

Second Sunday of Christmas
January 5, 2025

*In the beginning was the Word.
And the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.*

GATHERING

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

PRELUDE Prelude on The First Noel Paul Fey

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Lift up your hearts in prayer:

lift up your voices in praise.

Let our eyes rise in expectation

and our hands in exultation,

for the Lord has drawn us near

and dwells among us.

We lift them up. Amen.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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

Everlasting God,

your Son is the light of the world.

Your Son is the way, the truth, and the life.

Lead us by your light and truth.

Looking for Jesus, let us find him.

Looked for by Jesus, we are found first. 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 150**

DIX

As with Gladness Men of Old

CALL TO CONFESSION

The people who have walked in darkness

have seen a great light.

Let us come to the light and draw near to God.

Let us confess our sins and be forgiven.

About the Prelude

The Prelude is a musical offering to help move the hearts and minds of the gathering community from the daily struggles of life to the worship of God.

About Hymn 150

The first three stanzas here use an as / so structure to draw parallels between the coming of the Magi and the spiritual lives of the singers, summed up in the prayer of the fourth stanza. Even though this adapted German tune was named for him, the author did not care for it. TEXT: William Chatterton Dix, c. 1858; MUSIC: Conrad Kocher, 1838.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, in the beginning you spoke,
and creation was born, the object of your loving care.
In the fullness of time you spoke,
and the Word became flesh, Jesus, gift of your love.
We wonder at the miracle of creation;
we stand in awe before the mystery of the incarnation.
Forgive us earthbound creatures, feeble in faith,
empty of hope, lacking in love.
This year let the miracle and mystery of Christmas
happen for us again.
We wait upon you with ready hearts, O God,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

(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.")*

***ACT OF PRAISE** (*Hymn 513*)

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

This Is the Feast of Victory

(The congregation is invited to sing with the choir.)

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**Sing with all the people of God, and join in
the hymn of all creation. Refrain.**

*Call to and Prayer of
Confession*

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

About the Kyrie

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

Assurance of Pardon

A declaration of forgiveness proclaims the good news of God's mercy and offers the assurance of pardon in Jesus' name. The liturgist pours water into the font, which reminds us of the grace and cleansing of our Baptism, and the baptismal call to new life in Christ.

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

This prayer 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.

Psalm 147, Hymn 657

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

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.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(Everyone is asked to sign the Friendship pad, which is located on the center aisle end of each pew.)

INTERLUDE Vom Himmel hoch, da komm' ich her, verset 1
Johann Pachelbel

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

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

Jeremiah 31:7-14
(Old Testament, page 734 in your pew Bible)

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

Psalm 147 (Hymn 657, all sing) GLENDON

(The Congregation is invited to sing the Refrain. Verses will be sung by the Choir alone.)

John 1:10-18
(New Testament, pages 91-92 in your pew Bible)

SERMON "Let's Start with This" Donovan Drake
(A moment for meditation)

***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)

THE EUCHARIST

OFFERING

Anthem

All This Time

William Walton

All this time this song is best:

“Verbum caro factum est.” (The word is made flesh.)

This night there is a child y-born

That sprang out of Jesse’s thorn;

We must sing and say therefor,

All this time....

Jesus is the childes name, And Mary mild is his dame;

All our sorrow shall turn to game:

All this time....

It fell upon high midnight:

The stars shone both fair and bright;

The angels sang with all their might,

All this time....

Now kneel we down on our knee,

And pray we to the Trinity Our help, our succor for to be;

All this time....

(16th century text)

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

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

*PREPARATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE

*INVITATION

*GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy...

and to set before us the ways of justice and peace.

*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 prayer ends with praise to the triune God.

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

ALL:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord.____
God of pow - er and might.____ Heav - en and earth are full of your glo -
ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est!____
____ Bles - sed is he who comes, he who comes in the name of the Lord.____
____ Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -
san - na in the high - est!_____

(The congregation may be seated.)

You are holy, O God of majesty...
dedicated to your service.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

Gracious God...
in the joy of your eternal realm.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor are yours, almighty God,
now and forever.

[organ] A - men, A - men, A - men.

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Praying together)*

**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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Music during Communion

In dulci jubilo, BuxWV 197

Dieterich Buxtehude

Anthem

Eat This Bread

Jacques Berthier/Taize

*(The congregation is invited to sing the **Response** with the choir.)*

Response

**Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst.**

I am the bread of life,
the true bread sent from the Creator. ***Response.***
Your ancestors ate manna in the desert,
but this is the bread come down from heaven. ***Response.***
Anyone who eats this bread will live forever. ***Response.***
If you believe and eat this bread,
you will have eternal life. ***Response.***

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Communion

The Presbyterian Church (USA) practices "open Communion" without regard to denominational affiliation. All who seek to become faithful to Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table. Westminster celebrates the "Eucharist," meaning "thanksgiving," on the first Sunday of each month.

Buxtehude set Hymn 132, *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice* with a light-hearted and dance-like feeling in this organ piece.

SENDING

About Hymn 459

The opening four lines of this hymn celebrate attributes of Christ that are revealed through holy Scripture, which serves as a lantern, a chart, and a compass for the church in seeking to know Christ better. The setting of the tune comes from Felix Mendelssohn's Elijah. TEXT: William Walsham How, 1867; MUSIC: *Neuvermehrtes Meiningisches Gesangbuch*, 1691; adapt. Felix Mendelssohn, 1847.

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

The Interlude and Postlude are two organ settings of Hymn 111, *From Heaven Above*.

Service in the World

Christian worship and service does not end at the conclusion of the Service for the Lord's Day; we go for the to love and serve the Lord in daily living. In so doing, we seek to fulfill our chief end: to glorify and enjoy God forever.

***HYMN 459**

O Word of God Incarnate

MUNICH

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Vom Himmel hoch, da komm' ich her, verset 2

Johann Pachelbel

**(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 Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler by email at hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org or 615.292.5526 in the church office.

TODAY@ WESTMINSTER

Worship Leaders

Preaching

Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake
Pastor and Head of Staff

Liturgist

Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler
Associate Pastor for Congregational Care

Communion Preparation

Suzie and Richard Lane

Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Bob Cooper
11:00 AM Spencer Klavan

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

SANCTUARY AND PARLOR FLOWERS

Reserve your date now to provide arrangements in the Sanctuary or Parlor in 2025. Celebrate your friendships and honor your loved ones with arrangements provided by our talented Flower Guild members.

Email or call Terri Eckert to select your special Sunday.

Please note that reservations for flowers do not carry over from year-to-year. (teckert@nashvillewpc.org or 615.292.5526)

RED ROSE

The red rose in the Chancel is given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the birth of a son, **John Robert "J.R." Adgent, Jr.** on December 20, 2024 to Caitlin and John Adgent.

Mask Policy

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville is mask optional.

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

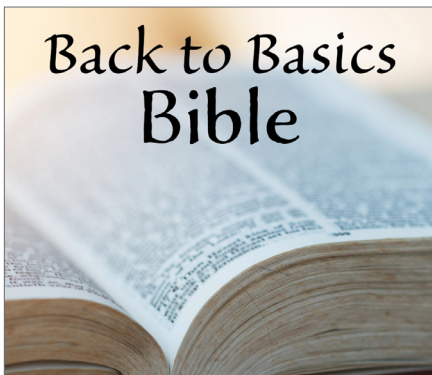
Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM

Covenant Class • Fellowship Hall



Hebrew Words We All Need to Know: Deepening Your Relationship with the Old Testament. Did you know that the Hebrew word for "mercy" is also the word for "womb"? How about that the word "repentance" has less to do with feeling guilty than with "changing course"? The Hebrew and Aramaic languages spoken by Jesus and his contemporaries were steeped in a rich tradition dating back millennia. That tradition is filled with concepts that can radically deepen your understanding of key Christian principles. And you don't have to become proficient in Biblical Hebrew to profit from this blessing of the church. In these classes, Dr. Spencer Klavan will present a few key Hebrew

words and concepts that can draw you closer into relationship with God's word in its historical context and today.



Starts January 12

**Back to Basics: Christian Belief
Room 10**

Westminster is continuing our new series of Sunday School classes to help us get back to the basics! This Spring we'll continue with an introduction to Christian Beliefs. We'll explore how Christians understand their faith, the doctrines of the church, and our own Reformed tradition. Attendees will become familiar with the beliefs of the church, why they

matter now, and how they shape and form our lives as contemporary Christians. This class is great for anyone who is new to the faith all the way to seasoned theologians who would like a refresher—all are welcome! Email Will Wellman with any questions, wwellman@nashvillewpc.org



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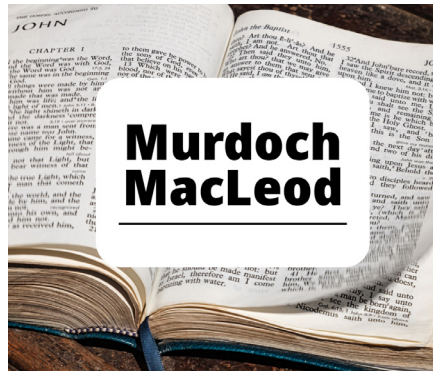
Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM



Faith & Fellowship • 214

Fellowship Sunday. Please join Covenant Class.

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



Murdoch MacLeod • Library

We will discuss this week's gospel lesson.

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



Young Families

This class will be joining the Back to Basics class starting on January 12.



Youth

Sunday School • 9:45 AM

Gather in the Koinonia Youth Café for donuts and fellowship before class.

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM • Confirmation

No Youth Group tonight.



Children & Youth Choirs

4:00 PM Rehearsals

Gloria
Alleluia
Jubilate

5:00 PM Rehearsals

Laudate Choir
Chiming Children



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Winter New Member & Inquirer Class To Begin January 12

The winter New Member and Inquirer Class will begin Sunday, January 12, and runs through February 16, with the opportunity to join on March 2 for those who feel called into membership. The class runs during the Sunday School hour, 9:45 – 10:45 AM.

To sign up for the class please contact Sherri Givens, sgivens@nashvillewpc.org. For questions or more information please contact co-chairs Kathleen Simcoe (kathleenmsimcoe@gmail.com) and Ken Larish (klarish@mainlandcompanies.com), or pastoral staff Heidi Hudnut-Beumler (hhudnutbeumler@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

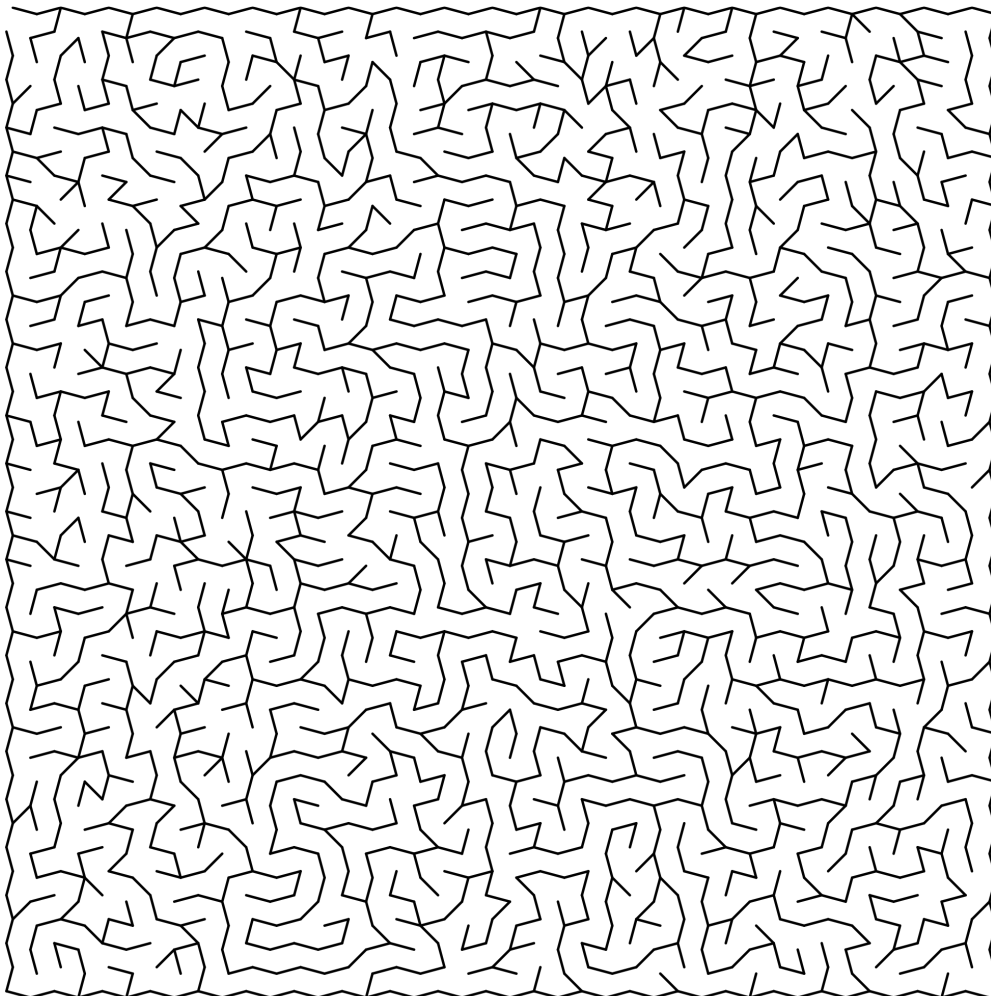
4th & 5th Grade in room 292

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

God's glory was revealed to the world; it highlights the idea that God, in the person of Jesus, came to live among us, bringing grace and truth with him.



START



FINISH





ANNOUNCEMENTS



Monday, January 13, 2025

Women's Covenant Group

11:30 AM - BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch)

12:00 PM - Program

Goodpasture Hall

Adam DeVries, our new Parish Associate for Youth Ministries, will be our guest. Adam is the founder of Crowded Table, an organization whose mission is to equip local churches to provide practical support to foster families and their case workers in Davidson County, thereby sustaining and expanding the network of foster parents. Come and get to know Adam, welcome him to our community, and learn more about Crowded Table.

We look forward to this time of fellowship. Although our group is comprised of "grandmother" aged women, all women are invited, as well as friends and guests.

For questions, please contact:

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January 28, 2025

The Moviegoer

by Walker Percy

Presenter: Will Wellman

Binx Bolling, a young New Orleans stockbroker, fills his days with movies and casual sex. His life offers him nothing worth retaining; what he treasures are scenes from *The Third Man* or *Stagecoach*, not the personal experiences he knows other people hold dear. On the cusp of turning thirty, however, something changes: At Mardi Gras, he embarks on a quest for some form of authentic experience. The consequences of Binx's quest, on both himself and his unstable cousin Kate, prove outrageous, absurd, moving, and indelible.

January 8

Wednesday Night Dinner

5:30 PM

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

We'll also be baking cookies for Monroe Harding with the Hands on Mission Committee after we eat!



CONGREGATIONAL CARE

THE MANY MINISTRIES OF CONGREGATIONAL CARE AT WESTMINSTER

Do you have a need?

Or,

Do you want to help with care ministry?

We are the body of Christ, a congregation that shares one another's burdens and rejoices in each other's joys. Whether you are in your later years and would welcome visits, are in the hospital, are recovering and would welcome help with rides to PT or medical equipment or meals, are in need of meals while you experience the demands and joys of a new baby, or have a request for prayer, whatever your need might be, we are here to help and support one another. If you are feeling called to join one of our fourteen care ministry teams, we would love to have you! In our 2,200-member congregation the needs are many and growing all the time, and our care responses seek to be broad and deep.

In our Congregational Care brochure, all fourteen care ministries are outlined. This brochure is available on the Parlor and Narthex tables, as well as on the website. In it the following care ministry teams are described:

- Worship Flower Delivery Ministry
- Pastor's Aides Ministry
- Special Meals Ministry
- Medical Equipment Lending Closet Ministry
- Special Care Ministry
- Prayer Blankets Ministry
- Bereavement Ministry
- Families with Young Children Ministry
- Adjunct Meals Team for New Baby Families & Other Young Families in Times of Need
- Communion@Home Ministry
- Independent Living Ministry
- Hospital Care Ministry
- Caring Connections Rehab Ministry
- Memory Loss Outreach
- Prayer Ministry

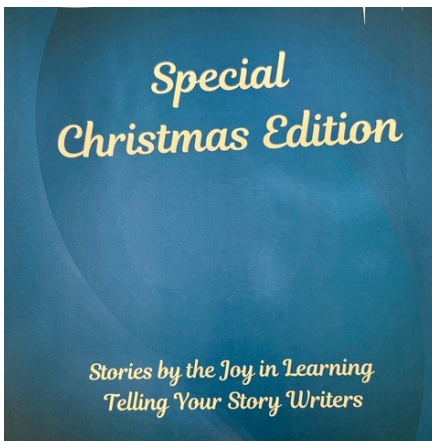
If you have a need, are anticipating a need, or want to serve on a care ministry team, please contact: Emily Coleman – Chair, Congregational Care Steering Committee, emilyandersonart32@gmail.com; 615-579-0870.

Pastoral staff for Congregational Care: Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org; 615-481-0666 or Stephanie Boaz, sboaz@nashvillewpc.org; 614-578-8130.



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.



Telling Your Story Christmas Edition Booklets

Pick up a copy of the Telling Your Story Christmas Edition Booklet featuring stories from the participants in the latest class. Copies are available in the Parlor and the Café.



Painting Open Studio

Tuesdays
January 7 - February 25
9:00 AM - Noon
Coordinator: Jackie Shrago

Wednesdays
January 8 - February 26
9:00 AM - Noon
Coordinator: Susan Holt

Scan QR code for more info and to register.





CAFÉ ACTIVITIES



Tuesday - Friday
8:00 AM - Noon

The Westminster Café is closed the weeks of Christmas and New Year's. (Dec. 24-Jan. 3). We will reopen January 7. Have a beautiful Christmas!

Songwriting Class

Starts January 14



Tuesdays
10:00 AM - Noon
No fee

The Craft of a Nashville Songwriter:

This is a four-week introduction led by Steve Leslie. Steve has had a professional songwriting career for more than 30 years with songs recorded by Kenny Rogers, George Strait and many more.

Scan QR code to register.



Weaving

Ongoing



Thursdays
10:00 AM - Noon
No fee

Community Tapestry Project

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 QR code to register.



MINISTRY TEAM



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THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, January 5

- 8:30 AM Worship
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Worship
- 4:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 5:00 PM Laudate Choir Rehearsal
Chiming Children

Monday, January 6

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

Tuesday, January 7

- 7:00 AM Daybreak Believers
- 7:30 AM Bible Study
- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 9:00 AM Harvard Bells
- 11:30 AM Tuesday Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, January 8

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
- 8:00 AM Westminster Café
- 10:00 AM Tai Chi
- 6:00 PM RITI
- 7:00 PM Men's Basketball
WPC Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 9

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

Friday, January 10

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

Saturday, January 11

- 11:30 AM AA



Join us for TheoEd Nashville on Sunday, February 23, 2025 at 4:30 PM ET at the Woolworth Theatre in Nashville, TN! Woolworth Theatre aims to provide a unique, first-of-its-kind theatre experience in downtown Nashville.

TheoEd Nashville features a lineup of four dynamic speakers:

Sam Wells, former Dean of Duke University Chapel and one of today's leading theologians.

Julian Davis Reid, a jazz musician who writes about faith, music, Blackness, and rest.

Suzanne Stabile, an internationally recognized Enneagram teacher and author.

Lanecia Rouse, an artist-theologian who works at the intersection of creativity, beauty, and theology.

Scan the QR code to learn more and to register.



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615.292.5526 | www.nashvillewpc.church

January 9
Music Box Series
11:00 a.m.
Goodpasture Hall



January 16
The Joy of Jazz
6:00 p.m.
Westminster Café

January 9
Music Box Series
Goodpasture Hall

11:00 AM | Fellowship
11:15 AM | Program
12:00 PM | Lunch

Join Sam Levine for a morning filled with traditional jazz music. Sam will be joined by Jim Ferguson on double bass and Richard Lane on banjo.

Start your year off right with good friends and great music.

Please make lunch reservations with Sherri Givens, sgivens@nashvillewpc.org.

January 16
The Joy of Jazz with Sam Levine's Jazz Quartet
Westminster Café

Playing songs from the 40s and later that make up the Great American Songbook.

6:00 PM | Café Opens ~ Coffee, tea, and desserts available

6:30-6:50 PM | Sam Levine will discuss the spirituality of group improvisation and the basic elements of mainstream jazz.

7:00-8:15 PM | Jazz Music ~ Sam Levine performs with Jim Ferguson, Bruce Dudley and Chris Brown.

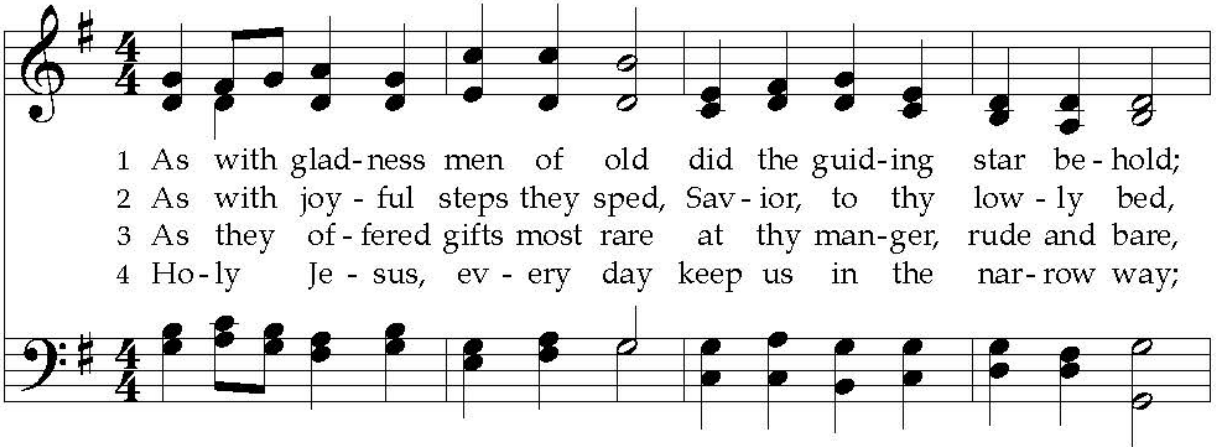
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Hymn #1

As with Gladness Men of Old 150



1 As with glad-ness men of old did the guid-ing star be - hold;
2 As with joy - ful steps they sped, Sav - ior, to thy low - ly bed,
3 As they of - fered gifts most rare at thy man-ger, rude and bare,
4 Ho - ly Je - sus, ev - ery day keep us in the nar - row way;



as with joy they hailed its light, lead - ing on - ward, beam-ing bright;
there to bend the knee be - fore thee, whom heaven and earth a - dore;
so may we with ho - ly joy, pure and free from sin's al - loy,
and when earth-ly things are past, bring our ran-somed souls at last



so, most gra-cious Lord, may we ev - er - more be led to thee.
so may we with will - ing feet ev - er seek thy mer - cy seat.
all our cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to thee, our heaven-ly king.
where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo - ry hide.

657 Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness

(Psalm 147)

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

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

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

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

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

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

(Bm) (Em7) (A) (F#) (G)
 Dm Gm7 C A B^b


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

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

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

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(D) (G) (Em7) (A) *to Refrain*
F B \flat Gm7 C (D)
F F



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

459 O Word of God Incarnate

1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
 2 The church from you, dear Sav - ior, re - ceived this gift di - vine;
 3 O make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of pur - est gold

O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:
 and still that light is lift - ed on all the earth to shine.
 to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old;

we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
 It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,
 O teach your wan - dering pil - grims by this our path to trace,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
 a - mid the rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.
 till, clouds and storms thus end - ed, we see you face to face.