



Westminster Presbyterian Church



July 3, 2022 | 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

**Prelude (8:30)
(11:00)**

Be Thou My Vision
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Immortal, Invisible

Larry Shackley
Gilles Maurice Leclerc
Robert Powell

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: We came from all places and all peoples to gather here today.
People: **Some of us traveled across the ice, others came later in boats, still others of us waded rivers or arrived in planes.**
Leader: We found a land blessed,
People: **blessed with mountains and valleys and promising cities.**
Leader: Here, a dream was born;
People: **a dream of freedom from oppression, a dream of hope for our children, a dream of people in community under God.**
Leader: And so the dream continues...
People: **God, help us to do your work until your dreams come true.**

*Hymn No. 331

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN

1 God of the ages, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

2 Thy love divine hath led us in the past.
In this free land by thee our lot is cast.
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay:
thy word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

4 Refresh thy people on their toilsome way.
Lead us from night to never-ending day.
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

***Prayer of Confession**

O God our maker, savior, and inspiration for life,
forgive us when we try to make you in our image.
Forgive us when we turn to earthly rulers
for the wisdom and strength
you have already shown us.
Fulfill your purpose in us,
that we may be your people,
your son's body upon this earth,
sisters and brothers in love and mercy.
In trust and hope, we pray.

(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.

***Congregational Response**

Threefold Amen

Scripture Lesson

1 Samuel 8:1-22 *selected verses*

OT 251

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Living the Dream

Jo Forrest

Offertory Anthem

I Vow to Thee My Country
Katy Williams, soloist

Holst/arr. DeCesare

***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**

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

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I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
 who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
 he descended into hell;
 the third day he rose again from the dead;
 he ascended into heaven,
 and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.

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. 338**

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

MATERNA

- 1 O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea!
- 2 O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America! America! God mend thine every flaw;
confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law!
- 3 O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears!
America! America! May God thy gold refine
till all success be nobleness and every gain divine!

*Benediction

Postlude

Jupiter's Theme from *The Planets*

Holst/Thiman

*Please stand if you are able.

Leading in worship: Jim Burns, Jo Forrest, Louise Rogers, Katy Williams

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week



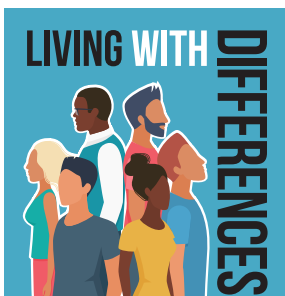
Westminster Organ Summer

Thursday, July 7
5:00 p.m.
Sanctuary/Livestream

This week's Organ Summer concert features **Jacob Gruss from the Juilliard School, New York City**. Enjoy the free 30-minute concert either in person in Westminster's sanctuary or via livestream on our YouTube channel. Details here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/westminster-organ-summer>



Next Week



Westminster Seminars

Living with Differences
Sponsored by Westminster Peace and Justice
Sundays, July 10, 17, 24
9:45 a.m.
Galbreath Chapel/Zoom

Can we build bridges with people who are different from us in places where we are often separate – race, religion, gender, family roles, cultural experience, and point of view? Our speakers will guide us in learning how to connect around some of these difficult questions.

Read more here and get the Zoom link to join online: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/westminster-seminars>

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

Coming Soon



Westminster Single Women's Group

Pittsburgh Botanic Garden Visit & Lunch
July 13 @ 10:00 a.m.

Washington Wild Things Baseball & Fireworks
July 29 @ 7:05 p.m.

The Westminster Single Women's Group is open to both members and non-members of Westminster Presbyterian Church. We now have a private Facebook group which allows members to reach out to each other with ideas and to register for events. Search for "Westminster Single Women's Group" on Facebook and request to join the group.

July 13: Come and enjoy the gardens, woodlands, and exhibit area at the Botanic Garden. After our walk we'll enjoy lunch at the onsite Canopy Café.

July 29: Join us for a fun evening as the Wild Things take on the Québec Capitales! We have great seats on the first base side in Section 103.

For details and registration visit us on Facebook or our website at wroc.westminster-church.org or contact Sara Locke at 412-389-0419 or sarasmithlocke@gmail.com.



Save the Date!

Family Pool Party Thursday, July 21
6:00-8:00 p.m. @ Montclair Estates Pool



Volunteer Opportunities



Meals on Wheels Cupcake Baking & Fellowship

Wednesday, July 13
10:00 a.m. - noon
Fellowship Hall Kitchen

Meals on Wheels @ The Crossroads needs our help. Please join us for fellowship and baking cupcakes together in the Westminster kitchen.

Commitment: Wednesday, July 13, 10:00 – noon; cake mixes and ingredients will be provided. Just bring your cupcake pans.

Skills Needed: No previous baking skills required. Please sign up early. Help us show our community what it means to be part of a caring church family.

For more information about these 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.

Financial Report

In lieu of the financial report in the Spire, the information will be communicated in a weekly bulletin during the summer months.

As of May 31, 2022

MAY 2022	Actual	Budget	Variance	May 2021
Income	\$158,125	\$131,325	\$26,800	\$122,549
Expense	\$139,964	\$164,691	\$(24,727)	\$121,757
Net Total	\$18,161	\$(33,366)	\$51,527	\$792

YTD 2022	Actual	Budget	Variance	YTD 2021
Income	\$841,950	\$862,024	\$(20,074)	\$849,636
Expense	\$784,514	\$830,318	\$(45,804)	\$782,464
Net Total	\$57,436	\$31,706	\$25,730	\$67,172

ENDOWMENT LOAN BALANCE \$956,887

Giving to Westminster

ONLINE: <https://www.westminster-church.org/give>

TEXT-TO-GIVE: Text WPCUSC to 73256. Standard text messaging rates may apply.



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Westminster on Social Media

Don't miss Westminster on social media. Watch worship videos, share Westminster events, find inspirational prayers, Scripture, and more to like and share!



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CALENDAR

2022

JULY 4 – 10

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

MONDAY, JULY 4

*Church closed for Independence Day.
WDCD closed for Independence Day.*

TUESDAY, JULY 5

9:00	Flow Yoga	Fellowship Hall
6:30	Centering Prayer	Zoom
7:00	Al Anon	Rm. 131

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

8:00	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
9:15	Parkinson's Level 1 Workout	WROC
10:00	Gentle Flow Yoga	Fellowship Hall
10:20	Parkinson's Level 2 Workout	WROC
7:00	Westminster Men's Softball vs. St. Valentine	Chartiers Park

THURSDAY, JULY 7

9:00	Flow Yoga	Fellowship Hall
4:00	Farmers Market	S. Parking Lot
5:00	Westminster Organ Summer	Sanctuary
6:00	Adult Pickleball	WROC
7:00	Nar Anon	Rm. 131
7:30	NA	Rm. 107

FRIDAY, JULY 8

6:30	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
8:00	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
6:00	Adult Pickleball	WROC
7:00	AA	Rm. 107
	Al Anon	Rm. 231

SATURDAY, JULY 9

9:45	Zumba with Jocelyn	WROC
4:00	Eagle Scout Ceremony - Scher	Rm. 107

SUNDAY, JULY 10

	Veritas Summer Mission Trip	Off Site
8:30	Traditional Worship	North Courtyard <i>(weather permitting)</i> Rm. 239
	Wiggle Room**	WROC/Lvstrm.
9:45	Contemporary Worship	WROC Fitness
	Wiggle Room**	Rm. 194
	Sunday School PreK-4th Gd.	Galbreath Chapel
	Westminster Seminars	Sanctuary/Lvstrm.
11:00	Traditional Worship	Rm. 239
	Wiggle Room**	

*Sunday School

9:45 a.m., dismissed from worship after children's message
A time for children in PreK through 4th grade to explore the Bible, enjoy fellowship together, and grow in their faith. Children can be picked up after worship in Room 194.

**Wiggle Room

8:30/11:00 - Room 239

9:45 - Upstairs WROC Fitness Room

The Wiggle Room, open for all three Sunday morning worship services, is available to **families with children from birth through age 3** who would prefer a separate space to step away while listening to the worship service. Please see an usher if you need help finding the Wiggle Room.

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.

I vow to thee my country, all earthly things above,
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love:
the love that asks no question, the love that stands the test,
That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best;
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price,
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country I've heard of long ago,
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;

We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering:

And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase,
And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

- *Sir Cecil Spring-Rice (1859-1918)*



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