

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany | Confirmation Sunday | Holy Communion | February 2, 2025

Cover art by Red Bradley.

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.

Historically, this Tocata would accompany the Elevation of the consecrated bread and wine during Communion, embodying the mystery of the sacrament through music.

#### **GATHERING**

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

PRELUDE

Tocata per le levatione Girolamo Frescobaldi

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

(11:00 AM John Boaz)

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

God knows and loves all gathered today.

We are welcome here.

God is our refuge and strength,

Our hope and our trust from our youth.

How do we serve God?

We reflect God's love to the world.

How do we serve God?

We clothe ourselves with Christ's compassion, putting it on like a favorite dress or well-loved pair of shoes.

Let us not be afraid to love.

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

(11:00 AM Maysey Sims Dillard)

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

On this confirmation Sunday, we are gathered by your Holy Spirit to worship and witness.

We take refuge in you oh Lord and we witness and confirm your calling on our confirmands.

Thank you for calling each one of us and help us remember the beginnings of your love and presence in our lives. Our journey through discovering your love takes place over a lifetime and is ever evolving.

Let us continue in the knowledge of your everlasting love.

Allow us to worship and follow your path. We pray that our journey together will lead us to more clearly hear your call for us. Lord, help us show love.

O merciful God, let us be unified in your grace and warmth. Lord, please help us show love. Grant us the courage to look with Christ's compassion on this world, and grant us the courage to be Christ's hands and feet in this world that you love.

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 722

**CANONBURY** 

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

(11:00 AM Wells Rick)

We do not easily practice steadfast love, and yet . . .

And yet we know God's compassion and merciful ways. The truth is that we have sinned.

The truth is that we have fallen short.

The Truth is that we are justified by God's grace as a gift through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

Let us confess what is true about God and about ourselves.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, we confess that we have turned away from you and have been scattered like dust in a windstorm. We lack selflessness and consideration of how our actions can hurt others. Love is patient and love is kind but the truth is that we are often impatient and unkind. Love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. But we can often brag or be jealous of what others have. We think we earned the good things in our life and tend toward entitlement more than gratitude. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. Please demonstrate your mercy through forgiveness to us and help us have the ability to positively change ourselves and the world. Turn this world around. Turn us around. Transform us by your true 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.

Call to and Prayer of Confession

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

Assurance of Pardon

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

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(11:00 AM Meg Sieveking)

In our short time on this earth, we may learn a lot. A life of 70, 80, or even 100 years may grow us in wisdom and knowledge. However, our wisdom will come to an end, and our knowledge will run out. But God's love never ends. God's love never fails. Faith, hope, and love will remain and the greatest of these is love. Friends, hear and declare the good news of God's love:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

\*The Peace

(11:00 AM Dylan Thomas)

May the peace of Christ be with you all. 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.

#### CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

(11:00 am Hattie Lowrance and Meg Sieveking)

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

#### THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

(11:00 AM Stuart Perry)

**SCRIPTURE** 

Hear the Word of God! Our ears are open.

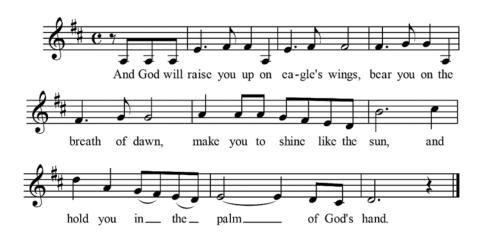
Jeremiah 1:4-10

(11:00 AM Logan Lakoff)

(Old Testament, page 698 in your pew Bible)

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

#### Psalm 91 On Eagles' Wings



You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in God's shadow for life, say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!" *Refrain* 

The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear: Under God's wings your refuge, God's faithfulness your shield. *Refrain* 

You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day: Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come. *Refrain* 

For to the angels God's given a command to guard you in all of your ways; Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone. *Refrain* 

1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (11:00 AM Avery Michael) (New Testament, page 175 in your pew Bible)

Luke 4:16-30 (New Testament, page 61 in your pew Bible)

SERMON "God's Love" Adam DeVries (A moment for meditation)

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (8:30 AM)
(See page 17 of your hymnal for the Apostles' Creed.)

#### PRESENTATION OF THE CONFIRMANDS (11:00 AM)

Charge to the Confirmands

**Blessing for the Confirmands** 

About Confirmation

Done in community with their class, Confirmation at Westminster is for eighth graders. During this sixmonth process, the youth learn about the Bible, God, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, the Church, and the Sacraments. It is a valuable and formative experience in one's faith journey, where Confirmands are encouraged to answer the question: "Why be a part of the Church?"

We celebrate with the Confirmands this morning as they publicly profess their faith and assume greater responsibility in the life of the Church as well as God's mission in the world. This is a significant moment in their faith journeys!

#### PRAYER FOR CONFIRMANDS FROM PARENTS AND MENTORS

Lord, we thank you for Westminster and the opportunity for our children to grow their faith here - to learn to love, worship, and share in prayer for others. We are grateful for countless adults in our community who have known and loved most of these confirmands since they were babies! We joyfully welcome them as members of the Church and we are grateful for the strength they bring to our congregation.

For their excitement, enthusiasm and desire to learn more, we praise you. For their confidence, openness and willingness to share faith with others, we praise you. For their energy and drive to volunteer and serve, we praise you.

God of our lives, our hearts overflow with gratitude for the gift of witnessing this group grow in wisdom and stature and favor with you, oh Lord.

These confirmands have uniquely opened our eyes to God's word, revealing and reminding us that everything is possible with God's love. We have been inspired by their honesty, vulnerability, and courage to ask the hard questions. We have been uniquely blessed by this group's endless curiosity and willingness to accept others just as they are.

When we see them in worship, our hearts are encouraged.

When we see them at play, our spirits are joyful.

As we witness their confirmation, our faith is reaffirmed.

Knowing that they encourage each other to be here reminds us that invitation is a part of sharing the Gospel. As they've grown in faith, our church fellowship and connection to the congregation has strengthened.

We pray for the days when they stumble, that they will have the grace to forgive themselves and each other. We pray for the grace to fail - the grace to make life a learning experience, to laugh, learn, and understand who they are. We pray they will know that what they do and where they go matters. We pray that our confirmands remember faith is a lifelong journey. We pray for acceptance and friendship and a sense of family for this group in our congregation and the Church Universal. We ask for stubborn joy, persistent peace and a sticky sense of assurance of their value as beloved children of God. May they see Jesus when they see someone who is without and struggling. May their hearts be ruled by you instead of the shifting ways of friends. May this your gift of faith hold and guide them through challenges in the years ahead especially when things don't go as planned.

We hope and pray that each confirmand becomes increasingly active in the church fully participating as members of the body of Christ. May they become leaders as they join us in following Jesus. We pray that Westminster will support and encourage them even as they teach us to live into our own questions, share our faith, and invite others to Jesus. We hope this group of confirmands expands Westminster's capacity to be a source of hope, joy and Christ like action. We pray for our confirmands as they prepare to enter high school and the challenges of a new phase of their life. Empower and remind us to support them as they grow as Christians in an increasingly secular world. Holy God, please use this confirmation as an expression of Christ's Body in the world. Amen.

#### THE EUCHARIST

#### **OFFERING**

Anthems

(8:30 AM)

Kenneth Kosche

Where Charity and Love Prevail

Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found; Brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear His charity we learn; Let us with heart and mind and soul now love him in return.

Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess; And let us love each other well in Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown, let all contention cease; Be His the glory that we seek, be ours His holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst dwells God's begotten Son; As members of His body joined, we are in Him made one.

No race or creed can love exclude, if honored be God's name; Our family embraces all whose Father is the same.

(11:00 AM) SIYAHAMBA/arr. Hopson We Are Singing, for the Lord Is Our Light

Refrain:

We are singing, for the Lord is our light,

The Lord is the strength of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid? Though foes may be near to destroy; the Lord will be our light.

\*Refrain\*

One thing have we asked of the Lord, yes, this is the thing we seek:

To dwell in the house of the Lord; to live with God forever.

\*Refrain\*

When burdens are heavy to bear, our shelter is God alone. Our feet are lifted high; yes, high upon a rock. *Refrain* 

We walk in the strength of the Lord, God's love is ever sure. We shout that the world may hear, we sing a joyful song. *Refrain* 

#### 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).

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

#### \*PREPARATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE

#### \*INVITATION

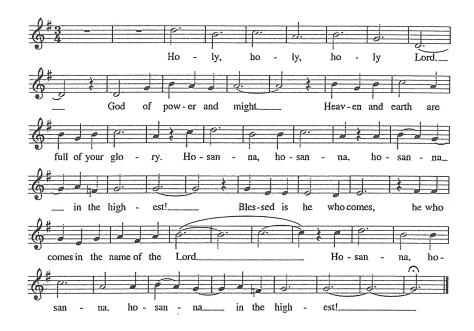
#### \*GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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

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

Almighty God, we give you thanks and praise... Jesus Christ is proof of that.

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



(The congregation may be seated.)

In another of your great surprises... the Holy Spirit is proof of that.

Great is the mystery of faith:



So send your Spirit... meet us here again.



#### \*THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Prayed in unison, see page 35 of your hymnal for the text.)

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

#### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(During Communion at the 11:00 AM service, Rev. Drake and the Confirmand's mentor will lay hands on them and bless the Confirmand. They will receive Communion with their Mentors while the Congregation receives Communion in the pews.)

Music during Communion

#### Anthems

(8:30 AM) Do This In Remembrance of Me Larry Visser

On the night he was betrayed, Christ took bread, and when he gave thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, Christ took the cup, the new cov'nant in his blood, he poured it and said, "This is my blood, poured out for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

#### (11:00 AM)

Silence to read Confirmand names during Communion.

Confirmands leading Prayer after Communion:

Anne Claire Jenkins Robert Thompson Red Bradley McLean Baker

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Dear God, we pray for everyone's safety. We pray that all people feel your love and presence.

#### In your love O Lord, we take refuge.

Please protect all those suffering from war and violence throughout the world. Please help them continue to worship or start to worship in these fearful times.

#### In your love O Lord, we take refuge.

We pray for our confirmation class to grow in faith, support systems, and to regularly experience and encounter God's love as our faith continues to develop.

#### In your love O Lord, we take refuge.

We pray for those people who are living in the reality of fires, hurricanes, and other natural disasters. Surround them with communities of support.

#### In your love, O Lord, we take refuge.

We pray for God's protection on all the unhoused and marginalized in our city. Bless us with the inspiration and courage to do what we can as a church to help.

#### In your love, O Lord, we take refuge.

We pray for those in our congregation who are mourning. Be for them a source of comfort and surround them with a community to grieve alongside.

#### In your love, O Lord, we take refuge.

We pray for all in our community living with illness. Heal and restore them to fullness of life regardless of their diagnosis.

#### In your love, O Lord, we take refuge.

We pray for those who are in seasons of discernment, distress, and decisions. Bless them with clarity and resolution to let your love be their guide.

#### In your love, O Lord, we take refuge.

We pay for those who are lost in Faith. May they find their way back to your grace and support.

#### In your love, O Lord, we take refuge.

We pray for those who are lonely. Remind them of your presence and grant us eyes to see, engage, and welcome them.

#### In your love, O Lord, we take refuge.

In your love, O LORD, we take refuge. For you, O Lord, are our hope, our trust from our youth. From our birth we have leaned upon You, may our praise be continually of You. Amen.

#### **SENDING**

\*HYMN 726 Will You Come and Follow Me KELVINGROVE

\*BENEDICTION

(11:00 AM Caroline Kurtz)

POSTLUDE Canzon Dopo la Pistola Girolamo Frescobaldi

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

In Italian music of the early 17th century, the Canzon is fugal in nature with multiple sections of imitative counterpoint on a recurring theme.

<sup>\*(</sup>Those who are able may stand.)

#### Welcome

Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Any who are interested in joining us in this journey are invited to contact Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler by email at hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org or 615.292.5526 in the church office.

#### **Today @ Westminster**

#### **Worship Leaders**

#### **Preaching**

Rev. Adam DeVries
Parish Associate for Youth

#### Liturgist

Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake Pastor and Head of Staff

#### **Lay Liturgists**

8:30 AM Sallie Bailey

#### **Communion Preparation**

Alice and Mike Russell

#### Music

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

Dale Nickell

Organist and Associate Director of Music Ministries

#### Flower Dedication

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in memory of John C. Kornblum for his birthday (February 6) by his wife, Helen Kornblum.

#### **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)

## **CONFIRMATION SUNDAY**



Confirmands, Mentors, and Parents alike participated in bringing their unique voices to this worship service. Confirmands and Mentors crafted today's liturgies and prayers. Parents of the Confirmands brainstormed and authored the Blessing for the Confirmands.

#### **Mentor**

Don Schulze
Rachel Hosé
Corinne Owen &
Lillie Kontor
Lisa Wooley
Barbara Keith Payne
Julie Boswell
Ed Settle
Jennie Rebecca Springer
Melinda Coles
Brett Oeser
Derek Bryant
Hontas Lowrance
Mary Wheeler
Moe Hill

#### **Confirmand**

James McLean Baker John Jeffrey Boaz Red Bradley

Maysey Sims Dillard
Anne Claire Jenkins
Caroline Graham Kurtz
Logan Eugene Lakoff
Harriet Moore Lowrance
Avery Frances Michael
Stuart Rollow Perry
Edwin Wells Rick
Margaret Carlisle Sieveking
Dylan Mae Thomas
Robert Everett Thompson

This worship service utilized the UWorship Resource from UKirk, a ministry of the PC(U.S.A.)that provides community and spiritual nourishment for college students.

Westminster loves and supports UKirk!

Confirmation Class 2025: Received into membership by the Westminster Session January 23, 2025.



How have you experienced Westminster practice the Love described in 1 Corinthians 13?

What do you remember about your experience of baptism, confirmation, and officially joining the Church?

Look over the list of Confirmands. Who do you know? Do you remember any of their baptisms? Pick one or more to encourage: pray for them, consider writing them a note of welcome and encouragement, and or engage them and their parents after the service.



As we close out the first month of 2025, we are only \$50,000 short of our generosity campaign goal. This is not a setback – it's an opportunity. As we reflect on all the ways Westminster has nurtured us through both challenges and celebrations, we are reminded of the grace and joy that come through giving from the heart. Imagine what our lives would be like without this family of faith – a place where we grow, support each other, and celebrate God's goodness. What we've built together doesn't just happen. It takes intentionality, commitment, and focus – all of us working

together to bring this vision to life.

We are in the final stretch, and by God's grace, we know we can finish strong. Let's continue to give from a place of thanks, trusting that together, we will make this happen. Let's step boldly into the new things God has in store for us. Thank you for your ongoing generosity and faithfulness.

- Generosity Committee

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



February 2, 9 Congregational Care Class 9:45 AM ● Fellowship Hall

"In Life and in Death We Belong to God"

Sponsored by the Congregational Care Committee

## February 2 "Blessed are Those Who Mourn? Practicing Christian Faith in a Death-Denying Culture"

The culture that shapes our lives today displays a "toxic positivity" that suppresses awareness of mortality. What if, instead, we embraced early Christians' experience of Jesus as the embodiment of the "Suffering Servant" of Second Isaiah – "a man of sorrow, acquainted with grief"? Join us as we explore how reconnecting with the deep historical roots of our faith might transform our beliefs and attitudes about death and grief, empower us to push back against the soul-killing positivity of our time, and equip us to live more fully in God's gift of life, secure in our belong to God as we live and as we die. Dr. Bruce Rogers-Vaughn, an ordained Baptist minister and Clinical Pastoral Therapist will present and lead our discussion. He is a former chaplain at Alive Hospice and taught for years at Vanderbilt Divinity School,

where his seminar on "Death and Dying" was one of the most in-demand courses.

#### February 9: "Spiritual Engagement with Life and Death, Belonging to God"

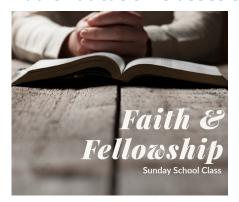
This class features panel presentations followed by discussion on three topics:

- Faithfully engaging end-of-life discussions and decisions from a medical and faith perspective Dr. Tiffany Hines, Westminster member, Vanderbilt internist and palliative care physician
- Faithfully reflection on our lives and telling our stories Mary Lou Redding, author of God Was with Me All Along: A Guide for Capturing Your Memories and Telling Your Story
- Faithfully Grieving Celebrating Life, and Witnessing to the Resurrection Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, associate pastor for Congregational Care

The hope is to provide support and resources to further equip us in living the truth of our faith: In life and in death we belong to God.



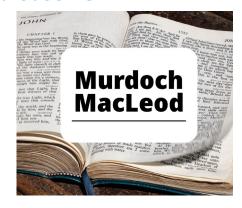
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#### Faith & Fellowship • 214

The History of Popes -Church of Man or Church of God

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



#### Murdoch MacLeod • Library

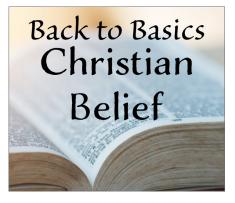
We will discuss this week's gospel lesson.

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



#### **Young Families**

This class will be joining the Back to Basics class in Goodpasture Hall.



#### **Back to Basics: Christian Belief** Goodpasture Hall

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.





#### Winter New Member & Inquirer Class Overlook Room.

The winter New Member and Inquirer Class runs through February 16, with the opportunity to join on March 2 for those who feel called into membership.

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).



## **YOUNG ADULTS**

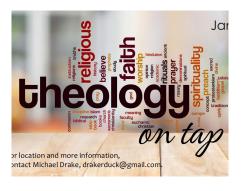


#### February 2 12:15 PM • Goodpasture Hall

Light lunch meeting. Upcoming events will be scheduled during lunch.



For info or to RSVP contact Stephanie Boaz, sboaz@nashvillewpc.org.



February 4 **Theology on Tap** 7:00 PM • Location TBD

For more info, please contact: Michael Drake, drakerduck@gmail.com Lane Russell, Irussell7942@yahoo.com





#### Youth

#### Sunday School • 9:45 AM

Confirmation Reception in the Youth Café. We will have breakfast pastries, coffee, and gifts. Your whole family is welcome, including extended family! Your Mentors will be there, too!

Youth Group ● 6:00 PM



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

4:00 PM Rehearsals

Gloria Alleluia Jubilate Tintinnabulation 5:00 PM Rehearsals

Laudate Choir Chiming Children

#### 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

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

#### Questions for Children and Their Families:



LIVING OUT THE WORD

Today, the eighth grade youth are joining the church. They are saying they want to step up and help be the church.

How does it feel to be a part of something special?

What do you think God wants the church to be doing?

How can you help?

Draw a picture of you helping someone.

## YOUNG FAMILIES



#### M.E. Moms

M.E. (Mary and Elizabeth) Moms is a space for moms with littles (not yet in grade school) who could just use a moment: a moment to breathe, a moment to connect with other mamas, a moment to pray together, a moment to think about something other than that day's long to-do list. As an added bonus, we'll do this with a few moms whose "littles" aren't little anymore, moms who've said yes to being a voice of encouragement, perspective, and perhaps comedic relief with us along the way.

Please scan the QR code to register.

**Begins February 6** 9:15 AM - 10:45 AM **Westminster Café Breakout Room 89** 

**Questions? Contact Ashley Higgins,** ahiggins@ nashvillewpc.org.

- Schedule -

02.06: Motherhood with Ashley Higgins

02.13: PomPom Crafts with Leigh Kalis

02.20: Self-Defense with Lincoln Lakoff

- Schedule -

02.27: Oil Painting with Jillian Morse

03.06: Oil Painting with Jillian Morse



#### **June 2-8 Music Camp**

Join us for Summer Music Camp! Rising 1st-6th graders are welcome to participate in the Staged Musical Play June 2-8, 2025. Scan the QR code to register.

All children that would like a solo singing and/or speaking role must attend the Music Camp Audition Rehearsals (Sundays 4:00-4:50 рм): April 27, May 4, May 11, May 18.

Contact Dale Nickell, dnickell@nashvillewpc.org, with questions.

## We were created to do life together.

Our friendships, families, and communities flourish more fully when we choose to live them in deep relationships with God and one another.

# Life Together Conference

February 28 - March 1

Join us for this first annual event where we seek to live more fully into the people God has called us to be in the relationships God has called us to share.



February 28 6:00 p.m. How to Human with Carlos Whittaker

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m Cost \$20

9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Sessions with our guest speakers and lunch at Noon. Come to all or part of the day. Cost for lunch is \$10 Childcare available Saturday.

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Life Together 2025 Conference

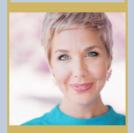
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Care Advocate



**Jami Nato** Author and Speaker



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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



## **Volunteers Needed to Stock Outdoor Fridge** at Lawson High School

There are 1500 students at this school with some homeless families who oftentimes need help with food; especially in the winter when it is harder to find work. Our church restocks the outdoor refrigerator with items for families weekly. When children receive enough food, their chances of thriving in school are much greater.

The food items should be delivered on Monday or Tuesday mornings between 8:00 AM and 12:00 PM. Each week the following is needed:

6 – 1lb. packages of ground beef or turkey 6 dozen eggs

6 loaves of sliced bread

4 – 16oz jars of spaghetti sauce

4 - 1lb. boxes of spaghetti

3 half gallons of milk

Each week, there is room for two volunteers to share the costs and delivery of the items listed above. If you would like to purchase all the items, please put your name next to both slots for the week you choose. If you sign up for one slot, you will be responsible for half of everything listed. Scan the QR code to sign up for a date.

Monday, February 10
WOMEN'S COVENANT GROUP
Goodpasture Hall
11:30 Lunch and fellowship
(Bring your own lunch, beverages
provided)
12:00 - 1:00 PM Presentation

12:00 – 1:00 рм Presentation and discussion: "Much of What I Know I Learned in Church"

Heidi Hudnut-Beumler will share some reflections on life in the church and ministry through learnings and stories and engage us in mutual reflection on our lives. The gifts received through this beloved community of faith will be a focus as well, as we give thanks to God for what has been, what is, and what will be for all of us living in the infinite grace of God.

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.

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## 🔛 WEDNESDAYS @ WPC



#### Starting February 5

**Musik Garten** 

4:15 - 4:45 pm • 292 Cost \$75 for 12 weeks

Kelly Posey, one of the music teachers at Westminster School for Young Children, will introduce the world of music to our youngest of God's children.

Scan QR code for more info and to register.



#### **Wednesdays in February**

A Drop-In Chess/Puzzles/Games for Adults 4:30 - 5:30 pm • Westminster Café

Join us before Wednesday Night Dinner. If interested, come on by! Use the Café door by the blue umbrella and ring the doorbell. Questions? Contact Beth@westminsterjoy.org.



#### February 5

**Wednesday Night Dinner** 5:30 PM • Westminster Café

Coco's Italian

(pastas, salads, fruit, dessert)

Please make your reservations by Tuesday at Noon.



#### February 5 **Westminster Academy**

6:30 PM ● Overlook Room

Join Sue Tully Trout as she discusses The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride.

# **IDENTIFY OF THE PROOF TO SERVING**

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.





**Painting Open Studio** 

9:00 AM - Noon Coordinator: Jackie Shrago

Wednesdays February 5 - February 26 9:00 ам - Noon Coordinator: Susan Holt

Scan QR code for more info and to register.

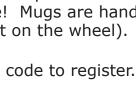




**Fridays** February 7, 14, 21, 28 **New Pottery Workshop** 12:00 - 3:00 PM No fee

Create Café Coffee Mugs! Free workshop, come and go, choose what day(s) you would like to come! Beginners and experienced potters welcome! Mugs are hand built (not on the wheel).

Scan QR code to register.





Wednesdays February 5, 12, 19, 26 4:00-5:30 PM We have a few spots left!

Each group will attend two weeks of pottery and two weeks of recreation in the gym! Classes are for K through 4th graders, church members and community friends. Grandparents, bring your grandchildren. Scan QR code to register.









# February 23 TheoEd Nashville 4:30 PM ● Woolworth Theater

Westminster is co-sponsoring an exciting new speaker series hosted by West End Methodist and the Candler Foundry at Emory University. This unique initiative seeks to bring in-depth theological learning to churches and communities outside of seminary degree programs through TED-like, theologically focused talks. TheoEd Nashville features a lineup of four dynamic speakers:

**Josh Scott,** has been a pastor for more than twenty years, and currently serves as the Lead Pastor at Grace Pointe Church in Nashville, TN.

**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.

### **MINISTRY TEAM**



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## THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

#### Sunday, February 2

8:30 AM Worship

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

4:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal

Tintinnabulation

5:00 рм Laudate Choir Rehearsal

Chiming Children

6:00 рм Youth Group

#### Monday, February 3

10:00 ам Таі Chi

11:45 AM Centering Prayer

5:00 рм Pickleball

#### Tuesday, February 4

7:00 AM Daybreak Believers

7:30 AM Bible Study

8:00 AM Westminster Café

9:00 AM Harvard Handbells

11:30 AM Tuesday Lunch Bunch

#### Wednesday, February 5

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

8:00 AM Westminster Café

9:30 AM Westminster Bells

10:00 ам Таі Chi

#### Wednesday, February 5

4:15 рм Musik Garten

4:30 PM Café Open

5:30 PM Wednesday Night Dinner

6:00 PM RITI

6:30 PM Westminster Academy

7:00 PM Men's Basketball

WPC Choir Rehearsal

#### Thursday, February 6

8:00 AM Westminster Café

9:30 AM Women's Bible Study

Thurs Morning Theological Group

10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting

#### Friday, February 7

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

8:00 AM Westminster Café

10:00 ам Таі Chi

5:00 рм Pickleball

#### Saturday, February 8

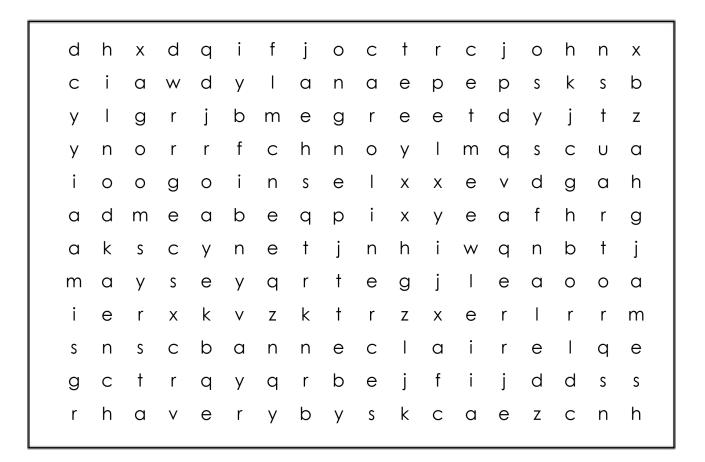
11:30 AM AA

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



Communion kits are available for seniors living in a residency or independently.

Please contact Sylvia Leins, srleins@yahoo.com to receive one or add someone you know to the list for the next Communion Sunday.



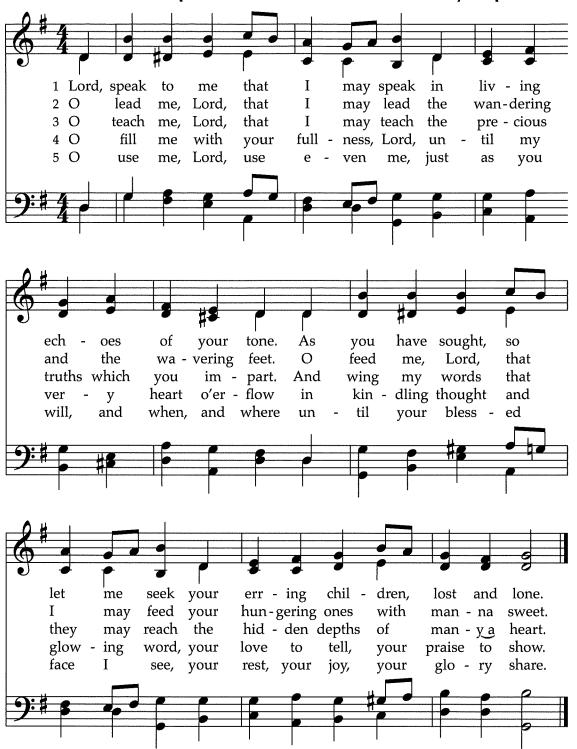
#### **Word Search - Special Confirmand Edition**

Anne Claire Dylan John Meg Stuart Avery Harriett Logan Red Wells

Caroline James Maysey Robert



## 722 Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak



Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th-century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes.

## 726 Will You Come and Follow Me

#### The Summons



- 1 "Will you come and fol low me if I but call your name?
- 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
- 3 "Will you let the blind ed see if I but call your name?
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
- 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er the same? Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er the same? Will you pris-oners free and nev-er set the the same? in - side and nev - er Will you quell the fear the same? Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er the same.



Will you let my love shown; will you let my name be known; be stare should your life at-tract or scare? Will you risk the hos - tile Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen, Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round, where your love and foot-steps show. In your com - pa - ny I'll go



me?" will you let life be grown in you and you my in Will an - swer prayer in you and you you let me me?" in to ad - mit what I mean in you and you me?" in through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?" I'll move and live and grow in you and you me.

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.