

I pray that, according to the riches of God's glory, God may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through the Holy Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love.



Second Sunday in Lent
Confirmation Sunday
March 1, 2026
11:00 AM

Now to the One who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

GATHERING

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

God, the source all blessings welcomes us.

We come blessed and grateful.

Blessed are the merciful, the pure of heart, the peacemakers,

For they will we receive mercy, see in God, and be called children of God

Why shall we come before the Lord?

We come before the lord to serve, praise, and give thanks.

God invites us.

We are all welcome here.

God is the source of all of our blessings

let us gather together to 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.

PRELUDE

Elegy

Harold Darke

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

Dear Lord, thank you for another day to live and be grateful for all the blessings you give - providing for us and all creation, and being a loving God.

Help us walk humbly with you.

Thank you for granting us times of peace, stillness, beauty, for the gift of sunrise, and Percy Warner Park, and for the life you breathe in us. Let us return these gifts of love by following Jesus.

Help us walk humbly with you.

Thank you for the leadership of the Church as they have guided us through confirmation class. Thank you for the kindness of our congregation, for the people in these pews, hallways, columbarium, who helped to nurture our faith.

Help us walk humbly with you.

Although our actions may contradict kindness and our own wellbeing, you still adore us oh God no matter the circumstances.

Help us walk humbly with you.

God be with Westminster as we all continue our faith journey.
Help us to be the people you've made us to be.

Help us walk humbly with you.

Help us speak truth from the heart and continue growing in the knowledge of your everlasting love.

Help us walk humbly with you.

Thank you oh God for being full of surprises, working for the best of us all, and wanting to be with us even when we're having a hard time.

Help us walk humbly with you. Amen.

***HYMN 711**

TOULON

Lord of All Good

About Hymn 711

CALL TO CONFESSION

The truth is we do not immediately seek justice, love kindness or walk humbly with God.

The truth is that we are far from perfect.

The truth is that God's steadfast love never ceases and God's mercies never come to an end.

The truth is that we come to confession trusting in the gracious mercy of God.

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, oh God, that we are impatient. We lack compassion. We practice envy and distraction. We do not always consider the poor. Melt away our entitlement and greed like you melted the ice from the ice storm. Clear the fallen trees off the roads of our hearts, so we can walk humbly with you. Remind us that You are able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine. For the sake of your son, our savior, Jesus Christ, forgive us of our wrongdoings, to the Glory of your name, to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

A pastor wrote this text for a Christmas fair, which perhaps added echoes to the words "gifts" and "give" in the first two stanzas. But no hints are needed to grasp the full meaning of this hymn's final line. The text is set to a shortened form of a widely used Genevan tune.

*Call to and Prayer
of Confession*

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

Assurance of Pardon

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

(Silent confession)

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
mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Remember, God's love never ends. Remember, God's love never fails. Every day, every moment, in darkness and in light, in all times and in all places we can walk humbly with this truth. God's love is unconditional and nothing can diminish it. God does not give up on us. Hear and remember the good news:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

***The Peace**

Let us forgive one another as God forgives us. Let us open our hearts to serve and respond to the needs of others. Let us sit with the lonely, grieve with the sad. Let us find ways to be a part of God's Kingdom at school, with our families, at work, and with those we notice need extra care. Let us stand up for those experiencing injustice. Let our Westminster community love like God loves us.

May the peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

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

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

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

Micah 6:4-6, 8

(Old Testament, page 866 in your pew Bible)

(Sung responsively after each scripture reading.)

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 15

(Old Testament, page 866 in your pew Bible)

Matthew 5:1-12

(New Testament, page 4 in your pew Bible)

SERMON

“Yes, To God's Yes to You”

Adam DeVries

(A moment for meditation)

*PRESENTATION OF THE CONFIRMANDS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Presentation

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ...

Obeying 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,**

About Confirmation

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

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

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.

Presentation of the Confirmands and Sacrament of Baptism

Elder Joanna Hall

Affirmation and Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

***Profession of 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, we give you thanks...
lives and reigns forever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

Charge to the Confirmands

Blessing for the Confirmands

Kerri Cavanaugh
and David Schlosser

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

Anthem

Aaron David Miller

God So Loved the World

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that ev'ryone who believes in him
should not perish but have eternal life.

For God sent not his Son to the world to condemn the world,
but that the world through him might be saved.
Amen.

*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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Holy God, fill us with gratitude and praise as we come to know
the hope and joy we have in You. Thank you for rooting us in
the love of Jesus at Westminster.

You have told us what is good.

We pray now for the world. Peace for the fearful, water for the
thirsty, shelter for the lonely, love for the broken, safety for
the vulnerable, and for all young people and children through
out the world - that they would have a safe place to learn and
grow like we do.

You have told us what is good.

We pray for our nation - bless all of us with understanding for
those who think differently than we do. Unify our country,
may the relationships our people be stronger than our politics.

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:



You have told us what is good.

As we remember ongoing recovery from the ice storm, we pray for our city and its leaders. May we seek justice and love kindness in our Nashville family. May we love, help and respect each other - especially those in need of shelter, warmth, and comfort.

You have told us what is good.

We pray for the places we work, the places we play, and the places we go to school. Help us do what is right, speak truth from the heart, and not slander or gossip against our friends, coworkers, classmates or peers. Help us be enders of drama not starters of it.

You have told us what is good.

We pray for our church. Thank you for our leaders, mentors, fellow confirmands, future confirmands, and all the saints that make up Westminster. Thank you for calling us personally and calling us together to be a part of the Body of Christ.

You have told us what is good.

Bless all the members of our families with safety. We pray for peace among siblings. And we pray that the relationships we have in our homes would be ones where we can practice, receive, and experience your love.

You have told us what is good.

Now to the One who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus who taught his disciples to say...

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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 691**

LAND OF REST

Lord, When I Came into this Life

***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

Norman Gilbert

Epilogue

**(Those who are able may stand.)*

About Hymn 691

Written for the confirmation of the author's son, this text of self-dedication also voices our recurring individual need to recommit ourselves in less formal ways. The familiar shape note tune enhances a sense of finding our place among God's people from all times and places.

About the Postlude

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of worship.

Please be seated to listen to the postlude or exit quietly.

Today @ Westminster

Worship Leaders

Preaching

Rev. Adam DeVries
Parish Associate for Youth

Liturgist

Rev. Dr. Donovan Drake
Pastor and Head of Staff

Music

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

John Semingson
Director of Music Ministries

Gayle Sullivan
Guest Organist

Mask Policy

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville is mask optional. The balcony remains masks required.

Hearing Assistance

We offer personal FM Receivers with an ear-piece, located in the Narthex and in the Parlor on the Welsh dresser. Instructions can be found at each location.

Large Print Hymns

Looking for large-print hymns? They can be found in the Narthex at the Sanctuary entrance or in the Parlor on the Welsh dresser.

Recorded Worship Services

To watch a service at a later time, go to www.nashvillewpc.church and scroll down to the Worship Service Archive. Click on the service you would like to view.

Dial-a-Sermon

Dial 629.206.1073 after 10:15 am each Sunday morning to listen to the sermon. The sermon will be available all week.

Childcare

Childcare is available on Sundays from 8:15 am to 12:00 pm.

Nursery - Room 146

Toddlers - Room 152

2s and 3s - Room 151

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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

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 a pastor by calling 615.292.5526, the church office.

Red Rose

The red rose in the Chancel gives glory and thanksgiving to God for the birth of a son, **Thomas Francis Corcoran V (Tee)**, on February 10, 2026, to Francie and Tom Corcoran. Lovingly welcomed by big sister Wynne and grandmother, Jane Corcoran.

The red rose in the Chancel gives glory and thanksgiving to God for the birth of a son, **Joseph Warren Riegler, Jr. (Warren)**, on February 15, 2026, to Kate and Joe Riegler. He is welcomed by grandparents, Anne and Scott Riegler, great-grandmother, Bitsy Riegler Gulbenk, and Aunt Lauren and Uncle Trevor Mitchell and cousins Margot and Weldon.

The red rose in the Chancel gives glory and thanksgiving to God for the birth of a son, **James Frederick Daeley**, on February 18, 2026, to Mary Helen and Matt Daeley. Aunt Elizabeth and Gram, Kim Crafton, are so excited he is here.

The red rose in the Chancel gives glory and thanksgiving to God for the birth of a daughter, **"Mamie" Elizabeth Hutto**, on February 18, 2026, to Maddin and Hank Hutto. Big brothers, Henry and Brooks, are excited to have a baby sis. Grandparents Keith Maddin and Steve McCord are excited, too.



Time to Order Lilies

Lilies will grace our Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026. 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.





CONFIRMATION SUNDAY



Confirmand

Millicent Rose Bottorff
William Paul Campbell
Kate Ragan Cassetty
Benjamin Riley Deerkoski
Nealy Whitson DeVries
Henry Thompson Elam
Robert Ernest Hardison
Carson Bayard Hayes
Willson Alan Janis
Benjamin Clayton Lee
Caroline Christian McGehee
Madelyn Ramsay Michael
Alexander David Mills
Matthew Christopher Mills
Van Alexander Parsons
Harrison Reed Pennington
Anne Marie Robers
Alexandra Elizabeth Rusie
Max Sterling Schlosser
Frank McFerrin Schriener
Nathaniel Warren Simcox
Samual Sites
Gray Brantley Springer
Stella Elizabeth Stewart
Thomas Eugene Tompkins III

Mentor

Paige McGehee
Cullen Douglass
Susan Abington
Baxter Lee
Jean Schoeneweis
Tom Harwell
Ned Munson
Stephanie Bailey
James Boswell
Lee Ballew
LeAnne Bottorff
Crissy Cassetty
Jarron Springer
Derek Bryant
David Goodridge
Chris Shurden
Libby Sieveking
Becky Rusie & Carol Spayde
Chad Folk
Nathan Ridley
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Keith Deerkoski
Clay Parsons
Courtney Robers
John Thorpe

JAMBOREE

- TOURNAMENT -

COME AND JOIN US

**MARCH 1ST
SUNDAY**

WHEN: 4:30PM - 7:30 PM

WHAT: 5 ON 5

WHERE: WESTMINSTER CHURCH

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\$ 5 SPECTATOR FEE

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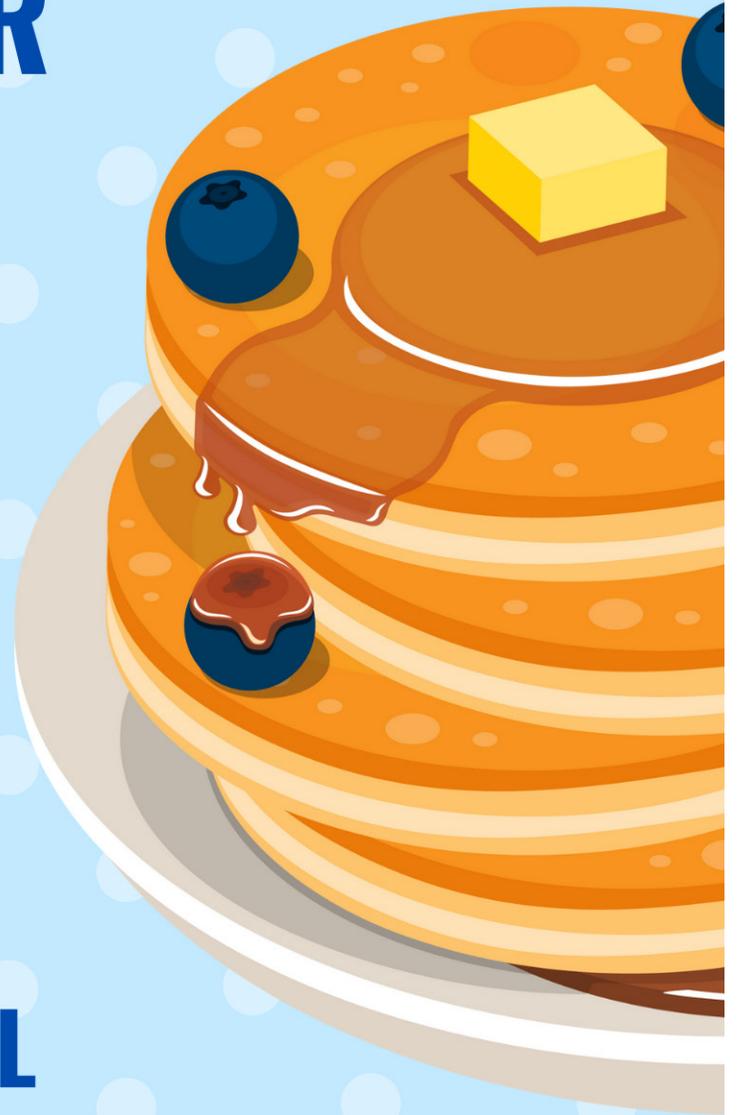
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FOR ALL 8TH -12TH
GRADERS AND THEIR
CONFIRMATION
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MARCH 29TH
9:45-10:45 AM

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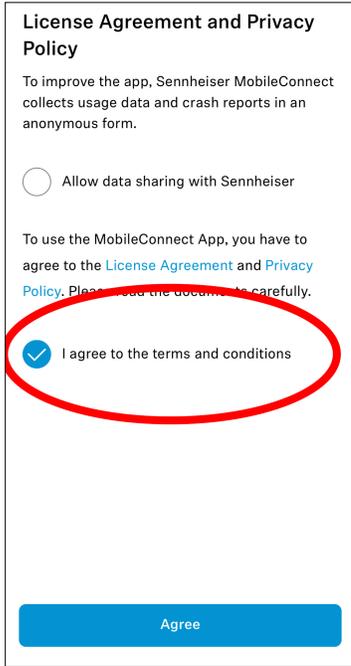
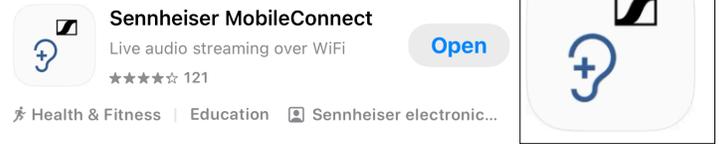


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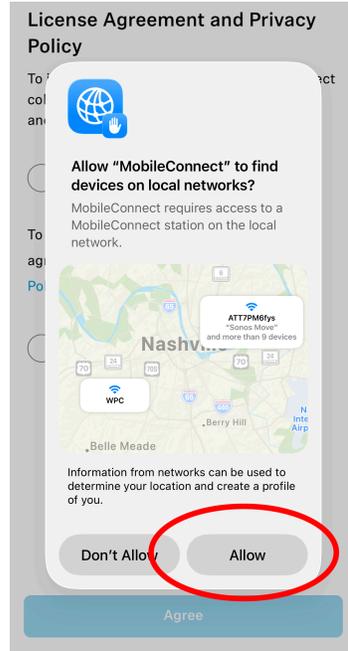
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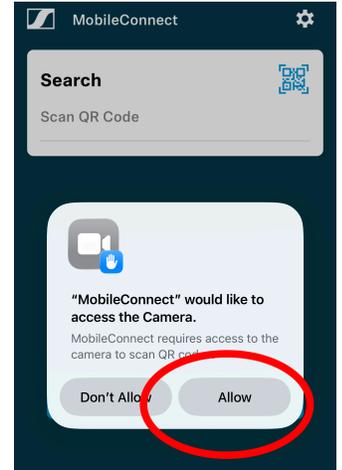
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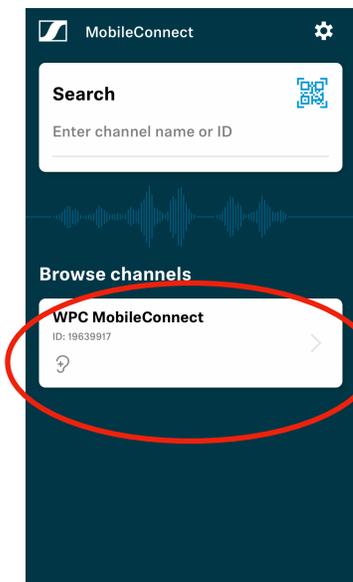
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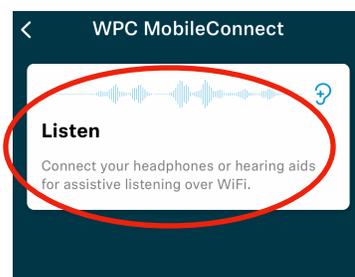
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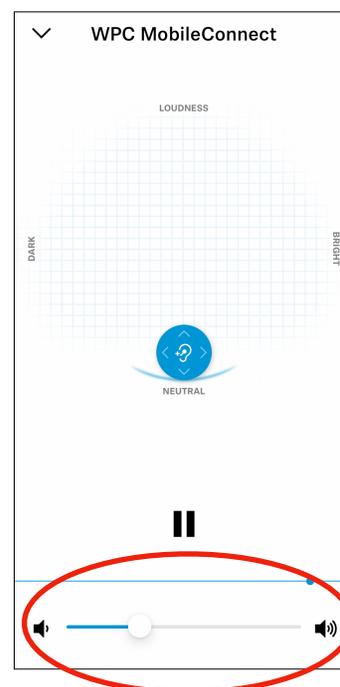
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