Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 11, 2022 Holy Baptism



Westminster Presbyterian Church

About the Prelude

The Prelude is a musical offering to help move the hearts and minds of the gathering community from the daily struggles of life to the worship of God. This middle movement of Marcello's concerto accompanies the oboe melody with repeated chords in the strings. These instruments are imitated by the corresponding organ stops.

The Cross and Bible lead the procession, symbolic of the centrality in worship of Jesus Christ—the Living Word, and the Bible—the written Word.

About Hymn 619

This adaption of an older paraphrase of Psalm 103 (see no. 620) is informed by an awareness that much of the received language of religious traditions enshrines social values that obscure the goodness of God, which far transcends all our labels and categories and hierarchies. TEXT: Henry Francis Lyte, 1834; MUSIC: John Goss, 1869.

GATHERING

(Silence during the Prelude is requested in preparation for worship.)

PRELUDE

Adagio, Concerto in d minor, BWV 974 Allesandro Marcello/arr. J.S. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Like a woman who finds a missing coin, God rejoices in our salvation. Like a shepherd who finds a lost sheep, God rejoices in bringing us home.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Merciful Savior, you sent Jesus to seek out those who are lost. Receive us as we return to you this day, then send us out to join your search, so that we may rejoice with you and with all the company of heaven in the glory of your holy realm; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(The Cross and Bible lead the procession, symbolic of the centrality in worship of Jesus Christ - the Living Word, and the Bible - the written Word.)

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN 619**

LAUDA ANIMA

Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us.

Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence.

Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away from sin.
You search for us, like lost sheep, but we pretend not to hear your voice.
You treasure us, like lost coins, but we spend our lives in foolish ways.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Help us to repent and return to you, so that we may join the joyful feast of redemption and restoration; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Silent confession)

Kyrie

Hal H. Hopson

(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the Good News: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*The Peace

Since God in Christ has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

(Please exchange the peace with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you.") Call to and Prayer of Confession

Having praised the holiness of God, we must also face the errant state of the world and of our lives, confessing our unworthiness to enter into God's presence. Nevertheless, we approach God with confidence, trusting in the mercy of Jesus Christ. This turn from communal praise to corporate confession, established on the promise of God's grace, is one of the hallmarks of the Reformed tradition.

Assurance of Pardon

A declaration of forgiveness proclaims the good news of God's mercy and offers the assurance of pardon in Jesus' name. The liturgist pours water into the font, which reminds us of the grace and cleansing of our Baptism, and the baptismal call to new life in Christ.

Act of Praise

The Act of Praise brings together the choir and congregation to sing God's praise.

Prayer for Illumination

A Prayer for Illumination calls on the Holy Spirit to empower the reading, understanding, proclaiming, and living of God's word. This sense of utter reliance on the illumination of the Spirit is an important and distinctive mark of the Reformed tradition.

Scripture

The scriptures bear witness to the word of God, revealed most fully in Jesus Christ, the Word who "became flesh and lived among us. (John 1:14). Where the word is read and proclaimed, Jesus Christ the living Word is present by the power of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, reading, hearing, preaching, and affirming the word are central to Christian worship and essential to the Service for the Lord's Day.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! Our ears are open.

Exodus 32:7-14 (Old Testament, pages78-79 in your pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Psalm 51:1-10

ST. FLAVIAN (Hymn 810)

Have mercy, Lord, according to The measure of Thy love; Blot out my sin, and from my heart All wickedness remove.

The failings of my deeds and thoughts Are ever in my sight; Release me from the path of death, And set my course aright.

Into my secret heart send truth, Let wisdom in me grow; O wash the evil from my hands, And make me pure as snow.

A clean and upright heart, O Lord, Exchange for mine of stone; Thy Holy Spirit meld with mine, And leave me not alone.

A contrite heart is Thy desire, My offering, the same; My lips unlatch, my mouth engage Thy praises to proclaim.

Luke 15:1-10

(New Testament, page 78 in your pew Bible)

SERMON	"The Cost of the Lost"	Donovan Drake	About Hymn 475
(A moment for meditation)			Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms
*HYMN 475 (8:30	(a.m.)		like "Ebenezer" (1
	Come, Thou Fount of Every Bless	ing NETTLETON	Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to
*HYMN 486 (11:0	give thanks for God's assistance. The tune		
(Child of Blessing, Child of Promi	se KINGDOM	name honors hymnal compiler Asahel
*AFFIRMATION	NOF FAITH		Nettleton, who probably did not
(See "Profession of Faith" below.)			compose it. TEXT: Robert Robinson, 1758; MUSIC:
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00 a.m.)			Wyeth's <i>Repository</i> of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813.
Presentation			
Hear the wo	ords of our Lord Jesus Christ		
Obeying the word of our Lord Jesus, and confident of his promises,			About Hymn 486 This hymn addressed to a newly-baptized child begins each
we baptize those whom God has called.			
In baptism	God claims us and seals us		stanza with a facet of
to show that we belong to God.			the child's identity, culminating in "child
	is from sin and death,		of God." By being directed to one per-
uniting us with Jesus Christ in his			son rather than the
death and resurrection. By water and the Holy Spirit,			whole congregation, this text occupies a
-	de members of the Church,		special category among the "songs of
	encouragement."		
the body of Christ, and joined to Christ's ministry of love, peace, and justice.			TEXT: Ronald S. Cole -Turner, 1980; MU-
Let us remember with joy our own baptism,			SIC: V. Earle Copes,
as we celeb	1959.		
Questions to t the Church	the Parents, Congregation an	d Children of	
*Profession of	f Faith		
Through baj			
With the whole Church, let us confess our faith.			

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

The Baptismal Rite

The Apostles' Creed: The oldest surviving baptismal liturgy, dating from around the year 200 C.E., describes the candidate for baptism standing in water and affirming the faith by responding to three questions. Each question corresponds to one person of the Trinity. The Paschal Candle is symbolic of Christ's death and resurrection. The Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, is our Paschal sacrifice. The Paschal Candle also symbolizes the light of the risen Christ, shining in the world. The use of this symbol dates from the early days of the Church. New Christians were given a lighted candle, symbolic of their having died and been raised to new life in Christ through baptism.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven; he is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal and gracious God...lives and reigns forever. Amen.

The Baptism

Welcome

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into the body of Christ.

Live as a child of the light and let your light shine before others. Amen.

Baptismal Anthem

(11:00 a.m.)

Barrie Cabena

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep, keep thy lambs in safety keep. Nothing can thy power withstand. None can pluck them from thy hand. Alleluia. Loving Shepherd, ever near, teach thy lambs thy voice to hear; Suffer not their steps to stray from the straight and narrow way. Alleluia.

Where thou leadest, I would go, walking in thy steps below. Till, before my Father's throne, I shall know as I am known. Alleluia.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

Anthem (8:30 a.m.)

See What Love (St. Paul) Felix Mendelssohn

See what love hath the Father bewstow'd on us in His goodness, yea, in His goodness, that we should be called God's own children, God's own children.

Anthem (11:00 a.m.)

David Ashley White

Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above. Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above. To GIVE, please scan the QR code below:



Mendelssohn was one of the first of the great 19thcentury Romantic composers. "See What Love" is from his oratorio, St. Paul, that he completed quickly following his father's death; conducting its first performance in Dusseldorf, Germany in 1836. This text is from 1 John 3:1 that focuses mostly on the concept of love. Because of God's love, God not only calls us God's children, God actually makes us God's children. This passage also explains how sin, including hate, is never the result of a proper relationship with God. Christians are supposed to do more than simply "feel" love; we are to act on it, as well.

*DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Covenant God, we push you away, but you never let us go. You seek us out when we are far from you and draw us back to your waiting arms. You never let us go. Hold us tight, almighty God. Embrace us with you never-ending love. Never let us go, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

(Prayed in unison; see page 35 in your hymnal for text)

SENDING

, , ***HYMN 649**

9 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

AMAZING GRACE

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Presto, Concerto in d minor, BWV 974 Allesandro Marcello/arr. J.S. Bach

*(Those who are able may stand.)

About Hymn 649

As was his custom, the author wrote this hymn to accompany his sermon on 1 Chronicles 17:16-17, preached on January 1, 1773; he called it "Faith's Review and Expectation." Much of its current popularity comes from this nowfamiliar tune, an association that began in 1835. TEXT: Stanzas 1-4, John Newton, 1772; Stanza 5, A Collection of Sacred Ballads, 1790: Navaho, Albert Tsosie: **MUSIC:** Columbian Harmony, 1829.

About the Postlude

The Postlude is

considered the final Alleluia of worship. The lively concluding movement to this concerto is in triple meter, with rushing sequences interspersed amongst statements of the ritornello.

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Our Mission

Ordinary people testifying to the extraordinary light found in our Lord Jesus Christ.

"For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us."

(2 Corinthians 4:6-7)

Today @ Westminster

Worship Leaders

Preaching

The Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake *Pastor and Head of Staff*

Liturgist

Rev. Margie Quinn Associate Director of Youth and Young Adults

Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Fran Bailey 11:00 AM Rudy Kalis

Presenting Elder for Baptisms

11:00 AM James Boswell

Music

8:30 AM Westminster Choir 11:00 AM Laudate Youth Choir

Music

Dr. John Semingson Director of Music Ministries

Dale Nickell Organist & Associate Director of Music Ministries

Red Rose

The red rose in the Chancel is given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the birth of a daughter, Grace Meadows on September 3, 2022 to Emily and Andrew (Monty) Montgomery. Siblings Robert and Eliza are so excited!

Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Roberta and John Hill Bailey, Jr.; Sarah Faulconer and Ed Weaver; Frances Bailey Graves; and David K. Linley, Sr. by the Bailey family.

The flowers in the Parlor are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Katie Rose Malone. Her bright light of kindness and love will never be forgotten, with love by Susan Tatman.

The flowers in the Parlor are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of beloved Mae Hodge by her family.

Baptism

The sacrament of baptism will be administered today at the 11:00 Aм worship service to

Frances Palmer, daughter of Cameron and Ned Munson.

TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

WORSHIP

Welcome

Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Any who are interested in joining us in this journey are invited to contact: Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, 615.292.5526; hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org.

Worship Services

To watch a service later in the day or the week, go to nashvillewpc.church and look for a Past Services box, go to Worship Service Archive and click on the service you would like to watch.

Looking for large-print hymns? They can be found on the Welsh dresser in the Parlor and by the window in the Narthex.

Mask Policy

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville is mask optional. The balcony will remain masks required.

Dial-A-Sermon

Dial 629.206.1073 after 10:15 AM each Sunday morning to listen to the sermon. The sermon is available all week.

Second Sunday Fellowship Time!

Now every month in the Parlor

9:30 ам - 11:00 ам

- specialized coffee and treats
- meet new friends, greet old ones

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Spotlight on Missions

Join us in the Parlor this morning, as we spotlight a few of our missions and educational opportunities at WPC. We want to make sure everyone can GET*connected*!

Be sure to stop by and sign up for an activity at one of these tables:

Cockrill Elementary/Hillwood High School Habitat for Humanity Joy in Learning

BAPTISM



Baptism Sunday is the second and fifth Sundays of each month except during Lent.

If you would like more information about baptisms at Westminster, please contact Sophie Maness, 615.292.5526, smaness@nashvillewpc.org.

If you would like to schedule a baptism, please contact Hannah Sims, 615.292.5526 hsims@nashvillewpc.org.

TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM

Covenant Class • Fellowship Hall

Guest speaker Richard B. Hays George Washington Ivey Distinguished Professor Emeritus of New Testament, Duke University

"Reading Backwards: Israel's Story as Scripture for the Church?"

In this class, we will look at a few texts that demonstrate how the New Testament authors actually read the Old Testament.

Faith & Fellowship • 214

Steve Reed will be leading. "Here I am, for you called me." (from 1 Samuel 3:6)

Murdoch MacLeods • Library

We will discuss this week's Gospel lesson.

Young Families • Overlook Room

Please join us for a fellowship Sunday.

Special Class for parents of older teens/young adults • 211

If you are a parent of a young adult (you define it but something like 16YO drivers through just out of college) then you're invited to a WPC Coffee and Conversation.

We will visit with one another as well as discuss what our current needs are from the church. We are in that phase of being able to focus a little more on our needs on Sunday morning, so let's find out what that means and what we can do to address them.

Email Fran Linley, Fran.linley@gmail.com, with questions.

New Member & Inquirer Class

to Begin!

9:45 Ам • September 11 – October 9 Goodpasture Hall

This class is a wonderful way to learn about Westminster and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and to explore all of the opportunities for growth in faith, fellowship, and service at WPC.

Contact Emily Harrison, eharrision@ nashvillewpc.org, to sign-up for this class.

This week...

Disciple III Fast Track September 13 • 6:40 рм via Zoom

Please stop by the office to pick up the curriculum. Cost \$35.

Westminster Academy

Wednesday, September 14 • 6:30 рм Overlook Room

Have You Ever Wondered About

Chautauqua? The Chautauqua Institution has been described as a "festival for the mind, body and spirit." A lifelong Chautauquan calls it "Disneyworld for Brainiacs." Located in SW New York, Chautauqua is the "granddaddy" of the "Chautauqua Movement" that includes places like Montreat and Monteagle Sunday School Assembly. Last summer Guy was the Chaplain at the Presbyterian House while 10 WPC members were up for a remarkable week. Come learn about it and the possibility of a group from WPC returning next summer

Disciple II Fast Track September 15 • 6:45 ам via Zoom

TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Third Grade Bibles

It is a privilege to present New Revised Standard Version (NRSV) Bibles to the children in our Third Grade Church School Class. "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." (Psalm 119:105, NRSV)

> Alexander Dudley Baker Roan AdahyBarbour Vivian Grace Barnett Robert Ruffin Barnhart Britt Redmond Childers Molly Catherine Conover McKenzie Jones Coviello Elliott Owen Crim Hayes Richard Dunkerley Ross Alexander Lackey Vaden Hartsfield Lackey William Garrett Maitlen Monroe Brooke Meeker Asha Carolynn Mohr Jackson Wyatt Morse Estelle Cherry O'Rear Madeline Christine Oldham **Emily Scarlett Peacock** Anne Wesley Pennington Rachel Adeline Reviere Grace Oman Robers Ella Wright Robinson Abigail Elizabeth Rohe Josephine Seabrook Simcox Ellis Clark Smith **Brooks Oakley Ward** Grant McKeehan Williams Camille Anna Yriart

Journey Through The Bible September 11 • 9:45 AM 192 • Wilson Wing

We would love to have all third grade children and parents join us!

It is a one hour workshop to help children and their parents get a sense of their Bible. It is set up in centers, so you go at your pace. There is bread to taste, and there are interactive things to do as you explore your Bible together.

Volunteers Needed

If you would like to work with our children in grades one through four, please scan the QR code below to pick a date that works for you.

For more information on becoming a volunteer, please contact Sophie Maness, smaness@nashvillewpc.org.



GETconnected

We have something for everyone throughout the week. Check out these special events...

September 12 Women's Covenant Group Goodpasture Hall

11:30 ам • Fellowship 12:00 рм • Presentation

Women's Covenant Group is resuming after a summer break. We hope you'll come! You don't have to be a member or to have ever come before. We're a lively and welcoming group of friends who enjoy fellowship and interesting programs.

Bring a sack lunch and join us as Guy Griffith shares his recent sabbatical experience and talks about his ideas on the "sacrament" of friendship.

For more information, please contact Janice Kemp, Harriet Sewell, or Margaret Wheeler.

Wednesday Night Dinner Starts September 14 5:45 рм • Fellowship Hall

Please join us for good food and great fellowship.

Scan the QR code below to register. Deadline to register is Tuesday, 10:00 AM.

Menu: Chicken tetrazzini, roasted broccoli and carrots, Caesar salad, mixed berry cobbler and vanilla ice cream.

September 14 Changing Gears Goodpasture Hall

11:00 AM • Fellowship 11:30 AM • Program 12:15 PM • Lunch

Join John Arnn for a musical discussion, *Word, Text, and Hymns*. All are welcome.

Please make lunch reservations with Emily Harrison, eharrison@nashvillewpc.org.

Deadline for lunch reservations is Monday, September 12, 10:00 AM.

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What is Changing Gears?

Though this group was designed for Senior Citizens, *it is open to all*!

We meet on the second Wednesday of the month, gathering at 11:00 AM for fellowship and the meeting at 11:30 AM with lunch at 12:15 PM.

The program is different each month and can vary from a historical presentation to a musical sing-along.

Come and join the fellowship, food, and programs this group enjoys!

Coordinator: John Arnn, jmarnn@comcast.net



GETconnected

September 15 Men's Coffee 10:00 AM • Westminster Café

Open to men of all agess! Come for good coffee, delicious goodies and great fellowship. No reservations are required to join.

Discussion topic: your favorite year



WPC Habitat Build September 10 - October 30

If you would like to volunteer for this year's build, please scan the QR code below. For more info or if you have questions, please contact Michael Drake, drakerducks@gmail.com.



November 2 • 12:00 to 6:00 PM Westminster Blood Drive Goodpasture Hall

We have set the date!

If you want to become a blood donor, please scan the QR code below. Friends and family are welcome to participate as well. Children 16 and older may do so with a parent's permission.

A second blood drive has been set for February 5, 2023.



March 15 - 27, 2023 Tour of Israel & Jordan Led by Donovan Drake Hosted by Keith Cole

If you are interested in taking a trip to Israel, please visit our website to view the complete brochure, wittetravel.com.

Register online at bookings.wittetravel.com using the booking code 031523DRAK.



Every day we witness the many ways that our church has provided a spiritual home for our congregation. YOUR GENEROSITY helps Westminster with the day-to-day operation of the church including the support of our programs for all ages, our community partners and the maintenance of our campus. These everyday and ongoing costs are subject to continuing increases - and can easily be taken for granted.

We thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration to complete your 2022 pledge should you find yourself in a position to do so. We know from Proverbs that "one gives freely, but grows all the richer." Proverbs 11:24

Kelly Christie Generosity Committee Chair

FINANCIALS

Each month, the Finance Committee provides a summary of the church operating income and expenses.

If any members wish to have more information about church finances, please contact:

Mike Koban, Finance Committee Chair mkoban@prodigy.net

Suzanne McLemore, Treasurer suzannegm58@gmail.com

Jo Ann McFarlin, Administrator jmcfarlin@nashvillewpc.org or 615.292.5526 x231.

August 31, 2022

	Month	Year	to Date
	\$202,904 <u>\$248,961</u>		18,775 112,527
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Take Me To Your Leader

Nominations for next year's Elder class and Legacy Fund Trustees (the Class of 2026) are requested from Westminster members.

To nominate a church member, complete a suggestion form. Forms can be found:

(1) in the Parlor by the wooden Ballot Box, or

(2) online at www.nashvillewpc.church, click on forms tab.

Nominations close on October 9, 2022.

For more information, please contact Bill Tate, whtate@comcast.net or Terri Eckert, teckert@nashvillewpc.org.

The Security Committee advises members that the Wilson entrance to the building will remain locked on Sunday mornings for the foreseeable future.

Members may continue to enter the building at the Wilson entrance on Sundays by using an existing door code or contacting the church office to obtain one.

WPC Medical Lending Closet

A reminder that WPC has a medical lending closet, with an inventory including wheelchairs, walkers, shower chairs, crutches, portable toilets, knee scooters and more! If you or a family member, or a friend in the community has need for an item or would like to donate an item, please let us know. You may contact Ward DeWitt 615-500-3761, dewittmoving@comcast.net or church staff.

Centering Prayer brings strength and power to many. "Be still and know that I am God," says the Psalmist. Come and be still, 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM, Monday mornings in the Chapel.

We gather in sacred space by candlelight and cross, in the presence of God and one another. The half hour begins with a brief passage of scripture or uplifting word from ancient and contemporary spiritual guides, followed by twenty minutes in silence.

Please contact Elizabeth Trabue, elizabethtrabue@gmail.com or Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org for more information.



Where Friends are Made!

Calling all Westminster kids and friends grades K-4th!

Come join 35 refugee children on Tuesdays, Oct. 4, 11, 18 and 25 for a bunch of fun! We will have classroom activities from 3:30 to 5:00 PM and then recreation from 5:00 to 5:30 PM.

We have a "get to know each other" time from 3:30 to 3:45 pm while we wait for our friends to make it through traffic. Parents are welcome to pick up at 5:00 or 5:30 pm.

Activities include: Kindness rocks, pom poms, fall trees, fall printmaking, yoga, playground fun, snacks and more!

Please register by September 27 by scanning the QR code below or email Beth Drake at beth@westminsterjoy.org.





Westminster Café 8:00 ам - Noon Tuesdays through Fridays Koinonia Youth Café

Looking for a convenient spot to meet a group of friends? Or a quiet space to work? Somewhere to have a good cup of coffee? Enter through the North Entrance of the church.

Joy in Learning's New Note Card Ministry!

Kind words are like honey - sweet to the soul and healthy for the body. Proverbs 16:24 (NLT)

Come bring your caring heart and share your kind words. We will be gathering in the new Westminster Cafe on Tuesday, September 20, from 9:00 to 10:00 AM to write notes/cards for those experiencing joys and sorrows, those needing encouragement, and those deserving appreciation. A list of potential recipients and all materials will be supplied. Led by Melissa Halsell.

Let us know you can join us by scanning the QR code below.





Waverly Update

Last week, Matt Ashwood and I traveled to Waverly to participate in a remembrance of the 2021 tragic floods in Waverly and a commemoration of the progress that has been made in the past year. Our Westminster volunteer teams were recognized as having made significant contributions to recovery. My (fairly accurate) records show that we have spent 26 days and 264 person days working in Waverly. Pretty good numbers. In addition to our physical work, we have also dispersed almost \$180,000 in donations from Westminster members.



These disbursements have been used to help fund materials and professional services for restoration of impacted homes.

Much still needs to be done in Waverly, and I am looking at a work trip in mid-October (avoiding Habitat dates). The pictures are of Maxine McBride's home in McEwen. You can see the before (top) and after photos.

Good job folks!!

- Joe Gaines





THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, September 11

Sunday, S	September 11
8:30 am	Worship
	Sunday School
11:00 AM	
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	Youth Council meeting
	Greece trip prep meeting
	Children's Choirs
5:00 pm	Chiming Children
	Laudate Choir
	Youth group
Monday, S	September 12
8:00 am	Golf Outing
11:00 ам	Women's Covenant Group
	Centering Prayer
	Pickleball
	September 13
	Bible Study
	Westminster Café
	Harvard Handbells
	Cong Care Steering Com Mtg
5:30 рм	Yoga
	y, September 14
7:00 am	Men's Bible Study
8:00 am	Westminster Café
8:15 am	Photine's Well - St. Teresa study
9:30 am	Changing Gears handbells
10:00 am	Tom McDow Bible study
11:00 ам	Pearlseekers
	Changing Gears
1:30 рм	Legacy Marketing Meeting
5:30 рм	Earth Care Task Force Meeting
5:45 рм	Wednesday Night Dinner
	Westminster Academy
7:00 PM	Men's Basketball
	Westminster Choir rehearsal
	September 15
	Westminster Café
	Knitting & Crocheting
10:00 am	Men's Coffee
3:00 рм	Bereavement Comm Mtg
Friday, Sep	otember 16
	Men's Bible Study
8:00 am	Men's Bible Study Westminster Café
	Westminster Café
5:00 рм	Westminster Café Pickleball
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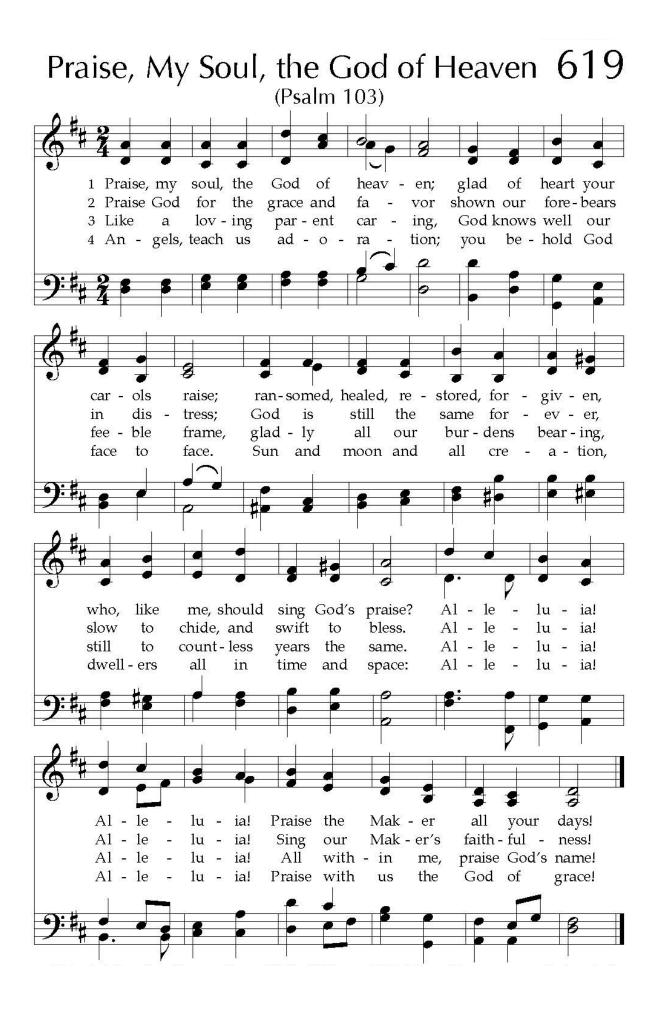
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11:30 AM AA





486 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise



649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound





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