what day and time would work after school. If you are a parent of a middle school youth who would be interested in participating, please contact Chris Clark at cclark@westminsterpc.org to let us know what day and time would work best after school for your child. If you have any questions, please contact Chris.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Save the Date: First Crew Disaster Relief Mission Trip, October 24-29, 2021 to New Bern, NC. Hurricane Florence was a powerful hurricane that caused catastrophic damage in the Carolinas in September 2018, primarily as a result of freshwater flooding due to torrential rain. Be part of a 10-person team that will help repair homes in the New Bern area that were severely damaged by the floodwaters. The materials and tools to do the repairs will be provided. All levels of expertise are needed. For more information, contact Bill Stewart at williamstewart@janney.com.

Hurricane Disaster Assistance. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is providing emergency relief and short-term recovery in the impacted areas for Hurricane Ida. Please pray for the communities affected by this event and consider supporting the work of PDA around the world by giving online. Type the following into your browser: <https://bit.ly/3Eei6H3>.

JOURNEY CLASS

“Let My People Go”

Exploring the Opening of the Book of Exodus

Sept. 12 –Oct. 10

11:00AM via Zoom

*A five-week interactive exploration
of the opening chapters of the book of Exodus.*

Led by Dr. Sue Fry

The Book of *Exodus* has influenced the faith of Jews and Christians alike. Exodus has been inspirational for various voices of liberation. Children hear stories about the Exodus in Vacation Bible School and Sunday School. Images

of the parting of the Sea and the plagues have been the subject of popular films. This class is a re-reading of Exodus for adults wishing to expand their faith and grow in spiritual trust. All are welcomed to join in all or any sessions as able. If interested in joining via Zoom, email Jennie Clark at jclark@westminsterpc.org to sign up.

Sept. 26 Yahweh Encounters Moses

The Revelation of the Divine Name - Exodus 3, 6

Oct. 3 Yahweh and the Powers of Egypt

Exodus 4–11

Oct. 10 Call for Liberation: “Let My People Go!”

Deliverance, Liberation, Redemption/Passover

UPCOMING JOURNEY CLASSES:

October 17 & 31: What Does It Mean to Be a Matthew 25 Congregation?

October 24 No Class as this is our next new members’ class

November 7, 14, 21, & 28: Inspired Word. Critical issues in understanding, interpreting and applying the Biblical Word to life led by Dr. Manfred Brauch.

December 5, 12, 19 & 26: Light of the World. A four-week DVD series and a beginner’s guide to Advent.

More information to come on these classes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Drug Drop Off Event, Sunday, October 17, 9-11am in the Narthex.

Dispose of out of date or unused prescription and over the counter drugs safely. We accept prescription and over-the-counter solid tablets and capsules, prescription patches, medical creams and ointments, vitamins, nasal sprays & pet medicines. We do not accept IV solutions, injectables, syringes, and needles (like Epi-pens), hydrogen peroxide, compressed cylinders or aerosols (like inhalers), or Iodine-containing medications. Questions? Contact Terri Pennington at tpennington1211@yahoo.com.

Blessing of the Animals, Sunday, October 17, 4:00pm in the parking lot.

We are excited to join other Christian traditions in offering a Blessing of the Animals this October. These services often occur in conjunction with the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, which is October 4th. Ours will be part of our Vespers series of services, which occur on the 3rd Sunday. Your leashed or in some way restrained pets are welcome! Weather permitting. Questions? Contact Pastor Jon at jfrost@westminsterpc.org.

FINANCIAL

Donate from your smart phone. Simply scan the image you see here using your phone's Quick Response code reader.



Scan the QR code with your Smart phone to give online.

August 2021 General Fund – Mission and Church Operations

Year To Date	Actual	Budget	% vs Budget
Tithes & other revenue	\$1,409,723	\$1,416,699	0%
Expense	\$1,352,420	\$1,510,208	-10%

We want to sincerely thank you for keeping your General Fund pledges up to date, as you can see, this month tithes and offering is on track with budget. We encourage you to keep up consistent giving, so that we can achieve 100% of our pledged support. Please consider electronic giving. Setting up your giving is simple through the “Donate” button on the “Give” page on the church website, or request an authorization form by contacting the church office.

Thank you for your commitment to the mission and ministry of Westminster.

Attendance: 9/19/21: 810

Weekly Offering Figures for 9/12/21:

General Fund \$26,422.00

Calendar for week of September 26, 2021

Sunday, September 26

9:30 A.M. Traditional Worship / KidsConnect in
Courtyard / Childcare thru age 3

10:45 A.M. Journey Class via Zoom

11:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship

5:30 P.M. Youth Group (courtyard, Site, Cove)

Monday, September 27

9:00 A.M. Thrift Shop workday until 3PM

7:00 P.M. Stephen Ministry via Zoom

Tuesday, September 28

9:30 A.M. Tuesday Morning Fellowship (Spellman Jr.)

10:00 A.M. Thrift Shop open until 3PM

7:00 P.M. Endowment Committee via Zoom

Wednesday, September 29

9:10 A.M. Prayer and Communion Service

9:15 A.M. Wednesday Weekly Women's Bible Study (Spell Jr)

10:00 A.M. Thrift Shop open until 3PM

7:00 P.M. Handbell Rehearsal (Spellman Hall)

7:00 P.M. A Gathering of Men (Spellman Jr.)

7:00 P.M. Worship Band rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, September 30

Thrift Shop Closed

10:00 A.M. Tech Time with Lynn via Zoom

7:00 P.M. Troop 93 Board of Review (Library)

7:00 P.M. Celebrate Recovery via Zoom

7:00 P.M. PNC Meeting via Zoom

Friday, October 1

10:00 A.M. Thrift Shop open until 3PM

Saturday, October 2

9:00 A.M. Thrift Shop open until 12:00 noon

Sunday, October 3

8:30 A.M. Flu Shots in Spellman Hall until 12:00 P.M.

9:30 A.M. Traditional Worship / KidsConnect in
Courtyard / Childcare thru age 3

10:30 A.M. Chancel Choir rehearsal (Choir Room)

10:45 A.M. Journey Class via Zoom

11:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship

3:30 P.M. Taizé Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

5:00 P.M. Taizé Worship (Sanctuary)

5:30 P.M. Youth Group (courtyard, Site, Cove)

FOOD FOR OUR NEIGHBORS –

**LAST WEEK FOR CANNED FRUIT
OCTOBER – DRIED AND CANNED BEANS**

**PLEASE DROP OFF IN THE MARKED BINS UNDER THE FRONT PORTICO
OR
IN THE NARTHEX**