## Sixth Sunday of Easter Senior Sunday May 5, 2024







































#### 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, Cole Hines will perform the prelude. Here Comes the Sun is a song about hope. We all go through difficult times, difficult moments in our life. And some of these moments feel like they last a long time-just like the long, cold, lonely winter. This song was recorded by The Beatles in July 1969.

Cole Hines has been raised in the faith at Westminster and is active in many ministries, including both Laudate Youth Choir and Youth Group. He studies piano with Kamber Kegin.

#### Today's Liturgy

Much of today's liturgy was written by Westminster's Senior Class of 2024.

#### About Hymn 263

This 18th-century text celebrating the sovereignty of Christ has been through several expansions and contractions before reaching its present form. It is set here to the oldest American hymn tune in continuous use since first published in 1793, which was written for it. TEXT: Stanzas 1-3, Edward Perronet, 1779; stanza 4, John Rippon, 1787; MUSIC: Oliver Holden, 1793; desc. Michael E. Young, 1979.

#### **GATHERING**

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

#### **PRELUDE**

Here Comes the Sun

George Harrison

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Hays Lindsey

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Hallelujah!
Let us worship God, indeed!
Lord, please guide us as we worship.
Give us the ability to sing, pray,
and learn more about you. Amen.

#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Bridget Bailey Liza Brown

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Christ our Savior, allow us to accept change with open minds and open hearts.

Lead us into new chapters with guidance and reassurance.

When we are faced with the unfamiliar, encourage us to challenge ourselves.

We give thanks for the people you've placed around us who have shown us both patience and forgiveness.

As we experience many lasts, we know we can turn to your everlasting grace for comfort. 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 263

CORONATION

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Gigi Davé

Friends, Jesus Christ can sympathize with us in our weaknesses,

since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin.

So that we can more fully receive his grace and mercy, let us now confess our shortcomings before God and one another.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

A. J. Dale

Lord, we confess that we have strayed off your righteous path.

We struggle to remain loyal to you, and to courageously bring forth your vision to the world.

We act selfishly and lack awareness, forgetting to incorporate you into our daily lives.

We are unkind to each other, ignoring fellowship with you and your creation.

Lord, we humbly ask for your guidance and forgiveness.

Help us to trust in you and teach us to thrive in your calling. We ask these things in your name.

(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.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Maine Billings

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

\*The Peace

Josie Garrison

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.")

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.

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.

#### Act of Praise

The Act of Praise brings together the choir and congregation to sing God's praise in response to the Assurance of Pardon as the last phrase.

#### 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.

#### Scripture

The scriptures bear witness to the word of God, revealed most fully in Jesus Christ, the Word who "became flesh and lived among us." (John 1:14) Where the word is read and proclaimed, Jesus Christ the living Word is present by the power of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, reading, hearing, preaching, and affirming the word are central to Christian worship and essential to the Service for the Lord's Day.

#### \*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.

#### CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

#### THE WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Will Garner

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE AND SERMON

Hear the Word of God! Our ears are open.

 $(8:30 \ a.m.)$ 

1 Corinthians 12:12-13 (NT, page 174 in your pew Bible)

"Mosaics"

William Wyckoff

 $(11:00 \ a.m.)$ 

**Deuteronomy 31:6** (OT, page 186 in your pew Bible)

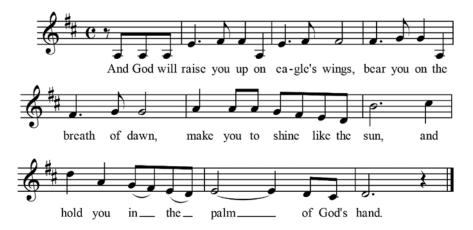
"Turning to God"

Charlie Perry

#### Psalm 91

Michael Joncas

#### Refrain



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

 $(8:30 \ a.m.)$ 

Colossians 3:12-14 (NT, page 201 in your pew Bible)

"Amazing Grace"

Caroline Bryant

 $(11:00 \ a.m.)$ 

1 Peter 4:10-11 (NT, page 235 in your pew Bible).

"Together We are God's Kingdom"

Cole Hines

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Class Creed, 2020) Callie Brooks

We believe in one powerful God who protects and cares for us. God created us and calls us to serve. God trusts us to care for the earth. God is forgiving and gracious when we sin, and God's love is unfailing.

We believe Jesus is fully human and fully God, our Savior and teacher of kindness. He teaches us love and heals us, encourages us, and is always there for us. He sets a perfect example for us to live our best lives.

We believe the Holy Spirit is the breath of God on earth, acting as a uniting presence and guide to all of God's people, and that the Holy Spirit serves as an advocate for us, bringing light and vision to the earth.

#### Affirmation of Faith

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

As part of their confirmation process, the current Seniors gathered in 2020 to write out a statement of faith that represented what they believed as a class. Today's Affirmation of Faith is their Confirmation Class Creed!

We believe the Church is a community where anyone is welcome. The Church offers a safe space for people when they are not at their best, while also helping others through service. In worship, the Church comes together to pray, to learn, and to get closer to God.

We believe in the two holy sacraments of Baptism and Communion. Baptism is the Holy Spirit renewing and joining us with Christ's death and resurrection. Communion represents the body and blood of Christ, and symbolizes how he forgives us for our sins. Amen.

#### THE EUCHARIST

OFFERING

**Kyle Thomson** 

Anthem

God Is Our Refuge and Strength

Allen Pote

God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble.

Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,
though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.

Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God.
He is in the midst of his people, in all the earth.

He is the Word, we are his hands, he will lead us.

He is the air, we are his song.

We will celebrate his presence all the day long.

God is our refuge and strength...

He is the rain, we are the stones, he will cleanse us.

He is the air, we are his song.

We will celebrate his presence all the day long.

God is our refuge and strength...

#### \*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

To GIVE, please scan the QR code.



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

#### \*GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

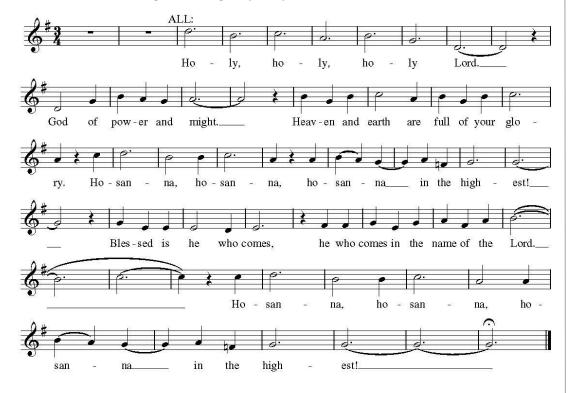
Bridget Bailey, Gigi Davé, Carly Frist, Riley Jones, Will Garner, Kate McGehee

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:



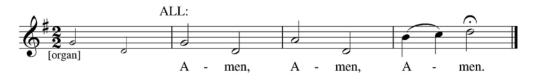
(The congregation may be seated.)

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

Great is the mystery of faith:



Loving God... in word and in deed.



About the Great Prayer of 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 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 Take This Moment

(William Wyckoff, Soloist)

John L. Bell

Take this moment, sign and space, take my friends around; here among us make the place where your love is found.

Take the time to call my name, take the time to mend who I am and what I've been, all I've failed to tend.

Take the tiredness of my days, take my past regret, letting your forgiveness touch all I can't forget.

Take the little child in me, scared of growing old.

Help me here to find my worth made in Christ's own mold.

Take my talents, take my skill, take what's yet to be.

Let my life be yours, and yet, let it still be me.

Hail Thee, Festival Day (Hymn 277)

(Congregation sings Refrain with the Choir; Choir sings verses alone.)

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

#### **SENDING**

\*HYMN 69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM (Schutte)

#### BENEDICTION

Senior Preachers

#### **POSTLUDE**

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty (Hymn 35) Paul Fey

#### 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.

#### About Hymn 69

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.

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

<sup>\*(</sup>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, hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org or 615.292.5526.

#### **TODAY@ WESTMINSTER**

#### **Worship Leaders**

#### **Preaching**

8:30 AM William Wyckoff and Caroline Bryant 11:00 AM Charlie Perry and Cole Hines

#### Liturgists

Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake Pastor and Head of Staff

Rev. Stephanie Boaz Parish Associate

T.J. Piccolo

Associate Director of Youth

#### Lay Liturgists

Class of 2024 Seniors

#### Music

Cole Hines, Pianist (Prelude) William Wyckoff, Soloist Laudate Youth Choir

Dr. John Semingson
Director of Music Ministries

Dale Nickell Organist and Associate Director of Music Ministries

#### **SANCTUARY 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.

#### **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.

#### 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

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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)

## Class of 2024



Bridget Leigh Bailey

Bridget will graduate from Ensworth High School. While at Ensworth, Bridget played tennis and soccer. She was most recently the president of the Ensworth Dance Marathon, which raises money for the Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt. She was also the Truth House Spirit Captain. She has been a member of Westminster for seven years. Bridget will be attending University of Tennessee School of Architecture in the fall.

Bridget's favorite Bible verse is Psalms 13:5-6: But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord; for he has been good to me.



Frederic Tremaine Billings V

Maine will graduate from Montgomery Bell Academy.

During his time at
Westminster, he has loved
getting involved with the
weekly services, church
basketball, and ski retreats.
In the future, he hopes
to become a doctor or
another science-centered
professional. Next fall, he
will attend Washington and
Lee University, where he is
excited to be able to continue
his love for learning, as well
as to meet new people.

Maine's favorite Bible verse is Romans 12:2: Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is---his good, pleasing and perfect will.



Calista Rose Brooks

Callie will graduate from Franklin High School. She was a leader of the Health Occupational Students of America (HOSA) club at school. Furthermore, she has been a Youth Council Representative at Westminster, and she has been a part of the Laudate Choir since middle school.

This coming fall, she will be attending the Brocks Honors Program at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. She is planning on studying Biology for a Pre-Medical major with a minor study in Spanish.



Elizabeth Ely Brown

Liza has been a member of Westminster since the fifth grade. Over the years, a highlight for her was spending time with the children of Preston Taylor Ministries during the Halloween and Valentine's Day parties.

Liza will graduate from Harpeth Hall and will go on to play lacrosse at Columbia University in the fall. She plans to study International Business and Italian.

Liza is excited to continue her lacrosse career in college and also experience life in New York City.



Caroline Elizabeth Bryant

Caroline will graduate from the International Baccalaureate program at Hillsboro High School, where she has been a member and captain of the lacrosse team.

Her favorite Westminster memories include participating in the Laudate choir, Spain choir trip, youth group, Youth Council, mission trips, and the Montreat Youth Conference.

Though she has not made her final decision about where she will attend college in the fall, she hopes to study biology and Spanish.



Albert Jackson Dale V

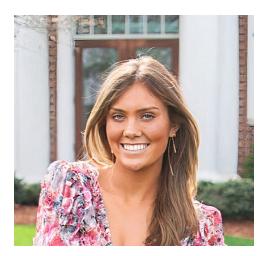
A.J. will graduate from Ensworth High School where he has been a four-year member of the baseball team and a leader of the Veterans Service Club. He also will be graduating as a Service Scholar after completing many hours working with the American Red Cross.

His favorite Westminster memory was his senior year church basketball season.

He plans to attend Vanderbilt University next year with hopes of studying economics or mathematics.



Gíselle Bleu Davé



Carolyn Marie Frist



Charles Joseph Gaither

Gigi will graduate from Harpeth Hall School where she was an athlete on both the tennis and soccer teams. She was an FCA officer for all four years of high school and had leadership roles for the ACT NOW service club.

Gigi will attend TCU in the fall.

A verse that has always guided her in life is James 1:2-4: My brothers and sisters, whenever you face various trials, consider it all joy, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance complete its work, so that you may be complete and whole, lacking in nothing.

Carly will graduate from Harpeth Hall School where she loved participating in track, running the 100 and 300-meter hurdles race, and playing basketball up until junior year.

She loved getting to play a season with the church ball team, the Hungry Sharks, this season!

Carly will study Corporate Communications at the University of Texas at Austin and hopes to get involved with intramural track, make new friends, and watch lots of football next year!

A favorite verse of Carly's has always been Galatians 5:22: ... the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things.

Charlie will graduate from Ensworth High School and will be attending Denver University in Colorado.

He is currently completing his private pilot's license, plans to major in logistics, and pursue a career in aviation.

His favorite Bible verse is Proverbs 29:11: A fool gives full vent to anger, but the wise quietly holds it back.



William Mason Garner

Will is graduating from Ensworth High School and will attend the University of Mississippi to study Business /Commercial Real Estate in the fall.

Will played football and soccer at EHS. He has served as a Senator on Student Government and Captain of House of Vitality.

Over the years at
Westminster, Will has
enjoyed serving dinner
for Room In The Inn, the
Youth In-Town Mission
Week, the Preston Taylor
Ministries holiday parties, the
Basketball Jamboree, and
being Captain of Westminster
12, an almost Championship
Team in the Church
Basketball League.



Josiebelle England Garrison

Josie will graduate from Harpeth Hall School and will attend the University of Mississippi this fall.

During her time at Harpeth Hall, she played soccer, danced, and remains active in Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

She enjoys volunteering with Room In The Inn as well as Matthew 25. She plans to major in business or special education at Ole Miss.

Josie's favorite Bible verse is Psalm 18:16: He reached down from Heaven and rescued me; He drew me out of deep waters.



Cole Thomas Hines

Cole will graduate from Brentwood High School.

He is a member of the Westminster Youth Choir and the Youth Council.

Cole loves to play the piano, play soccer, and is an adult leader with Boy Scout Troop One.

Next year, he will attend the University of Tennessee Knoxville and plans to major in neuroscience.



Mary Jess Holt



Ríley Jordan Jones



Thomas Hays Lindsey

Mary Jess will graduate from Brentwood High School. She was born in China, January 20th, 2006. She was united with her forever family, Shane and Juky Holt on December 18th, 2006.

Mary Jess was baptized at Westminster Presbyterian Church in May of 2007. Her Papa, Shep Crigler (deceased), retired First Presbyterian Minister, Huntsville, AL, and longtime member of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Nashville, would take such pride in picking her up every Sunday morning and personally escorting her to Sunday School. Mary Jess will be attending Belmont University in the fall of 2024. Riley will graduate from Hume Fogg and is headed to University of Colorado Boulder next year!

She loves travelling, being outdoors, trying new restaurants, watching reality TV with her mom, and hanging out with friends.

At Hume Fogg, she cofounded a hiking club and was a two-year captain of the girl's soccer team.

Riley has so many happy memories from growing up at Westminster and is so thankful for this beautiful community. Specifically, she most enjoyed playing basketball with the Hungry Sharks and winning back-to-back championships!

Hays will graduate from Montgomery Bell Academy. Next year, he will be on the rowing team at the College of the Holy Cross and plans to major in Economics.

Hays enjoys reading and tutoring the children at Preston Taylor Ministries. This year, he was also a church ball coach.

His favorite Bible verse is Proverbs 17:22: A cheerful heart is a good medicine, but a downcast spirit dries up the bones.



Katherine Paige McGehee

Kate will graduate from Ensworth High School and will be attending Auburn University in the fall.

She enjoys playing soccer and tennis for Ensworth.

At EHS, Kate has loved being a part of Ensworth Dance Marathon, Chinese Club, and Ensworth Girls on the Run!

Kate's major at Auburn will be professional flight. She is looking forward to summer and starting college in the fall!



Charles Wynne Perry

Charlie will graduate from Hume Fogg High School and will be attending Auburn University next year.

He has been a member at Westminster since he moved to Nashville in 2014 and has been involved in the Youth Ministry, Choir, and Youth Council.

Charlie loves traveling, being outside, and sailing. He has played tennis for Hume Fogg since his freshman year.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

to all our seniors. We also celebrate

Chase Barker

Watts Bond

Kate Bottorff

Yates Ghertner

Walker Musser

Kathleen Pritchartt

Spencer Rice

**Daniel Witty** 

on their graduation and achievements.



Kyle James Thomson



William David Wyckoff

Kyle will graduate from Montgomery Bell Academy where he was a member of the crew and track teams.

At Westminster, he was involved with the School for Young Children, VBS, a youth mission trip to St. Simons Island, Room In The Inn, and Youth Council.

He is heading to University of Tennessee Knoxville in the fall to study business.

His favorite Bible verse is Romans 8:31: What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?

William has grown up at Westminster. He began singing in the Alleluia Choir in kindergarten, attended music camp every summer, and has continued to sing until now with the Laudate Choir. He loves volunteering with Westminster Home Connection and attending Montreat in the summers. He has additionally been a member of the Koinonia Youth Council since seventh grade and is an avid fan of the hit game "grog" at Youth Group.

He will graduate from MLK Jr. Magnet and will be attending Rhodes College in Memphis for sociology and pre-law.

## 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 during a year of great transition. Thank you all!

#### **Sunday School Teachers**

Blake & Mollie Brookshire
Mac Hardcastle
Bob & Tiffany Hines
Fran Linley
Kate Pennington
Ann Schulze
Chris Shurden
Patrick & Catherine Warfield
Julie Wilson

#### **Small Group Leaders**

Lolly Brown Kelly Christie Melinda Coles Eleanor Ikard Fran Linley Amy Shurden Frank Wade Lisa Wooley

#### **Youth Group Leaders**

Susan Abington Sam Cowan Eleanor Glover Sophie Maness John Perry Ann Schulze Louise Shacklett Ryland Wheliss

#### **Churchball Leaders**

Lee Ballew Hays Lindsey Stewart & Logan Lyman Chris Shurden Russell Thomas

#### Ski Trip Chaperones and Support

Kelly Christie Sam Cowan Kimberly Dillard Wendy Fielder Jackson Tallent Ryland Wheliss Lisa Wooley

#### **NaCoMe Retreat Chaperones**

Mac Hardcastle Jackie Shrago

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Joanna Hall
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Keith Maddin
Brent & Kate Pennington
Anyone who helped with anything!
Thank you!

#### **Senior Sunday Support**

Caroline Armstrong Vanessa Garner Jenny Garrison Tricia Hall Ann & Don Schulze

#### 2023-2024 Youth Staff & Interns

Eleanor Bryant Anna Ketron Sophie Maness Nora Wheliss Ryland Wheliss

## A SPECIAL THANK YOU

#### **Youth & Families Committee**

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

# Thank you to all the people who have been faithfully serving on our Search Committee.

Claire Henry (Chair)
Ann Schulze
Clara Scott Harden
Charlie Perry
Mac Hardcastle
Kady Folk
Baxter Lee
Jennifer Larson
David Simcox



#### **Youth Council**

Caroline Bryant (Co-Moderator) Charlie Perry (Co-Moderator) Jackie Shrago (Adult Leader)

12th Grade Representatives
Callie Brooks
Cole Hines
Kyle Thomson
William Wyckoff

11th Grade Representatives
Clara Scott Harden
Caroline Keiper
Kate Linley
Owen Shurden

10th Grade Representative Battle Springer

9th Grade Representative Christian Kurtz

8th Grade Representative Tucker Lyman Andrew Wyckoff

7th Grade Representative Hattie Lowrance Avery Michael



#### Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM

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

Following the youth calendar, Coffee and Conversation is finished for the school year. Wishing you moments of peace during this busy time, particularly for parents of Seniors, and sending you into May with prayers for you to feel God's boundless, unconditional love. "We love because God first loved us." 1 John 4:19

## Faith & Fellowship ● 214

Join us for a discussion on the Letters of Paul.

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

Tommy Hart from Daystar Counseling Ministries will be speaking.

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

### **Youth Ministry**

7th-12th Graders are invited to help us celebrate our Seniors with donuts and bagels in the Koinonia Youth Café during the Sunday School hour.

#### **Youth & Children Choirs**

4:00 PM Music Camp Rehearsal

#### Children's Ministry 9:45 AM • Sunday

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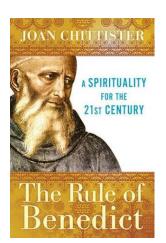
2s are in room 149 3s are in room 161

4s are in room 163

Godly Play/ Kindergarten in 183

5th and 6th in room 292

1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Chapel first and then will be picked up in rooms.



## The Rule of Benedict: Crafting Our Own Rule of Life ● 208

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

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**







May 9
Music Box
11:15 AM
Goodpasture Hall

#### Westminster Bells Spring Program "Songs We Love to Sing and Ring"

The Westminster Bell Choir will perform three pieces familiar to all that we "Love to Ring" and will be joined by Director of Music Ministries, John Semingson, and Flutist, Jane Kirchner, for a group sing along of "Songs We Love to Sing." Everyone will be involved. Plus, our very own handbell choir member, Audrey Campbell will recite one of her wonderful poems. Please make reservations for the Box Lunch with Sherri Givens, sqivens@ nashvillewpc.org.

# May 13 Women's Covenant Group 11:30 AM Harriet Sewell's Home

We will finish this years' program with book sharing, as we've done the past several years. Please think about books you've read and loved during the past year, which you think others would also enjoy reading. Join us at Harriet's home for BYO lunch at 11:30 AM. We will provide drinks and dessert. We hope you can join us!

For more info, please contact Janice Kemp, janice.b.kemp@gmail.com

Harriet Sewell hsewell8385@gmail.com

Margaret Wheeler margaret.wheeler@att.net

# May 28 Westminster Book Group 9:30 AM ● Fellowship 10:00 AM ● Program

Leader: Will Wellman, Parish Associate

Laurus by Eugene Vodolazkin

Our Westminster Book Group, with a history dating back to the 1970s, needs new leadership for the September 2024 through May 2025 season. Speakers choose their own book to share and the schedule easily falls into place. Please consider volunteering!

Contact Carolyn Harris at 615-720-6486 for more information.



Vox Grata
Women's Choir presents
"Our Sacred Earth"

#### Monday, May 6, 7:30 рм at Westminster Presbyterian Church

This program will include works that celebrate our beautiful earth. The concert will conclude with a Call to Action. Both concerts are free and open to the public.

A free-will offering will benefit Bell Garden, a hybrid school and community garden in Bellevue. A 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Bell Garden offers garden-based service, education, volunteerism and food distribution to those in need.

Both concerts will be live streamed. For more information or for live stream links, please visit www.voxgrata.com.

# **JOY IN LEARNING**

We would love to start chess games on Fridays from 9:00 AM -12:00 PM.

Let us know if you are interested in this idea!

Please contact Beth Drake, beth@westminsterjoy.org.





#### **Pottery**

Beginner or have experience on the pottery wheel? We hope to have some small classes soon!

Contact Beth Drake at beth@westminsterjoy.org.



#### **Gearing Up for Fall**

We Want to Know Your Interests! Do you have a special skill you would like to share with others? Or is there something you would like to learn? We might be able to open up an opportunity for you!

Please scan the QR code to indicate your interest.



Save the Date! Christmas Pottery Classes

July 26 August 2, 9, 16

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

More info to come.





## Songwriters In the Round

presented by the Westminster Café benefitting Room In The Inn

featuring Debra Griner, Joe Irrera, Jimbeau Walsh and David Harper

Tuesday, May 21

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Show from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 each. Purchase at westminsterjoy.org. Coffee, tea, and pastries from 6:30-7:00 p.m.



Westminster Presbyterian Church | 3900 West End Avenue Park near the North Entrance (behind the church)

Our commitment is to inspire, support, and amplify the diverse voices that shape the rich tapestry of the Nashville songwriter community.



