



Westminster Presbyterian Church



May 1, 2022 | 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

## THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Awake Thou Wintry Earth

J.S. Bach, arr. Homer Whitford

Welcome and Announcements

Living Our Faith

**\*Call to Worship** (*Just a little difference* by Edwina Gately)

Leader: Ah — a resting place,  
where we come to understand

**People: it is not required of us  
to wrestle constantly and passionately  
with our God —**

Leader: nor pursue relentlessly  
all God's decrees as we understand them,

**People: but only that we listen and wonder  
and hope and pray,  
that we might, perhaps,  
make just a little difference,  
one quiet grey day.**

**\*Hymn No. 305**

Come Sing, O Church in Joy!

DARWALL'S 148TH

1 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!  
For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!

*Our Mission: We seek to be a caring community of faith committed to bringing people to Christ and developing their faith through worshipping God together, teaching the faith, and serving in mission.*

**Refrain:** In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now  
and praise the Lord!

3 Let courage be our friend; let wisdom be our guide,  
as we in mission magnify the Crucified! **(Refrain)**

4 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!  
For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er the ages long! **(Refrain)**

### \*Prayer of Confession

Living God, we confess that at times the joy of the resurrection eludes us. We allow the worries of the world to cloud your Good News. We do not always live in the spirit of new life but remain discontent, grumbling, and anxious. Forgive us when we find it more comfortable to hide than to risk new life. Call us forward to your ways. Have mercy.

*(A time of silence for personal confession)*

### Assurance of God's Love and Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel:

People: **We are saved by grace through faith. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### \*Sung Response

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

*Refrain:* Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth.

Jesus has died and has risen. *(Refrain)*

### Gospel Lesson

John 21:1-19

NT 115

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

Pete's Bait & Tackle

Jo Forrest

### Offertory Anthem

Beati Quorum Via

Charles Villiers Stanford

*Blessed are those whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the Lord.*

*Psalm 119, vs. 1*

### \*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### \*Prayer of Dedication

## \*A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God.  
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## The Sacrament of Communion

### Prayer of Thanksgiving and 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.

### Institution of the Lord's Supper

### Prayer of Sending

## \*Hymn No. 726

### Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE

- 1 "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
- 2 "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?"
- 5 Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

## \*Benediction

### \*Benediction Response

Go Ye Now in Peace

Joyce Eilers

Go ye now in peace, and know that the love of God will guide you.

Feel his presence here beside you, showing you the way.

Know that the God who sent his son to die that you might live

Will never leave you lost and alone in his beloved world.

### Postlude

Postlude on *Erstanden ist der heil'ge Christ*  
(Arisen is the holy Christ)

Bach

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\*Please stand if you are able.

**Leading in worship:** Jim Burns, Jo Forrest, Christine Hestwood, Faith Kemmler, Louise Rogers, the Quartet, and the Chancel Choir

### Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

The congregation extends condolences to

Richard Pauley and family on the death of Jean Lee Pauley.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Today

### Barefoot School (June 20-24) Registration

This year's **Food Truck Party Barefoot School** registration is open online for children K- 6th grade for the 2022-2023 school year! Register at <https://vbspro.events/p/wpc2022>



### Westminster Seminars Sundays @ 9:45 a.m. in Galbreath Chapel & Zoom

The May five-week series, *Christians, the Nations, and War*, begins Sunday, May 1. For details visit <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/westminster-seminars>

### Masterpieces for Piano Four Hands Concert – Sunday, May 1, 3:00 p.m., Sanctuary

### This Week



### Treasures for Troops

May 5-22  
Collection boxes at  
north, south & WROC  
entries

To honor our troops for Memorial Day, the Deacons are hosting a donation drive for Operation Troop Appreciation. All donations are used for OTA's Active-Duty "Wish-List" and veteran "Welcome Home" programs. Read more here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/treasures-for-troops>

# ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

## Next Week



### Mother's Day Musical

Sunday, May 8  
11:00 a.m. Worship

After a two year hiatus, the Cherub and Junior Choirs (plus a few alumni) are thrilled to be presenting the musical *The Life of the Party*. Please join us for the story of Mary and Martha during the 11:00 a.m. worship service.



### "The Ukraine War and Global Geopolitics"

Tuesday, May 10  
7:00 p.m.  
Upper St. Clair High School Theater

Town Hall South welcomes Admiral James Stavridis, USN (Ret.) 16th Supreme Allied Commander at NATO, for a special evening lecture. Tickets are \$40 for reserved seating. Discounted tickets are available to Upper St. Clair faculty and staff at \$30, and USC students at \$20. To buy tickets and for additional information, visit [www.townhallsouth.org](http://www.townhallsouth.org)



### JAM & Veritas Move Up Night

Wednesday, May 11  
6:00-7:30 p.m.  
Youth Wing

On May 11, 4th graders are invited to JAM and 6th graders are invited to Veritas for a chance to make new friends and settle in to new programs for a few weeks before summer time. We will eat dinner together as a large group in Fellowship Hall and part ways from there. Contact Laura Ecklin with Veritas questions and Faith Kemmler with JAM questions.



### Inquirers' Gathering

Saturday, May 14  
9:00 a.m.  
Memorial Parlor

Learn more about Westminster Church at an informal gathering of sharing and teaching, as we explore what it means to be a follower of Christ in the Presbyterian tradition and here at Westminster. More details here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/inquirers-gathering-in-person>

**WECEP Spring Arts Festival- Saturday, May 14, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. @ Westminster**  
**Deacons Blood Drive – Sunday, May 15, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. @ Westminster**

Visit the church's website at [www.westminster-church.org](http://www.westminster-church.org) for additional details on any event or activity listing and to view a complete church calendar, located under the "Events" menu item.

# Ongoing Activities & Opportunities

## SUNDAY MORNINGS

### The Wiggle Room

8:30/11:00 a.m. in Room 239

9:45 a.m. in WROC Fitness Room

Available to families with **children from birth through age 3** who prefer a separate space to step away while listening to the worship service.

### Westminster Seminars

9:45 a.m. in Galbreath Chapel or on Zoom

The five-week May series, **Christians, the Nations, and War**, presented by John P. Burgess, begins May 1. Read more here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/westminster-seminars>.

## SUNDAY MORNINGS

### Sunday School

9:45 a.m. in Room 194

A time for children in PreK through 4th grade to explore the Bible, enjoy fellowship together, and grow in their faith.

## WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

### Children's Choirs

4:45–5:30 p.m. in Rm. 176 (Gds. K–2) and Rm. 268 (Gds. 3–6)

Open to all children K–6th grade. Glorify God with music!

### Wednesday Food & Fellowship

5:30–6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall  
Church family, food, and fellowship! **This week's menu is Family Deli.**

## WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

### JAM (Jesus & Me)

6:00–7:30 p.m. in the north entry

A youth group for 5th & 6th graders that offers a time for fun, fellowship, and faith.

### Veritas

6:00–7:30 p.m. in the Youth Dept.

Youth group for 7th to 12th graders, inspiring minds and filling hearts with the love of God in a fun and exciting way. Can't make it on Wednesday? Catch the Veritalk podcast, a review the scripture lesson and discussion questions from Veritas. Find it here: [veritalk.podbean.com](http://veritalk.podbean.com)

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## Join Our Team! Hiring: Associate Director of Youth Ministry

Know anyone with a heart for Christ and a love of teens and young people? We'd love to meet them! Westminster is on the search for a full-time Associate Director of Youth Ministry to be directly involved with the development and implementation of our long-standing AMAZING ministries to youth and their families. For more information, or to share any ideas, please reach out to Ed Sutter.

# CALENDAR

2022

MAY 2 – 8

Please check our website calendar for the most up-to-date listing of events and activities:  
<https://www.westminster-church.org/events/calendar>.

## MONDAY, MAY 2

7:00	WCDC	Rm. 152
9:15	Parkinson's Level 1 Workout	WROC
9:30	PACC Movie Matinee	Yahweh Café
10:20	Parkinson's Level 2 Workout	WROC
12:00	AA	Fellowship Hall
5:30	Cardio Kickboxing	WROC
6:00	Cub Scout Den Meeting/ Adult Committee Meeting	Rm. 107
6:45	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
8:10	Adult Pickup Basketball	WROC

## TUESDAY, MAY 3

7:00	Men's Discussion Group	Rm. 238
	WCDC	Rm. 152
8:30	Zumba Toning – Free Class	WROC
9:00	Flow (Vinyasa) Yoga	Fellowship Hall
	Zumba – Free Class	WROC
9:30	Town Hall South	Yahweh Café
10:15	Strong Bodies /Strong Bones	Fellowship Hall
11:15	Tai Chi	Fellowship Hall
6:00	Pittsburgh Youth Chorus	Rm. 268
6:30	Centering Prayer	Zoom
	Flow Yoga PM	Rm. 194
7:00	AI Anon	Rm. 131
	Westminster Men's Softball	Chartiers Park
8:00	Adult Pickup Volleyball	WROC

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

7:00	WCDC	Rm. 152
9:15	Parkinson's Level 1 Workout	WROC
10:00	Gentle (Hatha) Yoga	Fellowship Hall
10:20	Parkinson's Level 2 Workout	WROC
4:45	Cherub Choir (Grades K-2)	Rm. 176
	Junior Choir (Grades 3-6)	Rm. 268
5:30	Wednesday Food & Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
6:00	JAM Youth Group (Gds. 5-6)	North Entry
	Veritas Youth Group (Gds. 7-12)	Youth Dept.
7:30	Westminster Ringers	Rm. 268

## THURSDAY, MAY 5

7:00	WCDC	Rm. 152
8:30	Zumba Toning – Make Up Day	WROC
9:00	Flow (Vinyasa) Yoga	Fellowship Hall
	Zumba – Make Up Day	WROC
10:00	W2W – Emerald	Rm. 231
10:15	Abigail Circle	Memorial Parlor
10:45	Arthritis Exercise	WROC Fitness
11:20	Absolute Abs	WROC Fitness
4:00	Farmers Market	S. Parking Lot
6:00	Adult Pickleball	WROC
	Cub Scout Den Meeting	Rm. 176
7:00	Chancel Choir	Rm. 268
	Nar Anon	Rm. 131
7:30	NA	Rm. 107
8:10	Adult Pickup Basketball	WROC

## FRIDAY, MAY 6

6:30	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
7:00	WCDC	Rm. 152
9:15	Parkinson's Level 1 Workout	WROC
6:00	Adult Pickleball	WROC
7:00	AA	Rm. 107
	AI Anon	Rm. 231

## SATURDAY, MAY 7

9:45	Zumba with Jocelyn	WROC
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## SUNDAY, MAY 8

8:30	<b>Traditional Worship</b>	Sanctuary
	Wiggle Room	Rm. 239
9:00	Welcome Center	North Entry
9:45	<b>Contemporary Worship</b>	WROC/Lvstrm.
	Wiggle Room	WROC Fitness
	Westminster Seminars	Galbreath Chapel
11:00	<b>Traditional Worship - Mother's Day Musical</b>	Sanctuary/Lvstrm.
	Wiggle Room	Rm. 239

*Calendar/Scheduling Reminder: To schedule an event or make a room reservation, please contact Kathy Long at 412-835-6630x200 or [long@westminster-church.org](mailto:long@westminster-church.org) for current availability.*

## Christ sighting: Easter Monday

by Angela Alaimo O'Donnell

Christ comes, a knock on the door when I least expect him. Espresso in hand I pop open the screen door that sticks in every kind of weather. Peace be with you, he breathes as he brushes by, sniffing for toast, an egg, some fish. We eat our breakfast in the too-small nook, our four knees touching beneath the table. We find little to discuss, though lots has happened over the last two thousand years, disaster since he last appeared become our daily bread. His lined face says he knows what we don't say. I ask him if this time he plans to stay.

## Westminster on Social Media

Watch worship videos, listen to the new Veritas podcast, share Westminster events, find inspiring prayers, Scripture, and more to like and share!



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### ONLINE

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