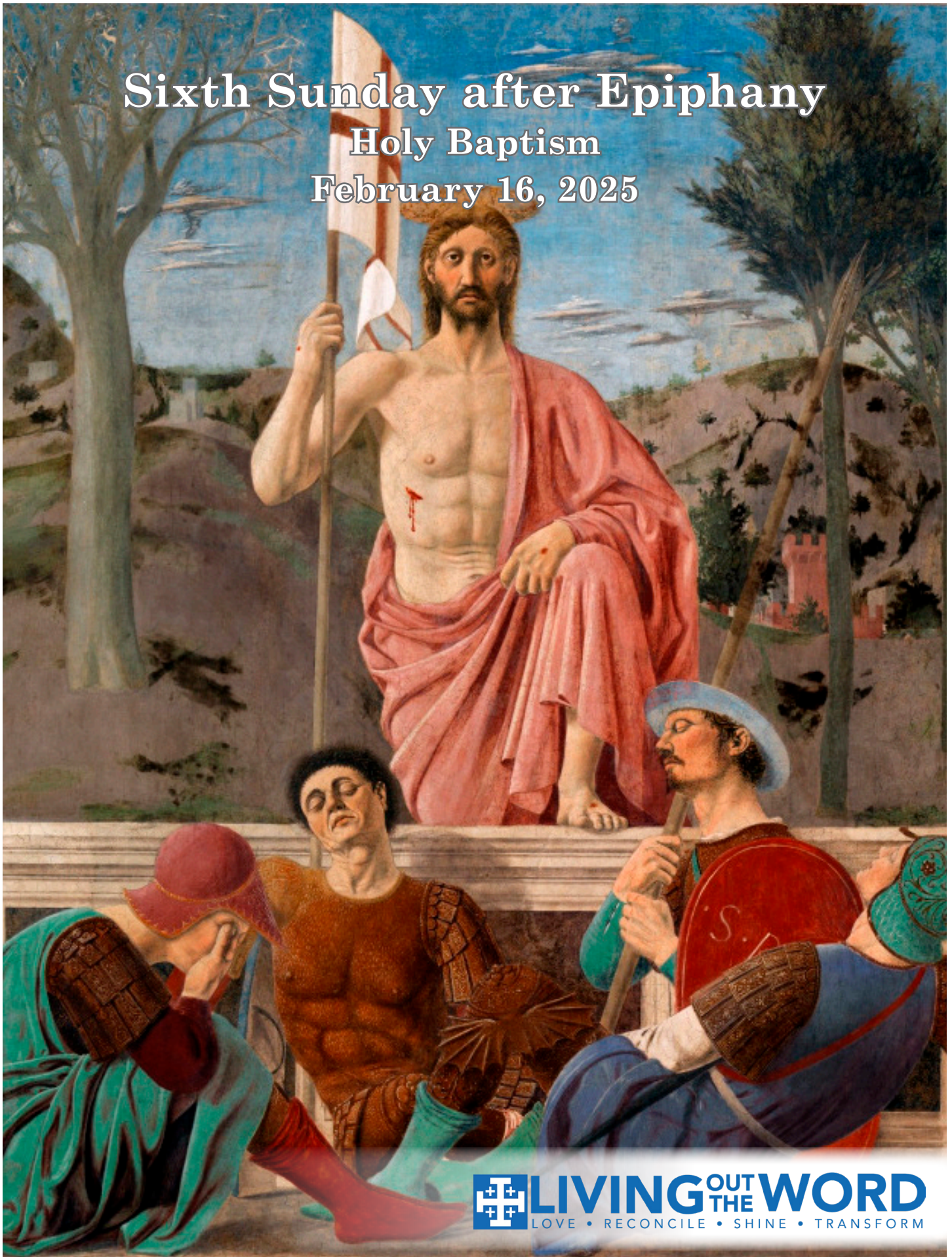


Sixth Sunday after Epiphany  
Holy Baptism  
February 16, 2025



Søren Aabye Kierkegaard was a Danish philosopher, theologian, poet, social critic, and prolific writer. He's often called the "Father of Existentialism" and is considered the first existentialist philosopher in history.

#### *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.

#### *On the cover...*

*The Resurrection* is a fresco painting by the Italian Renaissance master Piero della Francesca, painted in the 1460s in the Palazzo della Residenza in the town of Sansepolcro, Tuscany, Italy.

Piero was commissioned to paint the fresco for the Gothic-style Residenza, the communal meeting hall.

Can a historical point of departure be given for an eternal consciousness; how can such a point of departure be of more than historical interest; can an eternal happiness be built on historical knowledge?

Søren Kierkegaard  
*Philosophical Fragments*

## GATHERING

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

### PRELUDE

François Couperin

Plein jeu, Récit de Cornet, & Tierce en Taille

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

*(Those who are able may stand.)*

This is the hope that we proclaim:

**that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.** 1 Cor. 15:12, 20

Praise the Lord.

**The Lord's name be praised.**

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

**Almighty God,**

**you gave the law to guide our lives.**

**May we never shrink from your commandments,**

**but, as we are taught by your Son Jesus,**

**fulfill the law in perfect love;**

**through Christ our Lord and Savior,**

**who lives and reigns with you**

**in the unity of the Holy Spirit,**

**one God, now and forever. 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.)*



Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Remember that our Lord Jesus  
can sympathize with us in our weakness,  
**since in every respect he was tempted as we are,  
yet without sin.**

Let us with boldness approach the throne of grace,  
**that we may receive mercy  
and find grace to help in time of need.**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Holy and merciful God,  
in your presence we confess  
our failure to be what you created us to be.  
You alone know how often we have sinned  
in wandering from your ways,  
in wasting your gifts,  
in forgetting your love.**

**By your loving mercy,  
help us to live in your light  
and abide in your ways,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.**

*(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!**

*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.

## **\*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*

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

## **\*ACT OF PRAISE**

GLORIA PATRI

(Singing together Hymn 581)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.**

## **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.**

#### **Psalm 1**

*(Old Testament, page 489 in your pew Bible)*

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

**Psalm 1 Hymn 457 (All sing)**

#### **I Corinthians 15:12-20**

*(New Testament, page 176 in your pew Bible)*

### **SERMON**

What's In A Title?

Guy D. Griffith

*“If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile...”  
I Cor. 15:17a*

*(A moment for meditation)*

**\*HYMN 816**

WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT  
If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (11:00 AM)**

*Colossians 1:15-20*

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God,  
the firstborn of all creation;  
in him all things in heaven and on earth were created,  
things visible and invisible.  
All things have been created through him and for him.  
He himself is before all things,  
and in him all things hold together.  
He is head of the body, the church;  
he is the beginning,  
the firstborn of the dead,  
so that he might come to have first place in everything.  
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,  
and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things,  
whether on earth or in heaven,  
by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (8:30 AM)**

**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**



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

***Liam David***

son of  
Brittany and  
Brian Price

## *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.

## **\*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.**

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.**

I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry

I was there to hear your borning cry. I'll be there when you are old.

I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

I was there when you were but a child with faith to suit you well,  
in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.

When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on,  
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.

If you find someone to share your time

and you join your hearts as one,

I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk 'till rising sun.

In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,

I'll be there to guide you through the night,

complete what I've begun.

When the evening gently closes in, and you shut your weary eyes,

I'll be there as I have always been, with just one more surprise.

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old,

I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (11:00 AM)

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

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

**THANKSGIVING**

*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:



**OFFERING**

**Anthems**  
(8:30 AM)

God is Our Refuge

Allen Pote

*Refrain*

God is our refuge and strength; A present help in times of trouble  
Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,  
Though the waters roar and foam, we will not fear.

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

He is the Word, we are his hands, He will lead us He is the air,  
we are his song, We will celebrate his presence all the day long.

*Refrain*

He is the rain, we are the stones, he will cleanse us.  
He is the air, we are his song,  
We will celebrate his presence all the day long.

*Refrain*

(11:00 AM) My Shepherd Will Supply My Need Mack Wilberg

My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his Name;  
In pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream.  
He brings my wand'ring spirit back, when I forsake His ways,  
And leads me for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk thru the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay;  
One word of Thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.  
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread;  
My cup with blessings overflows, thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days;  
O may Thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise!  
There would I find a settled rest while others go and come,  
No more a stranger nor a guest: but like a child at home.

**\*DOXOLOGY**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*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! 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, giver of all good,  
you continually pour your benefits upon us.  
Age after age the living wait upon you and find  
that your faithfulness has no end,  
that your care is unfailing.**

**We praise you that the mystery of life  
is a mystery of infinite goodness. Amen.**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*(Praying in unison; see page 35 of your hymnal for words.)*

**SENDING**

**\*HYMN 353**

**SOLID ROCK**

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Dieterich Buxtehude

Praeludium in C Major, BuxWV 137

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\*(Those who are able may stand.)

*Prayer of  
Thanksgiving*

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

*About the Postlude*

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

## Welcome

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

## Today @ Westminster

### Worship Leaders

#### Preaching

Rev. Dr. Guy D. Griffith  
Associate Pastor of Adult Education

#### Liturgist

Sophie Maness  
Executive Director of Children's & Community Life Ministries

#### Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Steve Sullivan  
11:00 AM Lynne Trost

#### Presenting Elder

Keith Maddin

#### Music

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

Dale Nickell  
Organist and Associate Director of Music Ministries

Ally Hard  
Substitute Laudate Choir Director

### Flower Dedication

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in memory of our mother, **Fralil Diefendorf**, on her 100th birthday by Kathy Hagler, Frances Swensson, and Jennie Renwick.

The flowers in the Parlor are given to the glory of God in memory of **David Williams** by his family.

#### Mask Policy

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville is mask optional.

#### Hearing Assistance

We offer personal FM Receivers with an earpiece, 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 - 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



**LIVING  
OUT THE  
WORD**

LOVE  
RECONCILE  
SHINE  
TRANSFORM

“If Christ has not been raised,  
your faith is futile...” I Cor. 15:17a

Are you a person who likes clear, black-and-white instructions, or would you rather have room for interpretation? Do you read these texts as either/or texts? Why or why not?

If you could summarize these texts into one sentence, what would it be?

What difference has Christ’s resurrection made to you in terms of hope and courage? In terms of purpose for your life?



Today's generosity message is about gratitude. We are in awe of your faithfulness, prayers and support during our campaign. In the words of the prophet Isaiah, God is always doing a new thing among us. We have seen this truth unfolding before our eyes—new opportunities for growth, service, and outreach are becoming a reality - thanks to **you**. It is because of **your** faith and **your** willingness to answer God’s call that we are able to step into this new season with anticipation and hope. While we are so close to completing this important chapter, we know that it’s not the final

number that matters most, but the spirit of generosity and commitment that has been woven into every part of this journey.

Do we even realize how fortunate we are? In a time when many churches are closing their doors and finding their worship attendance declining, Westminster continues to be a vibrant witness to what can happen when generous hearts come together - committed to faithfully doing God’s work. Your generosity is a testament to that living faith and enables us to continue to grow, serve, and reach out to our community in even greater ways - just as Jesus showed us. Together, we are making a lasting impact, and we are excited for what lies ahead as we witness the new thing God is doing in and through our church.

With heartfelt thanks and blessings,

-Generosity Committee



# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM



The  
**Outreach**  
FOUNDATION™

**Covenant Class  
Fellowship Hall**

The Outreach Foundation is a Non-Profit and Public Benefit Organisation aimed at making a difference in the communities in which we work through promoting education, developing talents, and offering social support and a safe haven to those who need it. we work to engage followers of Christ for His work in the world. They partner with many different international mission organizations to engage Christians in 28 countries worldwide.

Please join us this Sunday as Rev. Dr. Thomas Boone, Associate Director for Mission at The Outreach Foundation, talks about their mission and how Westminster is involved.



## **“In Life and in Death We Belong to God”**

The past two Sundays these classes were held in Fellowship Hall:

February 2: “Blessed are Those Who Mourn? Practicing Christian Faith in a Death-Denying Culture”

February 9: “Spiritual Engagement with Life and Death, Belonging to God: End-of-life decisions, Palliative and Hospice Care; Storytelling and Finding God; Grieving, Celebrating Life, and Witnessing to Resurrection”

Class recordings and slides are available now on the WPC website, the Friday e-blast, or by scanning the QR code below.

February 2  
Class &  
Slides



February 9  
Class &  
Slides



At a future date this spring, a third class will be held to go more deeply into planning a memorial service, making end-of-life preparations and decisions, and provide time for questions and deeper discussion. Please contact Heidi Hudnut-Beumler for more information, or to access resources.





# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

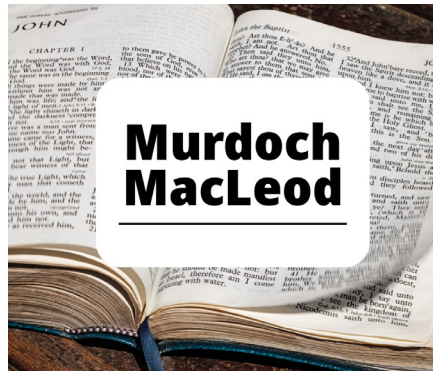
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## Faith & Fellowship • 214

The History of Popes: Church of Man or Church of God?

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



## Murdoch MacLeod • Library

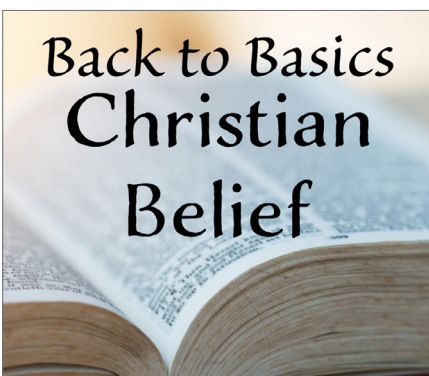
We will discuss this week's gospel lesson.

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



## 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](mailto:wwellman@nashvillewpc.org).





# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER



## Youth

### Sunday School • 9:45 AM

Please join us in the Koinonia Youth Café for donuts and fellowship before class.

### Youth Group • 6:00 PM



## Children & Youth Choirs

4:00 PM Rehearsals

Gloria  
Alleluia  
Jubilate  
Tintinnabulation

5:00 PM Rehearsals

Laudate Choir  
Chiming Children



# 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.**

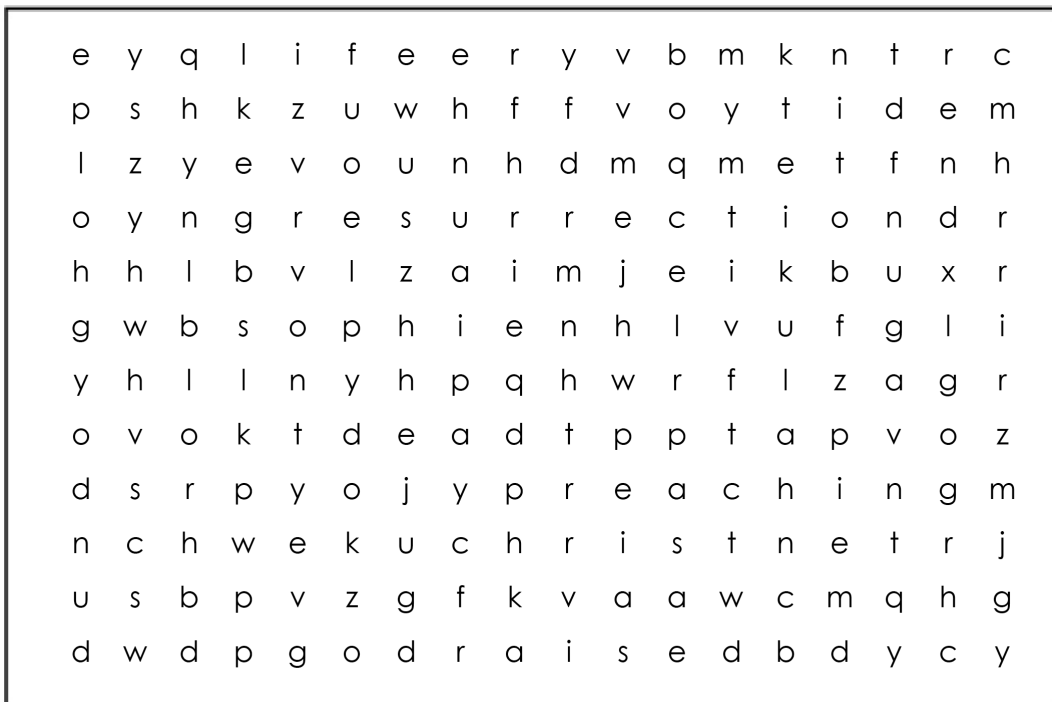


## Word Search

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

Christ	dead	faith
God	hope	life
preaching	raised	resurrection

## LIVING OUT THE WORD







# YOUNG FAMILIES



## M.E. Moms

M.E. (Mary and Elizabeth) Moms is a space for moms with littles 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. Join us, along with some other moms whose "littles" aren't little anymore, moms who've said yes to being a voice of encouragement, perspective, and perhaps a bit of comedic relief with us along the way. Each week features a devotion and a project. Childcare for littles not yet in school is available. Please scan the QR code to register.



**Thursdays**  
**9:15 AM - 10:45 AM**  
**Westminster Café**  
**Breakout Room 89**

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

**- Schedule -**

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

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



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

*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.**

Westminster Presbyterian Church Presents

## Life Together Conference

February 28 - March 1



*Life Together*  
2025 Conference



**Carlos Whittaker**  
Best-Selling Author  
and Speaker



**Erin Loechner**  
NYT Best-Selling  
Author and Editor



**Adam DeVries**  
Pastor & Foster  
Care Advocate



**Dr. Lauren  
Spooner**  
Clinical Psychologist



**Jami Nato**  
Author & Speaker

Join us for part or all of this first annual event where we seek to more fully live into the people God has called us to be with the relationships God has called us to share. This is a space for all of us. No matter your demographics, you belong with us at the Life Together Conference. Invite a friend. ***We hope to see you there.***

You will need to register separately for the Friday evening session and the Saturday sessions. *Childcare is only available for the Saturday sessions.*

### Friday, February 28

How To Human

A discussion with Carlos Whittaker

6:00 p.m. - Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Cost \$10

Scan the QR code  
to register.



### Saturday, March 1

Join us for all or part of the day. Cost for lunch is \$10.

9:00 a.m. | Unplugging Childhood with Erin Loechner

10:30 a.m. | Follow Me with Adam DeVries

12:00 p.m. | Lunch Together (\$10/person)

1:30 p.m. | Parenting Adult Children with Dr. Lauren Spooner

1:30 p.m. | Holy and Whole: Reclaiming the Goodness of Our Bodies with Jami Nato



# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**March 2**  
**Basketball Jamboree**  
**4:30 - 7:30 PM**  
**WPC Gym**

Come join us for Westminster's Annual Basketball Jamboree.

This is a fun, intergenerational event, open to the entire congregation! We would love spectators, as well as teams of all ages and abilities.

For more information, please contact Hannah Norris, [hnorris@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:hnorris@nashvillewpc.org).

Please scan the QR code to register.



**February 25**  
**Westminster Book Group**  
**9:30 AM • Fellowship**  
**10:00 AM • Presentation**  
**Overlook Room**  
**-ROOM CHANGE-**

**Room  
Change**

*The Demon of Unrest*  
 by Eric Lawson

**Presented by Joe Gaines**

**Drawing on governmental records, diaries, communiques, and plantation records, Eric Lawson writes a political story that captures the intense feelings and built-up hostilities that led America into an unforeseen and unspeakable Civil War. The book covers events preceding Lincoln's election in November 1860 to the April 14, 1861 Confederate firing on Fort Sumter in the Charleston Harbor.**

**Much has been written about the U.S. Civil War. It's in the details about people, places and actions that made the approach of war inexorable.**





# WEDNESDAYS @ WPC



## Wednesdays

### 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 19

### Wednesday Night Dinner

5:30 PM • Westminster Café

### Martin's

(bbq, sides, chicken tenders for kids, dessert)



Please make your reservations by Tuesday at Noon.



## February 19

### Westminster Academy

6:30 PM • Overlook Room

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





# 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.



## Painting Open Studio

Tuesdays  
9:00 AM - Noon  
Coordinator: Jackie Shrago

Wednesdays  
9:00 AM - Noon  
Coordinator: Susan Holt

Scan QR code for more info and to register.



**Fridays**  
**February 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.





# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**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 GracePointe 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.

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# THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

## Sunday, February 16

8:30 AM Worship  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Worship  
4:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal  
Tintinnabulation  
5:00 PM Laudate Choir Rehearsal  
Chiming Children  
6:00 PM Youth Group

## Monday, February 17

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

## Tuesday, February 18

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 19

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study  
8:00 AM Westminster Café  
9:30 AM Westminster Bells  
10:00 AM Tai Chi  
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 20

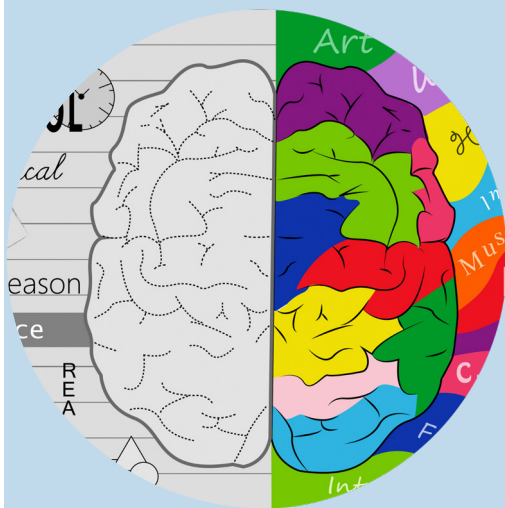
8:00 AM Westminster Café  
9:30 AM Women's Bible Study  
Thurs Morning Theological Group  
10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting

## Friday, February 21

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

## Saturday, February 22

11:30 AM AA



## February 23

### Congregational Meeting

9:45 AM • Fellowship Hall

If you're left-brained, we have lots of numbers you can add up. If you're right-brained, there will be things that will make you smile because they don't add up at all. You'll get the latest on what's up and where we're going! Show up!

The purpose of the meeting is (1) to elect Elders for the Class of 2028; (2) to elect members of the Church Nominating Committee for the Class of 2028; (3) to elect Trustees for the Westminster Presbyterian

Church Legacy Fund for the Class of 2028; (4) to review the church's annual budget for 2025 and our pastors' "Terms of Call"; (5) to hear a report on the State of the Church; and (6) to act on any other matters arising out of the above.



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## Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing  
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me  
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me  
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,  
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,  
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.  
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.  
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.

# 457 How Happy Are the Saints of God

(Psalm 1)

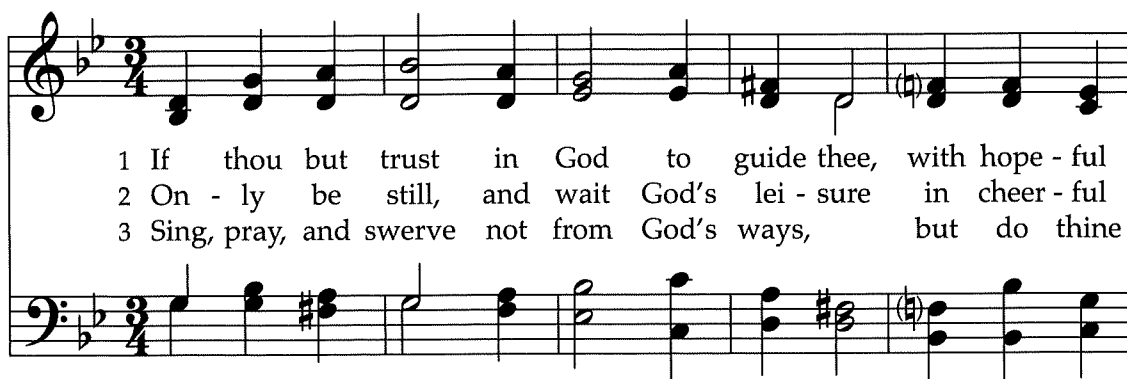
1 How hap - py are the saints of God who do not  
 2 Like deep - ly root - ed trees, they stand be - side an  
 3 While wick - ed ones are whisked a - way like straw be -

heed the wick - ed way; de - light - ing in the  
 ev - er - flow - ing stream. Their fruit is plen - ti -  
 fore the driv - ing wind, the saints are firm - ly

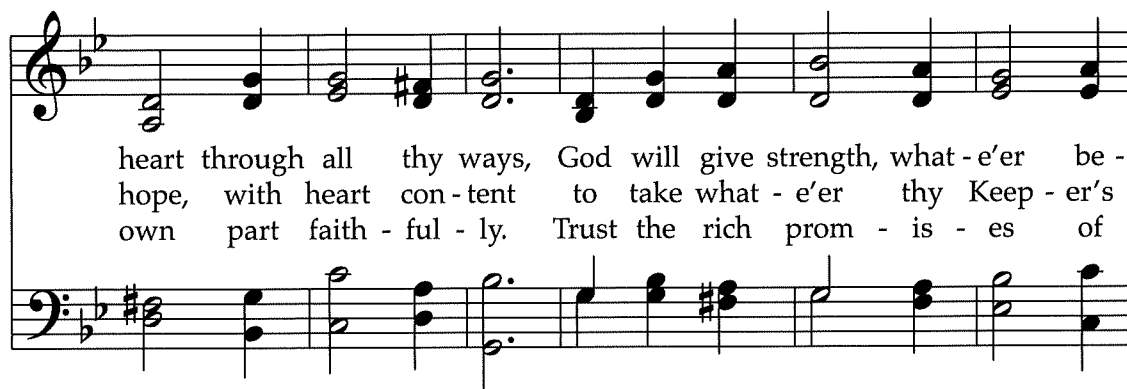
ho - ly Word they seek God's wis - dom night and day.  
 ful and good; their leaves are al - ways grow - ing green.  
 plant - ed still, and God will keep them to the end.

This paraphrase of Psalm 1 celebrates the permanence of God's way in contrast with the transience of wickedness. While the wicked are dried up and scattered, the holy people of God are rooted and nourished. They bear much good fruit and are blessed with an enduring legacy.

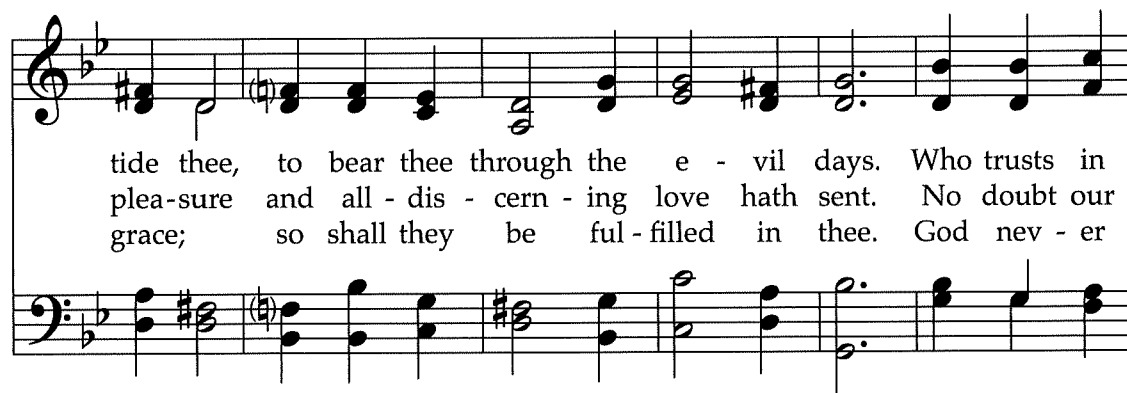
## If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee 816



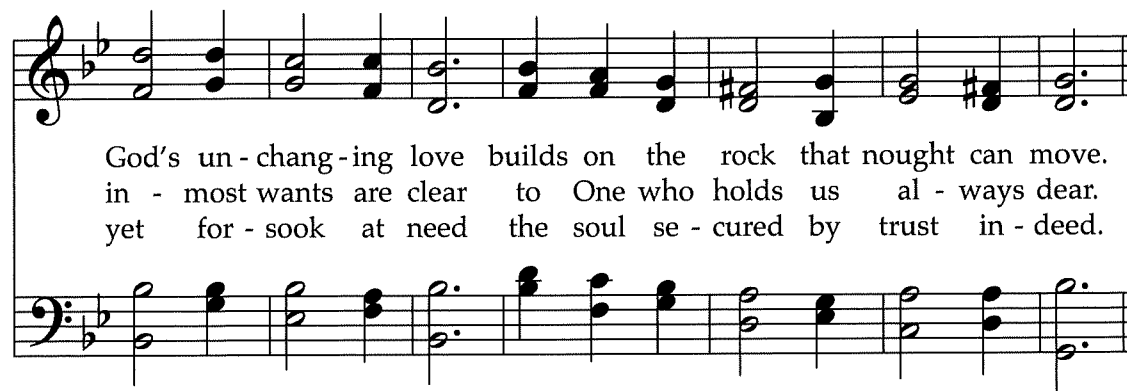
1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, with hope - ful  
 2 On - ly be still, and wait God's lei - sure in cheer - ful  
 3 Sing, pray, and swerve not from God's ways, but do thine



heart through all thy ways, God will give strength, what - e'er be -  
 hope, with heart con - tent to take what - e'er thy Keep - er's  
 own part faith - ful - ly. Trust the rich prom - is - es of



tide thee, to bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in  
 plea - sure and all - dis - cern - ing love hath sent. No doubt our  
 grace; so shall they be ful - filled in thee. God nev - er



God's un - chang - ing love builds on the rock that nought can move.  
 in - most wants are clear to One who holds us al - ways dear.  
 yet for - sook at need the soul se - cured by trust in - deed.

This hymn is a testimony of experience. The original seven-stanza German text (based on Psalm 55:22) and its tune were created by the author/composer at the age of twenty in thanksgiving for finding employment many weeks after being left almost penniless following a robbery.

## My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less 353

1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and  
 2 When dark-ness seems to hide his face, I rest on his un-  
 3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the  
 4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

right - teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but  
 chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my  
 whelm-ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he  
 him be found, dressed in his right - teous - ness a - lone, fault -

*Refrain*

whol-ly lean on Je - sus' name.  
 an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; all  
 then is all my hope and stay.  
 less to stand be - fore the throne.

oth-er ground is sink-ing sand; all oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

This hymn develops the imagery of Jesus' remark (Matthew 7:24-27/Luke 6:47-49) that those who believe in him and act on that belief are like someone who builds a house on a rock. The text is set to a tune created for it by a prolific 19th-century American composer and editor.