

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Knowing Christ.....Making Christ Known

October 13, 2024
11 A.M. Contemporary



GATHERING THOUGHT

"Not he who has much is rich,
but he who gives much."

- Erich Fromm

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

October 13, 2024

11:00 A.M.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad in your pew)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

West Chester Food Cupboard

Rob Necarsulmer

SONGS OF PRAISE

Your Grace Is Enough

Genesis 1:27, Revelation 22:20; Matt Maher

Great is your faithfulness Oh God,
You wrestle with the sinner's heart.
You lead us by still waters into mercy,
And nothing can keep us apart.

So remember your people, remember your children,
Remember your promise, Oh God.

*Refrain: Your grace is enough, your grace is enough
Your grace is enough for me (2x)*

Great is your love and justice God,
You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of your salvation,
And all your people sing along.

So remember your people, remember your children,
Remember your promise, Oh God. *(Refrain 2x)*

So remember your people, remember your children,
Remember your promise, Oh God. *(Refrain)*

*Your grace is enough,
Heaven reaches down to us, your grace is enough for me,
Your grace is enough, I'm covered in your love,
Your grace is enough for me.*

Mighty To Save

Fielding & Morgan
Hebrews 2:10; Ezekiel 38:20

Everyone needs compassion, Love that's never failing
Let mercy fall on me
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a savior
The hope of nations

*Refrain: Savior, he can move the mountains
My God is mighty to save, God is mighty to save
Forever, Author of salvation
Christ rose and conquered the grave
Jesus conquered the grave*

So take me as you find me, All my fears and failures
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow, everything I believe in
Now I surrender *(Refrain)*

Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see
We're singing for the glory of the risen King (2x) *(Refrain 2x)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SONG

Who You Say I am

Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me
I was lost but he brought me in, O his love for me,
O his love for me.

Who the Son sets free, O is free indeed, I'm a child of God, Yes I am

Free at last, he has ransomed me, his grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me,
Yes he died for me.

Refrain: *Who the Son sets free, O is free indeed,
I'm a child of God, yes I am
In my Father's house, there's a place for me,
I'm a child of God, yes I am*

I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who you say I am
You are for me, not against me, I am who you say I am
I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who you say I am
You are for me not against me, I am who you say I am
I am who you say I am (Refrain 2x)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THOUGHT FOR CHILDREN

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING – “*The Peace of Christ*”

MOMENT FOR CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Robbe Healey
New Consecration Sunday

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 *The Kingdom is Yours*

Keyes, Spencer, Wilson, & Messey

Blessed are the ones who do not bury
All the broken pieces of their heart
Blessed are the tears of all the weary
Pouring like a sky of falling stars

Blessed are the wounded ones in mourning
Brave enough to show the Lord their scars
Blessed are the hurts that are not hidden
Open to the healing touch of God

Refrain: *The Kingdom is yours, the kingdom is yours*
Hold on a little more this is not the end
Hope is in the Lord keep your eyes on Him

Blessed are the ones who walk in kindness
Even in the face of great abuse
Blessed are the deeds that go unnoticed
Serving with unguarded gratitude

Blessed are the ones who fight for justice
Longing for the coming day of peace
Blessed is the soul that thirsts for righteousness
Welcoming the last, the lost, the least

Blessed are the ones who suffer violence
And still have strength to love their enemies
Blessed is the faith of those who persevere
Though they fall they'll never know defeat

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 10: 17-31(Pew Bible pg. 822)

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, ‘Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?’ Jesus said to him, ‘Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone.

You know the commandments: “You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother.” ’ He said to him, ‘Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.’ Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, ‘You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.’ When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, ‘How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!’ And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, ‘Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.’ They were greatly astounded and said to one another, ‘Then who can be saved?’ Jesus looked at them and said, ‘For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.’

Peter began to say to him, ‘Look, we have left everything and followed you.’ Jesus said, ‘Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.’

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SONG OF RESPONSE*Jesus Lead On*

Brent Helming

This is my cry, this is my song.
You are my guiding light when the way is unknown.
And when these sunny skies turn shades of gray,
I'll stay close by Your side as You lead the way.

Refrain: *Jesus, lead on, I will follow. Jesus lead on.
Let Your love light the way.
Jesus, lead on, I will follow. Jesus lead on.*

Hear now this cry. Hear now this song.
You are my guiding light for this journey I'm on.
And when my vision is clouded by the wind and the rain,
I'll stay close by Your side as You lead the way. *Refrain (2x)*

BENEDICTION**SONG OF SENDING** *The Blessing*

Chris Brown, Cody Carnes, Kari Jobe, & Steven Furtick

The Lord bless you and keep you
Make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you
The Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.
Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen.

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The Blessing

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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 sign the *Friendship Pad* with your name, address, email and/or phone number.

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. Following worship, they can be found greeting at the doors of the sanctuary.

LECTIONARY PASSAGES FOR TODAY are: Job 23:1-9, 16-17 *and Psalm 22:1-15; Amos 5:6-7, 10-15 and Psalm 90:12-17; Hebrews 4:12-16; 2:5-12; Mark 10:17-31.*

NURSERY CARE (6 months thru 4 years old) available **until 12:15pm** in Room 109. If you plan to use the nursery for nursery care and/or if you are willing to serve as a nursery volunteer, please contact Mary Maina at childcare@westminsterpc.org.

YOUNG CHILDREN & WORSHIP. Children (pre-K thru grade 5) are dismissed to the Chapel after the Thought for Children.

WORSHIP BAND: Jon Frost, acoustic guitar; Noah Dzielawa, bass guitar; Andy Reid, drums; Mark Beazley, piano; Brianna Emrich, Emily Bowen, vocals

USHERS: Sue and Martin Bruegel

WORSHIP INFORMATION

WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sanctuary

9:30am – Traditional worship

11:00am – Contemporary worship with band

Wednesday Morning in the Chapel

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

PHONE MINISTRY - Calling in for Worship is offered for those who want to listen to the 9:30 am service by phone. Contact Nancy Christy at 610-696-3284 for dialing instructions.

A REMOTE TV MONITOR is in the Quiet Room (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.

PRAY GROUNDS ARE LOCATED along the sides of our Sanctuary and are geared towards young children to engage in items from the cart during worship. This allows a space more suitable for them to be a part of the worship service.

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 Sunday update. We invite you to join us at westminsterpc.org when you are not able to attend worship.

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PRAYER MINISTRY 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 Ministry or to become a member, contact Janet Gauger at gauger.janet@gmail.com or the church office.

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Ministers of Jesus Christ
Pastors
Pastor Emeritus

All the Members of the Congregation
Leah Hrachovec, Jon Frost, Ann Hatfield
Bob Young



NEWS AND EVENTS

October 13, 2024



**Knowing Christ,
Making Christ Known**

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ROLLING CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

OCTOBER 27, 2024

During morning services in the sanctuary and via Zoom at 10:30am

For the purpose of electing officers for the class of 2027. Short bios of the officers will be available prior to the meeting.

OCTOBER VESPERS

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Sunday, October 20, from 4-5pm

An intergenerational, family-friendly evening worship service. For October, we will be under the portico for a Blessing of the Animals Service.

Bring your pet on leash or in a carrier for a special blessing as we give thanks to our/their Creator for their love and companionship. If your pet has passed, you are welcome to bring a picture of them to remember and bless the time that you had with them.

As part of our worship, consider donating items from the Brandywine Valley SPCA wish list: <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/17696ASEWPBU9>.

Bring the items with you to worship and we will deliver them the following week.

PER CAPITA ANNUAL COLLECTION

This collection supports the ecclesiastical & administrative work of the Presbyterian Church USA, the connectional church at work. “For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ” NRSV 1 Corinthians 12:12.

Thank you to the 394 active members who donated to the Per Capita collection so far this year. With 1629 current active members, the participation rate is only 24%. Our 2024 collection budget is \$25,000. The Per Capita collection offsets the assessed cost to the denomination for each confirmed church member, not per household. In 2024, the per member assessment is \$38 or a total Westminster apportionment of \$66,196.

DAYS FOR GIRLS KIT MAKING EVENT

Sunday October 27, 9:00 am - 12:30 pm
Spellman Hall

Help us shatter stigma and limitations associated with menstruation for improved health, education and livelihood outcomes for girls and women everywhere with Days for Girls. Join us for one of two shifts: 9-10:45 am and/or 10:45 am-12:30 pm when we will make menstruation kits.

The kits are hand-sewn washable pads and will be distributed both locally and internationally. Sewers and non-sewers are welcome. Everything needed for the activities will be provided. Questions? Contact Dana Loundas at danaloundas1@gmail.com or Joni Taylor at jetta.taylor@gmail.com.

BAGGED LUNCH PROGRAM

Safe Harbor Volunteers are needed to prepare and deliver 30 bagged lunches on Monday, October 21, to help Safe Harbor feed Chester County's most vulnerable men, women and children. Additional information can be found in the Signup Genius using this link: bit.ly/SafeHarborOct

Questions? contact Christine Philbin at cphilbin3@gmail.com.

The Vine Ministry The Vine Ministry works to provide hunger relief to our community. Westminster is teaming up with The Vine Ministry to help support their efforts during the upcoming season of giving. We're looking for volunteers to prepare 50 bagged lunches on behalf of The Vine Ministry the 4th Friday of each month through the remainder of 2024. Additional information can be found in the Signup Genius using this link. bit.ly/VineMinOct

Questions? contact John Grillo at johngrillo@yahoo.com.

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING THANK-YOU!

We are deeply grateful to everyone who contributed to our annual Peace & Global Witness Offering. As a result of your generous donations, we collected almost \$9,000! Twenty-five percent will remain at Westminster to be shared with the Charles A. Melton Arts and Education Center, which provides civic, arts, recreation, and education programs to underserved families in the West Chester area. The remainder of the money will be used to support the work of peace and reconciliation in our region and across the globe through the PC(USA). Thank you so much for your participation and generosity towards this special offering!

SHOP FOR HOPE 2024

SAVE THE DATE!

The annual *Shop for Hope* event is returning to Westminster on **Sunday, December 8**, from **10:30 AM to 12:30 PM** in Spellman Hall. Join us to shop for unique and meaningful gifts for everyone on your list, while supporting partner ministries and spreading hope this Advent season.

As you browse this year's market, children can enjoy festive music, crafts, and tasty treats too! We look forward to seeing you there!

SOCK DRIVE THANK-YOU

A huge thank you to all who participated in the 2024 sock drive. We collected over 1900 pairs of men, women and children's socks that will be distributed to eight of our local ministry partners. The partners include the Melton Center, Tick Tock Early Learning Center, Chester County Migrant Ministries, the St. Agnes Day Room, CYWA Gateway Shelter, City Gate Men's Shelter, The Atkinson Men's Shelter, and the Vine Ministry.

2024 BLANKET DRIVE

Due to an overwhelming response last year, we are going to continue with our blanket drive for 2024. We ask you to provide at least one new single, double or queen-sized warm winter blanket, with a heavier emphasis on single and doubles. The Blanket Drive will run throughout the month of October. There will be bins set up in the Heckert Center for donations. You can also have donations sent to the church directly at 10 W. Pleasant Grove Road West Chester, PA 19380. The Outreach Committee is grateful for your continuing generosity and for helping us to provide warmth this coming winter season.

PRISON MINISTRY ART SHOW

Friday, October 11 - 7 pm - Sunday, October 20

Westminster is partnering with a Prison Ministry Art Show featuring artworks from the inmates at Coal Township State Correction Institute. Last year we generously raised nearly \$4,000 with half going to the inmates to restock their art supplies as well as Christmas gifts for their families. The other half, at the artists' request, goes to our charities. The Art Show is online at bit.ly/PMAS2024. The original art as well as calendars and greeting cards of the original artwork will be on sale.

CHILI COOK-OFF & FALL FEST



5:30-7:30 pm Friday, November 1

Spellman Hall, Outdoor Chapel, Portico & Narthex

We're having a Thank You God, Party

- celebrating the fall and giving thanks to God for all gifts. Do you have an amazing chili recipe to share? Enter your amazing chili in the chili cook-

off, when you register! There is a competition, and you might win a prize! Other fun things happening at the fall fest include more food (chicken, veggies, snacks, cider), games, crafts, book reading, prayer station, campfire, marshmallow roasting, photo booth and ideas for families to take home to engage in spiritual practices at home, using themes of fall and everyday activities. Questions?

Contact Jill Reichert at jreichert@westminsterpc.org.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE EFFORTS FOR HURRICANES

Westminster joins the PCUSA in responding to those impacted by Hurricanes over the last few weeks. The impact of Helene & Milton is felt across multiple states, with devastating storm damage in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Tennessee. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is in communication with affected presbyteries to share information and coordinate resources as wind and flooding damage is assessed. PDA deployed a National Response Team to several local presbyteries to respond to needs in their communities. Along with your prayers, your generous financial gifts will bring hope, help, and encouragement. Copy this address **bit.ly/helenehelp** into your browser to support the PDA's efforts or make checks payable to Westminster Presbyterian Church, designating "Hurricane Relief" in the memo line. We will forward the collected funds to PDA. For updates on the response efforts use this link. **bit.ly/heleneupdates**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Racial Healing Book Study Donegal Presbytery's Racial Justice Task Group is hosting a new book discussion on racial healing. You are invited to join others in learning more about challenging privilege, confronting systemic racism, and engaging in collective healing. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact Pastor Ann Hatfield at ahatfield@westminsterpc.org.

Brown Bag Lunch: This Monday, October 14 is brown bag lunch in Spellman Hall at 12 noon. All are welcome to come fellowship and meet new friends.

Westminster's Library-Please visit the library to see our "Fall" display. While there, feel free to check out any books or DVDs of interest.

Thrift Shop – Various pink items are displayed in the Westminster Thrift Shop, recognizing October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. According to the American Cancer Society, 310,720 new cases of invasive breast cancer in women and 2,790 cases in men will be diagnosed in 2024. The idea that breast cancer is an automatic death sentence is a myth in today's world. A lot of breast cancers can be managed, and lives extended and saved. Let us pray for all who are presently on a breast cancer journey, and remember all who have been on this journey, several of which have been thrift shop volunteers.

Narcan training/ medication dropbox. On Sunday, October 27, 10:45am in Spellman Jr., the Office of Drug and Alcohol Prevention will be offering NARCAN Training. For those unable to attend but want to learn this lifesaving technique, the training will also be offered on Zoom. No signups needed. Zoom link will be provided prior to event.

The Chester County Sheriff's Department will be providing the Mobile Medication Dropbox in the Narthex from 9-11AM. Please bring your unwanted or expired over-the-counter or prescription medications for proper disposal. NO Syringes, please. Questions? Contact [Brenda Schivito](mailto:bschivito@gmail.com) at bschivito@gmail.com.

Tuesday Morning Fellowship: Our next presentation is this Tuesday, October 15. Wayne Zimmerman is our Theater Organ Specialist who is extraordinarily talented accompanying Silent Movies with complimentary music. He treats us with two wonderful silent movie comedies - "Wrong Again" and "Habeas Corpus" starring Stan Laurel & Oliver Hardy, sometimes referred to as "the boys". He selected these seldom seen silent movies because they preceded the great Laurel & Hardy "talkies" with which so many people are familiar. Come early at 9:30 am to enjoy coffee/tea, popcorn treats with great conversations in Spellman Hall. From 10-11 AM Wayne's presentation will be held in the Sanctuary. There will not be a ZOOM link for this organ performance.

Did you know that **October is Church Staff Appreciation Month?** The Personnel Committee invites you to join us in showing our appreciation for our pastors and staff. We have cards available at the Information Booth and in Café 10 West where you can share your words of gratitude and encouragement.

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August 2024

General Fund – Mission and Church Operations

Year To Date	Actual	Budget	% vs Budget Better/(Worse)
Pledge Giving	\$1,234,537	\$1,106,275	11.6%
Total Revenue	\$1,616,791	\$1,540,776	4.9%
Expense	\$1,498,845	\$1,537,225	2.5%
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 117,946	\$ 3,551	0.0%

Offering Figures for 10/6/24 (includes online giving)

General Fund-Sunday Svc/Mailed/Online	\$32,434.36
Peace Offering	4,775.00
Christmas Joy Offering	50.00
Disaster Relief	2,675.00
Property Reserve	100.00
Total	\$40,034.00

Attendance: 10/6/24

In Person	483
Phone	6
Wellington	10
Live Stream	<u>558</u>
Total	1,556

Calendar for week of October 12, 2024

Sunday, October 13

- 8:00 A.M. Rise Against Hunger (Spellman Hall)
- 8:30 A.M. Nursery care (109)
- 9:30 A.M. Traditional Worship / WeeConnect 3-4 yrs
KidsConnect (K-5th grade)
- 11:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary), Young
Children & Worship (Chapel)
- 11:30 A.M. Trustee New Office Training (313)
- 5:00 P.M. Youth Choir (Music Room)
- 5:30 P.M. Youth Group (Spellman Hall)

Monday, October 14

- 9:00 A.M. Thrift Shop workday until 3 P.M.
- 9:30 A.M. Monday Morning Circle (414)
- 5:30 P.M. Property Committee (212)
- 7:00 P.M. Trustees (212)

Tuesday, October 15

- 9:30 A.M. Tuesday Fellowship (Spellman Jr.)
- 9:30 A.M. Tuesday Women's Bible Study (414)
- 10:00 A.M. Thrift Shop Open until 3 P.M.
- 12:00 P.M. Stitch Unto Others (413)
- 1:00 P.M. Beginner Handbell Class (Spellman Hall)
- 7:00 P.M. Session Meeting (212)

Wednesday, October 16

- 9:10 A.M. Prayer and Communion Service (Chapel)
- 9:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study (Spellman Jr.)
- 10:00 A.M. Thrift Shop Open until 3 P.M.
- 4:15 P.M. Cherub Choir (Spellman Hall)
- 4:45 P.M. Children's Choir (Spellman Hall)
- 7:00 P.M. Handbell Rehearsal (Spellman Hall)
- 7:00 P.M. Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 P.M. Gathering of Men (Spellman Jr.)

Thursday, October 17

- Thrift Shop Closed
- 10:00 A.M. Tech Time with Lynn via Zoom
- 6:00 P.M. Boy Scouts (Spellman Hall)
- 7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
- 7:00 P.M. Celebrate Recovery (The Site)

Friday, October 18

10:00 A.M. Thrift Shop Open until 3 P.M.

Saturday, October 19

9:00 A.M. Thrift Shop Open until noon

Sunday, October 20 Consecration Sunday

8:30 A.M. Nursery care (109)

9:30 A.M. Traditional Worship / WeeConnect 3-4 yrs
KidsConnect (K-5th grade)

10:30 A.M. Brunch for 9:30 Service Guests (Spellman)

11:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary), Young
Children & Worship (Chapel)

12:00 P.M. Brunch for 11 am Service Guests (Spellman)

4:00 P.M. Vespers Service – Blessing of the animals (Portico)

5:00 P.M. Youth Choir (Music Room)

5:30 P.M. Youth Group (Spellman Hall)

**For questions about any of our activities or events, please visit the
website at westminsterpc.org or call the church office.**

**FOOD FOR OUR NEIGHBORS
OCTOBER – DRIED AND CANNED BEANS**