



Westminster Presbyterian Church

*"And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will
draw all people to myself." —John 12:32*

October 7, 2018
20th Sunday after Pentecost
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Communion Sunday

Service for the Lord's Day

CARILLON PEAL—BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Calvin Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP IN MUSIC

"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" (Hymn 451 – German tune)

arr. David Schack

Peal of Praise

Alice Ralston

"Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" (Hymn 367 – Ghanaian melody)

arr. Robert Powell

Prayer for Humanity

Linda Lamb

(During the Call to Worship in Music you are requested to enter into a time of silence,
actively opening your spirit to God's presence in your midst.)

INTROIT - Alabaré (sung in Spanish and English)

Traditional Mexican, arr. Ronald A. Nelson

Alabaré, alabaré, alabaré a mi Señor.

Sing allelu, sing allelu, sing alleluia to the Lord.

Juan vió el número de los redimidos

John saw the number of all those redeemed,

y todos alababan al Señor

And all were singing praise to the Lord,

Unos oraban, y otros cantaban,

Thousands were praying, ten thousand rejoicing,

y todos alababan al Señor.

Singing praises to the Lord.

*WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP IN WORD

The Reverend Nancy S. Hodgkins

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Please greet your neighbor with a Christian welcome. For example, "Peace be with you" or
"The peace of Christ be with you." Respond with "And also with you.")

*HYMN 451 - "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones" (German tune)

Lasst uns erfreuen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of grace,

In Jesus Christ, you have made us one; yet we persist in our divisions.

In Jesus Christ, you have given us peace; yet we persist in our conflicts.

In Jesus Christ, you have given us new life; yet we persist in the old.

**Merciful God, forgive us: heal our souls, renew our vision, make us one with you
and with one another for the sake of your Son and our Savior, the Lord, Jesus Christ.**

Amen.

(Silence is kept for personal confession.)



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Friends hear this good news:

We are no longer strangers and aliens,

But with the saints, we are fellow citizens of the household of God. Christ himself

is our peace; in his flesh he has made us one.
In the name of Jesus, Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

°***RESPONSE** - "Heleluyan"

Native American (Muscogee)

The Cantor will sing the first line. Everyone then sings the entire song.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON - Isaiah 25:6-9

Pew Bible, p. 652 OT

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***HYMN 289** - "O God of Every Nation" (Welsh)

Llangloffan

(At the beginning of the hymn, children in Pre-K - second grade may leave for Children and Worship and Come and See. They will be met in the Narthex, the main Sanctuary entrance, and escorted to Rooms 102 and 104.)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON - Matthew 11:28-30

Pew Bible, p. 12 NT

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION MEDITATION

The Reverend Dr. Richard L. Baker, Jr.

We Would Be One: God's Guest List

Text: "On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines . . ." —Isaiah 25:6

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Reverend Susan G. Hamilton

(During the Offertory, please fill out the Fellowship Pads and pass them up and down the pews
in order that we may greet one another by name after worship.)

Offertory Anthem - "Eternal Ruler of the Ceaseless Round" (American text and tune)

Michael Burkhardt

Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round
Of circling planets singing on their way;
Guiding the nations from the night profound
Into the glory of the perfect day;
Rule in our hearts, that we may live anew,
Guided and strengthened and upheld by you.

We are your own, the children of your love,
As dearly loved as your beloved Son;
descend, O Holy Spirit, like a dove,
Rule our hearts, that we may be as one:

As one with you, to whom we ever tend;
As one with him, our brother and our friend.

We would be one in hatred of all wrong,
One in our love of all things true and fair,
One with the joy that finds a voice in song,
One with the grief that trembles into prayer,
One in the strength that makes your children free
To follow truth, and thus in you to be.

O clothe us with thy heavenly armor, Lord,
Thy trusty shield and sword of love endure;
Our constant inspiration be your Word;
We ask no victories that are not yours:
Give or withhold, let pain or pleasure fall;
To know that we are serving you is all. Amen.

- John W. Chadwick

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Leader: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

People: People will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.

Leader: This is the Lord's table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast which he has prepared. According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, and blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.

*HYMN 513 - "Let Us Break Bread Together" (African-American Spiritual)

Let Us Break Bread

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: You, O God, are the Lord,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: All things are yours,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: You give us life, you give us the world.

All Sing: Amen, Amen, Amen.

Leader: Though we are brokenhearted,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: You love us still,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: You gave us Jesus to be fully human.

All Sing: Amen, Amen, Amen.

Leader: Jesus shared our life,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: Jesus is the way,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: Jesus suffered and died for all the world.

All Sing: Amen, Amen, Amen.

Leader: Jesus rose from the dead,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: Jesus lives with you,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: Jesus sent your Spirit to live with us.

All Sing: Amen, Amen, Amen.

Leader: Blow holy Wind,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: Blow holy Fire,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: This bread, his body, this cup, his blood.

All Sing: Amen, Amen, Amen.

Leader: Come, Lord Jesus,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: Come in your power,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: Come with your justice so all may be one.

All Sing: Amen, Amen, Amen.

Leader: Joining together,

All Sing: Amen,

Leader: With all creation,

All Sing: Amen.

Leader: Past, present, future as now we sing.

All Sing: Amen, Amen, Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

(You may partake of the elements when you are served. The wine is red and the grape juice is white.)

COMMUNION CHORAL MEDITATION

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of Glory died;
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God;
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown.

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

- Isaac Watts

English text, South African and American tunes

“O God of Love” (German and American tunes)

arr. David Cherwien

O God of love, O King of peace,
Make wars throughout the world to cease;
The wrath of nations now restrain.
Give peace, O God, give peace again!

Remember, Lord, thy works of old,
The wonders that thy people told;
Remember not our sin's deep stain:
Give peace, O God, give peace again!

Whom shall we trust but thee, O Lord?
Where rest but on thy faithful word?
None ever called on thee in vain.
Give peace, O God, give peace again!

Where saints and angels dwell above,
All hearts are knit in holy love;
O bind us in that heavenly chain:
Give peace, O God, give peace again!

CLOSING PRAYER 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.

*HYMN 371 - “Lift High the Cross” (English text and tune)

Crucifer

(At the beginning of the hymn, children attending CrossRoads:
Education for the Journey will be met in the Narthex.)

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE (all Sing) - “May the Lord, Mighty God”

Chinese folk tune

May the Lord, might - y God, bless and
keep you for - ev - er; Grant you peace,
per - fect peace, cour - age in ev - ery en - deav - or.

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY - Toccata from *Baroque Suite*

Gordon Young (American)

(The Concluding Voluntary is the final Alleluia of our worship.
You are invited to remain in silence.)

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Head Usher: Tom Perry
Church Office Receptionist: Linda Lane
CPR/AED: Becky Bower, Robbie Mirisciotti

Head Greeter: Sonnie Kasch
Bus Driver: Karen Clute

In celebration of World Communion Sunday, Mawuena Nenonene is assisting with the Call to Worship in Word. She will be speaking Ga. Jia Yu How-VanderMeer is assisting with the Charge and Benediction. She will be speaking Mandarin.

Music Participants: Knox Ringers (grades 7-12; Brent Manley, Director) – Knox Choir (grades 7-12; John Neely, Director; Brent Manley, Pianist; Josh Bodey and Valerie Kronson, Percussion) – Dustin Payne, Cantor – Westminster Choir – Brent Manley is assisting at the organ and playing the Concluding Voluntary – Organist-Director is John Neely.

Today's Music: The music for this World Communion Sunday centers on a global theme. The church's song is broad and diverse. Crossing into another's culture reminds us that we are all neighbors, and that our church is truly a global church. In sharing one another's music, it is more than music that we share. Music of various cultures brings us a glimpse of each other's experience of God. As any culture connects its experience of the holy to its music, a unique context for God's presence is created – we experience together the way God weaves a varied, diverse tapestry of revelation among us.

The anthem, "Eternal Ruler of the Ceaseless Round," has been given to the Westminster choral library by Brian Sharp in loving memory of his parents, Norman and Doris Sharp.

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Westminster Prayer Ministry

To ask for prayer, fill out the **Prayer Request card** in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or take it to the Church Office. Requests for prayer received are shared with the Westminster Email Prayer Ministry Team and remain confidential. Please secure permission before sharing an individual's name, or use generic words such as friend, parent, child, or spouse.

Requests for prayer can also be emailed to wpcprayers@westminsterdayton.org.

To join the Westminster prayer ministry team, please email wpcprayers@westminsterdayton.org.

Add your prayer to our Prayer Wall, located in the Sanctuary near the Chancel on the east wall. You will find blank prayer papers and pencils in the four mini-desks built into the wall. Write your prayer on the paper, roll up the paper, and insert it between the bricks of the wall. These prayers are completely private, between you and God. After the first Sunday of each month, the wall will be cleared and all prayer papers will be respectfully burned. Prayer Wall postcards are now available to send to someone for whom you prayed. They are located in the Prayer Wall mini-desks and the Narthex.

I will call upon you, O Lord; come quickly to me: give ear to my voice when I call to you. Let my prayer be counted as incense before you. Psalm 141:1-2a.

Wednesdays in October

5:15 p.m. - Class (West Parlor)

6:00 p.m. - Taizé Service (Sanctuary)

6:40 p.m. - Light Supper (Fellowship Hall)

Childcare available (Infant through Kindergarten)

Celtic Spirituality Taught by Denise Weaver

This class will explore the main characteristics of Celtic spirituality through the centuries, the tragic displacement of Celtic spirituality in Britain, the richness of Celtic art and spirituality, and offer resources for learning to pray in new ways informed by the Celtic sense that God is present in creation, in the events of our lives, and in our hearts. This class will meet in the West Parlor.

Taizé Service and Light Supper

A meditative service of songs and prayers in candlelight.
All are welcome.

The word "Taizé" may be unfamiliar to some. For many people the name "Taizé" evokes a certain style of singing that has become popular in more and more churches, retreat centers, campus religious groups, and even seminaries. For some the word also suggests retreats and gatherings which attract large numbers of young adults. Still others are aware that Taizé is in fact an ecumenical community located in a small village in eastern France. This community has produced some of the most beautiful and moving music that has ever been composed for participation by the whole community of faith (congregation, cantor, clergy, and instrumentalists).





PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION

join us!

Peace
at all TIMES
in all WAYS.

— 2 THESSALONIANS 3:16



Today, October 7

Presbyterians help transform lives through our work for peace, with the tools God has given us. Together, in the Spirit of God, we work to break the power of hate, and heal the wounds of violence and division. We join in the Peace & Global Witness Offering because it is boundless peace God offers.

The Offering draws Presbyterians together as active peacemakers, and provides education from, and exposure to ministry partners who show us how to do this work well. It allows us to create resources for dealing with conflict and nurturing reconciliation, and to stand in support of our global sisters and brothers, because the peace of Christ belongs to people everywhere.

Our Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and across the world.

Today, we are joining in Paul's prayer that God grant us "peace at all times, in all ways."

50% of this Peace & Global Witness Offering will stay with our community and our region for ministries of peacemaking and reconciliation.

50% of this offering will unite Presbyterians who are working actively for

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY

Visit our website at www.westminsterdayton.org

Annual Memorial Organ Recital Christopher Houlihan, Organist TODAY! 4:00 p.m.



The young American organist **Christopher Houlihan** is widely acknowledged as one of the brightest stars in the new generation of organists, praised by the media as “gifted” (*New York Times*), “dazzling” (*Wall Street Journal*), and “eloquent” (*Los Angeles Times*). Houlihan has established an international reputation for his artistry with performances in celebrated venues in major cities across North America and Europe, as well as at numerous conventions of the American Guild of Organists and the Organ Historical Society.

The organ console will be visible by way of a large-screen projection system.

The recital is open to the public at no charge.

Childcare available: infant - age 6

**Noonday Organ Recitals
Thursdays during October
12:10 - 12:35 p.m.**

**This Thursday, October 11
Organist will be Danielle Guilbault
Director of Worship Arts,
Christ United Methodist Church, Kettering.**

The organ console will be visible by way of a projection system.

Each recital is free and open to the public.
A quick lunch will be served for \$6 following the program.



Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) urges your support for those affected by Hurricane Florence, and the tsunami in Indonesia. Initial assessments suggest catastrophic destruction, but the full scope of the damage will not be known for many months.

Years of recovery lie ahead, and your commitment will help PDA extend the hands of Christ. Will you stand in the "GAP" for the people affected by these catastrophic natural disasters?—Give. Act. Pray.

GIVE: PDA's emergency response and specialization in long-term recovery is fueled by your generous gifts.

ACT: Assemble Gift of the Heart kits for survivors in the affected areas — hygiene kits and cleanup buckets are especially needed. For more information, go to pda.pcusa.org/page/kits.

PRAY: In the challenging days, months and years to come, work through us to bring relief and respite from urgent need, comfort and the hope of peace for those who grieve the loss of family, home and safety, and faith to walk on through weary days of rebuilding. May we be steadfast in love, stronger than death, and thus, with those whose lives we seek to sustain, together bear witness to your redeeming love. **Amen.**

You may make a donation to support the relief effort by using the PDA envelope in the pew rack or by giving online. Please make checks payable to Westminster Presbyterian Church, and write PDA-Florence or PDA-tsunami in the memo line.

PECAN SALE: October 1 – 22

How do YOU say it? Some of your friends say: pee-KAHN or PEE-kahn
Regardless of how you say it, DON'T be left out in the cold without YOUR pecans for snacking or baking. (They make GREAT Christmas gifts, too!)

Representatives from WPW will be in Fellowship Hall and the Narthex after the services on October 7, 14, and 21 to provide forms and take your order(s).

Please contact Julie Preisser
(937-474-9721 or julie.preisser@yahoo.com)
or Julie Drumheller
(937-698-6735 or jdrumheller@woh.rr.com) if you have
questions. ALL of the profits go to WPW missions!

To learn more about the Pecan Sale, or to place an order, visit our
website at www.westminsterdayton.org



A SPECIAL NOTE TO OUR VISITORS THIS MORNING

Thank you for your presence here in worship today. Every Sunday God blesses us with the gift of new visitors. Some of you have come across town or across the country and found your way here today. This may be your first time ever, or first time in a long while to be in a church on a Sunday morning. Or you may be a member of another congregation. Whatever tradition you may have come from, we are delighted to have you here today and invite you to experience our worship, Coffee Hour, Sunday classes, or whatever captures your imagination and need. To learn more about us, visit our website, www.westminsterdayton.org, "Like Us" on Facebook, take a brochure from the pew rack, or contact the Church Office.

We have good news for you: Westminster is a safe place to ask questions and to live the questions of life that have no easy or pat answers. We believe that Jesus welcomes all people, just as they are, and so do we. We understand the life of faith to be a journey better walked together than alone. Westminster is an exciting congregation where you can grow in faith and discover meaningful opportunities to be a part of a community *where loving God and neighbor is transforming lives*. That's our purpose. And that takes all of us.

God's grace and peace to you this day,
Westminster Pastoral Staff and Congregation

MINISTERS

All members of the Church

STAFF

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| Richard L. Baker, Jr. Pastor/Head of Staff | Craig Showalter..... Business Administrator |
| John W. Neely Assoc. Pastor for Music | Amanda Newhart Executive Assistant to Dr. Baker |
| Nancy S. Hodgkins Assoc. Pastor for Youth & Mission | Kate Stephenson..... Administrative Assistant |
| Susan G. Hamilton Pastoral Affiliate for Congregational Care | Miranda Watt..... Administrative Assistant |
| Denise C. Weaver Interim Assoc. Pastor for Spiritual Growth | Brittany Campbell..... Administrative Assistant |
| Brent Manley Music Associate | Wayne King Maintenance Supervisor |
| Jenne Gross..... Mission Associate | Marvin Fleming..... Sexton |

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are glad you are here. During the offertory, we hope you will take the opportunity to provide your name and contact information on the Fellowship Pad when it gets passed to you in the pew. After the service today, please stop by our "Welcome Center" just outside the Sanctuary's double doors. We have a small gift for you today to say, "Thanks for being here today" and for adding to our worshipping community.

INVESTIGATING CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Have you enjoyed visiting Westminster? Would you like to know more about us, how to become a member, and what it means to be a Presbyterian? If so, you are invited to our Fall series of **Investigating Church Membership classes**. The class will meet on Sundays, October 14, 21, 28, from 11:10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in the Library (across from the Sanctuary on the east side). The first class will meet until 1:00 p.m. so that we can enjoy lunch together. Join with us to learn about both the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and Westminster Church in particular. Anyone curious to know more, as well as those who have already decided to become members, are invited. Let us know if you plan to attend by writing "ICM" and circling it on the Fellowship Pad, or by e-mailing Denise Weaver (denise@westminsterdayton.org) or by calling the Church Office (223-7285).

PARISH NOTES

The flowers in the Chancel are given by Sarah Sessions and Steve Chenoweth and her family in loving memory of Jean Sessions.

Communion kits for members serving homebound communion can be picked up in the library following worship.

Don't miss the opportunity to have your **blood pressure checked** in the Chapel Reception Room immediately following worship.

Please join us following worship for **Coffee and Conversation**, downstairs in Fellowship Hall. You are invited to enjoy some light refreshments and fellowship. Donation containers for members are placed near the coffee.

Electronics recycling is available today and the first Sunday of each month—sponsored by the Earth Stewardship Ministry Team (ESMT). Bring old power cords, cell phones, remote controllers, even fax machines and laptops, and ESMT will ensure they are properly recycled. Deposit items in the bin beside the Fair Trade products table in Fellowship Hall after worship.

Fair Trade food products will be on sale today during Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall. The Earth Stewardship Ministry Team will be selling coffee, tea, nuts, and chocolate. Put your faith into action as together we create a greener and more just food system.

Richard Baker is planning **Lunches with Richard** to meet with small groups of church members to discuss Westminster's Ministry Master Plan and the church in general. If you're interested, please contact Amanda Newhart (amanda@westminsterdayton.org or 937-223-7285) to ask about the schedule dates and to sign up.

Stained Glass Window Repair: The window beside the pulpit has been removed for restoration. A temporary window has been put in place until the restored window is returned.

Large print bulletins, hymnals, Bibles, and sermons are available in the Narthex, from an usher, or on the table by the elevator.

During the service, if you notice someone who appears to require **medical attention**, please *raise your hand or contact the head usher*. Response Team members will care for the person.

If someone asks you for money, we encourage you instead to give them one of Westminster's Emergency Assistance Cards, which are available in the Narthex or the Church Office.

Need to speak with a pastor after worship? Here is where you can find them: Richard – Narthex; Sue – Perry St. door; Denise and Nancy – Fellowship Hall.

Each week the churches of the Presbytery of the Miami Valley keep one particular congregation in their prayers. This week the churches are praying for **First Presbyterian Church, Fairborn**.

ADULTS AND OLDER ADULTS

Unused Prescription or OTC Medications? The Board of Deacons is sponsoring a Safe Drop Off at Westminster on Sunday, October 14, in Room 207. A police officer will receive unused prescription or over-the-counter medications one half hour before and after worship. Tablets and capsules only please; no liquids. Questions may be directed to Deacon Barb Groff (937-294-5194 or bgroff@woh.rr.com).

The **Men of Westminster** fellowship group is being re-initiated!!! After a year of hibernation, this group of men, roughly age 50 and above, will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 17, at the Marianist Library of University of Dayton. We will view/discuss the HISTORY OF THE BIBLE and will also get a tour of how nativity scenes were portrayed throughout Biblical time. A self-serve lunch will follow in University of Dayton's Kennedy Union. Participants will help set this group's course based on their interests and needs and even select a new name! For directions and more information, contact Glen Gallaway (937-426-8046 or ggallaway58@gmail.com).

Listening as an act of love—Listening is one of the most significant ways to be a friend to people around

you. To listen with an attentive and receptive heart is a gift of great value. In this Stephen Ministry Continuing Education event, we will name and practice together some listening skills that will deepen our relationships with persons with whom we interact—our family, our neighbors, the groups to which we belong—and our caring ministry. Anyone interested in developing listening skills is invited. Please join us on October 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the West Parlor. Stephen Leader, Margaret Haney, will guide our interactions.

SAVE THE DATE: On Friday, October, 19, **Just Friends** Senior Fellowship Group will head to the German Village in Columbus. We will travel by church bus, leaving the parking lot at 9:00 a.m. and returning by 3:30 p.m. Lunch will be enjoyed at Schmidt's restaurant, perhaps topped off with their famous Cream Puff dessert! Time will be enjoyed in the village shops; pursuing books and art galleries, German Pubs, artisan coffee shops, and enjoying fudge and handmade jewelry. Please contact Rosalie Jennings (937-294-3784) early to secure your spot on the bus.

Listening in Love through Storytelling: Brunch and Workshop for Church Partners and Interested Others, 10:00 a.m. Friday, October 26 (West Parlor), Kay Berg, Facilitator. As people, we are story tellers and story lovers. Our lives are a series of stories. We make sense of life through stories, and we share our own stories with people we trust and love. How can we create an environment where people will want to share their stories? Learn tips on listening in love and sharing your own stories as a means of inviting others into the conversation. Please RSVP to Brittany by Monday, October 22.

Trying on Spiritual Friendship: Lunch and workshop with Margaret Benefiel, Executive Director of Shalem Institute for Spiritual Formation, Washington, DC; Sunday, November 4, 12:30 – 4:00 p.m. (West Parlor). The gift of friendship is enjoyed on many levels: casual, long distance, spanning many years. Spiritual friendship offers a unique invitation to those who have a yearning to go deeper spiritually and to connect with others on a spiritual level. Spiritual friendship allows us, through the gifts of listening, discernment, silence, and prayer, to listen to God more deeply. Come and learn about this informal way to grow in intimacy with God and one another. Cost for this event is \$10. Please RSVP to Brittany by Wednesday, October 31.

Between Jobs, a Westminster support group, assists people looking for work opportunities on their spiritual and vocational search. WPC volunteers also mentor some of these individuals. If you know of someone looking for work, please have them contact Vic Barnett (vic.barnett@daytonaero.com). We will try to support with companies, contacts, and information. If you own a business or are a key decision maker, Between Jobs can use your ideas, a little bit of your time, and your talent.

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Education Classes Continue Today

11:20 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

The (Un)Common Good: How the Gospel Brings Hope to a World Divided — taught by J. D. Whitlock (209-211). This discussion-focused class will be based on the Jim Wallis book titled *The (Un)Common Good: How the Gospel Brings Hope to a World Divided*. It is a great primer for understanding Rev. Wallis' ministry and view of the Gospel. It is not necessary to read the book to enjoy the class.

Panels Panelling: What's Going on at WPC — taught by Richard Baker (West Parlor). A series of five panel discussions highlighting ministries and programs at WPC, ranging from music to mission to fellowship. It's a great way to get the inside scoop about what's going on at Westminster.

Jesus Means Freedom — taught by Larry Welborn (Chapel). As Paul told the Galatians, "For freedom Christ has set us free." The God of the Bible is the One who called a people out of bondage to Pharaoh in Egypt, and who still leads us out of structures of oppression, which constrain the full humanity intended in creation. This series explores the liberating dimensions of Jesus' ministry: healing, exorcism, proclamation of God's kingdom, action against the temple, and radical yes-saying to God. The stories of Jesus' liberating actions open our hearts, leading us to true freedom.

Beginning October 21

Upcoming adult education series, **Planning for Tomorrow, Today**, begins October 21. Brochures listing weekly topics and speakers are available in the narthex.

DONATIONS

Our iPad **giving kiosks** are located in the Narthex near the Sanctuary doors. They accept contributions for any program of the church. Donations may be made by Visa, Master Card, or Discover credit cards. Donations may even be made anonymously.

Use your smart phone to scan the QR code on the back cover of the bulletin to visit our website and donate now electronically.

INFANTS AND CHILDREN

Infants and Toddlers (Infant - 4 years old) are cared for from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Room 108. Parents of infants are provided a beeper by the nursery staff in case immediate communication is needed while they worship in the Sanctuary. During the worship hour, they take part in an activity and enjoy a snack.

We welcome young children to worship in our Sanctuary at Westminster today with cloth worship bags freshly stocked with new quiet, worship-related activities,

including a Children's Bulletin and felt board designed specifically for today's service. Not all bags are the same! Next week, your child will likely find a different, new activity inside his or her bag. The bags can be found in a basket on a bench in the Narthex (main Sanctuary entrance) and upstairs in the balcony. All children are invited to use one throughout the worship time and then return the bag to its original location, taking the papers home with them.

Pre-K and Kindergarteners are invited to **Children and Worship**, a unique and interactive introduction to the stories and practices of our faith. As the second hymn begins, these children will be met in the Narthex (main Sanctuary entrance) and escorted to Room 102. Children and Worship concludes at 11:30 a.m. From there, children will be escorted to Genesis Singers (Pre-K) in Room 104 and Cherub Choir (K) in the Theater. Children not attending choir need to be met by their parents at 11:30 a.m.

Children in **grades 1 and 2** are invited to attend **Come and See/Godly Play**, a unique and interactive worship experience for younger elementary children. As the second hymn begins, these children will be met in the Narthex (main Sanctuary entrance) and escorted to Room 104. From there, they will be led by their shepherds to their CrossRoads workshops at 10:55 a.m.

CrossRoads: Education for the Journey features varied and engaging activities for children in **first through sixth grade**, 10:55-11:30 a.m. Today children continue the five-week workshop, "Creation – From Chaos to Order." As the final hymn begins, children are invited to meet their age-group shepherds in the Narthex (main Sanctuary entrance) and be escorted to their workshops. Choir children will be escorted directly to their rehearsals. Other children may be picked up from their workshops at 11:30 a.m. Workshop location signs are posted in the Narthex and on the stage in Fellowship Hall.

MISSION

Today is **Hunger Sunday**. Please place canned food for the needy in our area on the table in the Narthex. A monetary gift may also be given.

From the Garden — Pick up fresh vegetables and plants grown specifically to support an important local mission—helping to feed God's flock beyond our walls. The money donated each Sunday for these delicious, home-grown products is combined with our monthly Hunger Sunday Offering and given to support our local Food Bank. We hope you will enjoy all that is From the Garden. Donations of herbs, flowers, houseplants, perennials, and vegetables are always welcome.

MUSIC

Choirs for children and youth. New members are welcome!

11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Genesis Singers (4 and 5 year olds, Pre-K) - Room 104

Holly Martin, Director

Cherub Choir (grades K-2), Theater

Rachael Boezi, Director

Calvin Choir (grades 3-6), Room 100 (Choir Room)

John Neely, Director

Knox Ringers (grades 7-12), Room 203-205

Brent Manley, Director

5:00-6:00 p.m.

Knox Choir (grades 7-12), Room 100 (Choir Room)

John Neely, Director

Supper and youth fellowships follow.

All are welcome!

Are you interested in becoming a part of the **Westminster Choir** (college age and up)? Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Those interested should contact John Neely (john@westminsterdayton.org). Join us for great music making and fellowship.

Choir schedules for children, youth, and adults have been posted on our website (www.westminsterdayton.org).

A **brochure listing all musical events** for the academic year can be found in the literature racks. It can also be downloaded from Westminster's website.

YOUTH

Youth Class (grades 7-12) will not meet this morning due to Knox Choir's participation in the service, but will resume next Sunday.

Junior High and Senior High Youth Fellowships meet from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Sunday evenings. All youth in grades 7 through 12 are welcome. Dinner is served at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please bring \$2.00 to help cover the cost of meal.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Our new Music Associate is Brent Manley. Brent is a retired music teacher who taught in public schools for 30 years. He has been a member of the Westminster Choir, Westminster Ringers, and is director of Knox Ringers. Brent accompanies the Knox Choir for rehearsals, when this choir sings for worship, and on summer choir trips. Welcome to new responsibilities, Brent!

Please help your pastors help our members, especially in times of illness or accident. When you, a relative, or friend enter the hospital, or are scheduled for inpatient or outpatient surgery, please phone the Church Office with that information - name, place and date.

Members known to be in the hospital as of Thursday, October 4: Sycamore Medical Center—Perry Bailey; Baptist Health Lexington, KY—Jim Becher.

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Event Schedule

Visit our website at www.westminsterdayton.org for possible calendar changes.

<i>Sunday, October 7</i>					
8:30	Hunger Sunday	Narthex	5:15	Celtic Spirituality	WP
	Nursery	108	6:00	Earth Stewardship Meeting	Library
9:00	Blood Pressure Check	CRR		Taizé Service	Sanctuary
9:15	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100	6:40	Light Supper	FH
10:00	Worship	Sanctuary	7:00	Serendipity Circle	Offsite
10:20	Come and See	104	<i>Thursday, October 11</i>		
	First Lessons in Faith	106	10:00	Coffee, Caring, and Crafts Circle	WP
	Children and Worship	102	12:10	Noonday Organ Recital	Sanctuary
10:55	CrossRoads	101/103/105/107/109	12:35	Lunch	FH
11:00	Home Communion Kit Pick-Up	Library	6:15	Westminster Ringers	203-205
	Blood Pressure Check	CRR	7:30	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100
	Coffee and Conversation	FH	<i>Friday, October 12</i>		
	Fair Trade	FH	1:00	Drums Alive Class	Theater
11:20	Adult Education	Chapel/WP/209-211	<i>Saturday, October 13</i>		
11:30	Genesis Singers Rehearsal (ages 4-5, Pre-K)	104	No Scheduled Events		
	Cherub Choir (grades K-2)	Theater	<i>Sunday, October 14</i>		
	Calvin Choir (grades 3-6)	100	8:30	Nursery (birth - age 4)	108
	Knox Ringers (grades 7-12)	203-205	9:00	Confirmation Class	300
12:30	Godly Play Training	101	9:15	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100
4:30	Youth Music	Theater	9:30	Medication Drop Off	207
5:00	Memorial Organ Recital	Sanctuary	10:00	Worship	Sanctuary
	Youth Advisors Meeting	101	10:20	Come and See	104
	Knox Choir Rehearsal (grades 7-12)	100		First Lessons in Faith	106
6:00	Youth Dinner (grades 7-12)	FH		Children and Worship	102
6:30	Youth Fellowship (grades 7-12)	FH	10:55	CrossRoads	101/103/105/107/109
7:00	Dayton Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal	100		Youth Class (grades 7-12)	301
<i>Monday, October 8</i>			11:00	Medication Drop Off	207
9:30	Sunshine Circle	WP		Coffee and Conversation	FH
6:00	Bridge Interest Group	WP	11:10	Investigating Church Membership Class	Library
7:00	Building and Grounds Committee Meeting	Library	11:20	Adult Education	Chapel/WP/209-211
	Dayton Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal	100	11:30	Genesis Singers Rehearsal (ages 4-5, Pre-K)	104
7:30	Drums Alive class	Theater		Cherub Choir (grades K-2)	Theater
<i>Tuesday, October 9</i>				Calvin Choir (grades 3-6)	100
12:00	Staff Meeting	WP		Knox Ringers (grades 7-12)	203-205
4:30	Miami Valley Pipe Band Lessons	207	12:15	Presbyterian Youth Council Meeting	301
5:00	Miami Valley Pipe Band	FH	4:30	Youth Music	FH
6:30	Education and Practice Meeting	Library	5:00	Youth Advisors Meeting	101
<i>Wednesday, October 10</i>				Knox Choir Rehearsal (grades 7-12)	100
10:00	ID Ministry	Chapel, CRR	6:00	Youth Dinner (grades 7-12)	FH
12:00	Women's Therapeutic Court Lunch	FH	6:30	Youth Fellowship (grades 7-12)	FH
3:00	DECA Book Club	209	7:00	Dayton Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal	100



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