

Third Sunday in Lent  
March 23, 2025



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*About the Prelude*

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

*Worship on the  
Lord's Day*

Worship begins as the people gather - greeting one another, praying in silence, or offering music to the glory of God. The act of assembling in Jesus' name bears witness to the Church's identity and mission as Christ's body in the world.

## GATHERING

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

### PRELUDE

Tommaso Albinoni/Arr. by Hal Hopson

Adagio in G Minor

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

*(Those who are able may stand.)*

O God, you are our God;  
**our souls thirst for you,  
as in a dry and weary land  
where there is no water.**  
We have looked upon you in the sanctuary;  
**we have seen your power and glory.**  
Our lips will praise you as long as we live;  
**we lift up our hearts and call on your name.**  
**Let us worship God!**

*from Psalm 63*

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

**Benevolent God,  
even though we are sinners,  
you extend your steadfast love to us.**  
**You offer all that we need,  
that we may not hunger or thirst.**  
**Give us grateful hearts,  
that we may seek you with our lives.**  
**Make us alert,  
that we may listen for and hear your voice.**  
**We pray that in our seeking and our listening,  
you would make your thoughts our thoughts  
and your ways our ways. Amen.**

### \*HYMN 65

CWM RHONDDA

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

## CALL TO CONFESSION

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

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

Hebrews 4:14-16

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy,  
you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.  
We confess that we have strayed from you  
and turned aside from your way.  
We are misled by pride,  
for we see ourselves pure when we are stained,  
and great when we are small.  
We have failed in love, neglected justice,  
and ignored your truth.  
Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin.  
Return us to paths of righteousness  
through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

*(Silent confession)*

## Kyrie

James MacMillan

*(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)*

Choir: Lord, have mer - cy. Congregation: Lord, have  
mer - cy. Choir: Christ, have mer - cy. Congregation: Christ,  
have mer - cy. Choir: Lord, have  
mer - cy. Congregation and Choir: Lord, have mer - cy.

## 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.

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.

Children's Time will happen at both services when we do not have communion or baptisms.

**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.")*

**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**

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE**

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

**Isaiah 55:1-9**

*(Old Testament, pages 685-686 in your pew Bible)*

Create in me a clean heart, O God.                      Psalm 51:10  
**Create in me a clean heart, O God.**

Renew a right spirit within me.  
**Renew a right spirit within me.**

**Psalm 63:1-8** Hymn 696 sung by choir alone

**Luke 13:1-9**

*(New Testament, page 76 in your pew Bible)*

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**SERMON** "Jesus sure told you." Donovan Drake

*(A moment for meditation)*

**\*HYMN 36** For the Fruit of All Creation AR HYD Y NOS

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical version)  
(Please refer to page 17 in the front of your hymnal  
for the text of the creed.)

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

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

**THANKSGIVING**

**OFFERING**

Anthem  
(8:30 AM)

-American folk hymn/arr. Gilbert M. Martin

Lonesome Valley

Jesus walked his lonesome valley,  
he had to walk it for himself;  
Nobody else could walk it for him,  
he had to walk it for himself.

Jesus went to stand his trial.  
He had to stand it for himself;  
Nobody else could stand it for him,  
he had to stand it for himself.

I must walk my lonesome valley,  
I have to walk it for myself;  
Nobody else can walk it for me.  
I have to walk it for myself.

*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:



We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace

We shall walk through the valley of the shadow of Death,  
We shall walk through the valley in peace!  
And if Jesus himself shall be our leader,  
we shall walk through the valley in peace!

There will be no sorrowing there,  
There will be no sorrowing there,  
And if Jesus himself shall be our leader,  
We shall walk through the valley in peace!

*Doxology*

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

*Prayer of  
Thanksgiving*

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

**\*DOXOLOGY**

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen**

**\*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.**

**God of love, as in Jesus Christ  
you gave yourself to us,  
so may we give ourselves to you,  
living according to your holy will.  
Keep our feet firmly in the way  
where Christ leads us;  
make our mouths speak the truth  
that Christ teaches us;  
fill our bodies with the life  
that is Christ within us.  
In his holy name we pray. Amen.**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Singing together*)

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

**SENDING**

**\*HYMN 629**      Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee      ST. AGNES

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Create in me a clean heart, O God.  
**Create in me a clean heart, O God.**

Renew a right spirit within me.  
**Renew a right spirit within me.**

**POSTLUDE**

Paul Fey

“If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee” (Hymn #816)

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\*(Those who are able may stand.)

*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. Donovan Drake  
Pastor and Head of Staff

#### Liturgist

Stephanie Boaz  
Parrish Associate for Congregational Care

#### Lay Liturgists

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

#### 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

#### 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

What does it look like to dig and tend in places that appear barren?

Where are those places in our life, church, community, or world?

What are you called to do about them?

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## Update Your Membership Contact Info

Contact Hannah Boles, Membership Secretary, [hboles@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:hboles@nashvillewpc.org), to update your contact info or your photo. Hannah can also help you to access the online church member directory.

## Are you up-to-date on all the WPC news?

We send emails out to the congregation and community three plus times a week. On Monday, we send an email about our mission work. On Wednesdays, we send info about all the events we have going on throughout the month. On Fridays, the Sunday info is included in the email. We also have emails from our Children's, Youth and Young Families ministries.

Please scan the QR code to sign up for the emails you would like to receive.



## Time to Order Lilies

Lilies will grace our Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025. If you would like to purchase a lily (\$10) in memory or in honor of a friend or family member, please scan the QR code.





# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM

## Covenant Class • Fellowship Hall



### Keeping Sacred Time: An Exploration of Life's Rhythms.

What rhythms are driving your life? This Covenant Class series is an invitation to look closely at this question and explore the sacred rhythms woven into the world today. The Lenten season offers a unique opportunity to examine one's practices, habits, and daily routines, and to shift focus toward deeper alignment with God. Together, we'll examine how these rhythms—both individual and collective—can guide us toward deeper connection with God and towards lives of deeper compassion for ourselves and others.

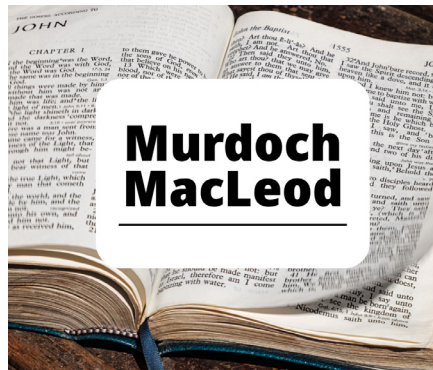
**Today**, we'll continue our discussion of the Practice of the Hours. You'll then be invited to reflect on the seasons and hours of your life, where the friction is, where the ease and energy can be found and how all of those moments can be invitations for being held in God's presence. Led by Dr. Judy Skeen, Professor of Religion, Biblical Studies & Spiritual Formation at Belmont University.



### 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 • Overlook Room

Please join us for a discussion with Fran Linley and how you can get involved in FaithWorks.



# TODAY @ WESTMINSTER



## Sunday School

9:45 AM • Koinonia Youth Café

Please see class description below.



## Practicing Together

March 23 - April 13 • Koinonia Youth Café

Wondering what to do this Lent? Tired of just giving up chocolate? Wonder no more. Join us this Lent for an intergenerational Sunday School class exploring spiritual formation. This class will learn about a variety of spiritual practices across four Sundays, including Lectio Divina, Sabbath, Anam Cara, the Examen, and Visual Prayer. Not only will we be introduced to these disciplines and practice

them in class, but we'll also discuss how they can help us meaningfully engage in Holy Week and prepare us for the world-changing good news of Easter. This class is intentionally intergenerational, and all ages youth group and up are welcome! Don't just give up chocolate this year, add our intergenerational spiritual formation class as your Lenten practice this year. Invite an (intergenerational) friend to join you! Led by Adam DeVries and Will Wellman.



## Children & Youth Choirs

4:00 PM Rehearsals

Gloria  
Alleluia  
Jubilate  
Tintinnabulation

5:00 PM Rehearsals

Laudate Choir  
Chiming Children



# YOUNG ADULTS



**March 23**

**Luncheon**

**12:15 PM • Goodpasture Hall**

We are staying at church for this luncheon. We hope you can join us.

For info or to RSVP please contact:

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Lane Russell, lrussell7942@yahoo.com



**Date TBD**

**Volunteer at the Ronald McDonald House**

**3:00 - 6:00 PM**

For info please contact:

Michael Drake, drakerduck@gmail.com

Lane Russell, lrussell7942@yahoo.com



**April 4, 2025**

**Bossa Nova to Bluegrass:**

**An Evening with Steve Leslie & Special Guests,  
Andrea Crisalli and Kyle and Essie Tupper**

**6:00 - 7:00 PM • Café open for coffee/pastries**

**7:00 - 8:30 PM • Show**

**\$20 per person • Westminster Café**

***Benefitting Nations Ministry youth summer programs.***



Scan the QR code to register.





# 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.**

## QUESTIONS FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES:



What do you think a tree needs to grow?

What do you think people need to grow?

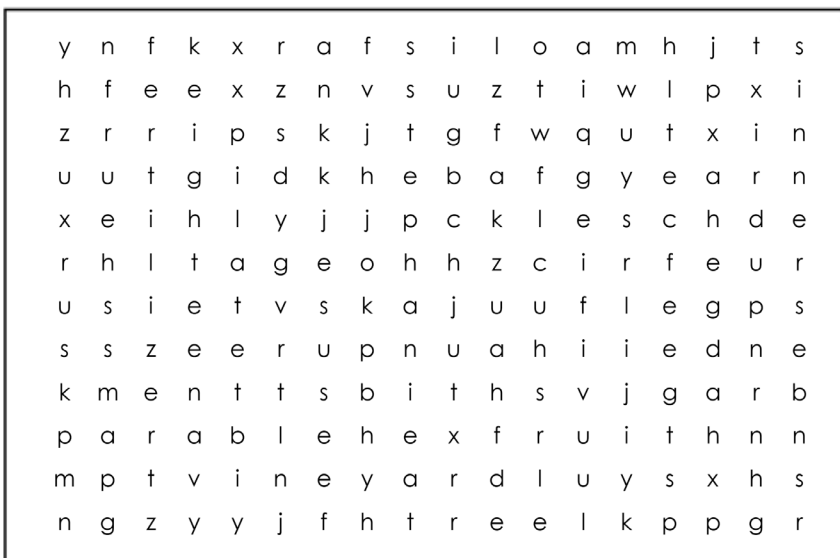
Draw a picture of something that grows at your house.

## LIVING OUT THE WORD

## WORD SEARCH

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

eighteen	fertilize
fig	fruit
Galileans	Jesus
parable	Pilate
Siloam	sinners
suffered	tree
vineyard	year





# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Starts March 27**  
**Thursday Morning Theology Group**  
*Dogmatics in Outline*

*The first class will meet at 10:00 AM in the Overlook Room.*

We will be reading through Karl Barth's *Dogmatics in Outline*. Karl Barth was a Swiss Reformed theologian and one of the most influential theologians of the 20th century. This will be a great class for folks interested in learning more about Christian theology and the Reformed tradition in particular. All are welcome! Contact Will Wellman if you have any questions, [wwellman@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:wwellman@nashvillewpc.org).

**March 25**  
**Westminster Book Group**  
**9:30 AM • Fellowship**  
**10:00 AM • Presentation**  
**Goodpasture Hall**

***Shelterwood* by Lisa Wingate**  
**Presenter: Beth O'Shea**

Shelterwood is a book with two distinctive stories that are separated in time, yet have history and issues in common. In the 1990s, a park ranger in Oklahoma meets a precocious and spirited girl in a foster home where she is too easily overlooked. At the earlier end of the century, a girl runs away from an abusive stepfather, bringing with her a Choctaw girl her father adopted. The stories of these two will intersect showing how some of the problems of the past have not been solved at all.

**April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**  
**Pottery**  
**10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**  
**\$50 per person**  
**Limit: 10 participants**  
All skill levels are welcome!  
Scan to register.



**April 5, 6**  
**NaCoMe All-Church Weekend**  
Join us for a fun-filled weekend! Scan to register.



**June 2-8**  
**Music Camp**  
***Auditions on April 27.***  
Scan the QR code to register and for more info.





# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**April 2**  
**Wednesday Night Dinner**  
**5:30 - 6:30 PM**  
**Westminster Café**  
**Coco's Italian**

Please scan the QR code to register.



## Would you like to learn how to fly fish?

WPC is looking to see if any members would like to start a Fly-Fishing Club. This is a call for all levels of experience to learn and enjoy fly fishing and nature.

If you would like to know more about fly fishing, please contact Parker Brown at [rbrown14@gmail.com](mailto:rbrown14@gmail.com). Please write Westminster Fly Fishing in the subject line.

## New Women's Bible Study

**April 3 • 7:00 PM**

Join us for a new women's bible study twice a month through May! WPC member, Keith Maddin has graciously agreed to host us at her home near church. This is a space for women in their late 20s-40s looking for community and time together with scripture. Ashley is leading a series called Mercy, where we'll look at stories from scripture and the many ways God shows mercy- and the ways we're called to show the same.

For more information, please contact Ashley Higgins, [ahiggins@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:ahiggins@nashvillewpc.org).



## April 2

### Life Together Series: Creating a Family Mission Statement

**6:00 - 7:30 PM**

How are you cultivating a way of life for your family? Why does it matter anyway? Join us for a deeply rich and deeply practical workshop centered around family values and the gift of creating a vision/mission statement(s) for you and yours.

WPC values the ways in which we might help center our families around an anchor that holds (our faith in Christ) and we are excited to do so in community. Come join the conversation and leave with a blueprint unique to you and your family.

For more info, please contact Ashley Higgins, [ahiggins@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:ahiggins@nashvillewpc.org).

Childcare provided.  
Registration Required.  
Please scan the QR code to register.

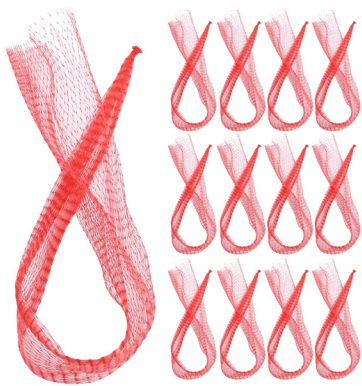




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**GLEANING** is the act of collecting leftover crops in the field after harvest. During harvest, there is food that is left or missed often because it does not meet store standards for uniformity. The vegetables aren't "pretty" enough. Gleaning is used to provide fresh foods to those in need. The vegetables are perfectly fine for consumption and are used by local food banks. ***As part of our Hands On Mission Lenten experience, please join us in the Café to make bags for these vegetables.***



**Choose any date: March 27, 28; April 3, 4**  
**Making Vegetable Bags**  
**9:15 – 10:00 AM**  
**Westminster Café**

**This is a super easy service project!** If you can cut and tie a knot, we need you! We will be preparing bunches of mesh bags for folks who will glean various fields in the area. Come one day or a couple of days! Scan the QR code to let us know you are coming.



**April 5**  
**Sweet Potato Drop**  
**8:00 AM - 12:00 PM**  
**Mayfair Parking Lot**

Join us as we distribute 40,000 pounds (or 20 tons) of sweet potatoes to our hungry neighbors in Middle Tennessee. Partnering with the Society of St. Andrew, we keep this food from going to waste and share it instead with people in need. Plan to work outdoors: dress for the weather and bring water bottles and sunscreen! For more information, please contact Will Wellman. [wwellman@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:wwellman@nashvillewpc.org). Want to volunteer? Scan the QR code.







# MISSION OPPORTUNITIES



## Taking Care of Our Planet

Our faith calls us to be caretakers of our planet, but what that means, what scripture says, and how we might put our faith into action is not often clear. The Earth Care Task Force recommends two books: *Inhabiting Eden* by Dr. Patricia Tull, Professor Emeritus at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary and *Saving Us* by Katharine Hayhoe, Professor of Climate Science at Texas Tech University.

## FaithWorks

Save the Date!

May 3, 2025

Join us for our annual day of community service. More info to come.



## Westminster Garden Team



Westminster is partnering with our neighbor Hillwood Presbyterian to start a community garden! We are in the initial phases and looking for volunteers who would like to be a part of dreaming, planning, and creating this garden on Hillwood's property. We plan to meet with folks from Hillwood in late April or early May to begin the process! If you're interested in helping out, please email Will Wellman, [wwellman@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:wwellman@nashvillewpc.org).

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## **Holy Week Schedule**

### **April 13 – Passion | Palm Sunday**

Procession of Palms

Alleluia, Gloria, and Jubilate Children's Choirs

Laudate Youth Choir

Westminster Choir

### **April 17 – Maundy Thursday**

Service of Holy Communion | Stripping of the Chancel

7:00 PM

Laudate Youth Choir

### **April 18 – Good Friday**

Choral Service of Darkness

7:00 PM

Westminster Choir

### **April 20 – Easter Sunday**

7:30 AM Worship Service

Holy Communion

Brass Ensemble

Laudate Youth Choir

9:15 AM Worship Service

Brass Ensemble

Westminster Choir

11:00 AM Worship Service

Brass Ensemble

Westminster Choir

# THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

## Sunday, March 23

8:30 AM Worship  
9:45 AM Sunday School  
11:00 AM Worship  
12:15 PM Youth Group  
12:15 PM Young Adult Lunch  
4:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal  
Tintinnabulation  
5:00 PM Laudate Choir Rehearsal  
Chiming Children

## Monday, March 24

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

## Tuesday, March 25

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  
7:00 PM Theology on Tap

## Wednesday, March 26

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study  
8:00 AM Westminster Café  
9:30 AM Westminster Bells  
10:00 AM Tai Chi  
6:00 PM RITI  
7:00 PM Men's Basketball  
WPC Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, March 27

8:00 AM Westminster Café  
9:30 AM Women's Bible Study  
10:00 AM Thurs Morning Theological Group  
10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting  
6:00 PM Session

## Friday, March 28

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

## Saturday, March 29

11:30 AM AA



## April 5, 6 NaCoMe All-Church Weekend

Join us for a fun-filled weekend that includes a duck race, good food, dancing, a campfire, and s'mores. Jump in the creek, talk to new and old friends, and join us for worship on Sunday.

NaCoMe Camp is a Presbyterian Camp just west of Nashville about an hour and a half. We go on Saturday

and come back Sunday.

Sign up for the day or spend the night. In the cabins, families have a room with several beds and their own bathroom. It is a great way to get to know other families in the church. **We have a blast.** Scan the QR code to register.



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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

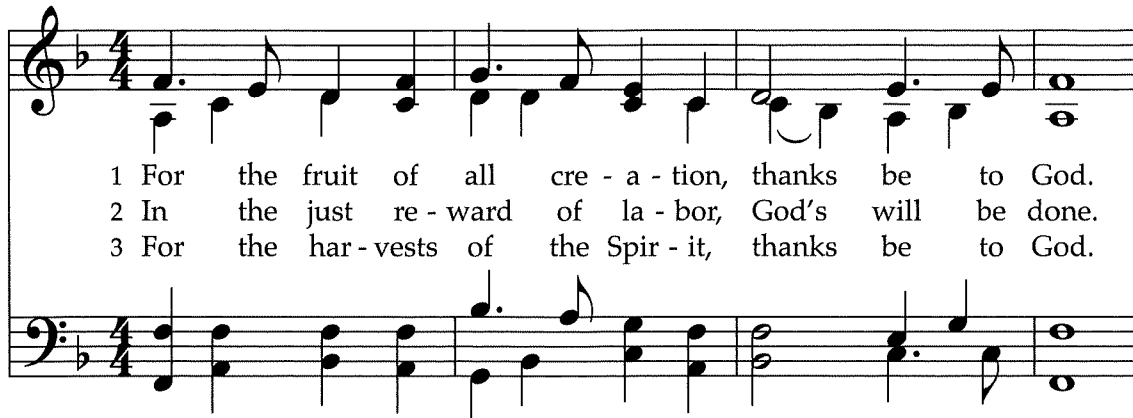
with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,  
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,  
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

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 pilgrimager filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.

## For the Fruit of All Creation

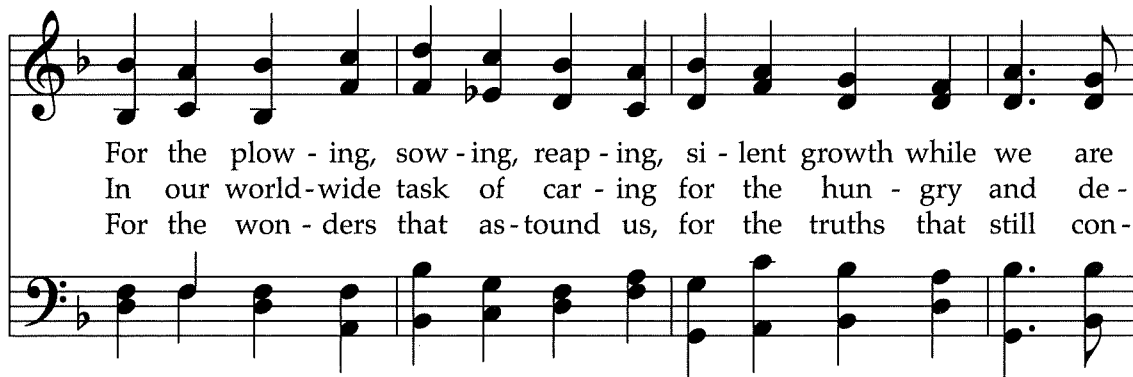
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1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done.  
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.  
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be done.  
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are  
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de -  
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con -



sleep - ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
 spair - ing, in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.  
 found us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Originally called "Harvest Hymn," this text is much more comprehensive than that title implies. It also deals with stewardship, thanksgiving, and God's endless gifts that continue to astound us. It is set to a familiar Welsh tune whose name means "throughout the night."

## Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee 629

1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of thee  
 2 Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,  
 3 O hope of ev - ery con - trite heart,  
 4 But what to those who find? Ah, this  
 5 Je - sus, our on - ly joy be thou,

with sweet - ness fills my breast. But sweet - er far thy  
 nor can the mind re - call a sweet - er sound than  
 O joy of all the meek, to those who fall, how  
 nor tongue nor pen can show. The love of Je - sus,  
 as thou our prize wilt be. Je - sus, be thou our

face to see, and in thy pres - ence rest.  
 thy blest name, O Sav - ior of us all.  
 kind thou art! How good to those who seek!  
 what it is none but his loved ones know.  
 glo - ry now, and through e - ter - ni - ty.

The sweetness celebrated in this anonymous 12th-century Latin poem is not cloying or sentimental; it is more like an antidote to bitterness and a source of hope and healing. The best-known 19th-century translation is set here to a tune composed especially for these words.

