

For **GOD** so
LOVED ^{the} WORLD
that He GAVE
HIS ONE AND ONLY
SON that whoever
believes in him
SHALL NOT PERISH
but have ETERNAL
LIFE

JOHN 3:16

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.

About Hymn 624

The original French text, sometimes attributed to John Calvin, seems to be a Protestant re-working of a Roman Catholic hymn, not a typical practice for him. Yet this text and tune (adapted from GENEVAN 124) clearly date from the early years of the Reformed tradition. TEXT: *Psalms*, Strasbourg, 1545; trans. Elizabeth Lee Smith, 1868; MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551.

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

Jesus, Priceless Treasure, BWV 610 (*Hymn 830*)

I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ, BWV 639 J.S. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in love.
The Lord of life is lifted up!
Let us look to the Lord and live!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

**Guided by your revelation,
we are compelled to seek your wisdom
as we continue the Lenten journey.
Fill our spirits with hope, humility, and resolve,
that we might be your will in the world.
Open our hearts to accept this call upon our lives.
May our sacred service be pleasing in your sight. Amen.**

*HYMN 624

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art TOULON

CALL TO CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin,
**we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us.**

But if we confess our sins,
**God, who is faithful and just,
will forgive us our sins and cleanse us
from all unrighteousness.**

(1 John 1:8-9)

In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Redeemer, we confess
that we are people of ashes and dust.
We grumble and complain
when you have provided all we need.
We continue to walk in darkness
when you have given light to the world.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Help us to trust in you
so that we may not perish
but may have eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Silent confession)

Kyrie

James MacMillan

(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

*The Peace

Since God in Christ has forgiven us,
let us also forgive one another.

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

*(Please exchange the peace with the words,
"The peace of Christ be with you.")*

Prayer of Confession

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

About the Kyrie

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

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.

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.**

Numbers 21:4-9

(Old Testament, page 139 in your pew Bible)

(Sung responsively after each scripture reading.)

Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Psalm 51:10

Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Renew a right spirit within me.

Renew a right spirit within me.

Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 (Hymn 653)

MORNING SONG

(Verses 1-3 sung by choir, verse 6 all sing)

John 3:14-21

(New Testament, page 94 in your pew Bible)

SERMON

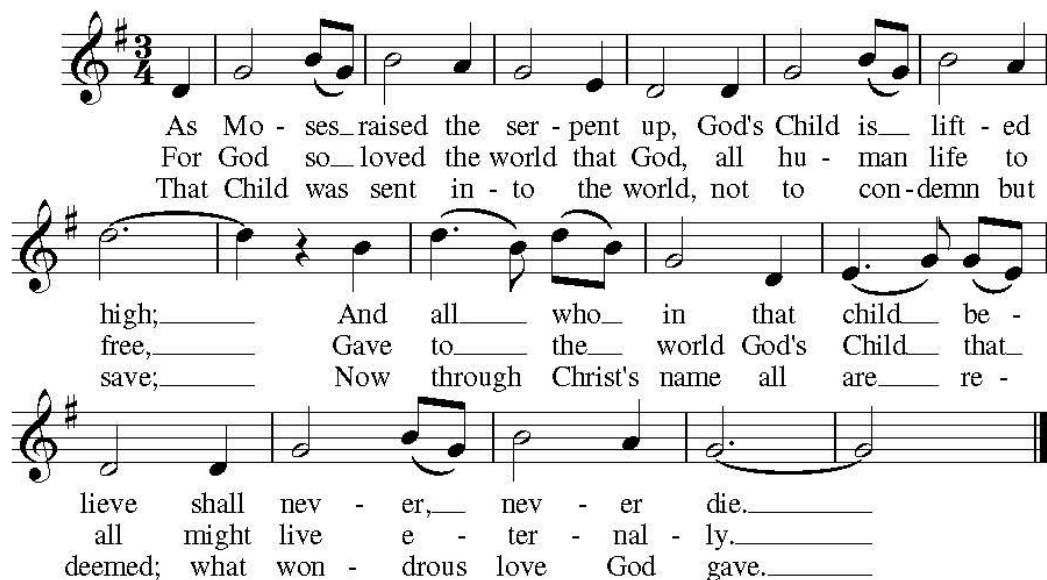
“The Good Life”

Donovan Drake

(A moment for meditation)

*HYMN

As Moses Raised the Serpent Up **AMAZING GRACE**



As Mo - ses raised the ser - pent up, God's Child is lift - ed
For God so loved the world that God, all hu - man life to
That Child was sent in - to the world, not to con - demn but
high; And all who in that child be -
free; Gave to the world God's Child that
save; Now through Christ's name all are re -
lieve shall nev - er, nev - er die.
all might live e - ter - nal - ly.
deemed; what won - drous love God gave.

*About Psalm 107,
Hymn 653*

The singing of psalm paraphrases is the most long-standing musical practice in Reformed tradition, dating from John Calvin's own congregation in Geneva in the 16th century. This recent paraphrase of Psalm 107 illustrates the interpretive flexibility that is a hallmark of the form. TEXT: Ruth Duck, 2007; MUSIC: Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second*, 1813; harm. Richard Proulx, 1975.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from
the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

(From A Brief Statement of Faith)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

Anthem

I Believe

Mark Miller

I believe in the sun even when it's not shining...
I believe in love even when I don't feel it...
I believe in God even when God is silent.

WHAT IS LENT ALL ABOUT?

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

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

To GIVE, please scan the QR code below:



Doxology

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

About Hymn 377

The author / composer of this unrhymed hymn regards it as a meditation and prayer deeply rooted in many scriptures, most connected with the theme of light: Genesis 1:17; Psalm 139:12; Isaiah 60:19; Malachi 4:2; John 14:8; Ephesians 5:8; Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 John 1:5; Revelation 21:23.
TEXT and MUSIC: Kathleen Thomerson, 1966.

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

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***DOXOLOGY**

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**You are holy, O God of majesty,
and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.
He took upon himself the weight of our sin
and carried the burden of our guilt.
He shared our life in every way,
and though tempted, was sinless to the end.
Baptized as your own,
he went willingly to his death
and by your power was raised to new life.
In his dying and rising,
you gave birth to your church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death
and made with us a new covenant
by water and the Spirit. Amen.**

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

SENDING

***HYMN 377** I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light **HOUSTON**

***BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

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

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

POSTLUDE Toccata prima on the first tone **Claudio Merulo**

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

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 or hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org.

TODAY@ WESTMINSTER

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preaching

Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake
Pastor and Head of Staff

Liturgist

T.J. Piccolo
Associate Director of Youth

Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Jane Kirchner
11:00 AM Nathan Ridley

Music

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

EASTER LILIES: DEADLINE MARCH 17

Lilies will grace our Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024. If you would like to purchase a lily (\$10) in memory or in honor of a friend or family member, please place your order online at www.nashvillewpc.church or by email to Terri Eckert at teckert@nashvillewpc.org. **The deadline to order is March 17.**

RED ROSE

The red rose in the Chancel is given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the birth of a son, Weldon Stafford on February 26, 2024 to Lauren and Trevor Mitchell. Big sister Margot is thrilled along with grandparents Anne and Scott Riegler and great-grandmothers Joyce Horsley and Bitsy Riegler-Gulbenk.

Mask Policy

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

Hearing Assistance

We offer personal FM Receivers with an ear-piece, located in the Narthex and in the Parlor on the Welsh dresser. Instructions can be found at each location.

Large Print Hymns

Looking for large-print hymns? They can be found in the Narthex at the Sanctuary entrance or in the Parlor on the Welsh dresser.

Recorded Worship Services

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

Dial-a-Sermon

Dial 629.206.1073 after 10:15 AM each Sunday morning to listen to the sermon. The sermon will be available all week.

Second Sunday Celebration

Need a little boost to stay awake for the 11:00 AM service? Grab a cappuccino, latte macchiato, or flat white plus a pastry in the Parlor from 9:30 to 11:00 AM.

Update Your Membership Contact Information

Visit the Membership table in the Parlor and talk with a member of the GETconnected team to update your contact information.

Childcare

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

Nursery - Room 146

Toddlers & 2s - Room 152

3s, 4s, 5s and Kindergarten - Room 151

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



**LIVING
OUT THE
WORD**

LOVE
RECONCILE
SHINE
TRANSFORM

"So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live." Numbers 21:9

When has your life been in danger?

When have you ever experienced being rescued?

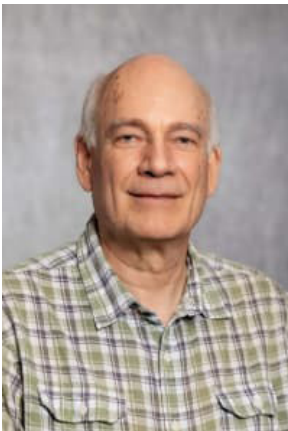
What are the feelings and needs associated with wanting to be rescued or made well?

What are the feelings and needs associated with the one who rescues?

How on earth can Jesus "being lifted up" on a cross (John 3:14) be compared to Moses lifting "up a serpent in the wilderness"?

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM

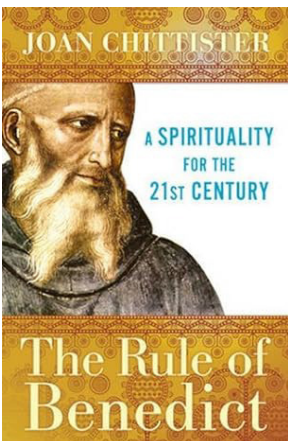


Covenant Class • Fellowship Hall

Four-Part Series: *The Pursuit of Paradise: Arabs and Israelis, Holy Lands and Homelands*

In this four-part series, Dr. Echerd will teach us about the creation of the modern state of Israel, the origins of the Palestinian refugee problem, and the role of the Holy Places in this whole story.

Dr. Art Echerd comes to us from Harpeth Hall School, where he has taught European and World History for over thirty years.



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**

Please join the class in Fellowship Hall.

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**

Please join the class in Fellowship Hall.

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

Youth Ministry

Spring Break

Please join us for Sunday School and Youth Group on Sunday, March 17.

Youth & Children Choirs

**4:00 PM
Tintinnabulation
rehearsals**

**Spring Break
No Children's or
Laudate Choir
Rehearsals**

**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.**



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We Welcome These New Members!

On Sunday, March 3, the Session of Westminster formally received new members with joy into our church family.



Dean Smith &
Tim Barry



Hannah Choate &
Austin Carr



Brandon Clingman



Linda & Tim
Crenshaw



Leslie Gaudreau



Tracie & Frank
Hosse



Sheree Kelley



Whit & Lauren
Martin



Deb McCarley



Please say hello to our newest members as you see them at Westminster events.



Lisa Oppenheimer



Nell & George
Wilson



March 23
EASTER EGG HUNT

Arrive at 10:00 AM
Hunt Begins 10:15 AM

Hunt is for two-year-olds through fourth graders.

We will provide bags to gather eggs, you will NOT need baskets.

Refreshments and time to play after the hunt will be fun.

Friends are welcome.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Earth Care Reflections and Some Great Documentaries to View.

As we are into the Lenten season, our denomination's Presbyterians for Earth Care has a series of reflections and devotions that we think will guide thought about our relationship to God's creation. Please scan the green QR code below to access them.

If you are interested in joining Presbyterians for Earth Care, or just want their monthly newsletters, you can sign up by scanning the blue QR code.

Many documentaries have been created about care for God's creation and how climate change is affecting it. Here are three you might consider.

Earth: The Operator's Manual, 2012, directed by Geoff Haines-Stiles (Currently available on Amazon, NSF-PBS-Earth webpage, YouTube and DVD)

Chasing Coral, 2017, directed by Jeff Orlowski (Currently available on Netflix)

Our Planet 2019, directed by BBC's David Attenborough (Is now streaming on Netflix.)

The Earth Care Task Force meets the second Wednesday of the month by Zoom at 5:30 PM. Call Curtis Baysinger at 803-603-8221 or email him at cbaysinger2@gmail.com if you want to come join us.



Financials

Each month, the Finance Committee provides a summary of the church operating income and expenses.

If any members wish to have more information about church finances, please contact:

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Suzanne McLemore, Treasurer
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Jo Ann McFarlin, Administrator
jmcfarlin@nashvillewpc.org or
615.292.5526 x231.

February 2024

	Month	Year to Date
Income:	\$227,563	\$1,014,572
Expense:	<u>\$253,192</u>	<u>\$ 517,729</u>
Net Income (loss):		
	\$(25,628)	\$ 496,843



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Update on Youth Director Search

Our search committee has posted the job description in numerous places. We are looking for a full-time youth director.

So far, we have had very few applicants.

We are actively pursuing interested folks and getting the word out about our church community.

Although the Church does not typically hire members, if you know of

other folks who might be a good fit, please reach out to them.

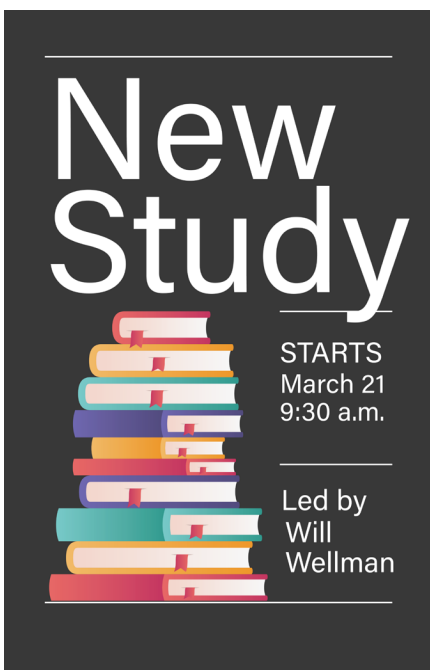
The job description may be found on our website. All inquiries and resumés may be sent to Sophie, smaness@nashvillewpc.org.

In this transition, T.J. continues to lead well. Our new support staff person, Anna, is providing T.J. with some administrative support.

We are also staying open and looking for other part time support for our youth program.

We would appreciate your prayers and continued support as God leads us to the next right person for our young people.

Peace,
Sophie Maness
Executive Director of
Family Ministries



March 21

New Book Study Starting

To Love as God Loves

Thursdays 9:30 - 11:00 AM

Westminster Café • Room 89

Join us as we read through and discuss Roberta Bondi's *To Love as God Loves*. Through an engagement with the writings of the desert Mothers and Fathers, Bondi explores how these texts can help us navigate the modern world and become more faithful followers of Christ. Particularly, Bondi examines what we can know of God's love for us and how that challenges and inspires us to love others, the world, and God. Books are available for purchase online.

For more information, please contact Will Wellman, wwellman@nashvillewpc.org.



GETCONNECTED



March 14
Music Box
11:00 AM
Goodpasture Hall

We hope you can join us for a jazz trio featuring Michael Alvey, piano; John Alvey, drums; and

WPC member, Jim Ferguson, bass.

Jim Ferguson is a vocalist, double bassist, educator, and luthier. He has had a long professional career in the Nashville music industry including a current staff position with Ray Stevens. He has recorded three CDs as a solo artist and performed or recorded with a lengthy list of major jazz artists. He is currently teaching jazz voice and bass at Middle Tennessee State University where he has taught since 1998.

To make your reservation for lunch, please call the office, 615.292.5526, scan the QR code below or email Sherri Givens, sgivens@nashvillewpc.org.



March 11

Women's Covenant Group
Goodpasture Hall
11:30 AM • BYO Lunch
12:00 PM • Program

We will have a participatory presentation about "Sound Bath"—a meditative process through healing instruments.

March 13

Westminster Academy
6:30 PM
Overlook Room

Pause: Spending Lent with the Psalms invites us to take up the spiritual practice of encountering, one psalm each week during Lent and Holy Week.

March 26

9:30 - 10:00 AM Fellowship
10:00 AM Program
Location: Room 10
Leaders: Dr. Ken Hande and Dr. Terry Allen

Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End
By Atul Gawande



JOY IN LEARNING

Join Us for Oil Painting Classes

This spring, Rene' Stubblefield Poe is back with two morning classes! You will be guided in familiarizing yourself with the tools, the versatile paints, and the brand new equipment available. Rene' believes in teaching you HOW to paint, no matter the subject. Once you are familiar with the tools of your new trade, you can then express your unique voice in determining WHAT to paint.

Beginner Class

Wednesdays



9:00 AM - Noon
April 3, 10, 17, 24
May 1, 8
\$50 for all 6 days

Intermediate Class

Tuesdays



9:00 AM - Noon
April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30,
May 7
\$50 for all 6 days

Information



For more info, please
contact Beth Drake,
beth@westminsterjoy.org.

Check out the website to
register for this class and
all our other activities,
westminsterjoy.org, or
contact the church office,
615.292.5526.

Scan the QR code to
register.

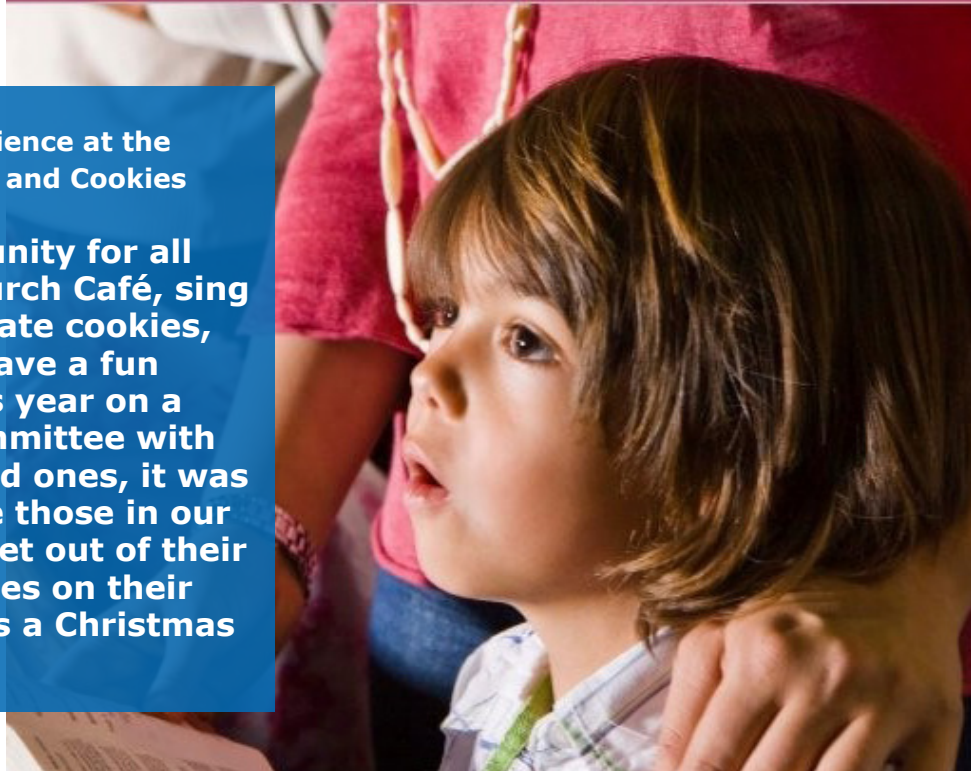




WESTMINSTER CAFÉ

Katie Regan shares her experience at the Intergenerational Café Carols and Cookies held in December.

"It was a special opportunity for all ages to gather in our church Café, sing memorable carols, decorate cookies, make art projects, and have a fun time. Having worked this year on a Congregational Care Committee with caregivers and their loved ones, it was especially exciting to see those in our group, who don't often get out of their homes, leaving with smiles on their faces. This gathering was a Christmas gift to so many!"



Making and Sharing Fond Memories: An Intergenerational Event

Wednesday, March 20
10:00-11:30 AM
Westminster Café
All ages are welcome!

Enjoy ice cream ginger ale punch, jello and wedding cookies!

Remember the taste of ice cream punch? The cool smoothness of jello? We will also have wedding cookies and other savory goodies!

Crafts will include bonnet making hats and watercolor and pastel painting stations.

Preschoolers on up are invited to enjoy a variety of craft activities, music, and snacks. (Parents/nannies stay with children.) It's a space for all to gather and have a good time!

To register for this event, please contact Beth Drake, beth@westminsterjoy.org; go to the Joy in Learning website, westminsterjoy.org, or scan the QR code below.





TURNING TOWARDS THE LIGHT

Enable Education

Equal Chance for Education enables opportunities for higher education without regard to race, religion, or nation of birth. Volunteers are needed to mentor students.

If interested, please contact Jackie Shrago, jshrago@gmail.com, OR Matt Ashwood, matt@sandynose.com.



Support a Community

Frontera de Cristo helps the community of Douglas, Arizona respond by welcoming more than 4,000 asylum seekers who are seeking refuge from extreme poverty and/or violence. If you'd like to join in support, you can donate via the Amazon Gift List. Please scan the QR code to connect to the list.



Pray for the Children

Heart for Africa is a faith-based humanitarian organization that focuses on bringing HOPE to the Kingdom of Eswatini, Africa in the areas of Hunger, Orphans, Poverty and Education. Volunteer to pray daily for Heart for Africa and the people they serve.

Please contact Lindsay Ballew, lindsayballew@yahoo.com.



THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, March 10

8:30 AM Worship
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship

4:00 PM Tintinnabulation Rehearsal
5:00 PM Kate Bowler Lenten Bible Study

Monday, March 11

10:00 AM Tai Chi
11:30 AM Women's Covenant Group
11:45 AM Centering Prayer
5:00 PM Pickleball

Tuesday, March 12

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

Wednesday, March 13

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
8:00 AM Westminster Café
9:30 AM Westminster Bells
10:00 AM Tai Chi
11:45 AM Midweek Lenten Service
6:00 PM Room In The Inn
6:30 PM Westminster Academy
7:00 PM Men's Basketball
7:00 PM Westminster Choir

Thursday, March 14

7:30 AM Westminster Café
9:30 AM Women's Bible Study
10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting
11:00 AM Music Box

Friday, March 15

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

Saturday, March 16

11:30 AM AA

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



Holy week

MARCH 24 – PASSION/PALM SUNDAY

PROCESSION OF PALMS
LAUDATE YOUTH CHOIR
ALLELUIA, GLORIA, AND JUBILATE CHILDREN'S CHOIRS
WESTMINSTER CHOIR

MARCH 28 - MAUNDY THURSDAY

6:00 P.M. DINNER
7:00 P.M. SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION IN THE SANCTUARY
STRIPPING OF THE CHANCEL
LAUDATE YOUTH CHOIR

MARCH 29 - GOOD FRIDAY

7:00 P.M. CHORAL SERVICE OF DARKNESS IN THE SANCTUARY
WESTMINSTER CHOIR

MARCH 31 - THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

SERVICES: 7:30 A.M., 9:15 A.M., AND 11:00 A.M.
WITH BRASS QUINTET
LAUDATE YOUTH CHOIR
WESTMINSTER CHOIR
(HOLY COMMUNION AT THE 7:30 A.M. SERVICE ONLY)



Our Covenant

As we look to Westminster's future, we are truly hopeful for "God-Sized Dreams" to become realities. In these efforts, we seek to let our light shine before others (Matthew 5:16), to become ministers of reconciliation loving all compassionately (because God loved us first), and to transform and renew our community and world. As unique individuals, as a collective congregation and recognizing we are all children of God, we seek to:

- grow in the knowledge of God revealed in Jesus and in our own personal and communal experiences
- love one another, being slow to judge and quick to pardon
- embody God's unifying grace and forgiveness in all our relationships, in all aspects of our lives
- be open-minded to the diversity of opinions in our congregation and the world, and to consider our opinions in light of the command to love God and our neighbor, and
- promote the Kingdom of God on earth, knowing that nothing can separate us from God's love. We enter into this covenant freely, promising to abide by its claim on our lives.

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I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art 624

1 I greet thee, who my sure Re-deem-er art,
2 Thou art the King of mer-cy and of grace,
3 Thou art the life, by which a-lone we live,
4 Thou hast the true and per-fect gen-tle-ness;
5 Our hope is in no oth-er save in thee;

my on-ly trust and Sav-ior of my heart,
reign-ing om-ni-po-tent in ev-ery place:
and all our sub-stance and our strength re-ceive;
no harsh-ness hast thou and no bit-ter-ness.
our faith is built up-on thy prom-ise free;

who pain didst un-der-go for my poor sake;
so come, O King, and our whole be-ing sway;
sus-tain us by thy faith and by thy power,
O grant to us the grace we find in thee,
Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,

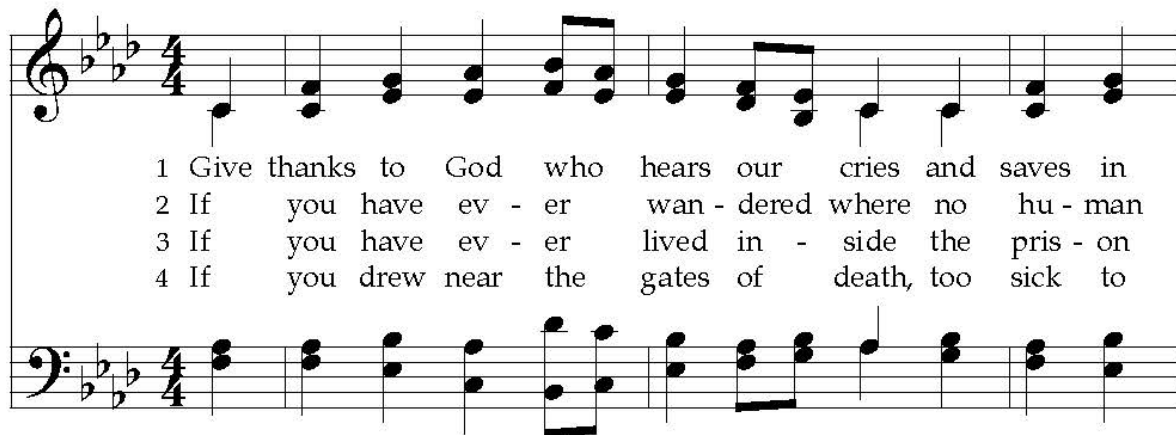
I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
and give us strength in ev-ery try-ing hour.
that we may dwell in per-fect u-ni-ty.
that in thy strength we ev-er-more en-dure.

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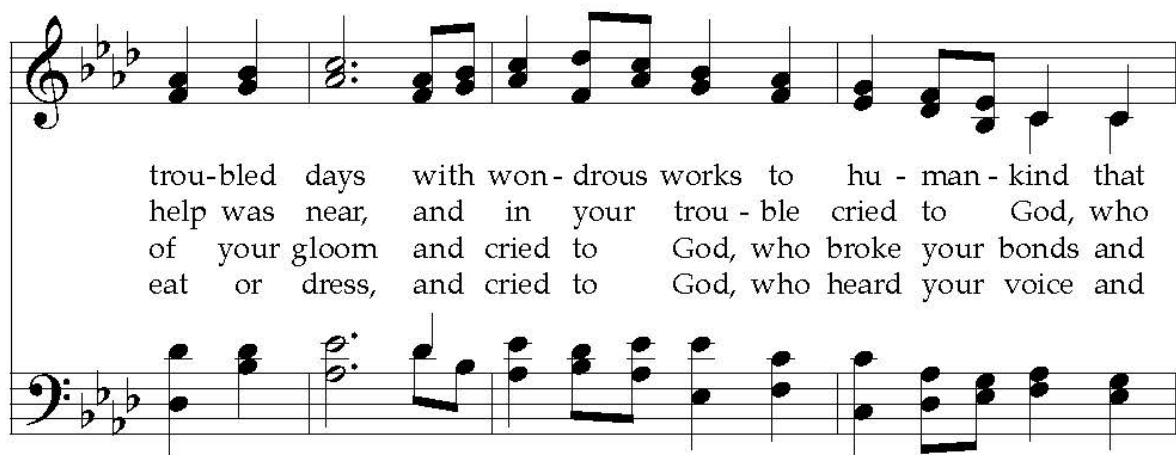
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Give Thanks to God Who Hears Our Cries

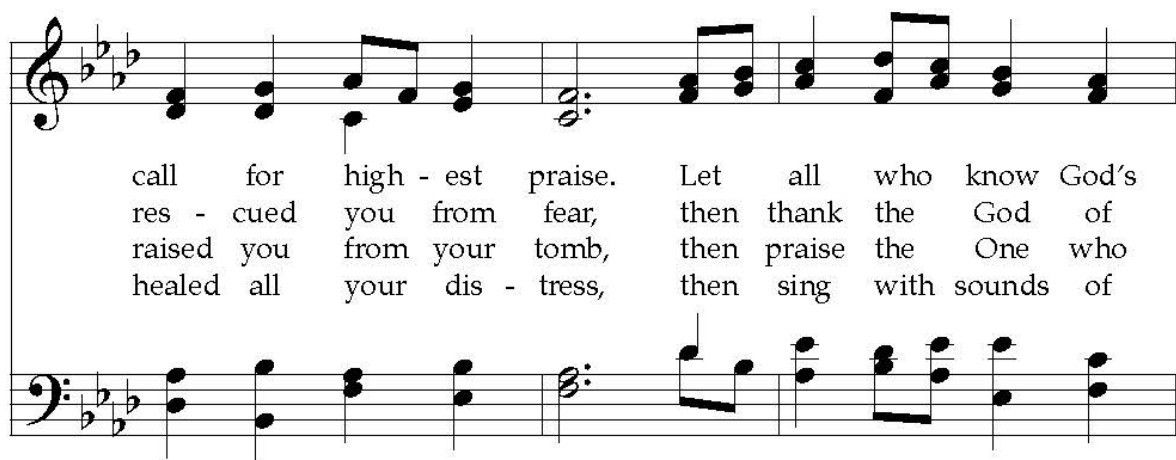
(Psalm 107)



1 Give thanks to God who hears our cries and saves in
2 If you have ev - er wan - dered where no hu - man
3 If you have ev - er lived in - side the pris - on
4 If you drew near the gates of death, too sick to

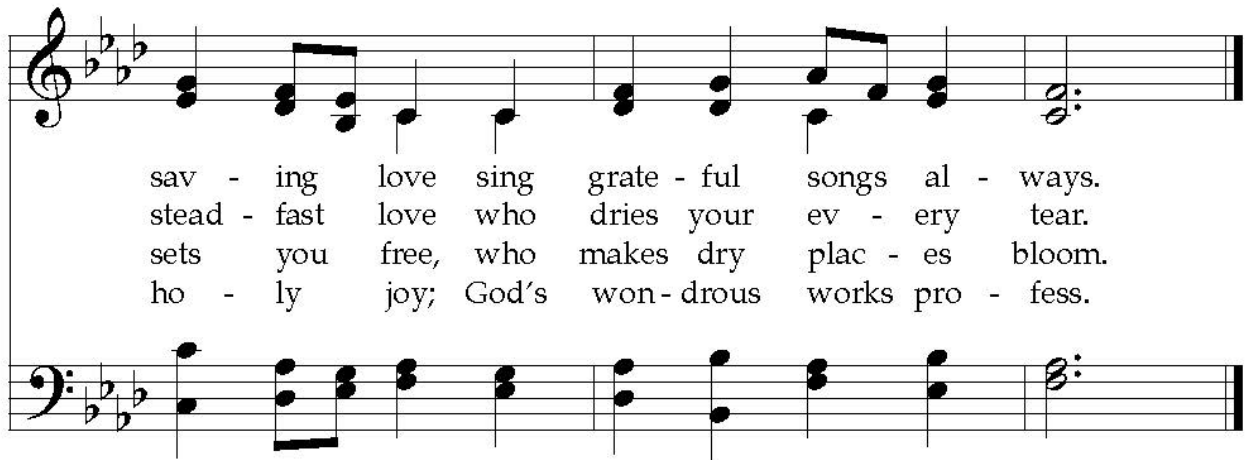


trou - bled days with won - drous works to hu - man - kind that
help was near, and in your trou - ble cried to God, who
of your gloom and cried to God, who broke your bonds and
eat or dress, and cried to God, who heard your voice and



call for high - est praise. Let all who know God's
res - cued you from fear, then thank the God of
raised you from your tomb, then praise the One who
healed all your dis - tress, then sing with sounds of

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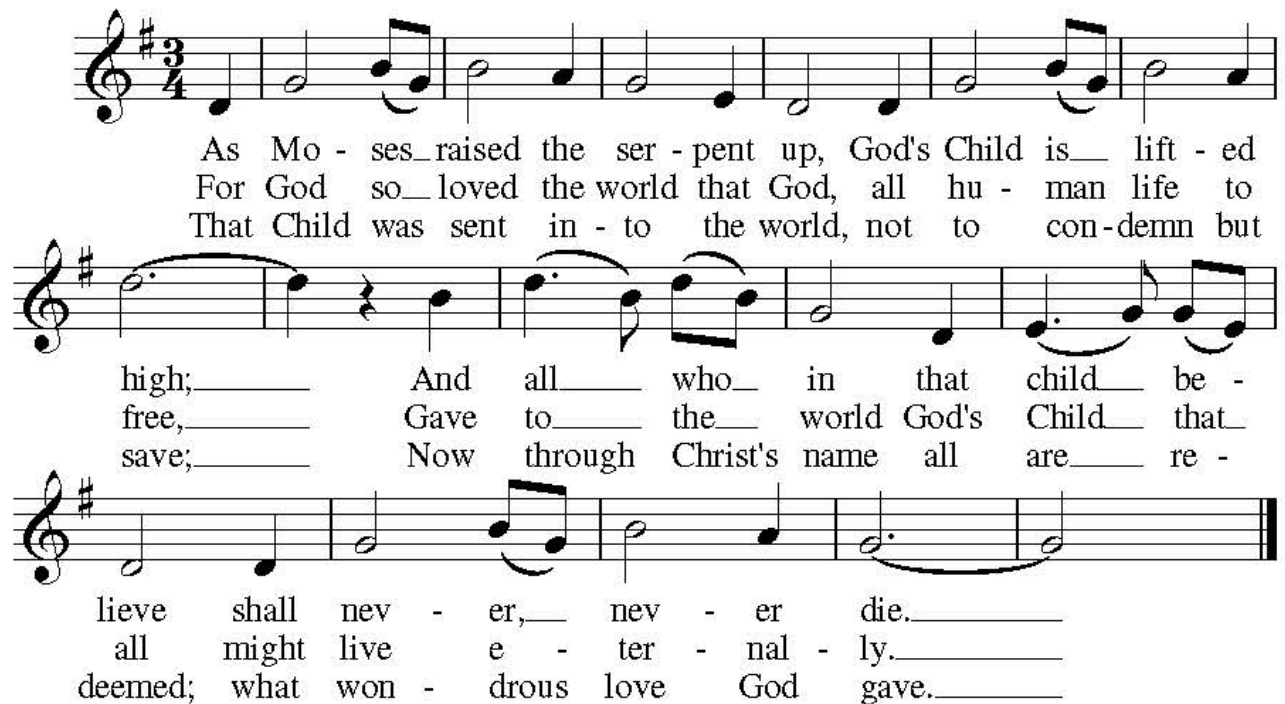
sav - ing love sing grate - ful songs al - ways.
 stead - fast love who dries your ev - ery tear.
 sets you free, who makes dry plac - es bloom.
 ho - ly joy; God's won - drous works pro - fess.

5 If you have felt your courage fail
 before a violent sea
 and cried to God, who stilled the storm,
 and made the wild wind flee,
 then in the congregation praise
 the One who heard your plea.

6 So praise the One whose love is great,
 whose kindness is well-known.
 Consider well the healing hand
 and help you have been shown,
 and tell the world what God has done.
 Praise God and God alone!

*HYMN

As Moses Raised the Serpent Up AMAZING GRACE



As Mo - ses raised the ser - pent up, God's Child is lift - ed
 For God so loved the world that God, all hu - man life to
 That Child was sent in - to the world, not to con - demn but
 high; And all who in that child be -
 free, Gave to the world God's Child that
 save; Now through Christ's name all are re -
 lieve shall nev - er, nev - er die.
 all might live e - ter - nal - ly.
 deemed; what won - drous love God gave.

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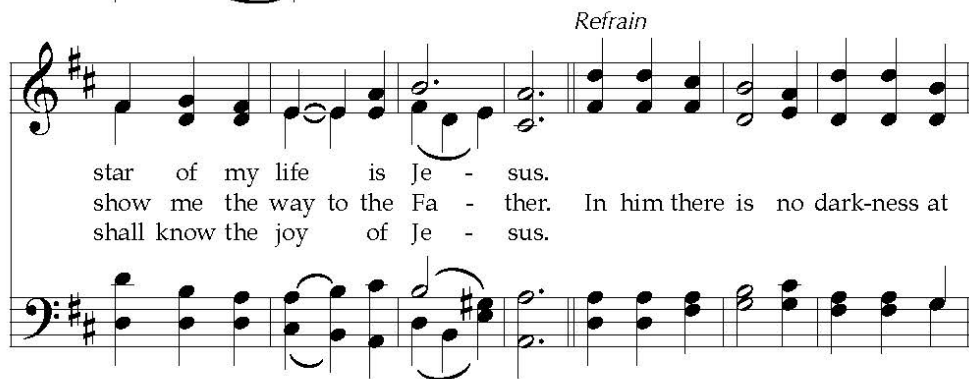


1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to fol - low
2 I want to see the bright-ness of God. I want to look at
3 I'm look-ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to be with

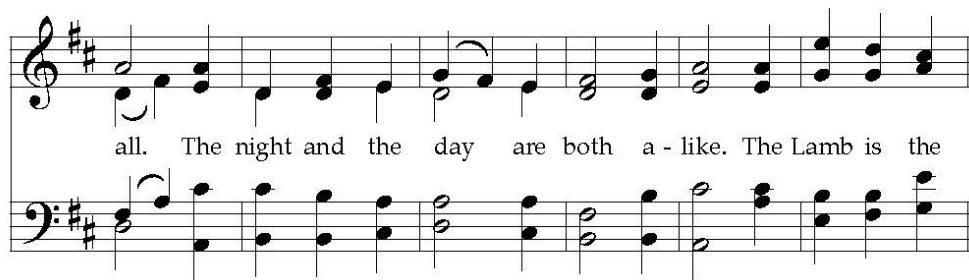


Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ-teous-ness, shine on my path, and
Je - sus. When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

Refrain



star of my life is Je - sus.
show me the way to the Fa - ther. In him there is no dark-ness at
shall know the joy of Je - sus.



all. The night and the day are both a - like. The Lamb is the



light of the cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.