



Westminster Presbyterian Church



August 14, 2022 | 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

## THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Prelude (8:30)

My Faith Looks Up to Thee  
If with All Your Hearts, from *Elijah*  
*Rich Williams, soloist*

arr. L. Shackley  
Felix Mendelssohn

(11:00)

Sonata in C Minor  
Grave - Adagio  
If with All Your Hearts, from *Elijah*

Felix Mendelssohn  
Mendelssohn

### Welcome and Announcements

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: God of love and justice,  
we gather to worship you:  
to offer our thanks and praise  
and to proclaim your goodness and mercy.

People: Meet us here.  
Breathe your word into our souls;  
engrave your covenant upon our hearts.  
Teach us your faithfulness and compassion  
so that our lives may reflect  
your love and justice to the world.

**\*Hymn No. 35**

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

- 1 Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;  
join me in glad adoration!
- 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again;  
gladly for aye we adore him.

**\*Prayer of Confession**

God of Grace,  
you have gifted us with a world of abundance;  
a land of plenty; a world where all can have enough.  
We come before you this day  
to thank you for these gifts  
and to open our eyes to the needs of others.

God, we know we live in a cycle  
that sustains some of us, while others starve.  
And we come before you to seek your forgiveness,  
even as we pray for your justice.

Touch our hearts that we may be faithful witnesses.  
Have mercy on us.

*(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**

We Are One in the Spirit

We are one in the spirit, we are one in the Lord. *(repeat)*  
And we pray that our unity will one day be restored.  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love.  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

**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.

**Congregational Response**

Threefold Amen

**Scripture Lesson**

Isaiah 5:1-8

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Imagined Scarcity; Abundant Reality

Jo Forrest

**Offertory Anthem**

You Raise Me Up  
*Rich Williams, soloist*

Lovland and Graham

**\*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**

**\*Hymn No. 766**

The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

MC KEE

- 1 The church of Christ cannot be bound by walls of wood or stone.  
Where charity and love are found there can the church be known.
- 3 True love will not sit idly by when justice is denied.  
True mercy hears the homeless cry and welcomes them inside.
- 4 If what we have we freely share to meet our neighbor's need,  
then we extend the Spirit's care through every selfless deed.

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude (11:00)**

Sonata in C Minor  
Allegro maestoso e vivace

Mendelssohn

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**\*Please stand if you are able.**

**Leading in worship:** Jim Burns, Jo Forrest, Rich Williams

**Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving**

**Recent surgery, hospitalization, or illness**

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## This Week

### PRISM Garage Giveaway – Final Two Days to Donate

August 14, 7 a.m. – 1 p.m.

August 15, 7:30 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Drop off donations to the kitchen serving area  
(enter through rear entrance to Fellowship Hall)

Westminster is collecting useful household items and small furniture for PRISM, a welcoming community for international students and scholars in Pittsburgh. Read more here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/prism-garage-giveaway>. Questions? Contact Doug Mitchell at [fosis@verizon.net](mailto:fosis@verizon.net).

### Caregiver Support Group

Tuesday, August 16, 6:30 p.m., Room 176

Join us for this small group time for family caregivers to get information, strength, and connection during the caregiver journey.



### Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, August 17

6:30 p.m.

North Courtyard

What's more enjoyable in the summer than ice cream! Join your church family; bring a friend. No need to RSVP.

Questions? Contact Jan Baumann at [baumann@westminster-church.org](mailto:baumann@westminster-church.org).



### Confirmation Class

Register by Sunday,  
September 4!

Classes held Sundays,

September 18 –

December 11

11:00 a.m. - Noon

Yahweh Café

Confirmation is available to all students in grades 9-12 who are looking to deepen their faith in Christ and their connection to Westminster. In order to support the family's faith development, parents will be active participants throughout the process as well. For more information please reach out to Ed Sutter. Register here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/confirmation-class>

### Westminster Men's Softball: Congratulations on a Great Season!

Playing with only nine players in game two of the playoffs, Westminster played a competitive game and was only down a run after six innings before succumbing to fifth-seeded Christ United. The team will hold a post season awards banquet. Although the season has ended, the fellowship continues.

"Congrats to all for a fun season....win, lose or draw it's always a big win getting to play and enjoying everyone's company." – Phil Holmes (pitcher)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

## Coming Soon



### Picnic for Peace, Justice, and Equality

Sunday, August 28  
3:00–5:00 p.m.  
Sunset Hills  
Presbyterian Church

Curious about what others in our neighborhood are doing around issues of peace and justice? Want to hear some good music, share some good food, and hear about work other faith communities are doing? Join us at the picnic on August 28. There will be food trucks, a live band, and advocacy tables from neighborhood groups. Read more here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/picnic-for-peace>

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.

## Volunteer Opportunities



### Grow Living Stones

Sunday, August 28  
3:00 –5:30 p.m.  
St. Catherine of Siena  
Church, Beechview

Work together with other Westminster volunteers at St. Catherine of Siena Church in Beechview, to help with set up and serving food.

There is a job for everyone. Limit of 8 volunteers, so sign up early by contacting Jan Baumann at [baumann@westminster-church.org](mailto:baumann@westminster-church.org).

Read more here: <https://www.westminster-church.org/serving/opportunities-to-serve#community>



### Elder/Deacon Nominations

Submit names by  
Sunday, August 28

There are exciting things happening every day in the life of your church. You are invited to share in the future of Westminster by sharing your unique gifts through leadership. The committee that annually nominates the elders and deacons will begin their work in September. Please let Jan Baumann know **by Sunday, August 28**, if you would like to be an elder or deacon or if you know of others who might need a little nudge.

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](mailto:baumann@westminster-church.org).

## Volunteer Opportunities (continued)



### Rummage/ Recycling Sale Is Back!

**Saturday, November 5**  
**Volunteers needed for  
planning**

Do you love a good sale? Do you like planning events? We're looking for volunteers to help with the planning for this year's rummage sale. Rummage sale or retail experience a plus. Contact Jan Baumann for details.

**Commitment:** One meeting – date and time TBD according to volunteer availability.

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### STAFF PROGRAM/MINISTRY CONTACTS

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## Giving to Westminster

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

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



## 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!



[Westminster.Pittsburgh](https://www.facebook.com/Westminster.Pittsburgh)



[wpc\\_pgh](https://www.instagram.com/wpc_pgh)



[WestminsterUSC](https://www.youtube.com/WestminsterUSC)

# CALENDAR

2022

AUGUST 15 – 21

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

## MONDAY, AUGUST 15

8:00	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
9:30	PACC Movie Matinee	Yahweh Café
10:00	Single Women's Group Walk	Gilfillan Trail
10:20	Parkinson's Level 2 Workout	WROC
12:00	AA	Rm. 176
6:45	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
8:10	Adult Pickup Basketball	WROC

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

9:00	Flow Yoga	Fellowship Hall
	Zumba	WROC
6:30	Caregiver Support Group	Rm. 176
	Centering Prayer	Zoom
7:00	Al Anon	Rm. 131
8:00	Adult Pickup Volleyball	WROC

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

8:00	Cardio Strength Fusion	WROC
10:00	Gentle Flow Yoga	Fellowship Hall
10:20	Parkinson's Level 2 Workout	WROC
5:30	Volunteer Orientation	Rm. 176
6:30	Ice Cream Social	North Courtyard
7:30	Membership Commission	Rm. 176

## THURSDAY, AUGUST 18

9:00	Flow Yoga	Fellowship Hall
	Zumba	WROC
11:00	Faith Conversations	Yahweh Café
4:00	Farmers Market	S. Parking Lot
5:30	PACC Activity Night	Yahweh Café
6:00	Adult Pickleball	WROC
7:00	Nar Anon	Rm. 131
7:30	NA	Rm. 107
8:10	Adult Pickup Basketball	WROC

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

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, AUGUST 20

9:45	Zumba with Jocelyn	WROC
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## SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

8:30	Traditional Worship	North Courtyard (weather permitting)
		WROC/Lvstrm.
9:45	Contemporary Worship	WROC Fitness
	Wiggle Room**	Rm. 194
	Sunday School* PreK–4th Gd.	Rm. 194
11:00	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary/Lvstrm.
	Wiggle Room**	Rm. 239

### \*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

9:45 - Upstairs WROC Fitness Room; 11:00 - Room 239  
The Wiggle Room 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](mailto:long@westminster-church.org) for current availability.

Good Lord, on our own, we conclude:  
that there is not enough to go around,  
that we are going to run short:  
of money,  
of love,  
of grades,  
of publications,  
of members,  
of years,  
of life.

We should seize the day, seize the goods,  
seize our neighbor's goods,  
because there is not enough to go around.

And in the midst of our perceived deficit,  
you come giving bread in the wilderness,  
you come giving children at the eleventh hour,  
you come giving homes to exiles,  
you come giving futures to the shut-down,  
you come giving Easter joy to the dead.

And we watch while the blind receive their sight,  
the lame walk,  
the deaf hear,  
the poor dance and sing.

We watch, and we take food we did not grow,  
and life we did not invent,  
and future that is gift and gift and gift.

By your giving, break our cycles of imagined scarcity,  
override our presumed deficits,  
and help us to see the abundance:  
mercy upon mercy,  
blessing upon blessing.

*- Walter Brueggemann*



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