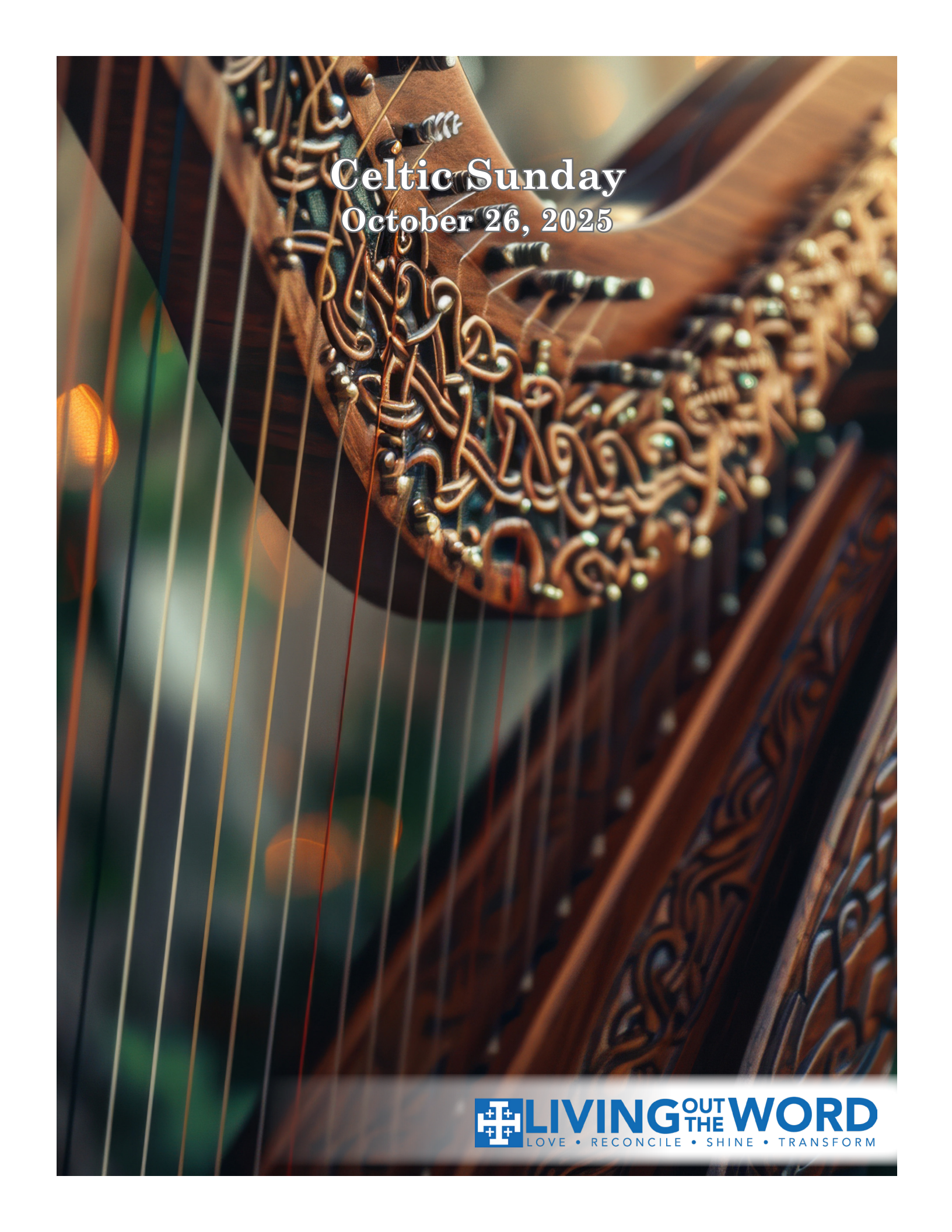




Celtic Sunday

October 26, 2025

GATHERING

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

About the Prelude

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

About the Introit

'Never Weather-Beaten Sail' is a well-known poem by Thomas Campion (1567-1620). Campion was the first graduate of Peterhouse, the oldest college in the University of Cambridge, UK, system. Simon Jackson, the current Director of Chapel Music for Peterhouse, combines Campion's much-loved poem with a traditional Norwegian/Swedish folk song, Trilo. Trilo is about longing for the return of a loved one from sea and the folk song is filled with heart-felt emotion. In his musical setting, Jackson combines both sacred and secular thought. The Celtic tradition believes all of life is sacred. All things created are holy and point to the eternal. The deep longing of the folksong coupled with Campion's timeless poem can be viewed as an allegory for the second coming of Christ.

PRELUDE

Celtic Medley

arr. Sam Levine

INTROIT

Simon Jackson

Never weather-beaten sail
(Trilo)

Trilo! Här är han, Nära land!
Trilo! Here he is, Close to shore!

Never weather-beaten sail
more willing bent to shore,
Never tired pilgrim's limbs
affected slumber more,
Than my weary sprite now longs to fly
out of my troubled breast,
O come quickly, sweetest Lord,
and take my soul to rest.

Ever-blooming are the joys
of Heav'n's high Paradise,
Cold age deafs not there our ears,
nor vapour dims our eyes;
Glory there the sun out-shines,
whose beams the blessed only see:
O come quickly, glorious Lord,
and raise my sprite to thee.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Creator of Light

The blessing of light be upon us

The blessing of daylight

The blessing of sunlight

The blessing of Christ light

Scatter the darkness from before us
That we may walk as children of light.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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

Thou art the peace of all things calm
Thou art the place to hide from harm
Thou art the light that shines in dark
Thou art the heart's eternal spark
Thou art the door that's open wide
Thou art the guest who waits inside
Thou art the stranger at the door
Thou art the calling of the poor
Thou art my Lord and with me still
Thou art my love, keep me from ill
Thou art my light, the truth, the way
Thou art my Savior this very day

*(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.)*

***HYMN 664**

BUNESSAN

Morning Has Broken

CALL TO CONFESSION

I weave a silence on to my lips
I weave a silence into my mind
I weave a silence within my heart
I close my ears to distractions
I close my eyes to attractions
I close my heart to temptations

Calm me O Lord, as you stilled the storm
Still me O Lord, keep me from harm
Let all the tumult within me cease
Enfold me Lord in your peace

The liturgy throughout
this bulletin is from
Landscapes of Light
An Illustrated
Anthology of Prayers
by David Adam
Paraclete Press, 2001.

*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.

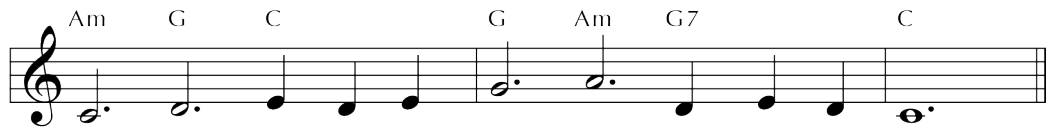
Morning Has Broken 664



1 Morn-ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing; black-bird has
 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
 3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing, born of the



spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet-ness of the wet
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion; praise ev - ery



morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

This 20th-century text was created to provide words for this traditional tune named for a small village on the Isle of Mull, off the west coast of Scotland. Through repeated use of "new" and "first," each morning is treated as a re-creation of the promise of the original day.

PRAAYER OF CONFESSIION

**Help us, Lord, to see
You are about us
You are our hope**

**In my lying down and rising
In my travelling and arriving
Help me Lord to see
You are about us
You are about our hope**

**In my sorrow and enjoyment
In my work and unemployment
Help me Lord to see
You are about us
You are about our hope**

**In my peacefulness and strife
In my going from this life
Help me Lord to see
You are about us
You are about our hope**

(Silent confession)

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

Kyrie

James MacMillan

(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)

Choir: Congregation:

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have

mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Christ,

have mer - cy. Lord, have

Congregation and Choir:

mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the Good News: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

*The Peace

Since God in Christ has forgiven us,
let us also forgive one another.

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

*(Please exchange the peace with the words,
"The peace of Christ be with you.")*

ACT OF PRAISE

O'Carroll/Walker

Celtic Alleluia

(The congregation sings the Refrain with the choir.)

Refrain



The Word of the Lord lasts forever.
What is the Word that is living?
It is Jesus Christ, who is risen from the dead. **Refrain**

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 (8:30 AM)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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 the 8:30 AM service today.

Children's Time happens on the third and fourth Sundays of each month.

SCRIPTURE

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

Joel 2:23-32

(Old Testament, page 848 in your pew Bible)

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

Anthem

Elaine Hagenberg

You Do Not Walk Alone

May you see God's light on the path ahead
When the road you walk is dark.

May you always hear,
Even in your hour of sorrow,
The gentle singing of the lark.
When times are hard may hardness
never turn your heart to stone,
May you always remember
when the shadows fall
You do not walk alone.

Luke 18:9-14

(New Testament, pages 81 in your pew Bible)

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

SERMON

Donovan Drake

"Go ndalladh na súile i dteach duine eile."
"Blind should be the eyes in the home of another"

(A moment for meditation)

HYMN 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00 AM)

Presentation

Profession of Faith

The anthem, *You Do Not Walk Alone*, was Given to the Glory of God in honor of two holy men in my life: brother James and husband John by Keith Cole.

About Hymn 450

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th-century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range. TEXT: Irish poem; trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905; vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912, alt. MUSIC: Irish ballad; harm. David Evans, 1927.

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Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) E^b (G) A^b (D/F#) E^b/G (A7) B^b7 (D) E^b



1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) B^b (D) E^b (G) A^b (A) B^b



naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) A^b (D) E^b (F#m7) Gm7 (G) A^b (A) B^b



thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) Cm (D/F#) E^b/G (G) A^b (D) E^b



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

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***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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

(The Apostles' Creed)

Calling into Membership

Welcome

Welcome to this congregation and its worship and ministry.

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you
to share with us in the ministry of Christ,
for we are all one in him.**

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

The collection of tithes and offerings takes place as a response to the Word. These actions are signs of our gratitude for the grace of God proclaimed in the gospel.

To give, please scan the QR code below:



Doxology

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

OFFERING

Anthem

David Blackwell

A Scottish Blessing

Be a light before to lead me;
Be a guiding star above;
Jesu, may I always know thee,
may I always know thy love.
There is no bird that soars the mountain,
there is no deer upon the hill,
there is no creature of the forest,
but shall sing thy praises still.

Be a kindly shepherd for me,
keep me safe thru' all my days;
Jesu, may I always know thee,
may I always sing thy praise.
There is no life that swims the ocean;
there is no creature of the sea;
there is no fish within the river,
but proclaims its praise for thee.

As the day falls into evening,
as the night is lit with stars,
at the ending of life's journey
may thy heav'nly peace be ours.
Let ev'ry creature in God's kingdom,
let ev'ry life upon the shore
sing praise to God, the world's creator,
sing praises now and evermore.

*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

**Light of the world
Enter into the depths
of our lives**

**Come into the dark
and hidden places**

Walk in the storehouse
of our memories

Hear the hidden secrets
of the past

Plumb the very depth
of our being

Be present through
the silent hours

And bring us safely
to your glorious light.

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

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

SENDING

***HYMN 726**

Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Lord of the Dance

arr. Sam Levine

*(Those who are able may stand.)

About Hymn 726

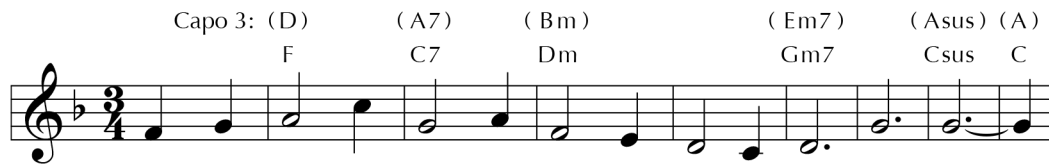
The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry. TEXT: John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1987; MUSIC: Scottish melody; arr. John L. Bell, 1987.

About the Postlude

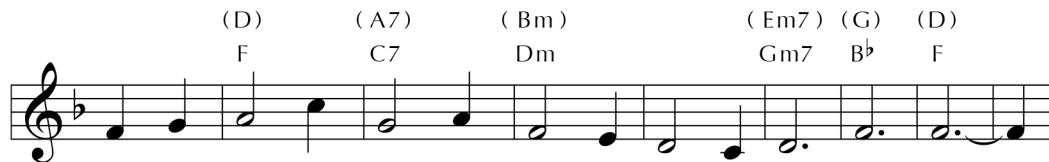
The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

726 Will You Come and Follow Me

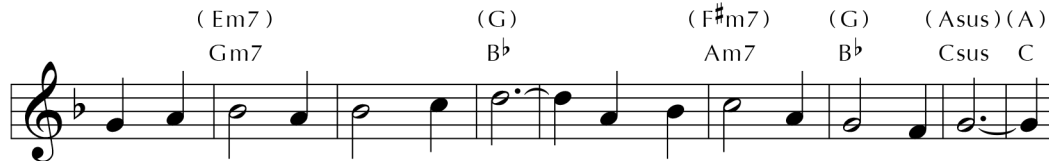
The Summons



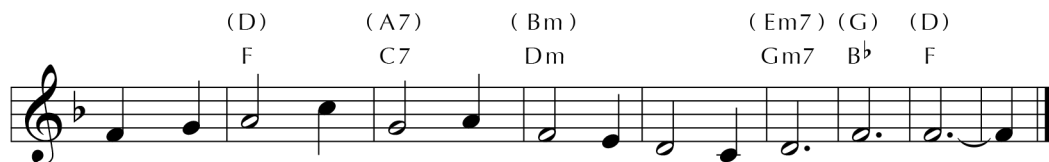
1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my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



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



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at-tract or scare?
 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,
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.



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

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Today @ Westminster

Worship Leaders

Preaching

Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake
Pastor and Head of Staff

Liturgist

Rev. Ashley Higgins
Associate Pastor for Young Families

Lay Liturgists

8:30 AM Jessie King
11:00 AM Clisby Hall

Music

Westminster Choir
Sam Levine, arrangements and whistles
John Mock, guitar
Joseph Ryan, violin
Ron Sorbo, percussion
Phyllis Sparks, Celtic harp
Jeff Taylor, accordion

John Semington
Director of Music Ministries

Dale Nickell
Organist and Associate Director of Music Ministries

Flower Dedication

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in memory of Jo Dean Garrison on her 104th birthday (October 27th) by John and Candy Kurilko & Robert, Rachel, and Riley Hose'.

The flowers in the Parlor are given to the glory of God and in honor of Westminster's New Members by the GET*connected* Committee.

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 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

"...all who exalt themselves will be humbled,
but all who humble themselves
will be exalted."
Luke 18:14

Have you spent more time in life seeking exaltation or humility?

How is this parable similar to and different from the Parable of the Prodigal Son?

How do you make your prayers less about yourself and more about God?

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 one of the pastors on staff by calling 615.292.5526, the church office.

I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth; do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.

Westminster Presbyterian
GENEROSITY 2026

Generosity Chairs

Cullen Douglass
cullen.douglass@nm.com

Bob Hines
hine7742@bellsouth.net

Generosity 2026

God says, "I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it?"

If we look back on "old things," we see that Westminster has a history of believing that God is about to do a "new thing." God-sized dreams resulted in such things as "Curry Ingram" and "Westminster Home Connection." God-sized dreams have inspired us to sacrifice so that others can be lifted up. Believing that God is always doing a new thing is what makes Westminster a vibrant congregation. We believe that God is calling us to deepen our faith and witness in the world, and to be a way of hope in the wilderness.

If you've never pledged, we invite you to do "a new thing." If you're a long-time pledger, we encourage you to help us pursue God's "new things" in the days ahead. Prayerfully think about increasing your pledge by 4%. Thank you!



TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Congregational Reception to Welcome New Members

12:00 PM • Parlor

The GETconnected Committee is hosting a reception to welcome and celebrate these new members. ***Everyone is welcome!***

Celebration of New Members Received October 26, 2025

The Session of Westminster Presbyterian Church received the following new members at a called meeting this morning. They will be welcomed into this community of faith during the 11:00 AM service of worship today. We rejoice in their presence among us, the witness of their faith, their life stories and gifts, and sense of call!

Allie Backstrom	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Johan Backstrom	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Mike Crout	By Letter of Transfer, First Presbyterian, Nashville
Annette Crout	By Letter of Transfer, First Presbyterian, Nashville
Meg Gardner	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Gibson Gardner	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Rick Gooby	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Kathy Gooby	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Jane Gooby	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Danny Gooby	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Abby Harris	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Bradley Hickman	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Richard Higgins	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Caitlin Huyck	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Andrew Huyck	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Dan Johnson	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Barbara Johnston	By Letter of Transfer, First Presbyterian, Knoxville
Drew Lilliston	By Letter of Transfer, First Presbyterian, Athens, GA
Bob Marraccini	By Letter of Transfer, First Presbyterian, Nashville
Emily Merkel	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Hunter Mobley	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Ava Rucker	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Elizabeth Tome	By Reaffirmation of Faith
Matt Tome	By Letter of Transfer, Myers Park Presbyterian, Charlotte, NC
Laura Weir	By Letter of Transfer, Moorings Presbyterian, Naples, Fla
Will Weir	By Reaffirmation of Faith



TODAY @ WESTMINSTER

Adult Education Classes start at 9:45 AM



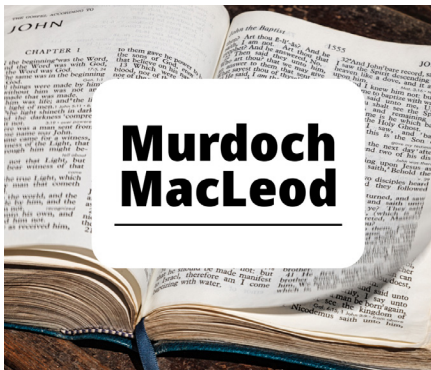
Covenant Class

Everybody hurts...

Some of the hurts in our communities we are aware of and we have protocols to respond to that. But we all know of others in our community that are hurting in silence, or hurting but haven't ever named it, or maybe are hurting but don't really understand what exactly hurts, or others who feel like their hurts aren't big enough. What are some of these hidden or overlooked hurts, where are these other people who hurt? Isn't some hurting just a part of life? This

class is an opportunity to discuss these questions as a community of faith.

This class is part of the a Congregational Care Ministry series.



Murdoch MacLeod • Library

We will discuss this week's gospel lesson.

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



Faith & Fellowship • 214

The Bible and Justice - From Amos, Adam & Eve, through Jesus; How does the Bible handle Justice?

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



Journeys • Overlook Room

My Learnings and Yearnings

This week, we will discuss Divine intervention, The most important virtue and my favorite Faith Foundations. Led by Tom Wyllly

For more info, please contact Krissie Self, krissiebsself@gmail.com.



TODAY @ WESTMINSTER



Children, Youth & Intergenerational Choirs

4:00 PM Rehearsals

Gloria
Alleluia
Jubilate

Tintinnabulation will not
meet this Sunday.

5:00 PM Rehearsals

Laudate Choir
Chiming Children



*For women in their late
20s to early 50s*
**Women's Bible Study:
The Anchor That Holds**
7:00 PM

Kim Crafton's Home

*Meets October 26
November 9, 23
December 14*

W.B. Yeats once said,
"Things fall apart." They
do. But we believe, in the
words of Craig Barnes,
that "God is not nearly
done pulling together the
things that have fallen
apart."

Join us for a 7-part series
where we make space to
wrestle with the things
that fall apart and the
One that holds all things
together.
Leader: Ashley Higgins

For more information,
contact Dana Hildebrand,
[dana.m.hildebrand@
gmail.com](mailto:dana.m.hildebrand@gmail.com).



First Grade Milestone Instructed Communion

Today, our first graders
will be to learn about the
sacraments of baptism
and communion together.
We will celebrate our
children for learning more
about the sacraments.



KOINONIA YOUTH MINISTRY



THIS SUNDAY! 9:45 AM
Churchball Tip Off
Get registered to play on a team.

YOUTH TEAM

Adam DeVries
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9:45 AM •
Sunday School •
Koinonia Youth Café

Sunday School for sixth, seventh graders and high schoolers.

Confirmation Class for eighth graders.



6:00 PM •
Youth Group •
Koinonia Youth Café

Middle Schoolers join us for fun, food and fellowship tonight.



Small Groups Throughout the Week

We have groups for girls and guys ninth - twelfth grades.

Please contact Hannah Norris, hnorris@nashvillewpc.org, for more info.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

8:30 & 11:00 AM • Worship Services

Children and Worship

Childcare is available for children who are infants through kindergarten during both services. While childcare is available, children are always welcome in worship. There are quiet toys and worship bags for children. They may be found in baskets in the Parlor and in the back of the Sanctuary. The bags have plain paper, crayons, a pencil and a children's bulletin.

9:45 AM • Sunday School

2s are in room 149

3s are in room 161

4s are in room 163

Godly Play/Kindergarten in 183

4th & 5th Grade in room 292

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

QUESTIONS FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES:



Today is special day of music. What do you notice that is different?

How many people are playing instruments?

What sounds do you like?

Draw a picture of how music makes you feel.

LIVING OUT THE WORD

Celtic Sunday

WORD SEARCH

F	Q	Y	C	E	L	T	I	C	T	A	W	I	S	Q	A	D	S
Q	J	T	E	C	R	P	Y	Y	C	C	H	F	A	Y	B	Y	Q
K	H	O	I	O	L	E	O	F	C	L	I	P	L	J	A	K	D
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See if you can find these words in the puzzle on the left.

Celtic	Choir
Dale	Guitar
Harp	John
Music	Organ
Percussion	Sunday
Violin	Whistles



ANNOUNCEMENTS



October 28

Westminster Book Group

9:30 AM • Fellowship | 10:00 AM • Presentation
Goodpasture Hall

My Side of the River: A Memoir
by Elizabeth Camarillo Gutierrez

Presenter: Guy D. Griffith

Elizabeth Camarillo Gutierrez was born and raised in Tucson, Arizona, as the daughter of Mexican citizens who periodically lived and worked as immigrants in the United States. As her parents' visas expired, they were forced to return to Mexico, leaving Elizabeth responsible for her younger brother, as well as her education. Armed with only her passport and sheer teenage determination, Elizabeth became what her school would eventually describe as an unaccompanied, homeless youth, one of thousands of underage victims affected by family separation. Her memoir relates the impact of law and U.S. immigration policy which encouraged seasonal labor but separated families like hers.

November 5

Wednesday Night
Dinner

5:30 PM • Café

Join us for chili and baked potatoes. Scan QR code to make reservations.



November 10

Women's Covenant Group
11:30 AM • BYOLunch
12:00 PM • Presentation
Goodpasture Hall

Jared Grimble
USO Nashville
Center Operations Specialist

NOVEMBER 2, ALL SAINTS



All Saints' Banners

On Sunday, October 26, please add bells to the banners in remembrance of your loved ones. The banners can be found on tables in the Parlor, along with bells. This is a beautiful activity for all ages.

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



All Saints' Communion Sunday Morning Worship

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

All Saints' Service of Remembrance

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



Sunday, Nov 2

Choral Evensong for All Saints' Sunday

**Westminster Choir, Soloists, and Chamber Orchestra
Featuring Philip Ledger's beautiful Requiem
7:00 PM**

Dr. John Semington, Director of Music Ministries
Dale Nickell, Organist

This wonderful annual service of music and scripture is an offering of thanksgiving to God for all the beloved saints of our lives. The Sanctuary is draped in candlelight for this one-hour worship service of music, scripture, and prayer. Please bring family and friends and join us in this beautiful worship.

NOVEMBER 2, ALL SAINTS



All Saints' Service of Remembrance

3:00 PM • Parlor Courtyard

A service of remembrance will be held outdoors in the Parlor Courtyard, providing the opportunity to remember all our loved ones in the great cloud of witnesses. In our worship, we will share communion, light candles and ring a bell to help us remember and give thanks.

- Names to be lifted up will be received ahead of the service, 2:45 – 3:00 PM, or by sending names to Rev. Stephanie Boaz, sboaz@nashvillewpc.org.
- You are invited to bring a photo of your loved one(s) to this service to place on the worship table, or to hold.
- If you are in need of support, grief resources or referrals, please contact Stephanie. In addition, the grief resource library of the Bereavement Ministry Team is housed in her office for sharing.

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

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



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.



Fridays October 31 & November 7, 14 **Open Studio**

For Intermediate and
Experienced Potters
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
\$50.00

This is NOT a class. This
Open Studio is created
for those who have gone
through a beginners class
and are ready to play
more on their own.



Wednesdays and Fridays

Create a custom colored
potholder for yourself or
for a gift!

9:00 AM - Noon
Westminster Café
FALL and CHRISTMAS
colors!
100% cotton
\$10 each

Scan the QR code to
register.





WESTMINSTER CAFÉ

Café Hours
Tuesday - Friday
8:00 AM - Noon

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



November 18, 19

Helping Westminster Home Connection

9:00 - 10:30 AM

Would you be willing to help with Westminster Home Connection mailings? If you can help, please let Beth Drake, beth@westminsterjoy.org, know you can!



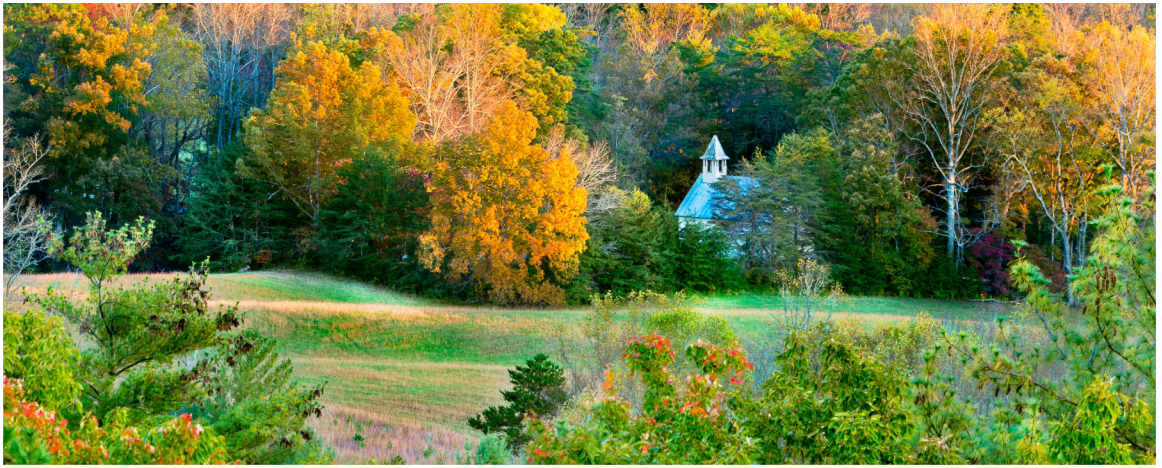
Needed: Knitted and crocheters to make dishcloths and scrubbers.

For many years, a bag with a bottle of Palmolive dish soap, a knitted dishcloth, and a crocheted/knitted scrubby have been given to homes that Westminster Home Connection has worked on. The thank you notes have been heartwarming! If you can help, please let Beth Drake, beth@westminsterjoy.org, know you can!



Thursdays
Fill My Cup:
A Post-Sermon Reflection Study

8:15 AM • Meet and Greet
8:30 AM • Percolating conversation. Come when you can. No sign up necessary. We will revisit the previous Sunday's scriptures, reflect on the sermon, and share thoughts about the probing questions in the bulletin.



Faith & Food

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

November 15

8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Chapel & Fellowship Hall

Breakfast & Lunch Provided

\$15 - \$20 Suggested Donation

Scan the QR code to register and let us know you are coming for lunch.



**Everyone
Welcome!**

Westminster is hosting the second annual Food & Faith Conference. This one-day conference will encourage church leaders to consider the role of church lands, especially in the context of feeding our hungry neighbors. We will also have numerous opportunities to learn about ways congregations can engage in this important work.

For more info, please contact Will Wellman,
wwellman@nashvillewpc.org



MISSION OPPORTUNITIES



Habitat Build

November 1, 2

Join us in the ministry of affordable housing.

Scan the QR code to register.



Volunteer Opportunities

James Lawson High School is looking for math tutoring volunteers on Thursdays from 11:50 AM - 12:35 PM. Educational experience preferred.

Vols are also needed for the Community Resource Room. Contact Jackie Shrager, jshrager@gmail.com, if interested.



Room In The Inn



Room In The Inn resumes at Westminster November 12, 2025, with many opportunities for engagement for singles, families, or small groups Wednesday nights through March 25, 2026. We have many great opportunities to spend time with Westminster friends and 14 homeless male neighbors. Please scan the QR code to sign up.



Tennessee Interfaith Power and Light invites you to our conference on:

Earth Care

at Your House of Worship

Saturday, November 1st
9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
(Gathering and coffee at 8:30am)

Second Presbyterian Church
3511 Belmont Blvd., Nashville, TN 37215

Register Here:



Register today for only \$20
For more information, contact
Rev. Paul Slentz at pslentz53@gmail.com

Presentations & Workshops on:

Energy Efficiency and
Clean Energy Options
for Your House of Worship

Earth-friendly Use and Care of
House of Worship Land

Earth-friendly
Operations and Events
at Your House of Worship



Conference presented by
Tennessee Interfaith Power & Light

THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

Sunday, October 26

8:30 AM Worship
9:45 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship
4:00 PM Choir Rehearsals
5:00 PM Choir rehearsals
6:00 PM Youth Group
7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

Monday, October 27

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

Tuesday, October 28

7:00 AM Daybreak Believers
7:30 AM Bible Study
8:00 AM Westminster Café
9:15 AM Harvard Handbells

Wednesday, October 29

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study
8:00 AM Westminster Café
9:30 AM Westminster Bells
10:00 AM Tai Chi
4:00 PM Musik Garten
7:00 PM WPC Choir Rehearsal
Men's Basketball

Thursday, October 30

8:00 AM Westminster Café
8:15 AM Fill Your Cup
9:30 AM Women's Bible Study
Mid-Morning Mom's Group
Thursday Morning Theology
10:00 AM Knitting & Crocheting

Friday, October 31

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

Saturday, November 1

11:30 AM AA

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