

**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
Confirmation Sunday
February 4, 2024**



Cover art by
Lucy Atwood, member
of Westminster's
Confirmation Class
of 2024

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word Paul Fey

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.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

(11:00 a.m.) Annie McKnight and Lucy Kate Thomson

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Where do we see God?

**In the people who go out of their way
to welcome the person who is sitting alone.**

Where do we see God?

**In the stillness and quiet of the winter,
and in the cool breeze of a hot summer day.**

May we remain vigilant and look for God.

**In the moments when we cannot see God,
may we be open to others helping us see.**

May we continue to see God's love,
and spread God's love to others.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

(11:00 a.m.) Lizzie Griffin and Charles Lee

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

Incomprehensible God,
we want to know you better.

Our faith journey is lifelong,
**giving us time to think, question, reflect,
and giving us time to grow closer to you.**

Our faith journey is lifelong.

**Our perspectives and beliefs may
change, grow, and expand,**

but your steadfast love for us remains.

Our faith journey is lifelong, and it is a gift.

Thanks be to God. 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.)*

Worship on the Lord's Day

Worship begins as the people gather - greeting one another, praying in silence, or offering music to the glory of God. The act of assembling in Jesus' name bears witness to the Church's identity and mission as Christ's body in the world.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN 35**

LOBE DEN HERREN

Hymn 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune. TEXT: Joachim Neander, 1680; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863; MUSIC: Stralsund *Ernewerten Gesangbuch*, 1665.

CALL TO CONFESSION

(11:00 a.m.) Holden Smith

Just like sheep wander away from their shepherd,
we wander away from God.

**The paths we walk down and the decisions we make
lead us further away.**

Yet still, we are called back into the fold by God,
so that we may learn the ways of the Lord.

Together, we name how we, like sheep, have strayed.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(11:00 a.m.) Carter Billings, Grant Kinnett, and Helen Schriener

God, our Father,

we confess that we have not shown love to our neighbors.

We have spoken poorly about others who are not present.

We have left others out and we have held grudges.

We have been selfish,

and have not been thoughtful

about the impact of our actions on others.

*Call to and
Prayer of
Confession*

Dear God,

we ask for forgiveness for all the people we have hurt.

Please show us your mercy,

and give us the strength to change

and learn from our mistakes.

Help us to live in your image

and love one another as you love us.

Today's Prayer of Confession was written by the Confirmation Class of 2024 and their Mentors. Having praised the holiness of God, we must also face the errant state of the world and of our lives, confessing our unworthiness to enter into God's presence. Nevertheless, we approach God with confidence, trusting in the mercy of Jesus Christ.

(Silent confession)

Kyrie

Hal H. Hopson

(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Assurance of Pardon

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

(11:00 a.m.) French Smith and Bowen Ballew

Friends, this is the power of the Gospel!
Believe the good news:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***The Peace**

(11:00 a.m.) Nancy McCanless, Campbell Parsons, and Jack Sites

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

(11:00 a.m.) George Isaacs

SCRIPTURE

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

Matthew 22:34-40

(11:00 a.m.) Lucy Atwood

(New Testament, page 25 in your pew Bible)

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

Psalms 147:1-11, 20c (Hymn 657)

GLENDON

(Congregation sings refrain; Choir sings verses alone.)

1 John 4:7-21

(11:00 a.m.) Crosby Edwards, Jet O'Rear, and Hank Rusie

(New Testament, page 241 in your pew Bible)

*About Psalm 147,
Hymn 657*

The five songs of praise that conclude the biblical psalter (Psalms 146-150) all begin and end with "Hallelujah!" That ecstatic Hebrew word is expanded here into the refrain that opens and closes this paraphrase of Psalm 147, an appropriate frame for its theme of thanksgiving. TEXT and MUSIC: John L. Bell, 1993.

SERMON

“Abide in God’s Love”

Heidi Hudnut-Beumler

(A moment for meditation)

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

(See page 17 of your hymnal for the Apostles’ Creed.)

PRESENTATION OF THE CONFIRMANDS (11:00 a.m.)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00 a.m.)

Presentation

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ...

Obeying the word of our Lord Jesus,
and confident of his promises,
we baptize those whom God has called.

**In baptism God claims us and seals us
to show that we belong to God.
God frees us from sin and death,
uniting us with Jesus Christ in his
death and resurrection.**

**By water and the Holy Spirit,
we are made members of the Church,
the body of Christ, and joined to Christ's ministry
of love, peace, and justice.**

**Let us remember with joy our own baptism,
as we celebrate this sacrament.**

**Presentation of the Confirmands and
Sacrament of Baptism**

Elder David Wyckoff

**Affirmation and Reaffirmation of the Baptismal
Covenant**

***Profession of Faith**

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

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

Confirmands and Mentors collaborated with Heidi Hudnut-Beumler to reflect on today’s sermon scripture.

About Confirmation

Done in community with their class, Confirmation at Westminster is for 8th Graders. During this 6-month process, the youth learn about the Bible, God, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, the Church, and the Sacraments. It is a valuable and formative experience in one’s faith journey, where Confirmands are encouraged to answer the question: “Why be a part of the Church?” We celebrate with the Confirmands this morning as they publicly profess their faith and assume greater responsibility in the life of the Church as well as God’s mission in the world. This is a significant moment in their faith journeys!

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

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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

Thanksgiving over the Water

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal and gracious God, we give you thanks...
lives and reigns forever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

Charge to the Confirmands

Blessing for the Confirmands

Barbara Smith

THE EUCHARIST

OFFERING

(11:00 a.m.) Avery Sturdivant

Anthem

Steal Away

(8:30) Spiritual/arr. Nicholas White

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus.

Steal away, steal away home, I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, he calls me, he calls me by the thunder;
The trumpet sounds within-a my soul, I ain't got long to stay here.

Steal away...

Green trees are bendin', poor sinners stand a-tremblin';
The trumpet sounds within-a my soul, I ain't got long to stay here.

Steal away...

(11:00) Earlene Rentz

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus.

Steal away, steal away home, I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord calls me aloud by the thunder.

The trumpet sounds within-a my soul.

I ain't got long to stay here. *Steal away...*

My Lord calls me to be a light in the darkness.
The trumpet sounds within-a my soul, *Steal away...*

*The Blessing for the
Confirmands was
written by the
parents of the
Confirmation Class
of 2024.*

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***DOXOLOGY**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Doxology

**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!**

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 to the Lord.**

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

Almighty God,
we give you thanks and praise...
Jesus Christ is proof of that.

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

About Great Thanksgiving

Following the offering and preparation of the table, the pastor invites worshipers to the Lord's Supper using scripture, leading the people in a prayer to the triune God: giving thanks for God's creative power, providential care, and covenant faithfulness, along with particular blessings of the day; remembering God's acts of salvation through Jesus' birth, life, death, resurrection, ascension, and promised return; calling on the Holy Spirit to draw worshipers into the presence of the risen Lord, nourish them in the body and blood of Christ, unite them with Christ in the communion of saints and Church in every place, and send them in mission to the world. The prayer ends with praise to the triune God.

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!... Bles - sed is he who comes, he who
 comes in the name of the Lord... Ho - san - na, ho -
 san - na, ho - sau - na in the high - est!

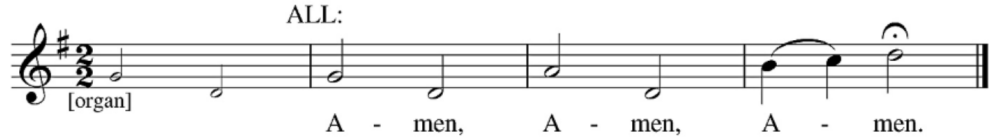
(The congregation may be seated.)

In another of your great surprises...
the Holy Spirit is proof of that.

Great is the mystery of faith:



So send now your Spirit...
meet us here again.



***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

(Prayed in unison, see page 35 of your hymnal for the text.)

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(During Communion at the 11:00 am service, the church will confirm the Confirmands. A Youth Staff member and the Confirmand's mentor will lay hands on the Confirmand while the Youth Staff member blesses the Confirmand. The Confirmands, celebrating their first Communion as members of Jesus' Church, will receive Communion with their Mentors while the Congregation receives Communion in the pews.)

Music during Communion

Anthem (8:30 a.m.)

Do This In Remembrance of Me Larry Visser

On the night he was betrayed, Christ took bread, and
when he gave thanks, he broke it and said,
"This is my body, which is for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, Christ took the cup,
the new cov'nant in his blood, he poured it and said,
"This is my blood, poured out for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."

(11:00 a.m.) Silence to read Confirmand names during Communion.

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.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(11:00 a.m.) Bowen Ballew, Violet Krumwiede, Anna Byrns Ragle, Holden Smith, Lily Kate Tatman, Betsy Thomas, and Andrew Wyckoff.

SENDING

***HYMN 295**

Go to the World!

SINE NOMINE

BENEDICTION

(11:00 a.m.) Tucker Lyman, Jet O'Rear, and Jack Sites

POSTLUDE

Toccata and Fugue in G Minor

Johann Pachelbel

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

Today's Prayer After Communion was written by the Confirmation Class of 2024 and their Mentors.

About Hymn 295

Based on Christ's great commission (Matthew 28:19-20), this text was written for a Convocation of Emmanuel College in Toronto, the largest theological school of the United Church of Canada, a denomination formed by the union of Methodists, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians. TEXT: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1985; MUSIC: Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906.

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

Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler
Associate Pastor for Congregational Care

Liturgists

(8:30 AM) Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake
Pastor and Head of Staff

(11:00 AM) T.J. Piccolo
Associate Director of Youth

Assisting with Confirmands

11:00 AM Kathy Billings

Usher

11:00 AM Owen Brooks

Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Tom Wyllly
11:00 AM Confirmation Class of 2024

Communion Preparation

Suzie Lane and Tom Bayersdorfer

Presenting Elder for Baptism and Confirmands

11:00 AM David Wyckoff

Music

8:30 AM Westminster Choir
11:00 AM Laudate 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
and in celebration of
Ferrell Ann Wilson’s 18th birthday
with much love from
Julie and Tom Wilson*

*The flowers in the Parlor
are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of
Mark E. Humphreys
by his family.*

Baptism

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

*Violet Ambrose,
daughter of
Shana and Jason Krumwiede*



TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Welcome

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

Recorded Worship Services

To watch a service at a later time, go to nashvillewpc.church and scroll down to the *Worship Service Archive*. Click on the service you would like to watch.

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.

Childcare

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

Nursery - Room 146
Toddlers & 2s - Room 152
3s, 4s, 5s, & kindergarten - Room 151



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.



Mask Policy

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



Hearing Assistance

We offer personal FM Receivers with an ear-piece, located in the Narthex and the Welsh dresser in the Parlor. There are directions at each location.



Large Print Hymns

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



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY



Confirmands, Mentors, and Parents alike participated in bringing their unique voices to this worship service. Confirmands and Mentors crafted the Prayer of Confession and the Prayer After Communion. Confirmands and Mentors collaborated with Heidi Hudnut-Beumler to reflect on today's sermon scripture. Parents of the Confirmands brainstormed and authored the Blessing for the Confirmands.

Confirmand

Lucille Claire Atwood
Bowen Mercer Ballew
Carter Rodgers Billings
Owen James Brooks
Crosby Catherine Edwards
Elizabeth Walters Griffin
George Arthur Isaacs
Grant MacKenzie Kinnett, Jr.
Violet Ambrose Krumwiede
Charles Baxter Lee
Tucker Lovett Lyman
Nancy Marie McCanless
Annie Wilson McKnight
Jet Brown O'Rear
Campbell Anne Parsons
Anna Byrns Ragle
Henry Alexander Rusie
Helen Hobbs Schriener
John Charles Sites, Jr.
French McKnight Smith
Holden Marshall Smith
Avery Ann Sturdivant
Lily Kathryne Tatman
Elizabeth Bowers Thomas
Lucy Katherine Thomson
Andrew James Wyckoff

Mentor

Nancy McKnight
Baxter Lee
Kate Pennington
Lindsay Ballew
Kim Crafton
Mary Wheeler
Lee Ballew
Ned Munson
Janet Kuhn
Jarron Springer
Hugh Harvey
Kady Folk
Lolly Brown
Stewart Lyman
Logan Lyman
Melinda Coles
Mac Hardcastle
Beth Diveley
Brent Pennington
Chad Atwood
Sandy Kinnett
Sarah Long
Julie Wilson
Libby Sieveking
Susan Weathersby
Rachel Hosé

This worship service utilized the UWorship Resource from UKirk, a ministry of the PC(U.S.A.) that provides community and spiritual nourishment for college students.

Westminster loves and supports UKirk!

Confirmation Class 2024:
Received into membership
by the Westminster
Session January 25, 2024.



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

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

Confirmation Class of 2024 & Mentors

Eighth Grade Confirmation Teachers

Mac Hardcastle
T.J. Piccolo

Fellowship Events, Mentor Recruitment, & General Support

Eleanor Bryant
Kate Griffin
Rachel Hosé
Susan Isaacs
Colleen McCanless
Nancy McKnight
AJ Ragle
Susan Tatman
Nora Wheliss

Guest Teachers & Speakers

Rev. Stephanie Boaz
Melinda Coles
Rev. Claire Harris Kramer
Don Schulze
Jarron Springer
Nora Wheliss

Confirmation Reception

Beth Drake
Anne Jenkins
Ann Schulze
Alyson Thomas

Confirmation Retreat Chaperones

Sam Cowan
Louise Shacklett
Ryland Wheliss

Youth Group Team

Sam Cowan
Eleanor Glover
Rachel & Robert Hosé
Hontas Lowrance
John Perry
Ann Schulze
Louise Shacklett
Ryland Wheliss

Coffee & Conversations Leader

Fran Linley

Youth & Families Committee

Jarron Springer (Chair)
Kathy Billings
Wendy Fielder
Vanessa Garner
Joanna Hall
Susan Isaacs
Hontas Lowrance
Colleen McCanless
John Perry
Ann Schulze
David Wyckoff



Confirmation Class 2024



TODAY @ WESTMINSTER



The commandment we have from God is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

I John 4: 21

1. This commandment is based on the foundational belief that "God is love..." (John 4: 16b) How have you experienced "God is love" in your life?
2. What holds you back from loving others in certain circumstances, or with certain types of people?
3. What frees you to love others like you love God, and like God loves you?
4. As you go forward seeking to grow in faith in 2024, what would help you to grow in love?

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM



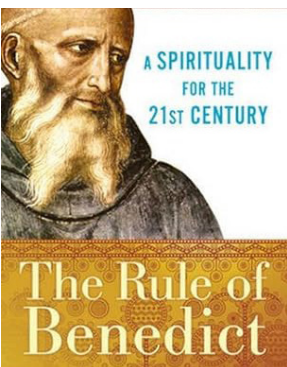
Covenant Class • Fellowship Hall

Overcoming Racism for a Multiracial Democracy

Session 1: The Legacy of American Racism

Ongoing battles over the teaching of American history are an attempt to shape the narrative of who we are (or who we'd like to think we are) as a people. But Americans must be honest about the legacy of racism and white supremacy if we are to create the conditions for a lasting, multiracial democracy.

Led by Dr. Peter Jauhiainen



The Rule of Benedict: Crafting Our Own Rule of Life Room 208

This class will continue our earlier examination of Christian spiritual practices and how to adapt them to our busy lives by focusing specifically on the Rule of Benedict. We will use Joan Chittister's book *The Rule of Benedict: A Spirituality for the 21st Century* as a guide to explore Benedict of Nursia's 1,500-year-old text, the cornerstone of Western monasticism. In learning more about this spiritual classic, we also discuss its relevance to our spiritual life today and work together on crafting our own rule of life.



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM

Coffee & Conversation: Sunday School for Parents of Youth and Young Adults

Join us in the Parlor as we discuss finding God in unexpected places.

For more info, please contact Fran Linley, fran.linley@gmail.com.

Faith & Fellowship • 214

Join us for an exploration of the Seven Letters of Paul. We will discuss the letters individually and collectively discovering their purpose of the time, the collective themes of the letters, and what the letters/scripture say to us today.

For more info, please contact Donna Schwaber, dkschwaber@gmail.com.

Murdoch MacLeods • Library

We will discuss this week's gospel lesson.

For more info, please contact Paul DeWitt, pdewitt@comcast.net.

Young Families • Overlook Room

Where we feel God's presence, God in Nature. Religious sites and influence in National Parks.

Led by Owen Simcoe.

For more info, please contact Krissie Self, krissiebsself@gmail.com.

Winter New Member & Inquirer Class • Goodpasture Hall

Led by: New Member Committee, church leaders and staff

This class series is for people exploring Westminster, those feeling ready to join, and recent new members. To sign up for this class, please contact: Sherri Givens, sgivens@nashvillewpc.org.

Youth Ministry

9:45 AM

**No Sunday School
7th - 12th grade
are invited to join the
Confirmands in the
Koinonia Youth Café to
celebrate Confirmation
Sunday.**

6:15 PM

**7th - 12th grade
Youth Group**

**Please join us at
Poncho and Lefty's
(4501 Murphy Rd)**

Youth & Children Choirs

4:00 PM

Children's Choirs

**Tintinnabulation
Handbell Choir**

5:00 PM

Laudate Choir

**Children's Ministry
9:45 AM • Sunday
School**

2s are in room 149

3s are in room 161

4s are in room 163

**Godly Play/
Kindergarten in 183**

5th and 6th in room 292

**1st - 4th Chapel first and
then will be picked up
in rooms.**



GENEROSITY



We are pleased to announce the success of our recent campaign, and it is all thanks to the remarkable generosity of you - our congregation. Together, we have met our goal, reaching a total

of \$3,534,642 from 476 households.

If you have not pledged yet, join us in the remarkable journey. Together, embraced by God's love, we foster faith, engage in meaningful service, and actively contribute to God's work through ministry, worship and love. Together, we are called to be partners in God's mission in the world - grounded in Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Your outpouring of support demonstrates the strength and unity within our

community. In moments like these, words fall short in expressing our deep gratitude. As God calls and accepts us into His service, we are strengthened by the gift of the Holy Spirit. The light that shines from our collective efforts becomes a beacon, illuminating not only our church community but also reaching our neighbors and the wider world. 'For God said, Let Light Shine out of darkness,' and indeed, your contributions have made that light shine brilliantly. Thanks be to God.

Generosity Committee:

Tom Wylly, Co-Chair

Bob Hines Co-Chair

Matt Ashwood Elta Breen

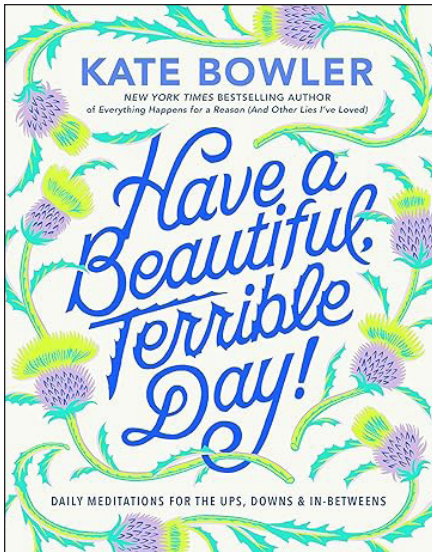
Kelly Christie John Halsell

Jay Hardcastle Janet Kuhn

Ralph Wheeler



GET CONNECTED



Starting February 18
Journey with Jesus
5:00 PM • Zoom

Join us for a Lenten study with Suzie Lane.

Have a Beautiful, Terrible Day! is packed with bite-size reflections and action-oriented steps to help you get through the day, be it good, bad, or totally mediocre. This is a devotional for the rest of us—which is to say, the people who don't have magical lives that always work out for the best.

For more info, please contact Suzie, suzielane0@gmail.com.

Buy a copy of the book by scanning the QR code.



February 18
Young Adult Lunch
12:00 PM
Goodpasture Hall

If you are in your 20's or 30's, come join us as we continue to grow our Young Adult Ministry at Westminster! Monthly potlucks and Theology on Tap have continued over the course of the fall. What to plan for 2024? Come and share your ideas, meet new people, gather with old friends, and enjoy a good lunch!

Please let us know if you plan to attend by contacting Esther Kang, estherkang1992@gmail.com.



February 8
Music Box
11:00 AM
Westminster Café

Please join us for our first program in our Music Box Series and be entertained by the Songwriters Song Circle, a group of Nashville singer/songwriters who meet regularly to enjoy each other's music, led by recording artist and Westminster member, Debra Griner. She has recorded three CDs. Her latest album, *A Place to Start*, will be released Feb. 23, 2024.

Following the program, a box lunch will be served. Everyone is welcome for the program. Reservations are required to stay for lunch. Cost \$10. Contact the office.

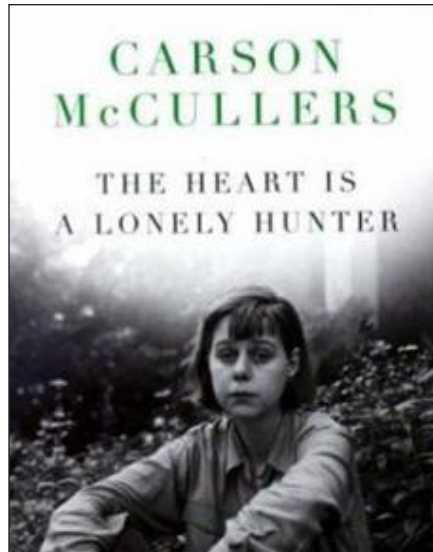


GETCONNECTED



February 7
Wednesday Night
Dinner
5:45 PM • Fellowship
Hall

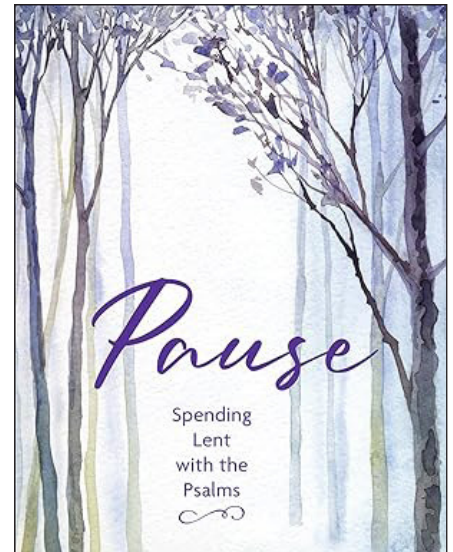
Please join us for good food and fellowship. Scan the QR code below to register or write it down on the pew pad and drop it in the offering plate. Deadline to register is 12:00 PM on Monday.



February 7
Westminster Academy
6:30 PM • Overlook
Room

Professor Sue Tully Trout will lead us through Carson McCullers' *The Heart is a Lonely Hunter*.

McCullers' debut novel was published in 1940 when she was only 23. It is about a deaf man named John Singer and the people he encounters in a 1930s mill town in the US state of Georgia.



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Lent is an ideal time to step back and reflect on the deeper movements of the spirit, and Elizabeth Caldwell helps readers do this through a simple but profound approach. *Pause: Spending Lent with the Psalms* invites us to take up the spiritual practice of encountering, sinking into, and deeply engaging with one psalm each week during Lent and Holy Week.

We hope you will join us for this special Lenten study.

Books available in the office. Cost \$17.



LIVING OUT THE WORD

Help Us Help Them

On February 8, WPC will host a Blood Drive, from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM in Goodpasture Hall.

Your blood donation is needed now to help alleviate the shortage.

Please scan the QR code to register for a time slot or contact Kris Pardue, kpardue@nashvillewpc.org.



A Musical Night

February 13
A Valentine's Fundraiser for MNPS Homeless Families

6:00 PM • Valentine's Desserts & Coffee

7:00 PM • Show
Tickets are \$20

Scan the QR code to make your reservation.



Books to Read

The Earth Care Task Force has two books to suggest. The first is *Inhabiting Eden* by Dr. Patricia Tull, Professor Emeritus at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary.

The second is *Saving Us* by Katharine Hayhoe, Professor of Climate Science at Texas Tech University and a devout Christian.





CAFÉ ACTIVITIES



Tuesday - Friday
8:00 AM - Noon

*Where you find that two or three are gathered...
I'm there!"*

Matthew 18:19-20

Note-Caring Ministry

February 6, 20



Come bring your caring heart and share your kind words.

Tuesdays
9:00 - 10:00 AM

Write notes/cards for those experiencing joys and sorrows, those needing encouragement, and those deserving appreciation. A list of potential recipients and all materials will be supplied.

Scripture Reflection

February 7,14,21,28



Creative Journey Through Scripture Reflection in Watercolor

Wednesdays
9:15-10:30 AM

This is a beautiful opportunity to experience the joy of watercolor while sharing life through scripture.

RSVPs are encouraged.
Scan QR code.



Better Decisions

February 21



Women Helping Women through Better Decisions

Join us in the Cafe as we learn more about Better Decisions, a nonprofit that equips incarcerated and otherwise vulnerable women with decision-making strategies and skills through structured curriculum and one-to-one mentoring.

RSVPs are encouraged.
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THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, February 4

- 8:30 AM Worship
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 4:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsals
Tintinnabulation Handbells
- 5:00 PM Journey with Jesus
Laudate Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 PM Youth Group

Monday, February 5

- 10:00 AM Tai Chi
- 11:45 AM Centering Prayer
- 5:00 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, February 6

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

Wednesday, February 7

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 7:30 AM Westminster Café
- 9:30 AM Westminster Bells
- 10:00 AM Tai Chi
- 5:45 PM Wednesday Night Dinner
- 6:00 PM Room In The Inn
- 6:30 PM Westminster Academy
- 7:00 PM Men's Basketball
- 7:00 PM Westminster Choir

Thursday, February 8

- 7:30 AM Westminster Café
- 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study
- 10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting

Friday, February 9

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 7:30 AM Westminster Café
- 10:00 AM Tai Chi
- 5:00 PM Pickleball

Saturday, February 10

- 11:30 AM AA

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

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A Valentine's Fundraiser for MNPS Homeless Families

Tuesday, February 13

6:00 PM | Valentine's Desserts & Coffee

7:00-8:30 PM | Show

Tickets are \$20

Proceeds to benefit Metro Nashville Public Schools Homeless Families Through the HERO Program.

The Homeless Education Resource Office (HERO) works to provide necessary resources, supports and referrals to help homeless children and youth to be successful in school and have a positive school experience.

Scan the QR code to Purchase your ticket today.





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February 4, 2024

35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

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657 Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness (Psalm 147)

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (D)
Refrain F Dm Gm7 C F



Sing to God, with joy and glad - ness, hymns and

(Bm) (Em7) (D) (Bm) (Em7)
Dm Gm7 F Dm Gm7



psalms of grat - i - tude; with the voice of praise

(A) (D) (Bm) (Em7) (D)
C F Dm Gm7 F *Fine*



dis - cov - er that to wor - ship God is good.

(Bm) (Em7) (A) (F#) (G)
Dm Gm7 C A Bb



1 God u - nites the scat - tered peo - ple, gath - ers
2 Such is God's great power and wis - dom, none can
3 God with clouds the sky has cur - tained, thus en -
4 God's dis - cern - ment nev - er fa - vors strength or


(Em) (F#) (F#7) (Bm) (Em7) (A)
Gm A A7 Dm Gm7 C



those who wan - dered far, heals the hurt and bro - ken
cal - cu - late or tell; keen is God to ground the
sur - ing rain shall fall; earth, re - spond - ing, grows to
speed to lift or move; God de - lights in those who

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(D) (G) (Em7) (A) *to Refrain*
F B^b Gm7 C (D)
F F



spir - its, tend - ing ev - ery wound and scar.
wick - ed and with hum - ble folk to dwell.
or - der food for crea - tures great and small.
wor - ship, trust - ing in God's stead - fast love.

Go to the World!

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1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - ery place.
3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,



Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
for I am with you till the age shall end,



bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

