

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

Johann Pachelbel

Fantasia & Toccata in G Minor

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

The Spirit is here among us, within us, around us, between us.

The Spirit is here to strengthen us

bringing courage, bringing conviction.

The Spirit is here to move us, making us sing and praise.

The Spirit is here.

May we feel the Spirit as we gather.

May we be fed by her fiery strength.

May we be emboldened by her powerful wind.

We gather in the Spirit's arms

to be nurtured as we worship.

And may our worship fill us with the Spirit as we go back out into our daily lives.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

God of Wind and Fire,
we celebrate today the indwelling
of your Holy Spirit,
which you sent upon the believers
on the day of Pentecost,
and which is our blessing today.
Lord, we thank you for the transforming work
of your Holy Spirit in our lives
and through our lives toward others.
We thank you that you have given us boldness
to proclaim the Gospel.
Remind us to use your power to do the work

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.

"Pentecost" comes from a Greek word meaning fiftieth day. On this day, the Holy Spirit came with wind and flame, empowering the disciples to proclaim the good news of the risen Lord to all people. Pentecost represents the culmination of the church's seven-week celebration of Christ's resurrection. On the day of Pentecost we give particular thanks for the gift of God's Holy Spirit, who gathers the church as the body of Christ and sends us to share in Christ's mission throughout the world.

On the cover: Veni Sancti Spiritus ca. 1965 Adam Kossowski

vou have given us. Amen.

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

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 289

MUNICH

On Pentecost They Gathered

CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this: God came to us and lived among us. God walked with us and loved us. God forgave us.

Even now, there is nothing we can do to make God love us any more or any less.

Friends, knowing that our God is merciful and compassionate, let us confess our sins before God and each other.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love. or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Silent confession)

Kyrie

Hal H. Hopson

(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)

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

About Hymn 289

This narrative and interpretive text was written to fill what the author perceived as an unfortunate gap in available hymns concerning the Holy Spirit in general and Pentecost in particular. The setting of a 17thcentury German tune is from Mendelssohn's oratorio Eliiah. TEXT: Jane Parker Huber, 1981; MUSIC: Neuvemehrtes Meiningisches Gegangbuch, 1693; adapt. Felix Mendelssohn, 1847.

Call to and Prayer of Confession

A call to confession expresses God's initiative in calling for repentance and vowing 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.

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.

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.

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

(Hymn 513) FESTIVAL CANTICLE

This Is the Feast of Victory

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

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation. Refrain.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! Our ears are open.

1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

(New Testament, page 174 in your pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Psalm 104:24-34, 35b

Marty Haugen

Refrain:



O bless the Lord, my soul; O Lord, how great are your ways! How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your glory! *Refrain*

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust.
You send forth your spirit, they are created.
You renew the face of the earth! *Refrain*

May the glory of God be forever; may the Lord rejoice in all works! May my thoughts and my deeds be pleasing to God. I find my joy in the Lord! *Refrain*

Acts 2:1-21

(New Testament, page 119 in your pew Bible)

SERMON

A New Language

Margie Quinn

(A moment for meditation)

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves
and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.

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.

To GIVE, please scan the QR code below.

About the Anthem

Italian mystic poet, Bianco de Siena (1350-99), wrote this hymn text around 1367. It was translated into English in the 19th century, but received little notice until Ralph Vaughan Williams composed this new tune for it in 1906. He named the music after the town of his birth, Down Ampney, in the Cotswolds, and included this hymn in The English Hymnal of 1906.

Phillip Dietterich,
American church
musician and
composer, arranged
this hymn anthem
for mixed-voice
choir and organ.
Dietterich served as
the Director of Music
for First United
Methodist of
Westfield, NJ, for
most of his career.
He is now retired.

Doxology

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

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage: to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. (From "A Brief Statement of Faith")

THE EUCHARIST

OFFERING

Anthem

Come Down, O Love Divine

R. Vaughan Williams

Come down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near, Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, Till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.
And so the yearning strong With which the soul will long,
Shall far surpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace, Till he become the place wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling. Amen.

*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!

*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.

It is truly right and our greatest joy... In every age your Holy Spirit has led us in your ways.

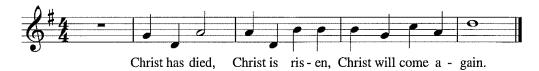
Therefore we praise you,, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:



(The congregation may be seated.)

You are holy, O God of majesty... ...and led the way to eternal life.

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:



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 and on the first Sunday of each liturgical season.

About the Anthem

This text on the Holy Spirit was written to fit the pre-existing tune. The three stanzas cluster around various themes developed through a series of images and grounded in the refrain: how the Spirit comes, to whom the Spirit comes, and for what purposes the Spirit comes.

Peter Cutts is a British church musician and professor who composed this, his best-known hymn tune, BRIDEGROOM, in 1969.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us... of your eternal realm.

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

(Prayed in unison, see page 35 of your hymnal for words to this prayer.)

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

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song Peter Cutts/arr. Ferguson

Like the murmur of the dove's song, Like the challenge of her flight, Like the vigor of the wind's rush, Like the new flame's eager might: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

To the members of Christ's Body, to the branches of the Vine, To the Church in faith assembled, To her midst as gift and sign: Come, Holy Spirit, come.

With the healing of division,
With the ceaseless voice of prayer,
With the pow'r to love and witness,
With the peace beyond compare:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

*HYMN 280 Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us

EBENEZER

About Hymn 280

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Litanies Jehan Alain

This 20th-century text was written by a charter member of Westminster Church, Janie Alford (1887-1986). Janie was a layperson and poet, who in her later years became interested in writing hymns for the seasons of the church and prepared a collection of them for Westminster (along with help for tunes from then Director of Music, Hal Hopson). It pairs effectively with this sturdy Welsh tune. TEXT: Janie Alford, 1979; MUSIC: Thomas John Williams, 1890.

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

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^{*(}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

Preaching

Rev. Margie Quinn
Director of Youth and Young Adults

Liturgist

Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler Associate Pastor for Congregational Care

Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Nathan Ridley 11:00 AM Kelly Christie

Music

William Wyckoff, cantor 8:30 AM Chamber Choir 11:00 AM Westminster Choir

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 with gratitude for Westminster's Music Ministry Program by Kelly and Bill Christie.

The flowers in the Parlor are given to the glory of God and in celebration of our fifty-seventh wedding anniversary by Adrienne and Bob Parker.

Pentecost Offering

The Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support at-risk children, youth and young adults.

Help youth begin life with a solid foundation of faith.

Psalm 71 testifies that a foundation of faith established during childhood helps ensure lifelong faith and service. Scan the QR code to give.



TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Red Roses

The red roses in the Chancel give glory and thanksgiving to God for the following new babies and the joy of these families:

May 5, 2023

Brett and Emily Jackson on the birth of a daughter

Claire Steele Jackson

May 19, 2023

Jacob and Allison Beck on the birth of a daughter

Sophie Ann Beck

Big brother, Thad, and grandparents, Ed and Terry Rappuhn, are excted she is here.

May 20, 2023

Will and Jacquie Smith on the birth of a son

Landry Jack Smith

Big sister, Dakota, is proud of her new role.

May 23, 2023

J.D. and Beth Mason on the birth of a daughter

Caroline Nell Mason

Mike and Sandy Binkley are excited grandparents.

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.

BAPTISM



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

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

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

TODAY @ WESTMINSTER



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.

Farewell Reception for Margie

Please join us for a reception for Margie Quinn and wish her well with her next chapter, as she begins her new call as Associate Minister at Vine Street Christian Church.

Everyone is welcome. It begins after the 11:00 AM service in the Parlor.

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.



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.



What is an idea you have been exposed to lately that you struggle to understand?

What does the "language of homecoming" sound like in your church?

When is a time in your life when you felt like an outsider?

TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM

Covenant Class 9:45 AM • Fellowship Hall

Christian Ethics in Three Acts: Biblical Stories on the Command to Love

Please join Richard Boyce as he pushes us beyond more sentimental notions of love toward the "covenant loyalty" that is the way of Jesus.

Richard Boyce is a PC (U.S.A) pastor, PhD in Old Testament and recently retired Dean of Union Theological Seminary at the Charlotte, NC campus.

Faith & Fellowship ● 214

The Gospel of John

From the Prologue to the miracles. The unique name and title used by Jesus in John. The Last Supper. Resurrection.

What are the theological goals of John?

Murdoch MacLeods ● Library

We will discuss this week's gospel lesson.

Youth Ministry

9:45 AM • No activities this Sunday

Youth "Summer Sunday School and Snacks" begins next Sunday, June 4th.

Location: Panera Bread on White Bridge Rd. (96 White Bridge Rd.)

When: 10:00-10:45 AM every Sunday of the summer

How: Meet us there at 10:00 AM or meet Katie and T.J. in the Youth Café for a ride over BY 9:45 AM.

What: Scripture and snacks on us!

Children's Ministry

9:45 AM • Memorial Day Weekend, NO Sunday School. There will be childcare for both services.

Summer Schedule

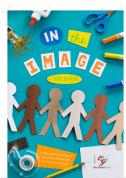
June 4 - Summer Sunday School for preschool and elementary children

June 11 - The Music Camp Performance in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome. Childcare will be provided for little ones.

June 18 - Summer Sunday School

June 25 - Melting Bullets into Bells in the Fellowship Hall, more info to come on this exciting event. Preschool Sunday School classes will meet in their regular rooms.

JOIN US



June 5 - 9
Music Camp

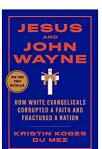
Children who are rising first graders through rising seventh graders are invited to attend.

All children who would like to have a singing and/or

speaking role must attend rehearsals.

Please register by scanning the QR code below.





Starts June 1 Summer Book Study 9:30 AM ● 214 Led by Guy Griffith

Jesus and John Wayne is a sweeping account of the last seventy-five years of white evangelicalism, showing

how American evangelicals have worked for decades to replace the Jesus of the Gospels with an idol of rugged masculinity and Christian nationalism or in the words of one modern chaplain, with "a spiritual badass." As Du Mez explains, the key to understanding this transformation is to recognize the role of culture in modern American evangelicalism.

Books are available in the office for \$16.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Remembering Our Past

Martha Bess DeWitt, who served as Westminster's Director of Christian Education for nearly

25 years, shares her remembrances of our church during her tenure. In her retirement, Martha Bess divides her time between Virginia and New Hampshire.

Please scan the QR code below to connect to the video.



We feel so blessed to have experienced such energy and enthusiasm from the congregation during our Visioning time together. If you were able to join us in Fellowship Hall, thank you. If you were not able to attend and would like to give your feedback regarding how we may love differently, engage in reconciliation and meet the hunger and thirst around us, please send your thoughts to any task force member listed below. Thank you!

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Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, Sophie Maness &
Jo Ann McFarlin.

JOIN US



Tuesdays through Fridays Westminster Café

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

June and July Summer Hours for the Café 9:00 AM • Westminster Café

The Café will be open Tuesdays through Thursdays, 8:00 AM to Noon and closed on Fridays. We will open back up on Fridays in August!

Come out of the heat and enjoy a specialized hot coffee, iced coffee and homemade pastries!

Thursday Mornings in June and July Special Teen Activities in the Café 10:00 AM - Noon Westminster Café

If you are between the ages of 10 and 15, you are welcome to get together and have fun with us in the café. Activities include crafts, ping-pong, foosball, and table games.

Parents and teens are encouraged to come on June 1st to brainstorm the rest of the summer's activities. There will be a "featured" activity each week.



For more information on any of the programs available, please visit westminsterjoy.org.

July 10- 14 Summer Camps with Nations Ministry

We will have our refugee teens and Westminster leaders and helpers in summer camps July 10-14 at Westminster.

Would you be willing to provide a snack or lunch? Volunteer by clicking the QR code.

For more info, please contact Catherine Garrison, kcegarrison@gmail.com.



THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, May 28

8:30 AM Worship

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

Monday, May 29

-church campus closed -

Tuesday, May 30

7:00 AM Daybreak Believers

7:30 AM Bible Study

8:00 AM Westminster Café

Wednesday, May 31

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study 8:00 AM Westminster Café

10:00 AM Tom McDow Bible Study

7:00 PM Men's Basketball

7:00 PM Westminster Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, June 1

8:00 AM Westminster Café

9:30 AM Summer Book Study

10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting

7:00 PM Families w/Young Children Ministry Team Mtg

Friday, June 2

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

5:00 PM Pickleball

Saturday, June 3

11:30 AM AA

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

Contacts:

If you have questions about a certain event listed on our calendar, please contact a member of our program staff.

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