

A photograph showing a baby being held by a priest in white vestments and a man in a dark suit with a yellow tie. The priest is on the left, and the man is on the right. The baby is in the center, wearing a white baptismal gown. The background is slightly blurred, showing other people in formal attire.

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost  
October 13, 2024

*Having your hands full*

## 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 13

This paraphrase, set to a familiar English folk melody, focuses on the opening narrative section of Psalm 50 without attempting to summarize God's speeches in the latter portion of the psalm. Both parts bear witness to God's sovereignty, God's justice, and God's providence. TEXT: Michael Morgan, 1999; MUSIC: *English Country Songs*, 1893; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906.

### PRELUDE

Andante Maestoso, Op. 4 No. 4

G.F. Handel/arr. W.T. Best

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

*(Those who are able may stand.)*

We gather before God together,  
imperfect but present.

**Let us worship God together earnestly,  
with our whole selves.**

We gather before God together,  
desiring deeper faith.

**Let us learn from God together  
as we seek harmony between our words  
and our actions.**

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

**Loving God, you have led us to this place  
to sing your praises and glorify your holy name!  
We worship you, aware of the wounds of the world,  
and you draw us here not to shield us  
from the heartache and pain of human life,  
but to heal and inspire us, redirect and shape us,  
until we see ourselves and the world as you do,  
love with your love, and follow Christ  
every day of our lives. 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 13

KINGSFOLD

The Mighty God with Power Speaks

## CALL TO CONFESSION

We find solace in the riches of this world,  
**yet we find ourselves drifting further from your Word.**  
**In this space, may our contrite hearts open**  
**so that we might confess our sins to you.**

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of mercy and forgiveness,**  
**we have walked our personal journeys**  
**using tactics that keep our lives**  
**within our control.**  
**Yet we are lonely and wondering**  
**whether there is a point to all that we do.**  
**Lead us home to you.**  
**In your gracious ways,**  
**may your Word be a beacon of forgiveness**  
**that draws us into your embrace**  
**as we feel the power of mercy and grace.**

*(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. Still, we approach God with confidence, trusting in the mercy of Jesus Christ. 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.

## *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.

*About Psalm 22, Hymn 210*

Although Psalm 22 paraphrased here begins in despair keen enough to be repeated on the lips of a dying Jesus (Matthew 27:46 / Mark 15:34), it is replete with a faith that withstands even the mockery of disbelievers. The spareness of the shape note tune fits the text well. TEXT: Christopher L. Webber, 1986; MUSIC: Walker's *Southern Harmony*, 1835.

*About Hymn 776*

This paraphrase of Psalm 4 speaks to us across the ages with a problem we also know: lack of sleep caused by worry and fear. Yet there is hope, because God is gracious and calms our fearful hearts, giving us the peace that allows us to find rest even in the midst of trying times. TEXT: David Gambrell, 2009; MUSIC: Thomas Tallis, c. 1567, alt.

**\*ACT OF PRAISE**    Glory to God in the Highest                      John Weaver

*(Please refer to the inside back cover of your hymnal for the music for this hymn.)*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship You, we give You thanks,  
we praise You for Your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God,  
Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord,  
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.**

**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.**

**Job 23:1-9, 16-17**

*(Old Testament, pages 471-472 in your pew Bible.)*

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

**Psalm 22:1-15, Hymn 210**

**DISTRESS**

*(Verses 1 and 2-Choir sings alone, verses 3 and 4-sung by all)*

**Mark 10:17-31**

*(New Testament, page 46 in your pew Bible.)*

**SERMON**

**"Having Your Hands Full"**

**Donovan Drake**

*(A moment for meditation)*

**\*HYMN 776**

**O God, Be Gracious**  
*(Verses 1 - 3 only)*

**TALLIS' ORDINAL**

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

### Presentation

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ...

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

**In baptism God claims us and seals us  
to show that we belong to God.**

**God frees us from sin and death,  
uniting us with Jesus Christ in his  
death and resurrection.**

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

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

### Questions to the Parents, Congregation and Children of the Church

#### \*Profession of Faith

Through baptism we enter the covenant...  
With the whole Church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

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

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

#### *The Baptismal Rite*

The Apostles' Creed:  
The oldest surviving  
baptismal liturgy,  
dating from around the  
year 200 C.E.,  
describes the candidate  
for baptism standing in  
water and affirming the  
faith by responding to  
three questions. Each  
question corresponds to  
one person of the  
Trinity. The Paschal  
Candle is symbolic of  
Christ's death and  
resurrection. The Lamb  
of God, who takes away  
the sin of the world, is  
our Paschal sacrifice.  
The Paschal Candle also  
symbolizes the light of  
the risen Christ, shining  
in the world. The use of  
this symbol dates from  
the early days of the  
Church. New Christians  
were given a lighted  
candle, symbolic of  
their having died and  
been raised to new life  
in Christ through  
baptism.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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

### **Thanksgiving over the Water**

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

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

Eternal and gracious God...lives and reigns forever. **Amen.**

### **The Baptism**

#### **Welcome**

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into the body of Christ.

**Live as a child of the light and let your light shine  
before others. Amen.**

#### **Baptismal Anthem**

Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep                      John Arnn

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep,  
Keep thy lambs in safety keep;  
Nothing can thy pow'r withstand,  
None can pluck them from thy hand.

May they praise thee ev'ry day,  
Gladly all thy will obey;  
Like thy blessed ones above,  
Happy in thy precious love.

Loving Shepherd ever near  
Teach thy lambs thy voice to hear;  
Suffer not their steps to stray  
from the straight and narrow way.

Where thou ledest may they go,  
Walking in thy steps below.  
Then, before thy Father's throne,  
Savior, claim them for thine own.

## THANKSGIVING

### OFFERING

Anthem                      What Does the Lord Require?                      Eric Nelson

What does the Lord require for praise and offering?  
What sacrifice, desire, or tribute bid you bring?  
To do justice; love mercy; and walk humbly,  
walk humbly with your God....

Rulers of earth, give ear! Should you not justice know?  
Will God your pleading hear, while crime and cruelty grow?  
Then do justice; love mercy; and walk humbly,  
walk humbly with your God....

How shall our life, how shall our life fulfill, fulfill God's law so high?  
Let Christ, let Christ endue our will,  
let Christ endue our will with grace.

How shall our life, how shall our life fulfill God's law?  
What does the Lord require?  
What does the Lord require for praise and offering?  
What sacrifice, desire, or tribute bid you bring?  
To do justice; love mercy; and walk humbly,  
walk humbly with your God....

### \*DOXOLOGY

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**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.**

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

**God, whose giving knows no ending,  
we offer ourselves with our gifts,  
confident that you have a purpose for us.  
May our offerings reach beyond the limits  
of our former thinking and doing,  
for in the Spirit of Christ, we would pay and live.  
Grant to each of us a sense of participation  
in the most important opportunity of our lives:  
to share your saving love and mercy in the world.  
To this end, we dedicate our offerings and ourselves,  
in the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### *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!

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Prayed in unison*)

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**SENDING**

**\*HYMN 372**

O for a World

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**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Prelude, Fugue, and Toccata in E Minor

Johann Pachelbel

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

*About Hymn 372*

Everything longed for in this text is a reminder of how far our present world is from what God wants. Yet there is not just wishful thinking; it is a call to action, a summons to participate in the fulfillment of God's desire for all earth's people to live in radical shalom. TEXT: Miriam Therese Winter, 1987; MUSIC: Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839.

*About the Postlude*

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.



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## 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 Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care at [hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org) or Rev. Stephanie Boaz, Parish Associate at [sboaz@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:sboaz@nashvillewpc.org) or 615-292-5526.

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## Today @ Westminster

### Worship Leaders

#### Preaching

Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake  
*Pastor and Head of Staff*

#### Liturgist

Sophie Maness  
*Executive Director of Children's and Community Life Ministries*

#### Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Linda Koon  
11:00 AM Rudy Kalis

#### Presenting Elder for Baptism

8:30 AM Virginia Reynolds  
11:00 AM Kim Crafton

#### 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*

### FLOWER DEDICATION

*The flowers in the Sanctuary  
are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of  
Barbara Ann Felch  
by the Felch family.*

*The flowers in the Parlor  
are given to the glory of God  
and in loving memory of  
Anne Douglass White  
by Jennie Bowman.*

### BAPTISM

*The sacrament of baptism will be administered today  
at the 8:30 AM worship service to*

**Lucy Ryan**, daughter of Mary Glenn and Ryan Lipman.

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

**Nancy Emelia**, daughter of Whitney and Thomas McDonald  
and

**George Henry**, son of Alessandra Morris and George Allyn IV.

### 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](http://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

### 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



**LIVING  
OUT THE  
WORD**

LOVE  
RECONCILE  
SHINE  
TRANSFORM

*As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"*

Mark 10:17

What are some of the best things you inherited?

What are some of the worst things?

What did you have to do in order to gain an inheritance?

What are some things that Jesus gives to you and what will you do with them?

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## Update Your Membership Contact Info

Visit the membership table in the Parlor and talk with a member of the GETconnected team to update your contact info and family photo.

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### Baptisms

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

**If you would like more information about baptisms at Westminster, please contact Sophie Maness, 615.292.5526, [smaness@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:smaness@nashvillewpc.org).**

**If you would like to schedule a baptism, please contact Hannah Boles, 615.292.5526, [hboles@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:hboles@nashvillewpc.org).**



# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM

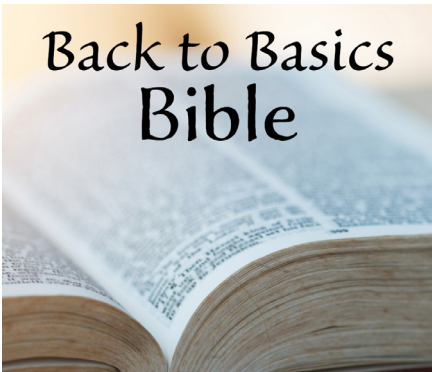


## Covenant Class • Fellowship Hall

### ***Is Tennessee's Death Penalty System Broken Beyond Repair?***

Eleanor Bryant, a member of Westminster and a student at University of Tennessee Chattanooga, served as the 2024 summer intern for Tennesseans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty (TADP). Eleanor will share about her experience with TADP and will be joined by TADP's Executive Director Reverend Stacy Rector, a teaching elder in the Presbytery

of Middle Tennessee, who will provide both a theological and policy framework for a conversation about Tennessee's death penalty system. Sharing the facts about the failures of the current system, they will provide an analysis of the death penalty and information about other ways to address violent crime while providing surviving families of murder victims the support that they need so that their healing isn't reliant on what happens to the people who have caused them harm.



## Back to Basics: Bible • Room 10

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! If you have any questions, please contact Will, [wwellman@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:wwellman@nashvillewpc.org).



## Young Families • Overlook Room

Fellowship Sunday



# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM



## Fall New Member & Inquirer Class

**Not meeting this Sunday**

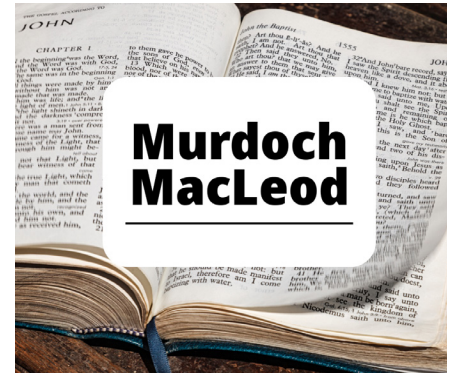
For more info, please contact Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, [hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org).



## Faith & Fellowship • 214

We will be exploring A.-J. Levine's new book *The Gospel of John*.

For more info, please contact Donna Schwaber, [dkschwaber@gmail.com](mailto:dkschwaber@gmail.com).



## Murdoch MacLeod • Library

We will discuss this week's gospel lesson.

For more info, please contact Paul DeWitt, [pdewitt@comcast.net](mailto:pdewitt@comcast.net).



# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER



## Sunday School • 9:45 AM

**Sixth - Twelfth Grades**

**Sixth - Eighth Grades**  
Sunday School

**Ninth - Twelfth Grades**  
Sunday School

## Youth Group

**Senior High Youth Group**  
6:00 PM

**Middle School Youth Group**  
6:00 PM

Dinner and a BIG game of GROG!

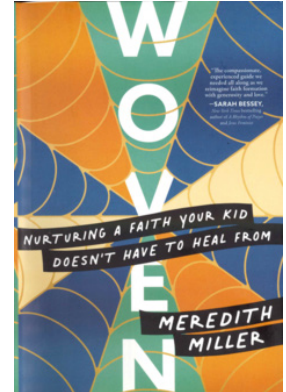


## Children & Youth Choirs

Fall Break  
No Rehearsals

### Join Us!

Children from K - 5th grade are invited to jump into Westminster's Children's Choirs for our next rehearsal on October 6! If you have missed out on the fall season so far, now is the perfect time to join, as we learn new music in preparation for Children's Sabbath and Christmas Eve. Info, the schedule, and a registration link can be found on the church's website. Please contact Dale Nickell, the Children's Choirs Coordinator, at [dnickell@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:dnickell@nashvillewpc.org).



## 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](mailto:smaness@nashvillewpc.org), for info.

# 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**

**4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade in room 292**

**1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapel first and then will be picked up in rooms.**



## LIVING OUT THE WORD

### QUESTIONS FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES:

Today is a baptism Sunday. Notice who is getting baptized, what does the baby think of it?

Ask your parents about your baptism or their's.

Draw a picture of what you think God's love looks like.

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### Word Search

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

- |         |        |
|---------|--------|
| baby    | love   |
| baptism | parent |
| drop    | Sunday |
| God     | water  |



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Faith & Food

A conversation about stewarding the church's land & feeding our neighbors.



November 23

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Chapel & Fellowship Hall

Lunch Provided  
by The Nashville Food Project  
\$15-\$20 Suggested Donation

### Preacher

Rev. Perry D. Wiggins III  
Pastor, Alamedia Christian Church

### Moderator

Rev. Jeannie Hunter  
Regional Director of the  
Society of St. Andrew

### Panelists

Vernon Shaw  
Donor Relations Mgr. at Second Harvest of Middle TN

Jackson Rolett  
Farmer and Co-Founder of No-Till Growers

Lillie Wiggins  
Coordinator of Our Hands Garden Ministry

Jason Adkins  
Director, Trevecca Urban Farm

**Everyone  
Welcome!**

This one-day conference will encourage church leaders to consider the role of the land their churches are on, especially in the context of feeding our hungry neighbors. For more info, please contact Will Wellman, [wwellman@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:wwellman@nashvillewpc.org). Please scan the QR code to register.





# GENEROSITY 2025



"See, I am about to do a new thing."

Even in the midst of our 2025 generosity campaign, we are reminded that the care and support we offer each other—through meals, prayers, cards, support and gracious acts of kindness—are powerful expressions of the same love that drive our financial stewardship. Together we are witnessing how God is doing new

things through and among us.

Below, Anne Ridley shares how the love and congregational care from our church family has been a source of comfort and strength.

*I'm surrounded by a wonderful church family. Last night, Roberta Rodgers picked me up and took me to her house for dinner and invited a fellow choir member to join us. I couldn't have asked for a better distraction while my friends were at the airport headed to Italy. Today, Frances Baird brought me lunch and stayed the afternoon, which was a great distraction to my emotional and physical pain. Next week, I'm having lunch with Laurie Cooper and dinner with Carolyn Harris. In between, other choir members are bringing me dinner every few days. There are others who have offered to help.*

**I can't say  
enough for  
the love  
I have  
received  
from the  
church.**

*And the blanket. Sylvia Leins brought by the blanket earlier this week. I've been surrounded by the church this week, but the blanket is such a reminder and just makes me feel comforted.*

*Carson and Jane carried me during Dad's decline. Mom's decline was much shorter, but the church was there for me, so I praised the church for the love I received during that time. Now, I need it directly for meals, groceries, distractions, and perhaps doctor appointments in the future. I can't do anything that requires two arms.*

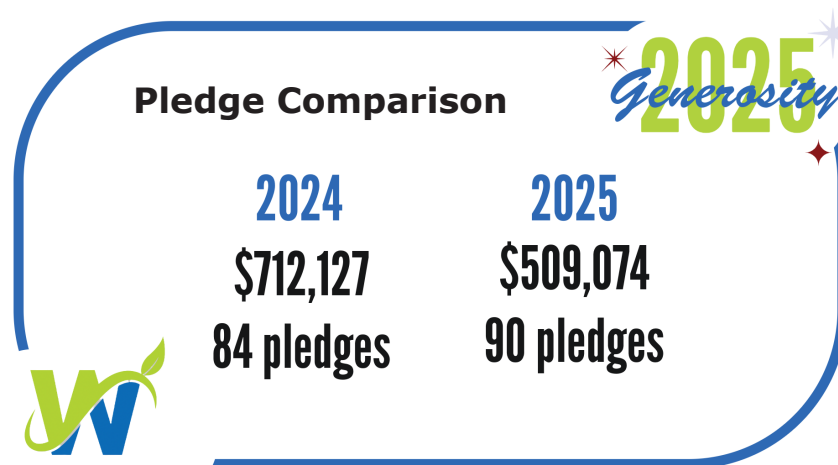




# GENEROSITY 2025

*I can't say enough for the love I have received from the church. I'm unable to draw direct correlations to God or Jesus but the love is there, and I believe. I wish I could find a way to express this to the church, but I don't have ideas about how to do that. So, you get my thoughts for those days when you might need reminders of how much the church means. WPC is a special place to experience God's love and your leadership in that endeavor.*

The generosity we show in caring for one another is mirrored in our stewardship, as our shared resources enable us to support, nurture, and sustain the well-being of our entire congregation.



## 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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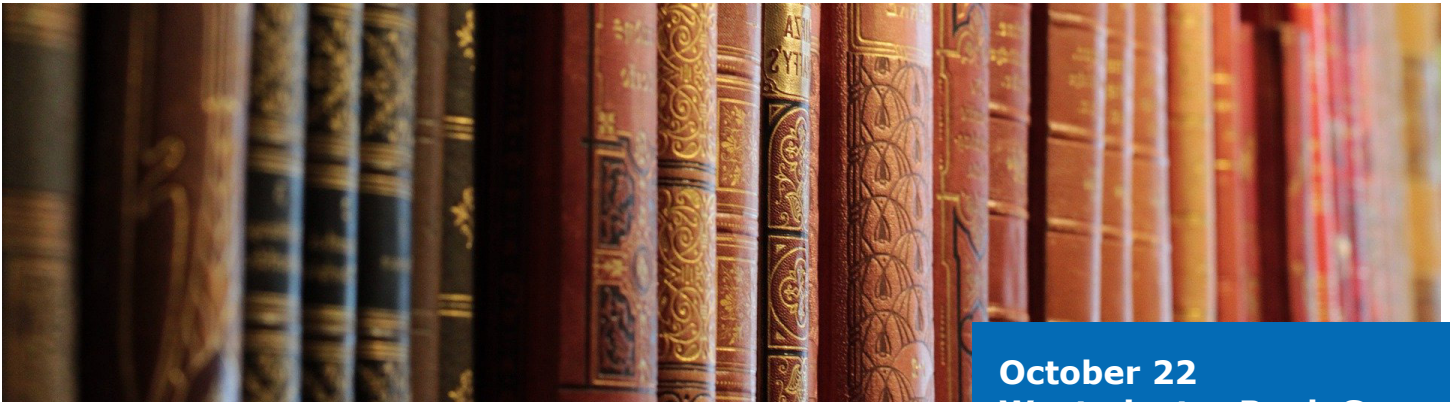
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September 2024		
	Month	Year to Date
Income:	\$280,885	\$ 2,820,828
Expense:	<u>\$278,578</u>	<u>\$ 2,672,069</u>
Net Income (loss):	\$ 2,307	\$ 148,759



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Monday, October 14, 2024**  
**Women's Covenant Group**  
**11:30 AM • BYO Lunch**  
**12:00 PM • Program**  
**Goodpasture Hall**

Our guest this month is Angie Henderson, Vice Mayor of Nashville and President of the Metro Council. Angie is an advocate for making Metro

Government more proactive and effective in the service of all citizens in all neighborhoods across Davidson County. Come with questions about current issues facing our rapidly growing city.

We are so excited about this program and hope you will be able to join us!

Lisa Atkinson, Frances Baird, and Suzanne Allen

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## **January 2025** **Westminster Academy**

The study of *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* has been rescheduled for next January. Dates to be announced in coming weeks.

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## **November 6** **Wednesday Night Dinner** **5:30 PM**

Brown Bag Catering (chili, baked potatoes, pizza for kids)

Theme:  
Making Thanksgiving Trees to take home

**October 22**  
**Westminster Book Group**  
**9:30 AM • Fellowship**  
**10:00 AM • Presentation**  
**Goodpasture Hall**  
**Led by Guy Griffith**

*Dynamite Nashville*  
by Betsy T. Phillips

New evidence in 'Dynamite Nashville: Unmasking the FBI, the KKK, and the Bombers Beyond their Control' uncovers the origin of an organized group of racist terrorists committing nationwide acts of violence against integration efforts in the late 1950's and early 1960s. The book also implicates both the FBI and local law enforcement agencies.

For more info, please contact Mary Hande, [handema@comcast.net](mailto:handema@comcast.net).



# JOY IN LEARNING & CAFÉ NEWS

## Café Hours Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM - Noon

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



## Volunteers Needed

We are searching for volunteer leaders who have a passion for sharing their love of pastel, watercolor, and acrylic painting and pottery (both wheel and hand-thrown). Sessions, dates, and times are flexible.

Contact Beth Drake,  
[beth@westminsterjoy.org](mailto:beth@westminsterjoy.org)



## M-W-F • 10:00 AM Tai-Chi

Experience the benefits of Taijiquan play as you learn warm-up exercises, fundamental movements and the 37-posture Yang-style "form".

To learn more and to register, please scan the QR code or visit [westminsterjoy.org](http://westminsterjoy.org).



## October 16, 18, 23, 25 W-F • 9:00 AM Fleece Blankets

Fleece Blanket fringe cutting returns! Drop in the Café and join in the fun. If you can cut, we can use you! Goal: 80 blankets for our Nations Ministry refugee friends.

Let us know you are coming. Please scan the QR code.



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# NOVEMBER 3, ALL SAINTS



## All Saints' Banners

On Sunday, October 27, please add bells in remembrance of your loved ones to these banners, which can be found on the Parlor table, along with bells. This is a beautiful activity for all ages.

These banners are carried into our morning All Saints' services and into the Evensong service that night. Hearing and seeing the bells helps us lift up with gratitude all those who have gone before us.



## All Saints' Communion Sunday Morning Worship

The names of those Westminster members who have died in the past year (as well as any others whose memorial services occurred here) will be lifted up. There will also be the opportunity to lift up those saints on our own hearts, in silence or aloud, as the bell tolls. Together, we give thanks that "nothing, not even death, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Romans 8:38-39)

## All Saints' Service of Remembrance

3:00 PM • Parlor Courtyard (Please see next page for details.)



## An Evening Hymn Festival

7:00 PM • Sanctuary

**Westminster Choir, Brass Quintet, percussion, Sam Levine, clarinet, David Angell, violin  
Dale Nickell, organist  
John Semington, Director of Music Ministries**

Plan now to join us for this participatory musical service featuring familiar hymns of the Christian faith. These are hymns we all love to sing. Hymns like "For All the Saints", "Hymn to Joy", "Love Divine", "All Creatures of our God & King", "How Firm a Foundation", and a very lively arrangement of "When the Saints for Marching In". All our singing will be accompanied by our Easter brass quintet, percussion, clarinet, and violin. The choir will also sing a beautiful new anthem on the poem, "We Remember Them." It will be an inspiring night of worship through singing along with poems, readings, and scripture offered by our clergy. Bring your singing voice! All are welcome!

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# NOVEMBER 3, ALL SAINTS

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## **All Saints' Service of Remembrance**

**3:00 PM • Parlor Courtyard**

A service of remembrance will be held outdoors in the Parlor Courtyard, providing the opportunity to remember all our loved ones in the great cloud of witnesses. Through liturgy, meditative music, scripture and prayer, the ringing of the bell, the lighting of candles, and the sharing of communion, we will remember and give thanks for the lives of the saints.

- Names to be lifted up will be received ahead of the service, 2:45 – 3:00 PM, or by sending names to Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, 615-481-0666, [hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org).

- You are invited to bring a photo of your loved one(s) to this service to place on the worship table, or to hold.

- If you are in need of support, grief resources or referrals, please contact Heidi. In addition, the grief resource library of the Bereavement Ministry Team is housed in her office for sharing.

In case of rain, the service will be held in the Chapel. The Congregational Care Bereavement Ministry Team is the sponsor of this service.

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses...let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith...." (Hebrews 12:1-2)



# MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

## Give To The Children

During October, we will be collecting new underwear for boys and girls. Please bring in sizes girls 4 - 16 and boys 4 - 20. We will have bins around to collect them. This collection will help support various families who just need a hand. Thank you for contributing.



## Donate to Help Others

Hurricane Helene left a path of death and destruction. WPC will disperse dollars from our Disaster Relief Fund to help those who need the most food and housing. Because of the scope of the destruction, you may feel the need to contribute to areas that are close to your heart. If you would like to make a donation through the church, make the check out to Westminster and put on the memo line- -Disaster Relief.

## Room In The Inn

Room In The Inn resumes at Westminster November 13, 2024, with many opportunities for engagement for singles, families, or small groups Wednesday nights through March 26, 2025. We have many great opportunities to spend time with Westminster friends and 14 homeless male neighbors. Please scan the QR code to sign up.



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# SUNDAY MORNING TEAM



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# THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

## Sunday, October 13

- 8:30 AM Worship
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 12:15 PM Chili Cook Off
- 4:00 PM Woven Book Study
- 6:00 PM Youth Group

## Monday, October 14

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

## Tuesday, October 15

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

## Wednesday, October 16

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 9:30 AM Westminster Bells
- 10:00 AM Tai Chi
- 7:00 PM Men's Basketball  
WPC Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, October 17

- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study  
Thurs Morning Theological Group
- 10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting
- 11:00 AM Music Box Series

## Friday, October 18

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

## Saturday, October 19

- 11:30 AM AA



## Who has the best-tasting Westminster chili recipe?

Chili chefs: Create a fun title for your chili like Bean Me Up, Scotty, Hot Mess Express, or Jalapeño Business!

We will have all kinds of chili and mac and cheese for the kids.

Prefer not to cook chili? We need folks to sign up to bring toppings and dessert! Youth and adults, We need help setting up, and watching the children in the gym and playground!



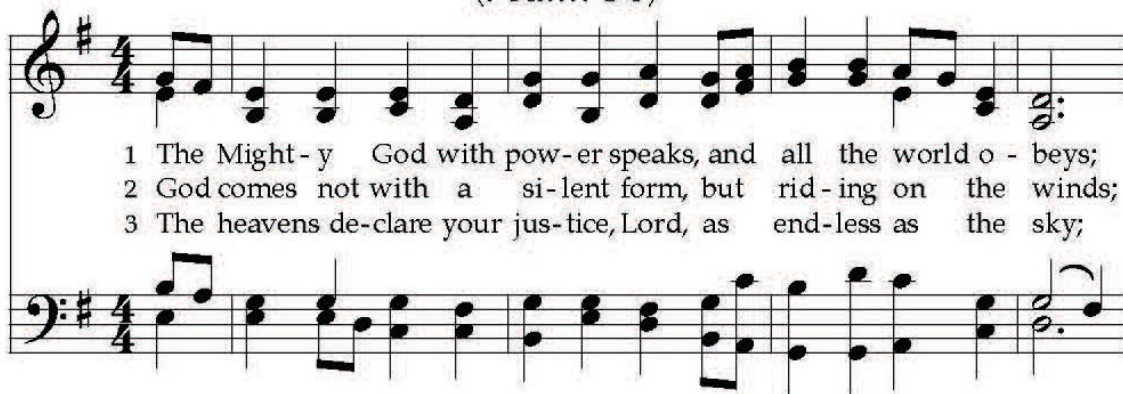
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# 13 The Mighty God with Power Speaks

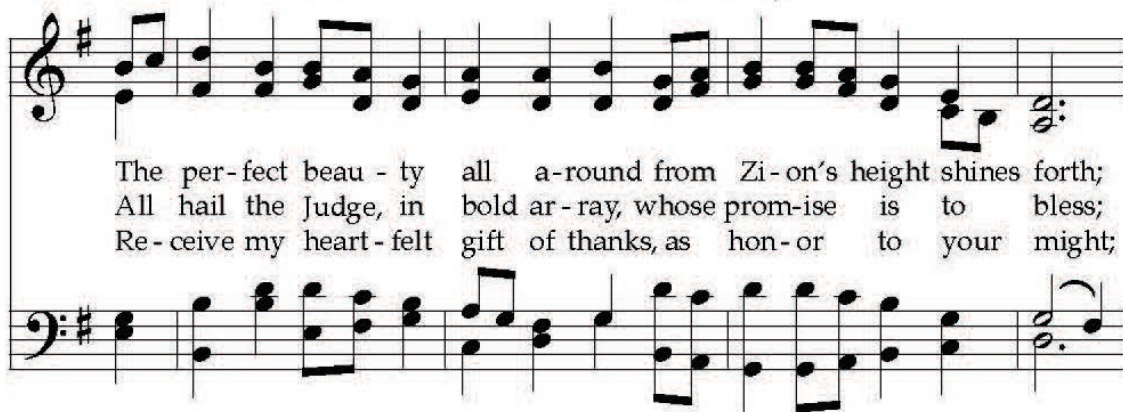
(Psalm 50)



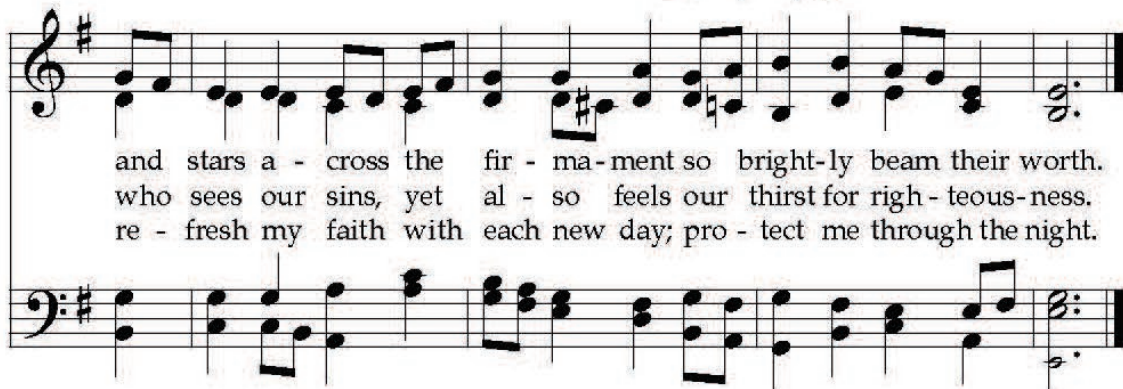
1 The Might-y God with pow-er speaks, and all the world o - beys;  
2 God comes not with a si-lent form, but rid-ing on the winds;  
3 The heavens de-clare your jus-tice, Lord, as end-less as the sky;



from dawn un - til the set-ting sun, God's won-der earth dis - plays.  
be - fore God's face, the rag-ing storm its blast of thun-der sends.  
a - gainst the taunts of dis - be - lief, our God will tes - ti - fy.



The per-fect beau - ty all a-round from Zi-on's height shines forth;  
All hail the Judge, in bold ar-ray, whose prom-ise is to bless;  
Re-ceive my heart-felt gift of thanks, as hon-or to your might;



and stars a - cross the fir - ma-ment so bright-ly beam their worth.  
who sees our sins, yet al - so feels our thirst for righ - teous-ness.  
re - fresh my faith with each new day; pro - tect me through the night.

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# 210 Lord, Why Have You Forsaken Me

(Psalm 22)

1 Lord, why have you for - sak - en me, and  
2 Yet you are ho - ly, and the songs of  
3 But I am mocked and put to scorn. All  
4 Yet you, O Lord, have been my God and

why are you so far a - way from my com - plaint and  
praise of Is - rael are your throne; when our an - ces - tors  
those who see me laugh and say, "You trust in God, so  
on - ly hope since I was born. With trou - ble near me,

my dis - tress poured out be - fore you night and day?  
called on you, you saved them, res - cued all your own.  
let us see the help of God to whom you pray."  
none can help. My Sav - ior, leave me not for - lorn.

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# 776 O God, Be Gracious

(Psalm 4)

1 O God, be gra - cious; hear my prayer, and  
2 How long, O God, will li - ars boast while  
3 When ter - ror wakes me from my dreams and  
4 Some fear that you will not pro - vide; they  
5 Now lay me down to sleep in peace; in

an - swer when I cry. You give me hope in  
I am smeared with shame? Come, set your faith - ful  
shakes me through and through, teach me to pray with  
cry, "Show us your face!" But you have sat - is -  
safe - ty let me rest. O God, with - in your

my dis - tress; you will not pass me by.  
ser - vant free; I call up - on your name!  
con - fi - dence and put my trust in you.  
fied my heart with good - ness, joy, and grace.  
lov - ing care I am for - ev - er blessed.

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# O for a World

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1 O for a world where ev - ery - one re - spects each oth - er's ways,  
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,  
3 We wel - come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice  
4 The poor are rich; the weak are strong; the fool - ish ones are wise.  
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,  
where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.  
where truth is spo - ken, chil - dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.  
that o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.  
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.  
where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.