



First Sunday of Lent  
Holy Communion  
February 26, 2023

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PRESBYTERIAN

# GATHERING

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

## 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 setting of "O God, you faithful God" by Brahms is from the Op. 122 collection of Organ Chorales, his final compositions. Nearing the end of his life, Brahms turned his focus to sacred hymns, expressed with the contrapuntal voices of the organ.

*Today is the first Sunday of the season of Lent.* It is a time for growth in faith through prayer, spiritual discipline, and self-examination in preparation for the commemoration of the dying and rising of the Lord Jesus Christ. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and concludes at sunset on Holy Saturday, at the start of the Great Vigil of Easter.

## About Hymn 226

These evocative stanzas on Christ's Passion come from a twelve-stanza hymn by a 17th-century Hungarian pastor, as translated by the preeminent 20th-century hymnologist of the English-speaking world. The tune name honors the composer's home in the foothills of the Appalachians. TEXT: Pécselyi Király Imre, c. 1641; trans. Erik Routley, 1974; MUSIC: K. Lee Scott, 1976.

## PRELUDE

O Gott, du frommer Gott

Johannes Brahms

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

*(Those who are able may stand.)*

We do not live by bread alone,  
**so we gather to feast on God's sustaining Word.**  
We come at the Spirit's leading  
**to offer ourselves in service to Christ.**  
Come, find strength for the journey.

## \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

**Wild God of wilderness,**  
**as we devote these forty days to you,**  
**shape us by your Holy Spirit**  
**into the image of Christ our Lord,**  
**so that we may be ready, by your grace,**  
**to confront the power of death**  
**with the promise of eternal life. Amen.**

## \*HYMN 226

SHADES MOUNTAIN

There in God's Garden

## CALL TO CONFESSION

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Happy are those whose sin is forgiven,  
**who no longer suffer in silence,**  
**but name their sin and seek God's grace.**

Let us confess our sin.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God,  
you know the ways of good and evil.  
You know the things that tempt us  
and the things that give us life.  
You know our nakedness, and you know our sin.  
We confess that we have disobeyed your word,  
denying your providence and care  
and relying on our own cleverness.  
Have mercy on us, we pray:  
cover us with the bread of life,  
and re-create us in your image;  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*(Silent confession)*

### Kyrie

James MacMillan

*(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)*

Choir: Lord, have mer - cy. Congregation: Lord, have  
mer - cy. Choir: Christ, have mer - cy. Congregation: Christ,  
have mer - cy. Choir: Lord, have  
mer - cy. Congregation and Choir: Lord, have mer - cy.

## 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.")*

### *Prayer of Confession*

A call to confession expresses God's initiative in calling for repentance and promising forgiveness in Christ. As members of Christ's body, we confess the reality of sin, captivity, and brokenness in personal and common life and ask for God's saving grace.

### *About the Kyrie*

The Kyrie (Greek "kyrios" [Lord]) is a corporate musical prayer for grace.

## CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*(Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship Pad,  
which is located on the center aisle end of each pew.)*

### *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.

### *About Psalm 32, Hymn 446*

Although this is one of the traditional seven penitential psalms, it could equally well be called a psalm of thanksgiving for forgiveness. It bears witness to the desirability of confession as well as to God's gracious and forgiving nature, encouraging the faithful to seek God. TEXT: *The New Metrical Version of the Psalms*, 1909; MUSIC: William Lloyd, 1840.

### *Affirmation of Faith*

Responding to the word proclaimed, we affirm our faith in the holy, triune God. The affirmation of faith is drawn from sentences of scripture or the creeds, confessions, and catechisms.

## THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! **Our ears are open.**

#### **Matthew 4:1-11**

*(New Testament, page 3 in your pew Bible)*

*(Sung responsively after each scripture reading.)*

Create in me a clean heart, O God.

*Psalm 51:10*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God.**

Renew a right spirit within me.

**Renew a right spirit within me.**

#### **Psalm 32, Hymn 446 (all sing)**

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#### **Genesis 3:1-9**

*(Old Testament, pages 2-3 in your pew Bible)*

#### SERMON

"I miss you..."

Donovan Drake

*(A moment for meditation)*

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**Jesus lived a truly human life.**

**Jesus was what we should be.**

**He served his Father with complete trust**

**and unwavering obedience.**

**He loved all kinds of people**

**and accepted their love.**

**In constant dependence upon the Holy Spirit,**

**Jesus allowed no temptation or threat**

**to keep him from loving God**

**with his whole being**

**and his neighbor as himself.**

**We recognize in Jesus what God created us to be.**

**He exposes our failure to live as he lived.**

**He demonstrates the new humanity**

**God promises to give us through him.**

*(from A Declaration of Faith)*

## THE EUCHARIST

### OFFERING

Anthem (8:30 a.m.)      Seek Ye First      Lafferty, arr. Wagner

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness,  
and all these things will be added unto you;*

*Allelu, Alleluia!*

Ask, and it shall be given unto you,  
seek, and ye shall find,  
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;

*Allelu, alleluia!*

*Seek ye first...*

Anthem (11:00 a.m.)

Since by Man Came Death (*Messiah*)      G.F. Handel

Since by man came death,  
by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die,  
even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

### \*DOXOLOGY

### OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

### *Doxology*

A short hymn of praise to the triune God (God, Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit).

### \*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 up to the Lord.**

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

We do give you thanks and praise, great and loving God....  
you call us back to your love.

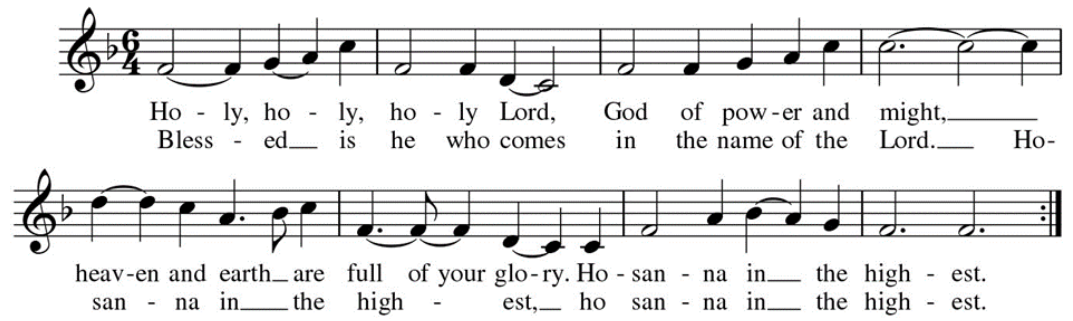
Therefore, we lift our voices  
with the faithful of every time and place,  
and the choirs of the Kingdom,  
who forever sing of your goodness and love:

### *Our Lenten Journey*

Trusting in Christ's resurrection, we listen for the word of God in the time-honored stories of the Church's Lenten journey. We follow Jesus into the wilderness, resist temptation, fast, and proceed "on the way" to Jerusalem, and the cross. Our journey is one of *metanoia* ("turning around"), of changing directions from self-serving toward the self-giving way of the cross.

To GIVE, please scan the QR code.





Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

*(The congregation may be seated.)*

You sent Jesus to speak to the world,...  
and we remember his story.

Great is the mystery of faith:



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

Today we gather around this table to do as he asked us....  
Come, Holy Spirit.

Draw near to us,  
and hear the words of our feeble lips as we strive to pray.



A - men, a - men, a - - men.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*(See page 35 of your hymnal for words.)*

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

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.**

### *About Communion*

The Presbyterian Church (USA) practices "open Communion" without regard to denominational affiliation. All who seek to become more faithful to Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table. Westminster celebrates the "Eucharist," meaning "thanksgiving," on the first Sunday of each month, on the first Sunday of each liturgical season, and on every Sunday during the Season of Easter, except Baptism Sundays.

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.**

Anthem (11:00 a.m.)    You Will I Love                    Kevin Hildebrand

You will I love, my strength, my tower;  
You will I love, my hope, my joy;  
You will I love with all my power,  
With fervor time cannot destroy.  
You will I love, O Light divine,  
So long as life is mine.

You will I love, my life, my Savior,  
You are my best, my truest friend;  
You will I love and praise forever,  
For never shall your kindness end.  
Your love for me casts out my fear,  
You are my Savior dear.

I thank you Jesus, sun from heaven,  
Whose radiance has brought light to me;  
I thank you, who has richly given  
All that could make me glad and free.  
I thank you that my soul is healed  
With love that you revealed.

Oh, keep me watchful, then, and humble,  
And never suffer me to stray;  
Uphold me when my feet would stumble,  
And keep me faithful to your way.  
Fill all my nature with your light,  
O Radiance strong and bright!

You will I love, my crown of gladness,  
You will I love, my God and Lord,  
Within the darkest depths of sadness,  
And not for hope of high reward -  
For your own sake, O Light divine,  
So long as life is mine.

*About Hymn 167*

This text, given sharper focus by being reduced from nine stanzas to five, reflects both on Christ's temptation in the wilderness and on the purpose and goal of Lent as preparation for Easter. It pairs well with a 17th-century German chorale setting for Psalm 130. TEXT: George Hunt Smyttan, 1856; MUSIC: attr. Martin Herbst, 1676 Murray, 2004; MUSIC: Jane Marshall, 2005.

*About the Postlude*

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship. This piece is part of the collection of Eight "Little" Preludes and Fugues. They are called "little" or "short" because they take on a smaller scale while fitting stylistically with Bach's other free organ works.

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## SENDING

### \*HYMN 167

AUS DER TIEFE RUFTE ICH

Forty Days and Forty Nights

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Create in me a clean heart, O God.  
**Create in me a clean heart, O God.**

Renew a right spirit within me.  
**Renew a right spirit within me.**

**POSTLUDE** Prelude and Fugue in D Minor, BWV 554 J.S. Bach

*\*(Those who are able may stand.)*

## LENT

The word "Lent" is derived from the Old English word *lencten*, meaning "Spring," which in turn derives from the Old High German *lenzin*, referring to "the lengthening of days." The season we know as Spring was originally called Lent. Lent gradually adhered strictly to church practice, and Spring came to designate the season following Winter.

Lent lasts for forty weekdays plus Sundays, a number richly grounded in Biblical tradition. In the Bible there are 120 references to the number forty, among them: the days of Noah's deluge; the days that Moses spent on the mountain; the years Israel wandered in the wilderness; the days of Elijah's journey to the cave of the "still, small voice;" and Jesus' forty-day wilderness sojourn in which he was tempted by Satan.

Lent has traditionally been a time in which Christians have engaged in self-reflection, fasting, prayer, confession and repentance in anticipation of the celebration of the Resurrection of Christ. At Westminster, in order to emphasize the meaning of Lent, we adopt a more penitential posture in worship. There are no flowers; no festive choir processional; no *Act of Praise* following the *Confession and Pardon*; and at several points in the service we incorporate the ancient and plaintive supplication from Psalm 51: "Create in me a clean heart, O God."



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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)*

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## TODAY@ WESTMINSTER

### Worship Leaders

#### Preaching

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

#### Liturgist

Rev. Dr. Guy D. Griffith  
*Associate Pastor for Adult Education  
and Spiritual Nurture*

#### Communion Preparation

Susan Lincoln

#### Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Jennie Renwick  
11:00 AM Rudy Kalis

#### Music

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

Dr. John Semingson  
*Director of Music Ministries*

Dale Nickell  
*Organist and 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 Frances Elizabeth, born on February 17, 2023, to James and Sarah Gay Boswell. Big brothers Field, Henry, and Mac are over the moon with joy!

### Easter Lilies: Deadline March 26

Lilies will grace our Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023. If you would like to purchase a lily (\$10) in memory or in honor of a friend or family member, please place your order by scanning the QR code below or emailing Terri Eckert at [teckert@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:teckert@nashvillewpc.org).



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# 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](mailto:hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org).

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### Recorded Worship Services

To watch a service later in the day or the week, go to [nashvillewpc.church](http://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.

### Mask Policy

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



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

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

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### 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.

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### Childcare

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

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

Living Out  
the **WORD**

"But the Lord God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?'"

Genesis 3:9

Why would God have to ask "Where are you?" ?

When do you feel most hidden from God?

What are some of your best reasonings for disobeying God?

# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

## **Annual Congregational Meeting 9:45 AM • Fellowship Hall**

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 leftbrained, 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.

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.

Below is the slate of nominees that will be voted on at the Congregational Meeting:

Mary Prue Alley  
Matt Ashwood  
Jim Barr  
Devin Childers  
Melinda Coles  
Joanna Hall  
Howard Lamar  
Suzie Lane  
Meredith Nowers  
Nathan Ridley  
Roberta Rodgers  
Don Schulze

### **Nominating Committee**

Leslie Grote  
Tee Tompkins

### **Trustee Nominations**

Hartley Hall  
Jeff Haynes  
Mike Russell

To learn more about our slate of nominees, please scan the QR code below or visit the New Elders web page at [nashvillewpc.org](http://nashvillewpc.org).



# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER



## Annual Basketball Jamboree

**6:00 PM • GYM**

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 Spectate

Come tonight 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).

## Adult Education

All Adult Sunday School classes will resume next Sunday. Please join us for the congregational meeting.

## Youth Ministry

9:45 AM • Sunday School

## Children's Ministry

9:45 AM • Sunday School

## Children & Youth Choirs

4:00 PM • Alleluia, Gloria, and Jubilate choirs will rehearse today.

5:00 PM • Laudate and Chiming Children will rehearse today.

### February 26 - March 5

#### The Soles4Souls Item Drive

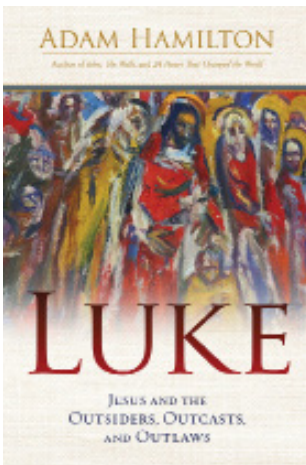
The Youth Ministry is partnering with Soles4Souls, an organization that give shoes and clothing to people in crisis situations. If you have new or gently used shoes or articles of clothing that you would graciously like to donate, we will accept these items starting February 26 during worship, at the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

# LENT

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

These services will also be LIVE streamed.

**Lenten devotionals** are now available in the Parlor.



**Two Opportunities  
New Study: Luke**

**March 1  
Wednesdays  
6:30 PM  
Overlook Room**

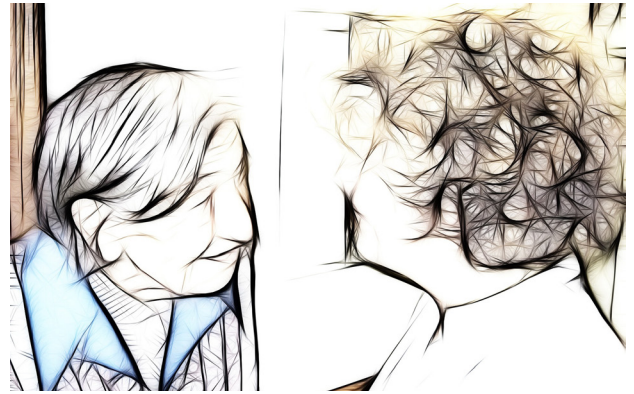
**Starts March 5  
Sundays  
9:45 AM  
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If interested, please contact:

Wednesdays  
Guy Griffith, [ggriffith@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:ggriffith@nashvillewpc.org)

Sundays  
Michael Renwick  
[Twain1964@icloud.com](mailto:Twain1964@icloud.com)

# CARE



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

Class Series on Zoom  
February 27 and March 6  
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](mailto:emilyandersonart32@gmail.com).

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

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## We Welcome These New Members!

On Sunday, February 19, the Session of Westminster formally received new members with joy into our church family.

The congregation celebrated these new members in worship at 11:00 AM and in a reception after the service. We hope that you will reach out to them and introduce yourself.



Craig, Stephanie  
& John Boaz



Parker & Cacky Brown



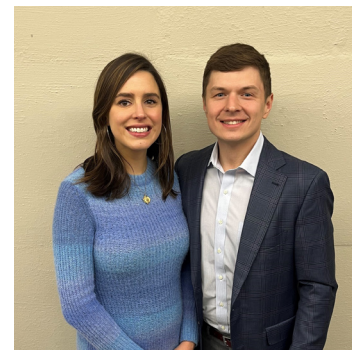
Caroline & Beau Creson  
Cooper & Anna  
(not pictured)



Debra Griner



Lindsay Hamilton



Emily & Brett Jackson

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# WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Katherine Johnston



Esther Kang



Howard & Janice Mann



Tom & Gray Payne



Kirin Proctor



Kit Stilley



Caroline & Dare Williams



Ryan & Barrett Wood  
Simmons (not pictured)

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# JOIN US

**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.



**March 16**

**Organ Recital**

**7:00 PM**

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, Guilman, and Messiaen.

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**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](mailto:dnickell@nashvillewpc.org).



# JOIN US



**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.



**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 AM**

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.



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# REMEMBERING OUR PAST



Rev. W. Murdoch Macleod (1934-1940) grew the congregation membership to 1,174, in spite of constant appeals for the \$100,000 building fund. Young men like Henry Goodpasture and Sam K. Harwell, Jr. led the monumental task of getting money out of a congregation still caught in the bite of the Depression. At that time, West End Methodist was church farthest out West End Avenue; in fact, there was no church in a 15-square mile area lying west of West End Methodist. Moore Memorial decided the "Richland area" was the place for their new church.

By January 1936, the congregation agreed to buy the front yard of the Gray estate at 3900 West End Avenue for \$24,000. The architectural firm of Warfield and Keeble was engaged to design a classic colonial church, with white columns and a tall steeple as the only ornamentation. It proved to be a turning point in Nashville's church style -- no other church of the kind existed here then, and after it dozens of them popped up on the landscape.

Few Moore Memorial members remembered for whom the church was named more than 60 years earlier and the congregation decided to rename the church. After narrowing down many options, the congregation took the final vote on March 7, 1937: 102 for Westminster and 62 for St. John's. One disappointed member said she hoped that the congregation would learn how to spell and pronounce Westminster correctly.

# THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

## Sunday, February 26

- 8:30 AM Worship
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 4:00 PM Children's Choirs Rehearsal
- 4:30 PM Journey with Jesus
- 5:00 PM Laudate Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 PM Basketball Jamboree

## Monday, February 27

- 11:45 AM Centering Prayer
- 5:00 PM Pickleball
- 7:00 PM Memory Care Class

## Tuesday, February 28

- 7:00 AM Daybreak Believers
- 7:30 AM Bible Study
- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 9:00 AM Harvard Handbells

## Wednesday, March 1

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 8:15 AM Photine's Well
- 9:30 AM Changing Gears Handbells
- 10:00 AM Tom McDow Bible Study
- 11:45 AM Midday Ash Wednesday Service
- 5:45 PM Wednesday Night Dinner
- 6:00 PM Room In The Inn
- 7:00 PM Men's Basketball
- 7:30 PM Westminster Academy

## Thursday, March 2

- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 8:15 AM Yoga
- 10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting  
Women's Bible study

## Friday, March 3

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 5:00 PM Pickleball

## Saturday, March 4

- 11:30 AM AA

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On the cover:  
*Lenten Labyrinth*

This painting is visual labyrinth containing many Lenten concepts. The labyrinth begins and ends with the dark path at the bottom —representing Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Some other themes depicted are: covenant relationship, scripture, The Law, discipleship, betrayal, servant hood, readiness, patience, Christ's passion, deliverance, abundance, provision, sacrifice, new life, and love.

"It is an honor and a joy to share my work with you. For years, I have illustrated, designed and directed many book covers, ads, logos, commercials and campaigns. However, my deeper side is the life of a fine artist. I love to paint with the palette knife to keep my work loose, textured and bold. You will see that I paint all kinds of subjects. My deepest passion, however, is to use fine art to communicate matters of faith.

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. They range from plein air and impressionism to abstract and conceptual. My hope is to successfully communicate those inspirations so that you might be touched as well."

- Mike Moyers

Moyers, Mike. *Lenten Labyrinth*, from Art in the Christian Tradition, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. <https://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=57142> [retrieved February 23, 2023]. Original source: Mike Moyers, <https://www.mikemoyersfineart.com/>.



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# 226 There in God's Garden

1 There in God's gar - den stands the tree of Wis - dom,  
 2 Its name is Je - sus, name that says, "Our Sav - ior!"  
 3 Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;  
 4 See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;

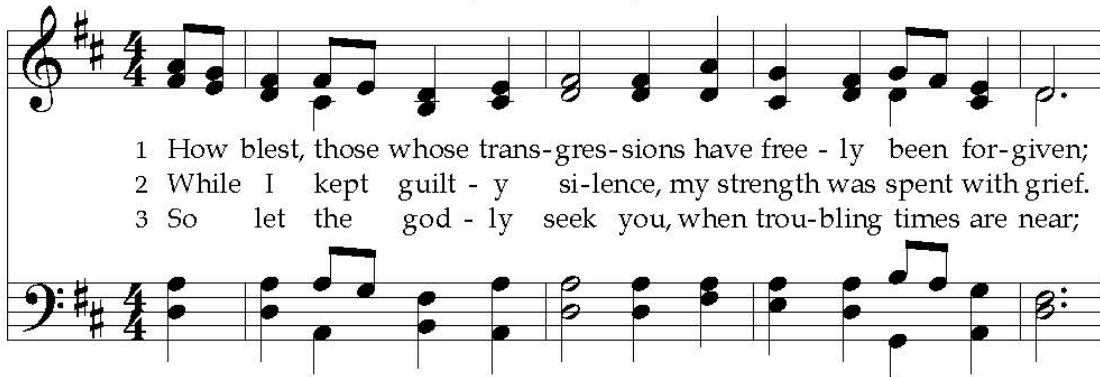
whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions:  
 There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - fering;  
 our greed has starved it; our de - spite has choked it.  
 hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye wea - ry!

tree of all knowl - edge, tree of all com -  
 see there the ten - drils of our hu - man  
 Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -  
 Give me your sick - ness; give me all your


pas - sion, tree of all beau - ty.  
 self - hood feed on its life - blood.  
 stroyed it nor fire con - sumed it.  
 sor - row; I will give bless - ing."

# How Blest, Those Whose Transgressions 446

(Psalm 32)



1 How blest, those whose trans-gres-sions have free - ly been for-given;  
2 While I kept guilt - y si-lence, my strength was spent with grief.  
3 So let the god - ly seek you, when trou-bling times are near;



whose guilt is whol - ly cov - ered be - fore the sight of heaven.  
Your hand was heav - y on me; my life found no re - lief.  
no storm or flood shall reach them, nor cause their hearts to fear.



Blest, those to whom our Lord God will not im-pute their sin:  
But when I made con - fes - sion and hid no sin from you,  
In you, O Lord, I hide me; you save me from all ill.



whose guilt has been for - giv - en; whose hearts, made true a-gain.  
when I re-vealed my fail - ings, you gave me life a-new.  
And songs of your sal - va - tion my heart with rap-ture fill.

# 167 Forty Days and Forty Nights



1 For - ty days and for - ty nights you were fast - ing in the wild;  
2 Shall not we your sor - row share and from world - ly joys ab - stain,  
3 Then if Sa - tan on us press, flesh or spir - it to as - sail,  
4 So shall we have peace di - vine: ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;  
5 Keep, O keep us, Sav - ior dear, ev - er con - stant by your side,



for - ty days and for - ty nights temp - ted, and yet un - de - filed.  
fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, strong with you to suf - fer pain?  
vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, grant that we not faint nor fail!  
round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as served you faith - ful - ly.  
that with you we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.



