



WATER SUMMER SERIES

OUT of the **DEEP**



Westminster Presbyterian Church

September 3, 2023 | 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

THE *Celebration* OF *Worship*

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude (8:30)

Amazing Grace

arr. Kartsonakis

Prelude (11:00)

Psalm-Prelude Set 1, No. 1

Herbert Howells

This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him,
and saved him out of all his troubles.

Psalm 34, vs. 6

Welcome and Announcements

Recognition of Faithful Service (11:00)

***Share the Peace of Christ**

***Call to Worship (From Psalm 105)**

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord! Call on his name.

People: **Make known his deeds among the peoples.**

Leader: Sing to him. Sing praises to him;

People: **tell of all his wonderful works.**

Leader: Glory in his holy name;

All: **let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**

***Opening Hymn No. 15**

All Creatures of Our God and King
verses 1,4, and 6

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

***Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, our sins are not hidden from you; we know that all too well. Even still, shame leads us to hide, to cover ourselves in the hopes that we will not be held to account. Forgive us for our sin, and for our distance from you. We know that you call us to change and to be in a relationship with you. Guide us closer to Christ and further from our sin.

(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 (Hymn No. 626)**

As the Deer

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WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson

Jonah 2:1-10

Old Testament, pages 859-860

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Out of the Deep

Ed Sutter

WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

Offertory Anthem

You Do Not Walk Alone

Elaine Hagenberg

May you see God's light on the path ahead when the road you walk is dark.
May you always hear even in the 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.
Lead us, teach us, guide us, Lord, we pray.

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

Great 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 Dedication

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*Closing Hymn No. 649

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound
 verses 1, 3, 4, and 5

AMAZING GRACE

*Benediction

Postlude

March on *All Creatures of Our God and King*

June Nixon

Leading in worship: Ed Sutter, Jo Forrest, Tom Drake, and Jim Burns.

Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

The congregation extends condolences to Jeannette Meredith and Coralyn Benhart on the death of their mother, Barbara Meredith, on August 22.

The congregation extends condolences to husband John Walker, son Luke and Amy Walker and family, and granddaughter Lindsay and Joe Senge and family on the death of Jinny Walker on August 30.

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Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving *-continued*

We celebrate with joy the birth of Sage Marie and Margaret Elizabeth, daughters of Alecia Klonicke and Kaitlyn Weber.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worthy Notes and Upcoming Events

Wednesdays @WESTMINSTER

Wednesdays @ Westminster have something for everyone! From children's choirs to Children's & Family Ministry programs, Food & Fellowship, Veritas Youth Group, Bible studies, and more, make plans to be here.

Go to westminster-church.org/wednesdays-westminster for more information and dates about each program.

Poetry and Prayer of the Psalms Adult	4:30 p.m. Rm. 231
Little Ones & Loved Ones (LOLOs) Birth through Preschool	4:45 -5:30 p.m. Rm. 194
Children's Choirs K - 6th Grade	4:45 -5:30 p.m. Cherub Choir, Rm. 176 Junior Choir, Rm. 268
Wednesday Food & Fellowship Everyone	5:30 -6:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall
Kids' Connection	6:00-7:30 p.m. PreK-2nd Grade, Rm. 233 3rd & 4th Grade, Rm. 176
Jesus and Me (JAM) Youth Group 5th & 6th Grade	6:00-7:30 p.m. Rm. 257
Veritas Youth Group for Grades 7 to 12	6:00-7:30 p.m. Youth Dept.
Westminster Ringers Adult	7:30 p.m. Rm. 268



Bair Foundation Needs Your Help

Last day to give is TODAY!

The Bair Foundation is currently working with approximately 50 youth, ages 5-18, who are living in facility settings and do not have people who can help them prepare for their first day of school. We would love to surprise them with a back-to-school care package with school supplies and some fun items to show them they are loved!

Scan the QR Code to view our Amazon Wishlist to help!



Making Music at Westminster

Please go to the website for more information and children's registration.

Chancel Choir - Rehearsal Thursdays, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Rm. 268

Westminster Ringers - Rehearsal starts September 6 on Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 p.m., Rm. 268

Junior Choir (3rd-6th grd) - Rehearsal starts September 6 on Wednesdays, 4:45-5:30 p.m., Rm. 268

Cherub Choir (K-2nd grd) - Rehearsal starts September 6 on Wednesdays, 4:45-5:30 p.m., Rm. 176

Youth Choir (7th-12th grd) - Rehearsal starts September 10 on Sunday evenings, 7:00-8:00 p.m., Rm. 268



BYOB

Every other Sunday, September 10-November 19
11:00 a.m. | Youth Wing

Bring Your Own Bible - What did you think it meant? Do you want to become more familiar with scripture, or explore an opportunity to take next steps in your faith? With God's Word as our guide, we'll learn about the ways that God has worked throughout time and still works today. Contact Ed Sutter for details.



Ladies' Night Small Group

Thursdays, September 14-October 19 | 7:00 p.m. | Room 283

If you're looking to deepen your relationship with Christ and with other women here at Westminster, we'd love you to join us on Thursday evenings for a six-week series. We will study the book *The Universal Christ* by Richard Rohr (and accompanying podcast *Another Name for Everything*) beginning Sept 14. Kristy Berrott will facilitate.



Register Now for Fall Fitness Programs at the WROC!

Class spotlight: [yoga4cancer](#) | Mondays, starting Sept. 11 | 5:45-6:45 p.m.
Just \$5 (Pay upon arrival) —Yoga and meditation for cancer recovery. Space is limited, registration required. Visit wroc.westminster-church.org for a complete list of all classes.



Confirmation: The Remix

Sundays, Beginning September 10 | 11:00 a.m. | Youth Classroom

Confirmation class will be held for students in grades 9-12 who are interested in exploring who Jesus is in their lives. The class will meet every other week throughout the school year from September through May. Register online. Questions? Contact Becky Boyer.



Ron Tappy, Professor Emeritus of Bible and Archaeology Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Westminster Seminars:

The History of Old Testament Israel: A View from the Bible and the Writing of Israel's Neighbors

September 10, 17, 24; October 1 | 9:45 a.m. | Galbreath Chapel/Zoom

Professor Tappy will briefly discuss the history of writing and then present a series of major inscriptions about ancient (Old Testament) Israel that were written by scribes and rulers in multiple powers outside Israel. The historical information recorded in these monumental inscriptions provides a sweeping view of Israel's history and supports the basic reliability of the biblical narratives.

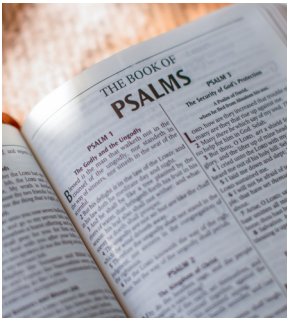
Read more and find the Zoom link on the church website.



Men's Group

Tuesday Mornings, Beginning September 12 | 7:00 a.m. | Room 238

Men of Westminster - Our new year together is just around the corner. Join us as we open God's Word to find how it guides us and challenges us in our daily lives. Coffee and donuts are on the house, and we'll have you on the road in time to meet the new day. For more information contact Ed Sutter.



Poetry and Prayer of the Psalms

Wednesdays, September 13-October 11 | 4:30 p.m. | Room 231

At the center of faith and worship, the Book of Psalms are grounded in the experiences of life: pain and joy, fear and peace, and praise and doubt. Read today, they give us permission to speak honestly and openly to God about complicated feelings, even to shake our fist at times. Join us to delve into a selection of psalms. Explore reading as a devotional. No homework. Drop in as you are able. Contact Jo Forrest for additional info.



Deacons' Blood Drive

Sunday, September 17 | 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. | Room 107

Westminster Deacons are hosting our final blood drive of the year. Please pre-register for your appointment by using sponsor code G0010171 to secure a time slot. Registration is easily done by calling Vitalant at 877-258-4825 or online at <http://www.vitalant.org>. The Westminster Deacons thank you in advance for your support of this worthy mission.

THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

SEPT. 3-9, 2023



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Scan here for a full WROC schedule & information

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

8:30	Traditional Worship	North Courtyard <i>(weather permitting)</i>
9:00	Welcome Center	North Main Entry
9:45	Bridge Contemporary Worship	WROC/Lvstrm.
	Bridge Sunday School (PreK-4th Grd.)	Rm. 176
	Wiggle Room - The Bridge**	WROC Fitness
11:00	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary/Lvstrm.
	Wiggle Room**	Rm. 239

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

4:45	Little Ones & Loved Ones	Rm. 194
5:30	Wednesday Food & Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
6:00	Kids' Connection (PreK-2nd Grd)	Rm. 233
	Kids' Connection (3rd/4th Grds)	Rm. 176
	JAM - Youth Group (Grds 5-6)	North Main Entry
	Veritas Youth Group (Grds 7-12)	Youth Dept.
7:30	Westminster Ringers	Rm. 268

*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.

**Wiggle Room - 9:45 - Upstairs WROC Fitness Room; 8:30/11:00 - Room 239. 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.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

10:00	Women to Women	Rm. 238
4:00	Farmer's Market	South Parking Lot
7:00	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary
	Nominating Committee	Rm. 238
7:30	NA	Rm. 107
	Nar Anon	Rm. 131
8:00	Scout Pack 366 Sign-Up Night	Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

All Day Church/Office/WECEP Closed - Labor Day

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

6:30a	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
7:00	AA	Rm. 107
	AI Anon	Rm. 231

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

8:45	THS Board Meeting	Rm. 238
10:00	Staff Meeting	Rm. 238
7:30	Scout Troop 366	Rm. 107

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9



Children's & Family Ministry



Food & Fellowship Menu



Music & Choirs



STAY CONNECTED!

Fall into fall and join us for many exciting events and opportunities. Are you receiving an email from the church each Tuesday and Friday? If not, please visit our website at www.westminster-church.org and complete the Join Our Email List or contact Anna Hiner with your name and email address. Follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/Westminster.Pittsburgh/>.

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Giving to Westminster

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



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