

Westminster Presbyterian Church



March 20, 2022 | 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

## THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude

O Sacred Head Now Wounded The Wonderful Cross with Near the Cross

Hassler/arr. Sherman Doane, Mason, Tomlin, Reeves, Walt/arr. Lloyd Larson

Westminster Ringers Jim Burns, piano The Quartet

Welcome and Announcements

Celebration of Faithful Service (11:00)

\*Call to Worship

Leader: God of the past, who has created and nurtured us,

we are here to thank you.

People: God of the future, who is always ahead of us,

we are here to seek you.

Leader: God of the present, who is in the midst of us

we are here to be with you.

People: God of life, who is beyond and within us,

we rejoice in your glorious love.

\*Hymn No. 353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

1 My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain: On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;

all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

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

- 2 When darkness seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace; in every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. (*Refrain*)
- 3 His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood; when all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. (*Refrain*)

#### \*Prayer of Confession

God, we have denied you by turning away from you.

We have betrayed you by our silence when we should have spoken.

We have rejected you by pretending we are not yours.

We are lost. Let your forgiveness find us.

Welcome us into your strong embrace.

(A time of silence for personal confession)

#### Assurance of God's Love and Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news. **People:** In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

\*Sung Response O How He Loves You and Me

O how he loves you and me! (repeat) He gave his life. What more could he give?

O how he loves you; o how he loves me; o how he loves you and me!

#### Prayers of the People

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.

#### Sevenfold Amen

Sacrament of Baptism (8:30)

Gospel Lesson Luke 13:1-9 NT 76

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon The Otherside of Repentance Jo Forrest

Offertory Anthem I Will Keep My Eyes on You Cindy Berry

I will keep my eyes on you. I will be strong in your power. No matter what the cost, I will follow where you lead me. In your mighty strength I will stand by the power of your hand.

I will keep my eyes on you.

Lord, I will follow where you lead.
And as I obey you, you'll supply my every need.
Help me to live each day by faith, and not by sight,
Guided by your spirit's light.

In my weakness, you are strong. All praise and glory to you belong. In your strength, I can sing the victor's song.

\*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

\*Hvmn No. 829

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

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- 1 My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray; take all my guilt away; O let me from this day be wholly thine!
- 2 May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart,my zeal inspire; as thou hast died for me,O may my love to thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!
- 3 While life's dark maze I tread and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day; wipe sorrow's tears away; nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

#### \*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.

PostludePostlude on MartyrsHarvey Grace

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**Leading in worship:** Jim Burns, Jo Forrest, Christine Hestwood, Faith Kemmler, Jerry Malarkey, Jim Marshall, the Quartet, the Chancel Choir, and the Westminster Ringers.

<sup>\*</sup>Please stand if you are able.

#### **Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving**

#### **Baptisms**

We rejoice with Janelle and Timothy Cox as they present Julian James; and Lindsay and Sean McMillan as they present Logan Malcom for the Sacrament of Baptism.

#### We celebrate with joy

the birth of Graham Eugene Hogan, son of Jason and Eran Hogan, great-grandson of Chuck Buterbaugh.

#### The congregation extends condolences to

John and Isabelle Holzapfel on the passing of John's sister, Ruth Walters.

Jay Descalzi on the passing of his sister, Jan Descalzi Rupp.

family and friends of Don Blasche, who passed away on March 15.

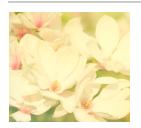
## <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

## This Week



# Mobile Library Cart Today

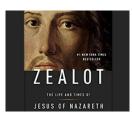
Sunday, March 20 after all worship services North Entry, WROC Visit the mobile library cart on your way out of worship today! There are books for all ages. Our full library is open on Sundays and during the week from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. for your enjoyment. Wi-fi is available and it is a great space for all ages to meet, read, or just hang out with family or friends.



#### **Grief Care**

Wednesdays March 23 – April 27 6:45 – 8:00 p.m. Memorial Parlor Grief Care is a faith-based grief support group that can help you face the challenges of loss and move toward rebuilding your life. Contact Louise Rogers at rogers@westminster-church. org with questions. To register and for more information, visit https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/grief-care

## Next Week



# Westminster Book Group

Wednesday, March 30 Noon – 1:15 p.m. Room 238 At the next meeting of the Westminster Book Group we will discuss Zealot: Life and Times of Jesus of Nazareth by Reza Aslan. Bring a brown bag lunch and join us!

Visit the church's website at 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.

### **Word Cloud Question for Lent**

The Membership Commission would like to ask for your input for a Lenten Word Cloud. Submit your one or two-word answer to this question, "Where do you feel close to God?" to the Membership Commission via email at membership@westminster-church.org. Contact Sue Castelli with any questions at spcfjc@comcast.net. We hope to hear from you!

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

## Ongoing



Membership Commission **Volunteers** 

Westminster's Membership Commission is seeking additional members of the congregation to join this group to help plan events and activities for this calendar year. All are welcome - young and old, new to the Westminster community and longtime members.

Please contact Susan Castelli at spcfic@ comcast.net to learn more about this commission and monthly meeting dates.

For more information about this or other important volunteer opportunities, visit our website or contact Jan Baumann at 412-835-6630x205 or 412-559-1034 or baumann@westminster-church.org.

## **Contractor Position Opening**

Westminster is seeking a Livestream Technician contractor who will be responsible for livestreaming two worship services each Sunday. They will work with those that are responsible for AV in the two worship spaces. This role involves ensuring everything is ready to go prior to the livestream (setting up the links on YouTube) as well as maintaining production cohesion during the services. Visit our website for details and to download the full job description: https://www. westminster-church.org/about/employment

#### Westminster on Social Media

Don't miss Westminster on social media. Watch video reviews of worship, share Westminster events, find inspirational prayers and Scripture, and more unique content you can like and share!



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## THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

## 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
Children are always welcome
and encouraged to participate
in worship, yet we realize
sometimes families need a little
wiggle room in their worship
experience. The Wiggle Room
is 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 Lenten series: History of Biblical Interpretation, presented by Kenneth J. Woo, continues this week. Interpreting the Bible is always something that can stir people up. What can we learn from past efforts? What does history reveal about how the Bible speaks to us today? Read more here: https://www.westminsterchurch.org/events/event-list/westminster-seminars.

#### SUNDAY MORNINGS

#### **Sunday School**

9:45 a.m. in person after the Children's message; 11:00 a.m. in person & online at the start of the service. Zoom Link: bit.ly/wpcvirtualss Passcode: 15241 A time for children in PreK through 6th grade to explore the Bible, enjoy fellowship together, and grow in their faith.

#### WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

#### **Bible Read Along**

4:30–5:30 p.m. in Room 231 Join us during Lent to explore Jesus' journey to the cross according to the Gospel of Luke. No homework. Drop in as you are able.

#### Children's Choirs

4:45-5:30 p.m. in Galbreath Chapel (grades K-2) and sanctuary (grades 3-6) Open to all children K-6th grade. Join us and make some music to glorify God!

#### **WEDNESDAY EVENINGS**

Wednesday Food & Fellowship 5:30-6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall Join your church family for food and fellowship! This week's menu is Giovanni's pizza, pasta and salad.

#### Kids' Connection

6:00–7:30 p.m. in the WROC A time for kids PreK through 4th grade to play, wonder about Bible stories, and connect with God and each other.

#### JAM (Jesus & Me)

6:00–7:30 p.m. Meet 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. A youth group for grades 7 to 12, Veritas maintains the goal of bringing Christ to kids in a way that inspires their minds and fills their hearts with the love of God in a fun and exciting way.

#### STAFF PROGRAM/MINISTRY CONTACTS

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# **CALENDAR**

# MARCH 21 - 27

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

#### **MONDAY, MARCH 21**

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	Rm. 176
5:30	Cardio Kickboxing	WROC
6:00	Cub Scout Den Meeting	Rm. 107
6:45	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
7:00	Session Meeting	Fellowship Hall
8:10	Adult Pickup Basketball	WROC

#### THESDAY MARCH 22

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7:00	Men's Discussion Group	Rm. 238
	WCDC	Rm. 152
9:00	Flow Yoga	Rm. 194
	Zumba	WROC
10:15	Strong Bodies /Strong Bones	Fellowship Hall
11:15	Tai Chi	Fellowship Hall
5:30	PACC Activity Night	Yahweh Café
6:00	Pittsburgh Youth Chorus	Rm. 268
6:30	Centering Prayer	Zoom
	Flow Yoga	Rm. 194
7:00	Al Anon	Rm. 131
8:00	Adult Pickup Volleyball	WROC

#### **WEDNESDAY. MARCH 23**

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7:00	WCDC	Rm. 152
9:15	Parkinson's Level 1 Workout	WROC
10:20	Parkinson's Level 2 Workout	WROC
4:30	Bible Read Along	Rm. 231
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
	Kid's Connection (PreK-4th Gd.)	WROC
	Veritas Youth Group (Gds. 7–12)	Youth Dept.
6:30	Giving Gala Meeting	Rm. 231
	Membership Commission	Rm. 238
6:45	Grief Care	Memorial Parlor
7:30	Westminster Ringers	Rm. 268

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 24**

7:00	WCDC	Rm. 152
8:30	Zumba Toning	WROC
9:00	Zumba	WROC
10:00	W2W - Emerald	Rm. 231
10:45	Arthritis Exercise	WROC Fitness
11:20	Absolute Abs	WROC Fitness
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, MARCH 25

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
	Al Anon	Rm. 231

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 26

9:45	Zumba with Jocelyn	WROC
11:00	Bower Memorial Service	Sanctuary
12:00	Bower Memorial Reception	Fellowship Hall

#### **SUNDAY. MARCH 27**

8:30 Traditional Worship

	Wiggle Room	Rm. 239
9:00	Welcome Center	North Entry
9:45	Contemporary Worship	WROC/Livestrm.
	Wiggle Room	WROC Fitness
	Sacrament Class	Fellowship Hall
	Sunday School PreK-4th Gd.	Rm. 194
	Westminster Seminars	Galbreath Chapel
11:00	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary/Livestrm.
	Wiggle Room	Rm. 239
	Sunday School PreK-2nd Gd.	Rm. 121
	Sunday School 3rd-6th Gd.	Rm. 131
	Virtual Sunday School	Zoom
	Confirmation Class	Yahweh Café

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 for current availability.

Sanctuary

# Easter Flowers

Spring is just around the corner. The Chancel Guild is accepting memorial/honoree contributions for Easter flowers. If you would like to participate in this Westminster tradition, please make checks payable to "Westminster Presbyterian Church," and write "Easter flowers" on the memo line. Checks and forms can be mailed, dropped off at the church office, or placed in the Sunday collection plate.

Your contribution and completed form must be received <u>by Monday, April 11</u>, so that your gift can be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Please indicate on the form if you will pick up your Easter flower following the Bridge or 11:00 service on Easter Sunday, or if you would like the deacons to deliver your flower to a shut-in.

#### EASTER FLOWERS ORDER FORM

	In memory	☐ In honor			
Nan	ne of memorial/honor	ee (PLEASE PRI	NT)		
	Please deliver flower	r to a shut-in	□ I wil	l pick up the flower	
Му	name				

Please return this form to the church office by Monday, April 11.



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