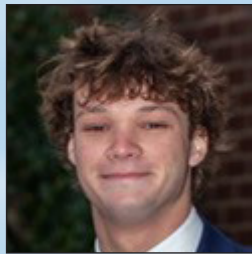
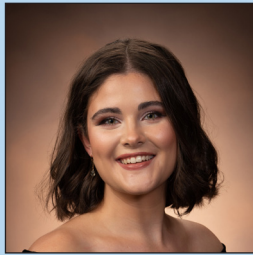


FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER SENIOR SUNDAY MAY 7, 2023



GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

Adagio cantabile, Op. 35

Edwin H. Lemare

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.

Today's Liturgy

Today's liturgy was written by Westminster's Senior Class of 2023.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

(8:30 a.m.) Coleman Smith

(11:00 a.m.) Zach Dillard

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Heavenly Father,

we come before you today with humble hearts

seeking to honor and glorify your name.

During this time, give us strength for the journey.

Give us courage, hope and compassion

and grant us endurance to face any hardships along the way.

Come to us now, Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Show us. Teach us. Clothe us. Feed us.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

(8:30 a.m.) Erin Crosby

(11:00 a.m.) Chase Fields

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

Heavenly Father,

we thank you for all you have given us

and for the many blessings in our lives.

You give us security and unconditional love.

May your joy and love shine through us.

Help us to embrace anything that comes our way

and help us grow as followers of Christ.

In your name we pray, amen.

About Hymn 301

Although it was written for a church dedication, this text is not about a physical structure but a spiritual one. The building is at best only a vessel for the essential love and hope, life and faith, peace and justice, hospitality and nurture that form the worshiping community. TEXT and MUSIC: Marty Haugen, 1994.

(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 301

TWO OAKS

Let Us Build a House

CALL TO CONFESSION

(8:30 a.m.) Sam Brown
(11:00 a.m.) Tommy Frist

At times, we find ourselves straying
from God's holy path when God's Word
calls us to do otherwise.
His unwavering mercy always awaits us.
We admit to our faults this morning
in search of his forgiveness,
which he always grants us.
Let us now confess our sins to God
so that we may receive his love and glory.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(8:30 a.m.) Sam Brown
(11:00 a.m.) Tommy Frist

**Lord, even though you show us
unconditional love,
we fail to show that same love
to ourselves and others.
Even though you treat us with
compassion and understanding,
we struggle to practice that compassion
toward our friends, family, classmates, and colleagues.
Even though you seek us out,
we don't always seek out your guidance
in our daily lives.
Deliver us from every bad habit,
every ignorant thought,
and everything that distracts us
from feeling your love. 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.**

*Call to and 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.

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.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(8:30 a.m.) Sarah Jean Caver
(11:00 a.m.) Eva Tatum

Friends, our God is full of love and compassion.
Through trials and tribulations, God stands with us.

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

***The Peace**

(8:30 a.m.) Sarah Jean Caver
(11:00 a.m.) Eva Tatum

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** Celtic Alleluia O'Carroll/Walker

(The congregation sings with the choir.)

**The Word of the Lord lasts forever.
What is the Word that is living?
It is Jesus Christ, who is risen from the dead.**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

SPECIAL POEM

Written and read by Audrey Campbell

Through moments of doubt,
God's love perseveres.
Even when the world feels dark.
Like the sky is closing in,
There is still light.

When the sun sets for you
It rises for someone else.
The light moves around
But it always comes back.

God intended it this way
Because how are we supposed
To appreciate the light
If we never experience the dark?

If there was no night sky, we couldn't
See the stars.
Much less wish on one.

If clouds never clustered,
The blue of the sky
Wouldn't seem nearly as special;
And the sky blue of a robin's egg wouldn't Remind us of new beginnings
And bright spring days.

If we never learned how to exist in someone's absence,
We wouldn't appreciate their presence.

Just like a flower can grow
Through a crack in a sidewalk,
We can learn to live
And find our own sliver of light the
Darkness
From which to sprout.

Let us all find God's light in the darkness.

THE WORD

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

(8:30 a.m.) Ivy Weathersby
(11:00 a.m.) Susanna Payne

Lord, open our hearts and eyes to love one another.
Pour out on us a spirit of wisdom and understanding,
that our hearts and minds may be opened
to know your truth and your way.
Help us to hear your Word,
that we may truly understand and follow you
in your faithfulness.
Heavenly Father, your Word is a lamp to our feet
and a light to our path.
Help us receive your truth in faith and love,
and strengthen us to follow the path you set before us.
Lord, hear our prayer and be our light. **Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE AND SERMON

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

(8:30 a.m.)

Genesis 2:18

Thomas Harwell

(Old Testament, page 2 in your pew Bible)

(11:00 a.m.)

Romans 8:24-25

Alex Deerkoski

(New Testament, page 158 in your pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Psalm 91

Michael Joncas

Refrain



And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the
breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and
hold you in the palm of God's hand.

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in God's shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!" **Refrain**

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear:
Under God's wings your refuge,
God's faithfulness your shield. **Refrain**

You need not fear the terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day:
though thousands fall about you,
near you it shall not come. **Refrain**

For to the angels God's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone. **Refrain**

SECOND SCRIPTURE AND SERMON

(8:30 a.m.)

1 John 4:7-12

(*New Testament, page 241 in your pew Bible*)

Annie Linley

(11:00 a.m.)

Genesis 9:12-16

(*Old Testament, page 7 in your pew Bible*)

Sarah Jean Caver

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Class Creed, 2019)

(8:30 a.m.) Tommy Frist
(11:00 a.m.) Annie Linley

We believe in God, the Creator, the Father and Mother of all life. **We believe that God shows empathy for all creation through God's caring nature. God is our always present, all-knowing, and humble guide. Through our faith, we are able to believe in one God, who connects to us through Jesus and the Holy Spirit.**

We believe that Jesus is the Son of God, who was crucified and resurrected to save us from our sins. **He was a selfless, sinless man who hung out with outsiders, told parables, and performed miracles. Through his teachings and actions, he shows us what it means to love our neighbors as ourselves.**

Affirmation of Faith

Responding to the word proclaimed, we affirm our faith in the holy, triune God.

In 2019, the current seniors gathered as confirmands at Camp NaCoMe, where they officially wrote out a statement of faith that represented what they believed as a class. Today's Affirmation of Faith is their creed!

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the breath of life which reminds us of God's presence. **This third member of the Trinity connects all living things to each other and to God. Actively guiding us through our faith and our lives, the Holy Spirit calls us to be faithful disciples of Jesus.**

We believe in the Church, a community that is dedicated to the worship of the Holy Trinity. **Through the sacred act of worship, the Church becomes the outlet for living out the word by welcoming all people, studying scripture together, and showing love to our neighbors through service— inside and outside of the church.**

We believe in baptism and communion, the two sacraments of the Presbyterian Church, which Christians have been celebrating for ages. **In baptism, we use water to remind us of God's grace that cleanses us from our sins. For communion, we use the bread and the cup to symbolize Jesus' body and to remember his sacrifice. As signs and symbols of God's grace, the sacraments represent that we are all God's children.**

THE EUCHARIST

CALL TO OFFERING

(8:30 a.m.) Bennett Spencer
(11:00 a.m.) Lain Orndorff

OFFERING

Anthem

We Walk by Faith

Karen Marrolli

We walk by faith and not by sight; with gracious words draw near,
O Christ, who spoke as none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."

We may not touch your hands and side, nor follow where you trod;
but in your promise we rejoice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; and may our faith abound
to call on you when you are near and seek where you are found.

And when our life of faith is done, in realms of clearer light
may we behold you as you are, with full and endless sight.

*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!**

To GIVE, please scan
the QR code.



***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.

God of all ages and abilities...to be a child of God.

And so today we come together with a collective voice,
as we join with our parents, grandparents, ancestors,
and all the saints who have journeyed with you,
as we forever sing to the glory of your name:

ALL:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord.____
God of pow - er and might.____ Heav - en and earth are full of your glo -
ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na____ in the high - est!____
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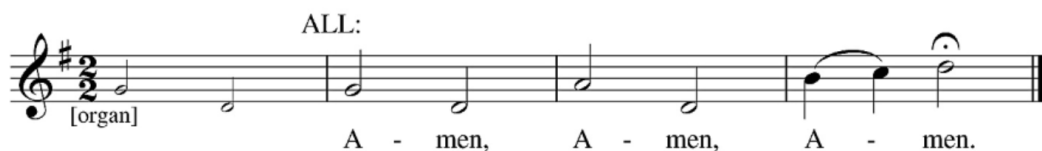
(The congregation may be seated.)

Your Son, Jesus Christ, came into this world...
of his gracious love.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

Loving God, ... in word and in deed.



***THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Prayed in unison*)**

(8:30 a.m.) Luke Larish
(11:00 a.m.) Colston Elder

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

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.

Music during Communion

Anthem There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Calvin Hampton

There's a wideness in God's mercy Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in God's justice Which is more than liberty.
There is plentiful redemption In the blood that has been shed;
There is joy for all the members In the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader Than the measures of our mind,
And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind.
If our love were but more simple We should take him at his word,
And our lives would be all sunshine In the sweetness of our Lord.

Fearful souls, why will you scatter Like a crowd of frightened sheep?
Foolish hearts, why will you wander From a love so true and deep?
There is welcome for the sinner And more graces for the good;
There is mercy with the Savior, There is healing in his blood. Amen.

SENDING

*HYMN 69

HERE I AM (Schutte)

About Hymn 69

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

BENEDICTION

(8:30 a.m.) Alex Deerkoski
(11:00 a.m.) Coleman Smith

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. TEXT and MUSIC: Daniel L. Schutte, 1981.

POSTLUDE

Allegro maestoso e vivace, Op 65 no. 2

Felix Mendelssohn

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

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

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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 and Liturgists

The Graduating Class of 2023

Assisting

Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake
Pastor and Head of Staff

Rev. Margie Quinn
Director of Youth and Young Adults

T.J. Piccolo
Associate Director of Youth

Katie Gossage
Associate Director of Youth

Music

Eva Tatum, cantor;
Laudate Youth Choir;
Jane Kirchner, flute

Dr. John Semingson
Director of Music Ministries

Dale Nickell
*Organist and Associate Director of
Music Ministries*

Flowers

*The flowers in the Sanctuary
are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of
Cherrie Forte Farnette
by Jennifer, Giles, Henry
and Sarah Jean Caver.*

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.

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.

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.

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.



RE: Vision

Important Gathering - We Need You!

May 7, 14

Covenant Class

9:45 AM • Fellowship Hall

God's love is a radical love. We want to share this radical, transforming love with the world. As we celebrate 150 years of our church, we are coming together to envision how we are called to serve God for generations to come.

Together we will hope, dream, talk, and listen as a body of Christ to discern what

it means to be "Easter people" every day, all year long. Westminster needs you and your unique voice. Please join us!

Led by Donovan Drake and Dr. Bill Wilson, Director of Center for Healthy Churches.

Class of 2023



*Samuel Crockett
Brown*

Sam is a senior at Montgomery Bell Academy and will be a freshman at Northeastern in Boston in the fall.

Sam enjoys singing in the Headmaster Singers group at MBA, swimming on the Varsity Swim Team, and leading the Volleyball Club. At home, he loves hanging out with the family dogs, Bonnie and Clyde, or the family cats, Clint and Liddy, as well as playing basketball, soccer, and volleyball in the yard or just gaming with his friends online.

This summer, Sam will be heading to Ireland on the MBA trip and working part-time.



*Audrey Grace
Campbell*

Audrey is graduating from Ensworth High School and will be attending American University this fall.

She plans to study in the School of International Service and has her sights set on the Peace Corps and the State Department. Audrey has published a book of poetry, a novel, and a novella.

A lifelong member of Westminster, she has enjoyed serving dinner to Room In The Inn guests, attending her small group on Sundays, and going on mission trips.



*Sarah Jean
Caver*

Sarah Jean will graduate from Harpeth Hall this spring and will be attending the University of the South: Sewanee this fall.

She has been a devoted member of the choir, Youth Council, Hungry Sharks basketball team, and a small group at Westminster.

At school, she played softball and ran cross-country. She hopes to study history and art during her time at Sewanee and continue her faith in God.



Erin Alexandra Crosby

Erin is graduating from Ensworth High School and plans to attend Texas Christian University’s Nursing School in the fall.

While at Ensworth, she played several sports, but JV Soccer and Varsity Tennis her Senior Year were true highlights. In addition, she enjoyed being involved with Ensworth’s Dance Marathon and Student Government in High School for four years and co-chairing EDM her Senior Year.

Her fondest memories of WPC are sitting in the pews on Sunday mornings with her siblings, the Middle School Mission Trip to Asheville and teaching the three-year-old Sunday School class her senior year.

She keeps Ephesians 2:8-9 tucked in her heart, *For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God.*



Alexander James Deerkoski

Alex is a lifelong member of Westminster and has been on the Youth Council for all four years of high school. He also enjoyed playing on the church ball team this past winter. In addition to his Westminster commitments, Alex ran cross-country for MBA where he qualified for the state championship for the past three years. He also placed in the top ten at the Metro Championship for the past two years. Alex is a pitcher for the varsity baseball team and has performed in the winter school play during his junior and senior years. He loves music and has played piano in the band for his entire time at MBA. Alex has also served on the student council for three years and is currently vice president of the student body. While not in school, Alex has worked as a basketball referee since his freshman year. Alex’s true passions are movies, people, and food. He hopes to combine these loves with a degree in business while attending Boston College in the fall.

CONGRATULATIONS

to all our seniors.
We also celebrate

Olivia Angell

Tripp Johnson

Amanda Pensinger

Lilly Rauth

Jackson Rishel

and Kendell Tierney

on their graduation
and achievements.



*James Zackary
Dillard*

Zach is a senior at Franklin Road Academy and will be attending the University of Utah in the fall. He joined Westminster in the spring of 2018, shortly after moving to Nashville from Northern Virginia. He was confirmed in the eighth grade and is grateful for the spiritual direction he received then and continues to receive both from church and FRA.

Zach has been a dedicated goalkeeper on his school and travel soccer teams and when he has free time at school, he can often be found in the art studio throwing clay and making pottery. When he isn't in school, he enjoys spending time with his close group of friends, hanging out with his family (especially his little sister Maysey Sims), playing with his four dogs, hiking, fishing, and backpacking. Zach plans to spend the summer traveling through Greece with friends and volunteering his time in Nashville to help others.



*James Colston
Elder III*

Colston is a senior at Montgomery Bell Academy and will be a freshman at Auburn University in the fall.

He will study business with an emphasis on accounting and finance.

Colston enjoys playing golf with his friends and was on the Varsity Golf Team this year.



*Christian Chase
Fields*

Chase is a senior at Montgomery Bell Academy.

During his time there, he enjoyed playing on the hockey team as well as participating in the stock market and chess clubs.

Chase will attend the Leeds School of Business at CU Boulder in the fall.



*Sophia Champion
Frist*

Sophia is graduating from Ensworth High School where she enjoys art and helping with costuming for all the plays.

She will be attending the Sam Fox School of Art and Architecture at Washington University in St. Louis in the fall.



*Thomas Fearn
Frist IV*

Tommy is a senior at Ensworth High School and will be a freshman at Princeton University next fall.

He was recruited to play on the Men's Golf team and is looking forward to playing at the next level. Tommy has been a long-time member of WPC and was confirmed there in May 2019.

When Tommy isn't playing golf, he can be found with his friends playing church ball, cheering on the Titans and Predators, or grabbing dinner at Jack Brown's. This summer, he will be competing in several golf tournaments and spending time with his family.



*Thomas Creighton
Harwell, Jr.*

Thomas Harwell is a senior at Montgomery Bell Academy and will be attending Wake Forest University in the fall. In addition to playing lacrosse at MBA, Thomas led the student section during the football season and broadcasted many basketball and hockey games.

A highlight over the last couple of years has been playing for Westminster in the church basketball league.

The church's youth program and its leaders have been important to Thomas and his family. They are all very grateful for the foundation WPC has built in Thomas and the care they have shown him.



*Luke Harrison
Larish*

Luke is a senior at Montgomery Bell Academy and will be attending Transylvania University in the fall to play lacrosse.

He looks forward to competing at the college level for coach Logan Otto. Luke has been a lifelong member of Westminster and has helped his father with ushering at the 11:00 AM services for several years.

Luke enjoys spending time with the Westminster senior class, especially on the ski slopes and on the basketball court. Outside of school and church, Luke is passionate about snow skiing and playing guitar.



*Ann Atkins
Linley*

Annie has been a lifelong Westminster member. Having attended WSYC, and sung in the choir since she was five years old, she completes her Westminster youth time as Co-Moderator of the Youth Council and her fourth summer at Montreat.

After countless Vacation Bible School musicals, waffle breakfasts, trips, lock-ins, and small groups, she will go to Charlottesville to attend the University of Virginia with a solid sense of being raised by a dedicated, engaged, and endlessly supportive church, knowing what a precious child of God she is.



*Lain Nolan
Orndorff*

Lain is a senior at Montgomery Bell Academy. Over his time in high school, he has dedicated most of his time to the robotics team and visual arts.

Lain looks forward to attending Northeastern University in Boston next spring after a semester abroad in Italy!



*Susanna Keith
Payne*

Susanna is a senior at Harpeth Hall and will be attending Davidson College in the fall where she hopes to study environmental science. She is a member of the Harpeth Hall softball and volleyball teams and enjoys playing the piano in her free time.

Susanna will always be grateful for the love and community given to her by Westminster through friends, family, and mentors throughout her life.

Through her experiences on the Hungry Sharks church ball team and meaningful summer mission trips, Susanna has grown and gained love and support that will guide her in her next steps!



*Steven Coleman
Smith*

Coleman is a senior at Montgomery Bell Academy and will be attending the University of Mississippi in the fall where he plans to study business and cheer on the Rebels!

He is a lifelong member of Westminster. A favorite memory has been playing church ball! Coleman has been a four-year member of the MBA lacrosse team.

In his free time, Coleman enjoys the outdoors and especially loves fly fishing. Thank you to all the youth staff at Westminster for your support of Coleman over the years.



*Bennett Mills
Spencer*

Bennett has been a lifelong member of Westminster. He is graduating from MLK Magnet High School and will be attending Washington College in Maryland in the fall and where he will play soccer.

Some of his favorite memories include Montreat Youth Conference and being a camp counselor for the Outdoor Challenge. All of the experiences Bennett has received through Westminster will help guide him through the next years of his life.

He is forever grateful for everyone at Westminster who supported and taught him along the way.



*Seth Anderson
Stewart, Jr.*

Anderson is a senior at Franklin Road Academy and will be a Freshman at the University of Mississippi in the fall.

Anderson currently enjoys playing tennis on the FRA team, playing guitar, and watching classic movies with his girlfriend, LG. He recently spent his school interim in Spain and will be visiting Italy with his family this summer.



*Eva Louise
Tatum*

Eva Louise is a senior at Hume-Fogg High School. She will be attending Trinity University in San Antonio, TX next year, where she is planning on majoring in marketing and music.

During high school, she participated in musicals, show choir, played the French Horn, was secretary of student government, and sang in the Laudate Choir at Westminster.

In her free time, she enjoys hanging out with friends, hiking, and listening to Willie Nelson! Eva is incredibly grateful for Westminster opening its arms to her and making her a part of the community.

She would also like to thank her friends and family for their constant support!



*Ivy Bonnilyn
Weathersby*

Ivy has been a lifelong member of Westminster Presbyterian Church. She is currently helping teach the three-year-old Sunday School class.

Over the years, she has participated in Vacation Bible School, Sunday School, mission trips, small groups and Youth Group.

Ivy is graduating from Ensworth, where she has attended for 13 years. Ivy will be attending Ole Miss this fall! Hotty Toddy!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Koinonia Youth Ministry would like to thank the following volunteers, who contributed their time, talent, energy, leadership, and prayer to the spiritual formation of our young people. Thank you all!

Sunday School Teachers

Chad Folk
Scott Haley
Mac Hardcastle
Alex Pritchartt
Ann & Don Schulze
Patrice Stockhoff

Small Group Leaders

Kirsten Fox
Claire Henry
Amy Shurden
Owen Simcoe
Mary Beth Thomas
Frank Wade

Youth Group Leaders

Collin Dabbieri
Eleanor Glover
Claire Henry
John Perry
Ann Schulze
Ryland Wheliss

Churchball Leaders

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Minor Ballew
Wendy Fielder
Sam Lowe
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Colleen McCanless
John Perry
Ann Schulze
David Wyckoff

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Annie Linley (Co-Moderator)
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Callie Brooks (11th Grade Representative)
Cole Hines (11th Grade Representative)
Charlie Perry (11th Grade Representative)
Kyle Thomson (11th Grade Representative)
William Wyckoff (11th Grade Representative)
Clara Scott Harden (10th Grade Rep)
Caroline Keiper (10th Grade Representative)
Kate Linley (10th Grade Representative)
Owen Shurden (10th Grade Representative)
Battle Springer (9th Grade Representative)
Kat Folk (8th Grade Representative)
Christian Kurtz (8th Grade Representative)
Tucker Lyman (7th Grade Representative)
Andrew Wyckoff (7th Grade Representative)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us for the Changing Gears Handbell Choir Springtime Variety Show

"A Tour of the British Isles In Word and Music"

Two performances: *Everyone Welcome!*

**Changing Gears Meeting
May 10**

11:00 AM Fellowship

11:15 AM Program

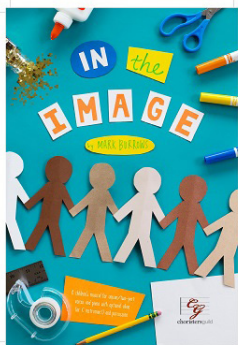
12:15 PM Lunch

RSVP for lunch with Sherri, receptionist@nashvillewpc.org.

**Public Performance
May 11**

10:00 AM

Goodpasture Hall



**May 7, 14, 21
Music Camp Rehearsals
June 5 - 9
Music Camp**

Children who are rising first graders through rising seventh graders are invited to attend.

All children that would like to have a singing and/or speaking role must attend rehearsals. Please register by scanning the QR code below.



**May 8
Women's Covenant
Group
11:30 a.m.
Harriet Sewell's Home**

We will finish this year's program with book sharing. Please think about books you've read

during the year that you think others would also enjoy reading and join us at Harriet's home for BYO lunch at 11:30 a.m. We will provide drinks and dessert. We hope you can join us! Janice Kemp, Harriet Sewell and Margaret Wheeler

REMEMBERING OUR PAST



In 1972, the Rev. T. Hartley Hall, IV joined Westminster as senior pastor. Dr. Hall was a man of singular intellect and Calvinist sensibility. He was known for scholarly, well-prepared and Biblically-based sermons. Hall noted, "...you equip a person to handle decisions in the framework of Christian commitment. You don't want the church to be a hospital for the dying. You want it to be supportive for those who are in the midst of the conflict."

During his tenure, the church celebrated its Centennial anniversary and the Session launched a \$500,000 Centennial Campaign, the largest in the church's history, to be

used for "for our ministry here at Westminster, in the community around us and in the church's world-wide mission." The Session also recommended a unicameral system of church governance, eliminating the Diaconate and expanding the session to 48 elders. This change was approved by the congregation in 1978 and implemented in 1979.

Shortly after Hall's arrival, Hal H. Hopson was named Westminster's minister of music and his wife Martha the associate. Hall and Hopson began coordinating all the elements of the worship service and the music program rapidly expanded. By 1979, more than one hundred seventy-five members participated in six choirs and five handbell choirs.

Dr. Hall left Westminster to serve as the fifth president of Union Presbyterian Seminary (then Union Theological Seminary) from 1981-1994. He died in 2016 at the age of 87.

[Excerpted from Carole S. Bucy, Ph.D.'s article "A Brief History of Westminster Presbyterian Church," April 2009 and "The Centennial History of Westminster Presbyterian Church" by Coleman A. Harwell and the Tennessean]

THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, May 7

- 8:30 AM Worship
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 12:15 PM Communion@Home Luncheon
- 4:00 PM Music Camp Rehearsals

Monday, May 8

- 11:30 AM Women's Covenant Group
(off campus)
- 11:45 AM Centering Prayer
- 5:00 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, May 9

- 7:00 AM Daybreak Believers
- 7:30 AM Bible Study
- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 1:15 PM Cong Care Steering Com Mtg
- 7:30 PM Vox Grata Concert

Wednesday, May 10

- 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
- 11:00 AM Changing Gears Variety Show
- 5:30 PM EarthCare Task Force Meeting
- 7:00 PM Men's Basketball
- 7:00 PM Westminster Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 11

- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 8:15 AM Yoga
- 10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting
- 10:00 AM Changing Gears Handbell
Variety Show
- 6:00 PM Hands On Mission Committee Mtg

Friday, May 12

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

Saturday, May 13

- 11:30 AM AA

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Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)
 C7 F C F B^b C Dm



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
 F C F Dm7 Gm C



safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
 strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
 wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
 wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
 vi - sions heard and loved and trea-sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
 Gm C7 B^b F Am Dm



how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)
 Gm C F B^b



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
 Je - sus, is re-vealed in time and space; as we
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

Refrain

(D) (G) (F#7) (Bm) (Em) (Bm)
 F B^b A7 Dm Gm Dm

love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:

(F#m) (Em) (D) (Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)
 Am Gm F Gm C7 F B^b F

all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord

Leader or All

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain

All

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

