

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 25, 2024

GATHERING

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

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.

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.

About Hymn 394

Although this ancient text has often been used at church dedications, the first stanza clearly refers to the people of God and the second to the place where they meet. The stately and soaring tune is aptly named for the edifice where the composer served as organist and is buried. MUSIC: Latin, 7th cent.; trans. John Mason Neale, 1851, alt.; MUSIC: Henry Purcell, c. 1680; adapt. Ernest Hawkins, 1843.

PRELUDE Prelude on the Hymn Tune "Slane" Paul Fey
Meditation on the Hymn Tune "Hyfrydol"

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

With profound happiness, we welcome one another.

How good it is to approach the courts of our God!

Happy are those who live in God's house!

Singing our praise to God fills us with joy.

Here we welcome both friend and stranger.

All peoples of the earth are God's children.

We greet one another by name in Jesus' name.

Together we extol the name of our God.

Open your hearts to receive new strength.

Open your lives to renewed understandings.

Surely God will equip us to face our world.

We will be ambassadors for God wherever we go.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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

Holy One of God,

sent to live among us in faithfulness

to God's loving intention for all humanity,

lead our journey toward the truth that is eternal.

Be to us the bread of life, a source of trust,

a guard against misplaced loyalties

and false assumptions,

that we may live in harmony with all God's creation

and relate to our brothers and sisters

in ways that are pleasing to our Creator. 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 394**

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

CALL TO CONFESSION

God has called us,
not to a set of beliefs, but to a relationship of trust.
We are drawn to the Spirit whose will for us
is life at its fullest, attuned to all that is good and true.
We are embraced by the gospel of peace.
**We come now to confess that we have looked elsewhere
for our salvation.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

**Alert us now, eternal Spirit,
to your presence among us in this place.**
**Together, we confess that we have been busy
with so many things that we have often
forgotten you.**
**We have made little gods out of buildings
and furnishings and programs.**
**Sometimes our pet beliefs and interpretations
have been all-consuming as we do battle
to correct others and presume to defend you.**
**We have forgotten that your love is stronger
than any force on earth.**
**Forgive our mistrust of its power,
and draw us back into the company of disciples
who are learning and growing in love.**

(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

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.")*

*Call to and Prayer of
Confession*

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. This turn from communal praise to corporate confession, established on the promise of God's grace, is one of the hallmarks of the Reformed tradition.

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.

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.

***ACT OF PRAISE**

Celtic Alleluia

O'Carroll/Walker

(The congregation sings the Refrain with the choir.)

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

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

**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

(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.**

Colossians 3:12-17

(New Testament, page 201 in your pew Bible)

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

Psalms 34

Hal H. Hopson

Refrain *(Congregation sings refrain only)*

Come, bless the Lord. Give thanks for - ev - er - more.

Unto the Lord my praise I sing,
God's goodness ever bless;
The proud convictions of my soul
Speak out God's righteousness. **Refrain**

Come, magnify the Lord with me!
Together sing God's praise,
Whose presence overcomes all fear,
Whose glory lights our days. **Refrain**

O taste and see, the Lord is good!
How blest are they who trust,
For those who know God's steadfast love,
They walk among the just. **Refrain**

How great the trials the faithful bear,
Yet greater is God's will,
That from the threatening chill of death
God's truth redeems us still **Refrain**

Ephesians 6:10-20

(New Testament, page 195 in your pew Bible)

SERMON "To Proclaim the Gospel of Peace" Stephanie Boaz
(A moment for meditation)

***HYMN 465** What a Friend We Have in Jesus **CONVERSE**

About Hymn 465

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**Jesus Christ is the living Word of God.
The Word, which was with God from the beginning
was embodied in Jesus Christ.
We hold that what God says to us and does for us
centers in Jesus Christ our living Lord
as he is remembered, known, and expected.
In Christ, God's Word of acceptance takes flesh:
by grace through faith we are set right with God,
adopted as children of God,
not because of anything we have done,
but because of what Christ has done.
In Christ, God's Word of demand is lived out:
to love God and neighbor as he did
is what God requires of us.
The Spirit adds no different Word from God,
but leads us deeper into the truth of God
uttered in Jesus Christ.**

(A Declaration of Faith)

This text was written by an Irish-born immigrant to Canada to comfort his mother in Ireland when she was going through a time of special sorrow. The role of prayer as a source of strength and consolation is underscored by its repeated use as a rhyme word in all three stanzas. TEXT: Joseph Scriven, 1855; MUSIC: Charles C. Converse, 1868.

Affirmation of Faith

Responding to the word proclaimed, we affirm our faith in the holy, triune God. The affirmation of faith is drawn from sentences of scripture or the creeds, confessions, and catechisms.

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

Offering

The collection of tithes and offerings takes place as a response to the Word. These actions are signs of our gratitude for the grace of God proclaimed in the gospel.

To GIVE, please scan the QR code below:



Doxology

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God's grace elicits our heartfelt gratitude. We respond to the good news of forgiveness with joyful acclamations of praise!

Anthem

Paul Leddington Wright

Fight the good fight with all thy might,
Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right.
Lay hold on life, and it shall be
thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's grace;
Lift up thine eyes and seek God's face;
Life with its way before us lies;
Christ is the path and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, lean on thy guide;
God's boundless mercy will provide;
Trust and thy trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Faint not nor fear, God's arms are near;
He changeth not thou art dear;
Only believe, and see
That Christ is all in all to thee. Amen.

*DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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

**May our giving add strength
to the witness of your church
as we humbly seek your truth and lovingly share it.
Ready us to proclaim the gospel of peace in our homes,
in our places of work and leisure,
throughout our community, and the world.
Keep before your people the awesome mystery of faith.
May its power overcome the cynicism of
our skeptical, self-serving age,
uniting us in disciplines that are freeing
and discipleship that is amazingly fulfilling. Amen.**

(from Led by Love)

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Singing together)*

*(See the inside back cover of your hymnal
for words and music to this prayer.)*

SENDING

***HYMN 269** Lead On, O King Eternal! LANCASHIRE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Fugue in D Major, BWV 532 J.S. Bach

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

About Hymn 269

Not everything that looks like a battle ends up being one. This text, written for a seminary graduation, works well with its martial tune in the first stanza; but later stanzas turn from such imagery and focus on "deeds of love and mercy" and courage for life's journey. TEXT: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1888; MUSIC: Henry Thomas Smart, c. 1835.

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

Welcome

Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Any who are interested in joining us in this journey are invited to contact Stephanie Boaz, Parish Associate for Congregational Care, 615.292.5526 or sboaz@nashvillewpc.org.

Today @ Westminster

Worship Leaders

Preaching

Stephanie Boaz
Parish Associate for Congregational Care

Liturgist

Sophie Maness
Executive Director of Children and Community Life Ministries

Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Julie Wilson
11:00 AM Joshua Herr

Music

8:30 AM Chamber Choir
11:00 AM Westminster Choir

Dr. John Semingson
Director of Music Ministries

Dale Nickell
Associate Director of Music Ministries and Organist

FLOWER DEDICATION

*The flowers in the Sanctuary
are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of
Virginia Love and Dunklin C. Bowman, Jr.
by Jennie Bowman.*

*The flowers in the Parlor
are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of
Jennie and Herschel Graves, Sr.
by Jennie Bowman.*

Take Me To Your Leader

Nominations for next year's Elder class and Legacy Fund Trustees (the Class of 2028) are requested from Westminster members. To nominate a church member, complete a suggestion form. Forms can be found in the Parlor by the wooden ballot box or online at nashvillewpc.church, click on the forms tab. Nominations close on September 15, 2024. For more information, please contact Jackie Shrago, JShrago@gmail.com or Terri Eckert, teckert@nashvillewpc.org.

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 - Room 152

2s and 3s - Room 151

Copyright Information

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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



Be strong in the Lord...put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.
Ephesians 6:10a...15b

Do you believe that the way you dress makes a difference? In what way?

Today's scripture lessons tell us what we "put on" spiritually makes a difference. What does that look like? How does it make a difference?

The Full Armour of God can suggest we are getting ready for battle. However, we are called to "proclaim the gospel of peace". Is that a battle, or something different?



Part of our vision is working on how we articulate the Good News. One way is by sharing our faith stories. Please scan the QR below to view a video of Bill Christie sharing an encounter that moved him to explore his faith. Please think about how you share your faith with others.



Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM



Covenant Class

Adult Education Kick Off

Join us and learn more about the programs being offered this fall. Find out what books will be studied and different Sunday opportunities.



YOUTH



Sunday School • 9:45 AM Sixth - Twelfth Grades

6th -7th Grade: Breakout Room 89
8th Grade (Confirmation): Breakout Room 88
High School: Breakout Room 87

Come to the Koinonia Youth Café for Sunday School. Get there as early as 9:30 AM for donuts, games and fellowship.



Confirmation Kick Off Luncheon 12:15 PM • Koinonia Youth Café

Confirmands, parents, and mentors please gather for lunch and learn more about the year ahead.

For more information, please contact T.J. Piccolo, tjpiccolo@nashvillewpc.org.



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Starts August 27 Tuesday Lunch Bunch 11:30 AM • Westminster Café

Moms of young adults, bring your lunch Tuesdays from 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM and join us as we read, study, discuss and pray for our maturing (but still lacking in frontal lobe development) beloved young adults and support one another through parenting high school and college-aged students. Our time together will remind you that not only does God love your child, always, but we will remind you that you are still the intelligent, beautiful, capable, brave woman that God created!

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



YOUTH

GRAB YOUR HAWAIIAN SHIRT &
JOIN US IN THE YOUTH CAFE FOR

YOUTH GROUP KICKOFF LUAU

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6TH-12TH GRADES
6PM-7:30PM

TROPICAL PIZZA & POPSICLES
GAMES & FRIENDS



YOUTH SMALL GROUPS

8th Grade Girls: Meets Thursdays at 6:30am Starbucks
Leaders: Anna Grace Cole

9th Grade Girls: Meets Sundays for Lunch at WPC
Leaders: Lolly Brown & Melinda Coles

9th Grade Boys: In Progress

10th Grade: Meets Wednesday Night for Dinner
Leaders: Eleanor Ikard & Hannah Norris

11th Grade Boys: Meets Tuesday at 6:30am at Star Bagel
Leaders: TJ Piccolo & Frank Wade

11th & 12th Grade Girls: Meets Friday at 6:30am Starbucks
Leaders: Kelly Christie

Moms of Youth: Meets Tuesday in Youth Cafe at 12pm
Leaders: Fran Linley



Want more information: contact Hannah Norris
HNorris@nashvillewpc.org



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

8:30 & 11:00 AM • Worship Services

Children and Worship

Childcare is available for children who are infants through kindergarten during both services. While childcare is available, children are always welcome in worship. There are quiet toys and worship bags for children. They may be found in baskets in the Parlor and in the back of the Sanctuary. The bags have plain paper, crayons, a pencil and a children's bulletin.

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

4th & 5th Grade in room 292

1st - 3rd Chapel first and then will be picked up in rooms.



LIVING OUT THE WORD

QUESTIONS FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES:

Questions for the ride home...

What clothes feel good to wear? What makes them feel good?

What words/ phrases do you love to hear from family or friends?

Notice in worship...

What words or phrases can you find in the bulletin that are about love, comfort, or praise?

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WORD SEARCH

See if you can find these words in the puzzle on the left.

armor

compassion

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 **Children's Ministry** 

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August 25

6:00 - 7:30 PM



Kate & Brent
Pennington's Home



RSVP with Sophie

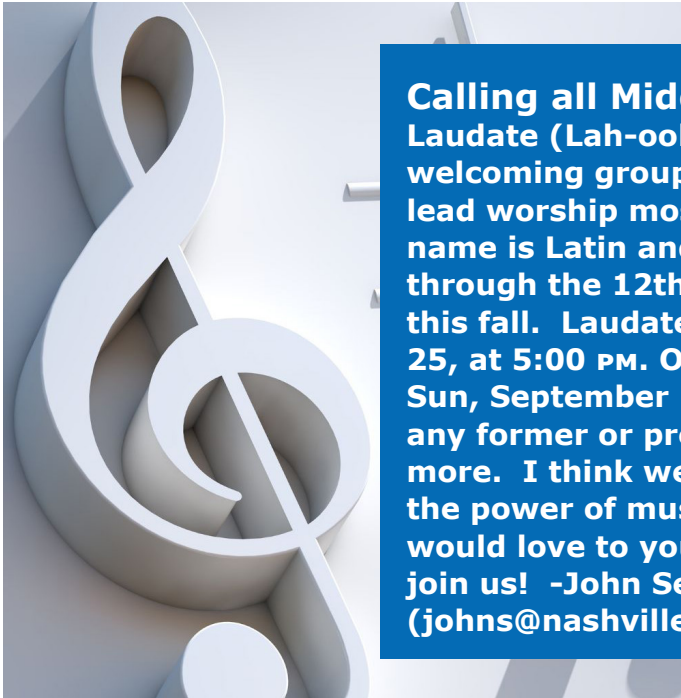


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MUSIC MINISTRY

Starts Today



Calling all Middle and Senior High School Students! Laudate (Lah-ooH-DAH-teh) Youth Choir is a great, welcoming group of young people that sing together and lead worship most Sundays during the school year. Our name is Latin and it means praise! If you are in the 6th through the 12th grades, we want YOU to join us in choir this fall. Laudate resumes rehearsals on Sunday, August 25, at 5:00 PM. Our first Sunday to sing for worship will be Sun, September 15. Talk to John Semingson, Dale Nickell, or any former or present choir members if you want to know more. I think we are just people who like to sing and know the power of music to give "wings to our worship." We would love to you welcome you in Laudate this fall. Please join us! -John Semingson, Director of Music Ministries (johns@nashvillewpc.org or (615)-513-2977).

Children's Choirs

Starts Today

4:00-4:50 PM

Join the Westminster Presbyterian Children's Choirs this fall! All children, K-5, are encouraged to participate in the music program with weekly Sunday afternoon rehearsals. Rehearsals prepare the kids to participate in Worship services while building musical skills and community. Scan the QR code to register.



Chiming Children

Starts Today

5:00-5:50 PM

Children grades 4-5 are invited to join the Handbell Choir led by Ally Hard! Those already enrolled in the Jubilate Choir are encouraged to also participate in handbells.

Scan the QR code to register.



Tintinnabulation

Come join a fun and mixed age group of ringers and play with us in the intergenerational Tintinnabulation Handbell Choir. We meet on Sunday afternoons at 4:00 PM. First rehearsal is September 8.

Call or email Keith Cole with questions: 615.513.2976 keithc@wittetravel.com.





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**Wednesday Night Dinners
Starts September 4
5:30 PM • Westminster Café**

Wednesday Night Dinner is back in a limited format this fall! Join us in the **CAFÉ (location change)** for dinner, to catch up with friends, make new ones, and go home to a clean kitchen.

Did you know you can even register and grab a plate to go?

Our biggest ask this year is that you register by the deadline each week. We plan to have enough food every week but would hate to run out. Please help us by registering by Monday each week. Food cannot be guaranteed otherwise!

Dinner will be from 5:30-6:30 PM all four Wednesdays in September to coincide with Joy in Learning programming, and the first Wednesday of the month in October, November, December.

Menu:

September 4 (Tazikis); September 11 (Coco's)

September 18 (Moe's); September 25 (Martin's BBQ)

Costs this year will be: \$10 per individual; \$40 family max

A look behind the scenes at pricing: Like everywhere, prices have gone up in the catering industry and we will likely spend an average of \$15 per person on Wednesdays this fall. This is also why registering is so important. Thanks for understanding!

Additionally, we are considering the potential of more consistent Wednesday night dinners in the spring but will need a team of folks to help pull this off. If you are interested in being a part of this conversation, please let Ashley Higgins know (ahiggins@nashvillewpc.org). Scan QR code to register for September 4.





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Property Corner Update

There is a lot of work going on “behind the scenes” at Westminster in 2024. The Facilities team and the Property Committee have been working to identify and implement improvements that support and enhance our church building and grounds. Some of the accomplishments include:

- 1) The replacement of exterior single pane windows as part of a window upgrade project beginning in 2021, to date we have replaced 110 windows.
- 2) An upgrade to the church wired computer network allowing for improved internet service and expanded functions throughout the church.
- 3) Security enhancements to the Church such as, upgrades to church fire / burglar alarm systems, security film to interior and exterior doors, door locks on classrooms and offices, and keypads on main doors.
- 4) Replaced aging boiler ventilation piping and improved water filtration for chillers.
- 5) Updates to the Café and breakout rooms that enhance space usage.
- 6) Acquisition of a new performance stage for children and school programs.
- 7) Refinished the gymnasium floors, required due to high wear.
- 8) Landscaping for security and replacement of plants due to weather.

Some identified needs going forward include:

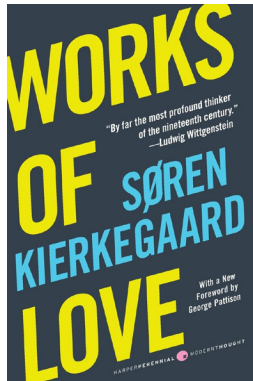
- 1) Replace rotten wood and paint the exterior of the church.
- 2) Steeple – perform maintenance and / or replacement if necessary.
- 3) Implement a new wireless (WiFi) system for coverage throughout the church.
- 4) Replace drainage piping on West End facing side of the church (roots have grown into the pipes).
- 5) Implement additional security cameras to provide wider coverage of the church and grounds.

The essential work of the committee is largely possible with funding coming from the WPC maintenance reserve account. We are grateful for the generous gifts given by people, over and above their annual pledged giving, that allow for improvements and maintenance of our beautiful building and grounds.

If you are interested in more info or wish to support these projects, please contact Greg Cornish (gkcmhs@msn.com) or Jo Ann McFarlin (jmcfarlin@nashvillewpc.org) to learn more about projects and building needs for our church.



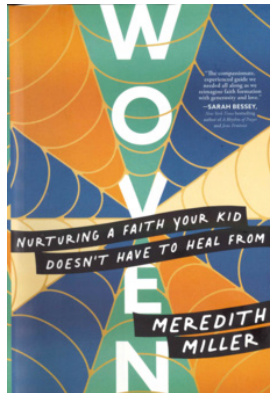
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**Starts September 5
Thursday Morning
Theology Group
9:30 AM**

This fall, we will be studying Soren Kierkegaard's classic text, *Works of Love*. Soren Kierkegaard was a 19th-century theologian and philosopher and is considered the Father of Existentialism. *Works of Love* is one of Kierkegaard's most widely read books and seeks to clarify what Scripture means by "love" as well as what Scripture calls us to do in regards to "love". All are welcome to join us as we tackle this challenging but worthwhile text together!

Questions, please reach out to Will at wwellman@nashvillewpc.org.



**Starts September 8
Woven Book Study
4:00 PM
Magnolia Room**

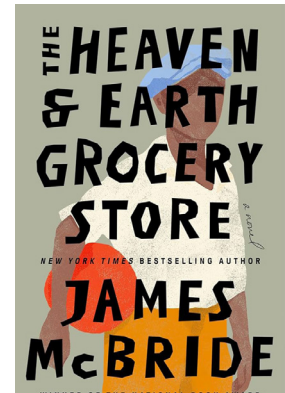
Join Sophie for a conversation around the book *Woven* by Meredith Miller.

"Much like a spider's web, in which anchor strands and internal thread combine to form a unique web, *Woven* can help children anchor to who God is and have faith practices that are rich and textured."

Based on great research and real-life experience, the author brings practical, delightful ways to nurture your child's and your family's faith at home.

All are welcome. We will meet while children sing during choir rehearsal.

Contact Sophie, smaness@nashvillewpc.org, for info.



**Starts September 18
Westminster Academy
6:30 PM
Overlook Room**

In 1972, when workers in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, were digging the foundations for a new development, the last thing they expected to find was a skeleton at the bottom of a well. Who the skeleton was and how it got there were two of the long-held secrets kept by the residents of Chicken Hill, the dilapidated neighborhood where immigrant Jews and African Americans lived side by side and shared ambitions and sorrows.

Join Sue Tully Trout as she discusses this interesting novel by James McBride.



SEPTEMBER CLASSES



Begins September 15
Fall New Member & Inquirer Class
9:45 AM • 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. It offers a small group experience, covers a wide range of topics, and includes a special class dinner.

The ethos and vision of Westminster, who we are as Presbyterians in our worship and beliefs, a church tour, other ways to become involved will be covered.

To sign up for this class, please contact:
Sherri Givens, sgivens@nashvillewpc.org.

For questions, please contact Co-chairs:
Ken Larish
klarish@mainlandcompanies.com

Kathleen Simcoe
kathleenmsimcoe@gmail.com

Conversations for a Polarized World **Sundays in September**

9:45 AM

Led by Will Wellman

As we head toward another presidential election, many Americans are beyond fatigued with partisan politics and the division it's causing. This class will be a space for hard conversations, but ones grounded in our shared faith. Join us as we seek to model love for each other while discussing topics such as homelessness, immigration, faith and politics alongside various Scripture passages. We'll explore what it means for us to "love God" and "love your neighbor as yourself" in the 21st century.

Looking Ahead...

Back to Basics: Bible

October 13 through December 15

Westminster is launching a new series of Sunday School classes to help us get back to the basics! This fall, we'll start with an introduction to the Bible. We'll explore what exactly the Bible is including its structure and history as well as spend time learning about and interpreting various texts together. Attendees will become familiar with the Bible and its contents and develop the skills and understanding so they can comfortably read and interpret Scripture. This class is great for anyone who is new to the faith all the way to seasoned Bible readers who would like a refresher—all are welcome! And keep an eye out in the spring for Back to Basics classes on Christian Belief and Christian Living. If you have any questions, please contact Will, wwellman@nashvillewpc.org.



JOY IN LEARNING

Joy in Learning creatively shares God's gifts of play through the arts and other activities. As we gather in community, we promote connection, understanding and caring relationships. This is a welcoming environment for all ages as well as those from diverse cultural, ethnic and economic backgrounds.



Thursdays
Aug. 29-Oct. 3
10:00 AM to Noon
Community Tapestry Project

No fee
This is a tapestry project that begins with the creation of a tapestry structure. Community members will develop and write messages on strips of ribbon that convey their hopes and prayers for the community. Scan the QR code to register.



Sept 4, 11, 18, 25
Kindergarten - Fourth
Grade Kids Classes
4:00 - 5:30 PM

Classes include: cooking, crafts games, pottery.

Grandparents are welcome to bring their grandchildren! Please register by scanning the QR code below.



Starting in September
Oil Painting
Three Classes Offered

- Advanced
- Tuesdays with René Poe
- Intermediate
- Wednesdays with René Poe
- Beginner
- Thursdays with Jillian Morse and Vivian Bauman

Please register by scanning the QR code below.





CAFÉ ACTIVITIES



Tuesday - Friday
8:00 AM - Noon

Be our guest! Park in the north entrance parking lot by the blue outdoor umbrella. Enjoy specialized coffee, various teas, and cold drinks along with homemade yummys. High chairs available for our little guests.

Stuffing Envelopes

September 18, 19



Tuesday, Wednesday
9:00 - 10:30 AM

Would you be willing to help with Westminster Home Connection mailings? If you can help, please let Beth Drake, beth@westminsterjoy.org, know you can!

Songwriter's Circle

Thursdays



10:00 AM - Noon
Songwriters Song Circle

If you are a songwriter or just want to listen, you are welcome!

If you would like to join this group on Thursdays, please scan the QR code below.



Chess

Fridays



Fridays
10:00 AM - Noon

Whether you are a beginner or someone who loves to practice your chess-playing skills, this is the place for you!

Please scan the QR code to register to play.





CAFÉ ACTIVITIES

September Songwriter Serenade!



Songwriters in the Round

Celebrating Westminster's
30 Habitat for Humanity
builds over 26 years!

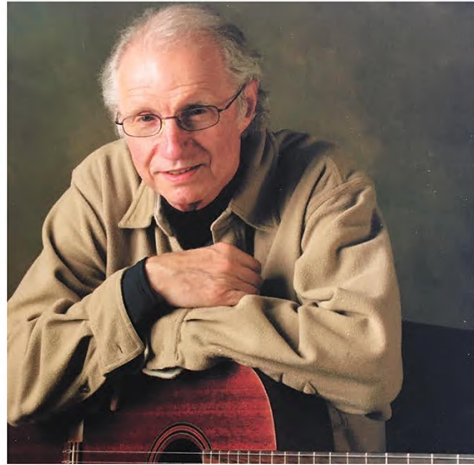
Featuring Songwriters:



Debra Griner



Lance Cowan



and special guest, Rory Bourke



Mark Dunlap



Brian Claflin

Tuesday, September 10, 2024

Westminster Café

6:00-7:00 p.m. | Café open and Habitat Homes &
Volunteer Display

7:00-8:30 p.m. | Songwriters' Show

Tickets are available at westminsterjoy.org, scan the
QR code, the church office, or in the parlor on Sundays in August.

Tickets are limited.



Westminster Presbyterian Church | 3900 West End Ave.
Park near the North Entrance and enter near the outdoor blue umbrella.



MISSION OPPORTUNITIES



Nations Ministry

Nations Ministry welcomes refugees and immigrants to Middle Tennessee, and helps refugee families become generationally successful through youth development and literacy. They currently need after-school tutors at three different sites.

Contact Janet Kuhn with questions: janetkuhn@mac.com.

Volunteers Needed

For 40 years, Better Decisions has equipped incarcerated and otherwise vulnerable women with decision-making strategies and skills through structured curriculum and one-to-one mentoring. They currently need mentors for the Thistle Farms program.

Please email Ashby Rushing at director@betterdecisions.org for details.



Habitat Build

September 7, 8, 14, 15
October 5, 6, 19, 26

Join us in the ministry of affordable housing.

Scan the QR code to register.



SUNDAY MORNINGS TEAM



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THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, August 25

- 8:30 AM Worship
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 12:15 PM Confirmation Kick Off Luncheon
- 4:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 PM Chiming Children's Rehearsal
Laudate Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 PM Youth Group Kick Off
Children's Ministry Parent Party

Monday, August 26

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

Tuesday, August 27

- 7:30 AM Bible Study
- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 11:30 AM Tuesday Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, August 28

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 10:00 AM Tai Chi
- 7:00 PM Men's Basketball
WPC Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, August 29

- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 9:30 AM Summer Book Study
- 10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting

Friday, August 30

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 10:00 AM Tai Chi
- 5:00 PM Pickleball

Saturday, August 31

- 11:30 AM AA



Come join us on Monday, September 9, for the Fourth Annual Westminster Golf Outing at Hermitage Golf Course. Cost is \$125 per player with registration beginning at 11:30 AM with lunch followed by a shotgun start at 1:00 PM. Practice balls will be available.

Friends of Westminster are welcome to play.

All proceeds and donations will benefit Westminster Home Connection.

Please contact Mark Lawrence with any questions at 615-477-9319 or markwlawrence58@gmail.com. Scan the QR code to register.



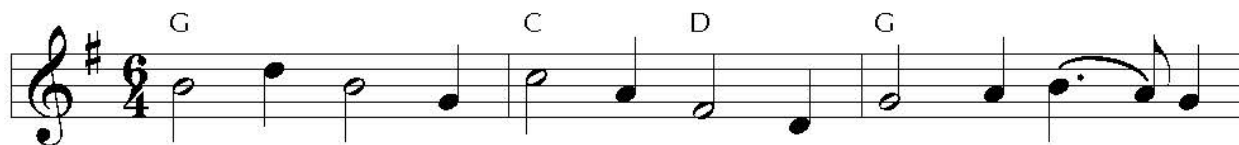
For more information on the events listed here, please contact the church office, 615.292.5526.



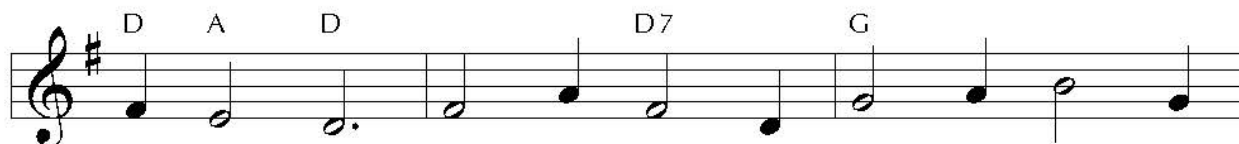
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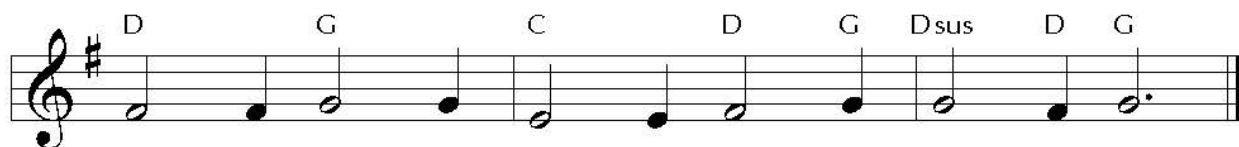
1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and
2 To this tem - ple, where we call you, come, O Lord of
3 Here be - stow on all your ser - vants what they seek from
4 Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther, laud and hon - or



cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
hosts, and stay; come, with all your lov - ing - kind - ness;
you to gain; what they gain from you, for - ev - er
to the Son, laud and hon - or to the Spir - it,



bind - ing all the church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's
hear your peo - ple as we pray, and your full - est
with the bless - ed to re - tain; and here - af - ter
ev - er three and ev - er one: one in might and



help for - ev - er, and our con - fi - dence a - lone.
ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in these walls to - day.
in your glo - ry ev - er - more with you to reign.
one in glo - ry while un - end - ing a - ges run!

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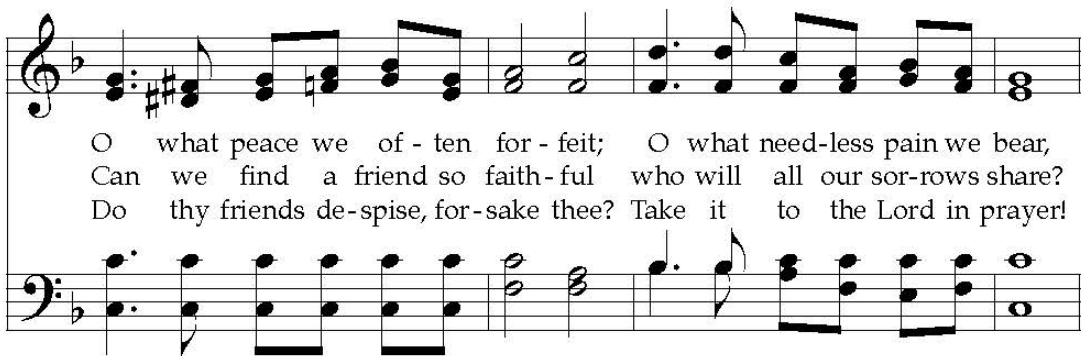
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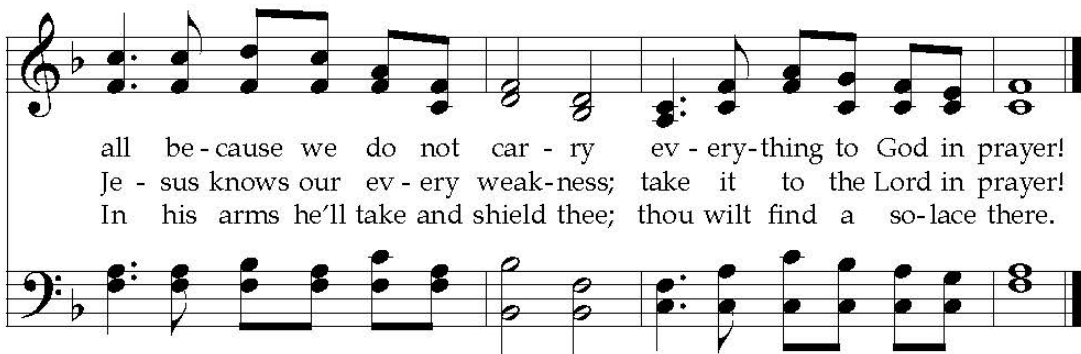
1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need - less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

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1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,

hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents shall be our home.
and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears;

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong,
for not with swords' loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums;
your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light.

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
with deeds of love and mer - cy the heaven-ly king-dom comes.
The crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

