Transfiguration of the Lord Holy Communion February 19, 2023



#### 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.

## *Transfiguration of the Lord*

"Transfiguration" refers to a change in form or appearance. At the Transfiguration of the Lord, we celebrate the revelation of divine glory in the human life of Jesus Christ. Jesus' radiant appearance on the mountaintop evokes the consuming fire of the alory of the Lord at Mount Sinai. Standing with Moses and Elijah, Jesus represents the fulfillment of the law and the prophets. The transfiguration looks back to Jesus' incarnation and baptism, as God again claims him as a beloved child.

#### About Hymn 189

This translation of a 15th-century Latin devotional text is set here to a majestic 15th -century tune celebrating the victory of an English king; they combine to evoke the awe and wonder of that moment of revelation the three disciples experienced in Christ's Transfiguration. TEXT: Latin, 15th cent; trans. John Mason Neale, 1851; MUSIC: "The Agincourt Song," c. 1415.

## GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

Grazioso

Cantate

G.P. Telemann Brian Childers

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Sing to the Lord a new song: sing to the Lord, all the earth. On a high mountain, Jesus was transfigured, and God said: "This is my Beloved Son."

## **\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

O God of the covenant, the cloud of your splendor and the fire of your love revealed your Son on the mountain heights. Transform our lives in his image, write your law of love on our hearts, and make us prophets of your glory, that we may lead others into your presence. Amen.

#### **\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 189**

DEO GRACIAS

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

## CALL TO CONFESSION

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weakness, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet was without sin.

Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory, we confess that we have not sought your face. Your light shines all around us, and yet we fail to see it. Your voice calls to us from heaven, and yet we fail to listen. Forgive us; give us grace. Let us be witnesses to your glory; make it our mission each day to show the wonder of your love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

(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.")

#### \*ACT OF PRAISE

#### GLORIA PATRI

(Singing together Hymn 581)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

#### **CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH**

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. 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.

Praver of

#### 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.

### THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

This prayer 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.

About Psalm 99, Hymn 57

The German theologian Rudolph Otto described holiness as mysterium tremendum et fascinans, a terrifying and fascinating mystery. The awareness of such a divine encounter lies behind Psalm 99, and this 21st-century paraphrase conveys how God remains both personal and unfathomable. TEXT: Richard Leach, 2007; MUSIC: Alfred V. Fedak, 2011.

The Apostles' Creed is found on page 17 of the hymnal.

The Apostles' Creed is the oldest creed of the early church and unites us to believers through the centuries.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! Our ears are open.

Exodus 24:12-18 (Old Testament, page 70 in your pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

#### Psalm 99 (singing together Hymn 57) TROMBLEY

#### Matthew 17:1-9

(New Testament, pages 18-19 in your pew Bible)

**SERMON** "Get up and do not be afraid!" Donovan Drake

(A moment for meditation)

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:30 a.m.)

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus.

every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth, and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen. (*Philippians 2:5-11*)

#### **RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS** (11:00 a.m.)

#### Presentation

Calling into Membership and Profession of Faith

#### Prayer

#### Welcome

Welcome to this congregation and its worship and ministry.

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in him.

## THE EUCHARIST

### **OFFERING**

ment Transfiguration from the Old Testa-

ment and finally relates it to us today.

Anthem (8:30 a.m.) Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain	
Carl Schalk	Jesus, Take Us to the
	<i>Mountain</i> is yet another
Jesus, take us to the mountain, where,	Transfiguration hymn
with Peter, James, and John,	written by
we are dazzled by Your glory, light as blinding as the sun.	contemporary American/Slovak
There prepare us for the night by the vision of that sight.	Lutheran pastor,
	Jaroslav Vajda (1919 -2008). Vajda did not
What do You want us to see there, that Your companions saw?	write his first hymn
Your divinity revealed there fills us with the self-same awe.	until age 49. From
Clothed in flesh like ours You go matched to meet our deadliest Foe.	that time until his death in 2008 at age
Clothed in nesh like ours rou go matched to meet our deadnest roe.	89, he wrote over
What do You want us to hear there, that Your dear disciples heard?	200 original and translated hymns
Once again the Voice from heaven says of the Incarnate Word:	that appear
	worldwide in more
"Listen, listen, ev'ryone, This is my beloved Son!"	than 65 hymnals.
Take us to that other mountain where we see You glorified,	Matthew 17:1-9 is always read on the
where You shouted "It is finished!" where for all the world You died.	last Sunday after the
	Epiphany during Year A of the Revised
Hear the stunned centurion: "Truly This was God's own Son!"	Common lectionary.
We much a base babald Vern alarmanian and a second ad Land	In this text that
We who have beheld Your glory, risen and ascended Lord,	foretaste of Christ's glorification helps to
cannot help but tell the story, all that we have seen and heard;	prepare Peter,
say with Peter, James, and John: "You are God's beloved Son!"	James, and John for their roles as
	proclaimers of "God's
Anthem (11:00 a.m.) Gwyneth Walker	beloved
	Son." American church musician and
Dazzling as the sun, the face of Jesus on the mountain,	composer, Carl
like the face of Moses coming down from Sinai ready,	Schalk, composed this hymn anthem for
strong to lead his people out of bondage into freedom,	the 50th anniversary
to the promised land.	of St. Luke Lutheran Church in Silver
-	Spring, MD. He
Transfigured for disciples' eyes, God's servant who would suffer,	named the tune,
as Isaiah prophesied.	SILVER SPRING.
Revealed in garments glist'ning white,	
the glorious Son of Man whom Daniel had foretold.	<i>Dazzling as the</i> <i>Sun</i> is a setting of a
	celebratory text by
Then the cloud of presence, then the voice of witness:	Delores Dufner, OSB.
"This is my beloved Son on whom my favor rests.	The text focuses on images related to the
Listen to him." Hear him!	Biblical Transfig-
	uration, when Jesus was visited on the
Gazing on the Lord by radiant light transfigured,	mountain by Moses
see the pattern of our lives: cross embraced to Easter splendor.	and Elijah and was "transfigured" in
Claim the Gospel vision wondrous: we are God's beloved ones,	blinding light. The
_	text traces the
Claim the transformation promised: destiny of glory!	Biblical preparation for the New Testa-

This is my beloved Son.

## \*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!

#### **\*PREPARATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE**

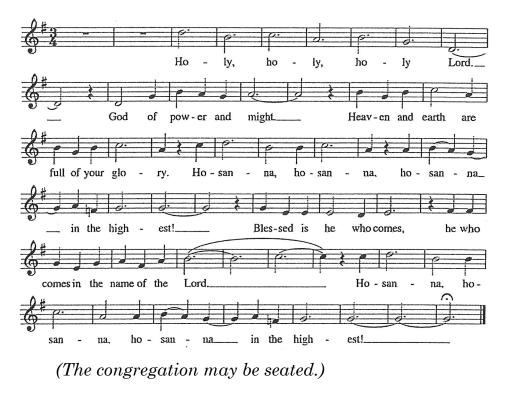
### **\*INVITATION**

#### **\*GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy ... into the way of righteousness and peace.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:



You are holy, O God of majesty, ... dedicated to your service.

Great is the mystery of faith:



Christ has died, Christ is ris- en, Christ will come a - gain.

Gracious God, ... we will feast with you at your table in glory.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.



### **\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

(Praying in unison; see page 35 of your hymnal for words.)

## **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

## **COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

(The people will move to Communion stations as directed by the ushers. The celebrant will give each worshiper the bread. The worshiper dips the bread in the cup and partakes. An appropriate response is "Amen" or "Thanks be to God." Please return to the pews, using the side aisles.)

Music during Communion

Anthem (8:30 a.m.) Eat This Bread

Berthier/Taizé

(The congregation is invited to sing the **Response** with the choir.)

## Response

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Creator. **Response.** Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven. **Response.** Anyone who eats this bread will live forever. **Response.** If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life. **Response.** 

#### About Hymn 190

The first two stanzas of this 20th-century Transfiguration hymn guide singers through a contemplation of the disciples' experiences of that event. The final stanza becomes a corporate prayer for enlightenment and for a renewed sense of commitment to doing God's will. TEXT: Thomas H. Troeger, 1985; MUSIC: George Henry Day, 1940.

#### About the Postlude

The Praeludium movement of this sonata is actually a fugue. While building on a somewhat "mathematical" subject, Rheinberger's counterpoint brings out expressive harmonies and melodic lines.

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#### Anthem (11:00 a.m.) Christus Paradox

Alfred Fedak

You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd. You, Lord, are both prince and slave. You, peacemaker and sword-bringer of the way you took and gave. You, the ever-lasting instant; You, whom we both scorn and crave. Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross, shining in eternal glory, beggar'd by a soldier's toss, You, the ever-lasting instant; You, who are both gift and cost.

You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side. You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide. You, the ever-lasting instant; You, who are our pilgrim guide. Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ!

Worthy your defeat and vict'ry. Worthy still your peace and strife. You, the ever-lasting instant; You who are our death and life. Alleluia, Alleluia. You, who are our death and our life.

#### SENDING

**\*HYMN 190** Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

GENEVA

#### **\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** Praeludium from Organ Sonata 8 in E Minor Josef Gabriel Rheinberger

\*(Those who are able may stand.)

## **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**

#### Flowers

#### Preaching

Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake Pastor and Head of Staff

#### Liturgist

Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler Associate Pastor for Congregational Care

#### Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Jane Kirchner 11:00 AM Virginia Reynolds

**Communion Preparation** Susan Lincoln

#### Music

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

Dr. John Semingson Director of Music Ministries

Dale Nickell Organist and Associate Director of Music Ministries The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Thomas P. Graham with gratitude for his life, his faith, and his love by his family.

The flowers in the Parlor are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of David Richard Williams by his parents, Dick and Helen and sister Christa.

# 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.

### **Recorded Worship Services**

To watch a service later in the day or the week, go to nashvillewpc.church and scroll down to the *Worship Service Archive*. 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.

## **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.

## **Mask Policy**

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

## Childcare

Classroom 146 - Babies Classroom 152 - Toddlers Classroom 151 - 2s & 3s Classroom 160 - 4s, 5s, & Kindergarten

Childcare is available from 8:15 AM to 12:00 PM.



Communion kits are available for seniors living in a residency or independently.

Please contact Sylvia Leins, srleins@yahoo.com to receive one or add someone you know to the list for the next Communion Sunday.

#### On the cover:

Be Thou My Vision by Mike Moyers

An abstract impression of the hymn of the same name.

I firmly believe that art is a communion with the soul. Through my art, I strive to make known the beauty and wonder of life and faith. The pieces in this exhibit are inspired by things that have touched my life in a meaningful way. My hope is to successfully communicate those inspirations so that you might be touched as well. - Mike Moyers Fine Art

Moyers, Mike. Be Thou My Vision, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. https://diglib.library.vanderbilt. edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=57145 [retrieved February 16, 2023].

Original source: Mike Moyers, https://www.mike-moyersfineart.com/.

# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

## CONGREGATIONAL RECEPTION TO WELCOME NEW MEMBERS 12:00 PM • Parlor

The GET*connected* Commttee is hosting a reception to welcome and celebrate these new members. *Everyone welcome!* 

## **CELEBRATION OF NEW MEMBERS**

New members were received in a called meeting of the Session this morning and are being welcomed in the 11:00 AM service today. We rejoice in their presence among us, the witness of their faith, their life stories and gifts, and sense of call!

Craig Boaz	By letter of transfer from New Hope Presbyterian Church, Columbus, GA
Cacky Brown	Renewing Westminster membership
Parker Brown	By letter of transfer from Idlewild Presbyterian Church, Memphis, TN
Beau Creson	By letter of transfer from West End United Methodist Church, Nashville, TN
Caroline Creson	By letter of transfer from West End United Methodist Church, Nashville, TN
Debra Griner	Joined Westminster November, 2022
Lindsay Hamilton	By reaffirmation of faith
Brett Jackson	By reaffirmation of faith
Emily Jackson	By letter of transfer from Covenant Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, NC
Katherine Johnston	By letter of transfer from First Presbyterian Church, Nashville, TN
Esther Kang	By reaffirmation of faith
Janice Mann	By reaffirmation of faith
Gray Payne	By reaffirmation of faith
Thomas Payne	By reaffirmation of faith
Kirin Proctor	Renewing Westminster membership
Katharine "Kit" Stilley	By letter of transfer from Briarwood Presbyterian Church, Jackson, MS
Caroline Williams	By letter of transfer from Covenant Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, NC
Dare Williams	By profession of faith
Barrett Wood	By reaffirmation of faith
Ryan Wood	By reaffirmation of faith







### JOINING THE JOURNEY: Understanding Memory Loss and Means of Caregiving Support

Class Series on Zoom February 27 and March 6 **No class this Monday, February 20** 7:00 PM

Is one of your loved ones dealing with memory loss? This is a difficult challenge for everyone involved. Fortunately, our Congregational Care Committee has connected with a local expert who runs workshops and has an abundance of educational material and resources for caregivers. We will be partnering with Lynn Wood of Mental Health America to host four Zoom sessions designed for family members and friends learning to live with the joys and challenges of caregiving when memory loss enters a loved one's life, and thus the family.

## To sign up or for more information on

this series, contact Emily Coleman: 615-579-0870, emilyandersonart32@gmail. com.

Zoom meeting: Meeting ID: 826 0023 6397 Passcode: 865741

## TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

#### Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM

## **Covenant Class • Fellowship Hall**

*Parables: At once, Revealing and Veiling* Led by Lucas W. Mburu



Lucas hails from Kenya, Africa. He is an ordained minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, serving with the Presbyterian Church of East Africa – Kenya. His study interest gravitates around Jesus's words on human agency

and dignity as inspired by "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" Luke 10:26

## Faith & Fellowship • 214

*Faith and Fellowship invites you to a discussion and exploration of Grace.* 

What is it? How do I get it? Can I give it? If I have it, do I have to do anything? Does grace grow, or die?

## Murdoch MacLeods • Library

We will discuss this week's gospel lesson.



Parents of Youth & Young Adults Coffee & Conversation Room 10

Join us for Coffee and Conversation. Associate Pastor Guy D. Griffith will lead on Lenten practices

and community.

Please contact Fran Linley with any questions at fran.linley@gmail.com.



#### Young Families • Overlook Room

*Family Feuds: Great Fights in the Bible* Led by Scott Baker

Did you know that the Biblical authors didn't

always agree with one another? In fact, Scripture records some truly epic spats. So lest you think that reading the Bible has nothing to teach us about how to disagree, I invite you to take a look with me at how conflicting personalities and theologies got ready to rumble and how those battles shaped us.

Scott Baker is an Adjunct Professor of Christian Scriptures and Homiletics at Lipscomb University and Belmont University.

## **Youth Ministry**

9:45 AM • Combined Sunday School

6:05 рм • No Youth Group

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**Children's Ministry** 

9:45 AM • Sunday School

## **Children & Youth Choirs**

- 4:00 PM no rehearsals today
- 5:00 рм no rehearsals today

## LENT

### February 22

## Wednesday Night Dinner 5:45 рм • Fellowship Hall

Scan the QR code to make your reservations.



#### February 22

#### Ash Wednesday Midday Service 11:45 AM ● Sanctuary

### Ash Wednesday Service 6:30 рм • Sanctuary

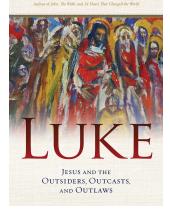
These services will also be LIVE streamed.

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#### March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 Midweek Worship Services 11:45 AM to 12:15 PM Sanctuary

These services will also be LIVE streamed.

#### Adam Hamilton



Two Opportunities New Study: Luke

Starts February 22 Wednesdays 7:30 рм Overlook Room

Starts March 5 Sundays 9:45 AM 214

In Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws, pastor and bestselling author Adam Hamilton explores the life, teachings, death, and resurrection of Jesus as told in the Gospel of Luke. Through Luke's stories, we find Jesus' care and compassion for all as he welcomes sinners and outcasts. As we study Luke and see Jesus' concern for those who were considered unimportant, we hear a hopeful and inspiring word for our lives today.

- Amazon description

If interested, please contact:

Wednesdays Guy Griffith, ggriffith@nashvillewpc.org

Sundays Michael Renwick Twain1964@icloud.com

## JOIN US

#### February 26 Annual Basketball Jamboree 6:00 рм • Gүм

This is a fun, intergenerational event, open to the entire congregation! We would love spectators, as well as teams of all ages and abilities. Please let Margie Quinn know if you have any questions! We hope you can join us again this year for an excellent night of basketball and fellowship in the Gym and Youth Café!

### If You'd Like to Play

(Team Captains & Players) Designate a Team Captain to gather a team of at least 5 players. The Team Captain will register their entire team online. The Team Captain must be affiliated with Westminster, but their teammates do not have to be. The team can be made of friends, family, neighbors—whoever! **Registration deadline for teams is Friday, February 24, at 12:00 pm.** You can also register to join a team. Email Margie directly if you would like to join an existing team or need help recruiting! And don't forget to join us for the Knockout Contest at Halftime! **Team Captain:** The suggested donation for a Team Captain is \$10, which includes pizza and a drink. Team Captains can give their donation online or at the Jamboree via cash, card, or check (made out to Westminster Presbyterian Church). Team Captains are only responsible for their own suggested donation—not their teammates.

**Players:** Although your Team Captain will be registering the players on their team, players can give their donation online or at the Jamboree via cash, card, or check (made out to Westminster Presbyterian Church). The suggested donation for a player is \$10, which includes pizza and a drink.

## If You'd Like to Spectate

Come the night of, ready to cheer and have a blast! The suggested donation for spectators is \$5 at the door. Pizza and snacks will be available for spectators to purchase (\$2/slice). The spectator donation can be given at the Jamboree via cash, card, or check (made out to Westminster Presbyterian Church).



Scan to register to play.



Scan to register to be a team captain.





## March 16 Organ Recital 7:00 рм

Please join us for an Organ Recital featuring our Organist & Associate Director of Music Ministries, Dale Nickell. The program is free and open to the public and will include

works by Rheinberger, Vierne, Lemare, Bach, Guilmant, and Messiaen.

## April 2 Palm Sunday Children's Choir Opportunity

Would your child like to sing on Palm Sunday?

We are welcoming ALL children in grades K - 6th grades to join the Children's Choir for a brief stint of rehearsals. Beginning Sunday afternoon, February 19, until Palm Sunday, April 2, your child can join rehearsals and sing with the choir on Palm Sunday. What a GREAT way to give choir a try.

We meet at 4:00 PM Sunday afternoons in the choir area upstairs from the Mayfair entrance. We would love to see your child come join us!!

For more information, please contact Dale Nickell, dnickell@nashvillewpc.org.

#### February 26 - March 5 The Soles4Souls Item Drive

The Youth Ministry is partnering with Soles4Souls, an organization that give shoes and clothing to people in crisis situations. If you have new or gently used shoes or articles of clothing that you would graciously like to donate, we will accept these items starting February 26 during worship, at the Jamboree event, and at church up until March 5.

#### February 28 Westminster Book Group 9:30 AM for socializing 10:00 AM for program Room 10

Leader: Sheppy Vann and participants

## *These Precious Days: Essays by Ann Patchett*

The beloved New York Times bestselling author reflects on home, family, friendships and writing in this deeply personal collection of essays.

Many of us feel a connection with this month's author, who calls Nashville her home and has given us all a wonderful resource with her independent bookstore and the authors she brings to our city. Join Sheppy for an informal round table discussion about Ann Patchett and her writing. Please feel free to share your thoughts about one of the essays that resonated with you.

As always, you are also welcome to just come and listen.





#### Tuesdays through Fridays Westminster Café

Where you find that 2 or 3 are gathered..."I'm there!" Matthew 18:19-20

### February 8 to March 15 Telling Your Story Workshop 10:00 AM to Noon

The goal of this group is to encourage participants to tell their stories using their own voices and ideas while learning a few devices that help bring their stories to life. Limit 12 participants. Scan the QR code to register.

#### February 21 Note Caring Ministry 9:00 ам • Westminster Café

Enjoy writing notes to various folks in the church as well as different ministries outside the church?

Let Beth, beth@westminsterjoy.org, know you are interested in joining this wonderful ministry!

#### Tuesdays, March 21, 28 April 4, 11, 18 and 25 Oil Painting Class 9:30 - 11:30 AM

All six weeks for \$25.00 to help purchase supplies.

Leader: Rene' Stubblefield Poe

Limit: 9 participants. Register by March 14, 2023.

No experience necessary!

Scan the QR code to register.



## Tuesdays Mah-Jongg 9:30 ам

Mah-Jongg is a game of Chinese origin usually played by four persons with 144 tiles that are drawn and discarded until one player secures a winning hand.

Coordinated by Lisa Staggs

Benefits: It helps to develop pattern recognition skills, it enhances memorization, and it helps to improve concentration.

Scan the QR code to register.



## **REMEMBERING OUR PAST**



Westminster Presbyterian Church, originally named Moore Memorial Presbyterian Church, was created by First (now Downtown) Presbyterian Church to meet the needs of the growing population on the western edge of Nashville. A site was purchased at 1505 Broadway, near the current site of Beaman Toyota. The new church was organized on November 23, 1873, as Moore Memorial Presbyterian Church, named for the First Presbyterian minister Reverend Thomas Verner Moore, who had encouraged its development. For reference, Vanderbilt University was also established in 1873 further down West End Avenue.

Less than two years after ground was broken for the \$40,000 church, it was finished, paid for and dedicated on Sunday, March 22, 1874. While the congregation was founded with 45 members, the church grew to 450 by 1903. After World War I, the growth of the city took a rapid leap westward, and business establishments were creeping up around Moore Memorial. Most of the congregation lived further out West End Avenue and began planning to move further out of the city where neighborhoods were growing. With 720 members in 1930, the congregation began their fund-raising drive for the new church.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **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.

January 31, 2023		
	Month	Year to Date
	\$664,146 <u>\$266,761</u>	\$664,146 <u>\$266,761</u>
Net Incon	ne (loss): \$397,385	\$397,385



Please scan the QR code below to make or pay your 2023 pledge.





Why did the chicken cross Mayfair Road? If searching for the answer to that question doesn't get you to come to our annual congregational meeting, what will? How about hearing about Westminster's health and progress

coming out of the pandemic? Or, hearing about new visions of expanded ministries for all ages. If you're left-brained, there will be some of your favorite numbers; plus, you'll see how it all adds up to Good News. If you're right-brained, navigating a complex social situation will certainly grab your abstraction.

## A congregational meeting will convene on Sunday, February 26, 2023, beginning at 9:45 AM in

**Fellowship Hall.** The purpose of the meeting is (1) to elect Elders for the Class of 2026; (2) to elect members of the Church Nominating Committee for the Class of 2026; (3) to elect Trustees for the Westminster Presbyterian Church Legacy Fund for the Class of 2026; (4) to review the church's annual budget for 2023 and our pastors' "Terms of Call"; (5) to hear a report on the State of the Church; and (6) to act on any other matters arising out of the above.

## THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

#### Sunday, February 19

Sunuay, I	EDiudiy 19
8:30 am	Worship
9:45 ам	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship
12:00 рм	New Member Reception
12:30 рм	Israel Trip Meeting
5:00 рм	Journey with Jesus
Monday,	February 20
11:45 ам	
5:00 рм	Pickleball
Tuesday,	February 21
7:00 am	Daybreak Believers
7:30 ам	Bible Study
8:00 am	Westminster Café
9:00 am	Harvard Handbells
Wednesd	ay, February 22
7:00 am	Men's Bible Study
8:00 am	Westminster Café
8:15 ам	Photine's Well
9:30 ам	Changing Gears Handbells
10:00 am	Tom McDow Bible Study
11:45 ам	Midday Ash Wednesday Service
5:45 рм	Wednesday Night Dinner
6:00 рм	Room In The Inn
6:30 рм	Ash Wednesday Service
7:00 рм	Men's Basketball
7:30 рм	Westminster Academy
Thursday	, February 23
8:00 am	Westminster Café
8:15 ам	Yoga
10:00 am	Knitting & Crocheting
	Women's Bible study
Friday, Fe	ebruary 24
7:00 am	Men's Bible Study
5:00 рм	Pickleball
	, February 25
11:30 ам	AA

For more information on the events listed here, please contact the church office, 615.292.5526.

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