



Westminster Presbyterian Church

It seems almost a cruelty for one generation to beget another when parents can secure so little for their children—so little safety—even in the best circumstances. Great faith is required to give children up, trusting God to honor their parents' love for them by assuring them that there will indeed be angels in that wilderness to protect them . . . and that their children will always be under God's providential care. —John Calvin, Institutes of the Christian Religion

**March 11, 2018
Fourth Sunday in Lent**

Service for the Lord's Day

CARILLON PEAL—BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Calvin Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP IN MUSIC

“O Lamb of God Most Holy”

Sinfonia from Cantata 156 (Arioso)

Johann Sebastian Bach

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(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 - “Let Us Rejoice”

John Yarrington

Let us rejoice! This is the day which the Lord hath made!

Let us rejoice! Let us rejoice and be glad!

***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 257 - “Give Praise to the Lord”**

Laudate Dominum

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you

with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are,

and direct what we shall be,

so that we may delight in your will

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your holy name.

(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: Let us live our lives in hope.

People: God is with us.

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

RESPONSE (all sing) - "Blessed Assurance" (stanza one)

Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Savior all the day long.

CONFIRMATION/COMMISSIONING AND BAPTISM

The Apostles' Creed
Elders Amy Lachman and John Jahoda

Leader: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**People: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Leader: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**People: I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

WELCOME

All: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church and into the common life of Westminster Presbyterian Church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our risen Savior.

ANTHEM - "See, I Make All Things New"

Alfred V. Fedak

Behold! I am doing a new thing. Now it breaks forth: do you not perceive it?
I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending. See, I make all things new!
I will make a way in the wilderness, and rivers through the desert. To the thirsty I
give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life. I will pour out water on the
thirsty land and streams on the dry ground. I will pour my Spirit on your offspring,
and my blessing upon your children.
Behold! I am doing a new thing. Now it breaks forth: do you not perceive it?
See, I make all things new.

- Isaiah 43:19-20, 44:3; Revelation 21:6

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON - Luke 11:1-8

Pew Bible, p. 72 NT

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***HYMN 522 - "Lord, When I Came Into this Life"**

Land of Rest

(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.)

SERMON

The Reverend Dr. Richard L. Baker, Jr.

Just Pray. Listen too. Worry less.

Text: "Then Jesus told them a parable about their need
to pray always and not to lose heart." —Luke 18:1

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 - "Behold, the Lamb of God" (from *Messiah*)

George Frideric Handel

Behold, the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world.

- John 1:29

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL 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 376 - "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"**

Hyfrydol

(As a symbol of our call to "Take the light of Christ into the world," the Acolytes
carry the flame out of the Sanctuary. At the beginning of the hymn, children
attending CrossRoads: Education for the Journey will be met in the Narthex.)

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***RESPONSE** (all sing) - "Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights"

Tallis Canon

**Throughout these Lenten days and nights
We turn to walk the inward way,
Where, meeting Christ, our guide and light,
We live in hope till Easter day.**

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY - Allegro (from *Drottningholms Musique*)
(The Concluding Voluntary is the final Alleluia of our worship.
You are invited to remain in silence.)

Johan Helmich Roman

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Head Usher: Dick Stevens
Church Office Receptionist: Janet Ryan
CPR/AED: Anne Proulx, Barb Groff

Head Greeter: Peter Davies
Bus Driver: Becky Bower

Music Participants: Westminster Choir – Samuel Weibel, Trombone – John Neely is Organist-Director.

Today's Music: The anthem "See, I Make All things New," has been given to the Westminster choral library in loving memory of The Reverend Dr. Douglas A. Wilson by Anne M. Wilson and family.

Today we welcome trombonist Samuel Weibel, a member of Westminster and a senior at Bowling Green State University. Sam plans on being a public school band director. He was an active participant in all of Westminster children's choirs as well as the Knox Choir and bell choirs.

The first work played for the Call to Worship in Music consists of a three-part chorale setting of Hymn 82, "O Lamb of God Most Holy," from J. S. Bach's *Great Eighteen Chorales*. In the first stanza, the melody appears in the soprano; in the second stanza, it is tucked away in the alto; and finally, it appears in the bass in the third stanza, all of this a gradual movement signifying the triumph of Christ on Easter Day.

MINISTERS

All members of the Church

STAFF

Richard L. Baker, Jr. Pastor/Head of Staff
John W. Neely Assoc. Pastor for Music
Nancy S. Hodgkins Assoc. Pastor for Youth & Mission
Susan G. Hamilton..... Pastoral Affiliate for Congregational Care
Denise C. Weaver..... Interim Assoc. Pastor for Spiritual Growth
Jerry Taylor..... Music Associate
Jenne Gross..... Mission Associate

Craig Showalter Business Administrator
Amanda Newhart Executive Assistant to Dr. Baker
Kate Stephenson Administrative Assistant
Miranda Watt..... Administrative Assistant
Brittany Campbell Administrative Assistant
Wayne King..... Maintenance Supervisor
Marvin Fleming Sexton

CONCERT BY YOUTH CHOIRS

TODAY!

7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Knox Choir (grades 7-12)
Te Deum Ringers (grades 9-12)
Carillon Bells (grades 7 and 8)

A variety of music will be presented

- Songs of the Early Church
- Songs from America (including a medley from *Godspell*)
- Songs of global praise, celebration and prayer
- Spirituals, folk songs, and music in the Gospel tradition

Following the program please join us in Fellowship Hall for a Dessert Buffet.

What is Lent? Lent is the season of the church that begins with Ash Wednesday and lasts for 40 days before Easter (excluding Sundays). When it was first devised it had a particular reference to the instruction of candidates for baptism at the great festival of redemption at Easter. Today Christians are encouraged to take on the challenge of some spiritual sacrifice and/or improving their participation in some spiritual practice, such as prayer, hospitality, or stewardship.

Taizé Services during Lent

Wednesdays, March 14, 21

The Service on March 21 will be a Service of Healing and Wholeness

6:00 p.m. - Service (Sanctuary)

6:40 p.m. - Light Supper
(\$6.00 in Fellowship Hall)

~ Meditative services of songs and prayers in candlelight ~

All are welcome.

Childcare (Infant - grade 2) available at 6:00 p.m. service

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, choir, clergy, and instrumentalists).

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.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday

March 25

10:00 a.m.

Celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday

March 29

6:00 p.m. – Light Supper (\$6; no reservations required)

7:00 p.m. – Service

Communion and Tenebrae Service – Come and experience both the intimate joy of the Last Supper and the descent into darkness as Jesus is arrested.

Good Friday

March 30

12:10-1:00 p.m.

Experience the despair and drama of Jesus' last words through scripture and music.

Music by the Westminster Choir

Easter

Sunday, April 1

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Christ is Risen! Hallelujah!

Two identical services featuring Oakwood Brass with timpani.

The One Great Hour of Sharing Offering will be received.

Childcare (Infant - grade 2) is available for all of the above services.

Easter Flowers

You are invited to share in the decoration of the Chancel for Easter morning by sponsoring white lilies and other spring flowers. The Easter Sunday bulletin will include names of the donors and names of those being recognized. You are welcome to take your sponsored flower home with you after the 11:00 a.m. service or to leave the flower, which will be delivered by the Deacons and other caregivers to Westminster members who are unable to attend worship.

It is suggested that gifts be at least \$12, but we will honor any amount you wish to include. Information and payment may be submitted using our website (www.westminsterdayton.org) at no additional cost, or you may return the below form and payment to the Church Office. Checks should be made payable to Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Deadline for receipt is Monday, March 26.



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WESTMINSTER CHURCH EASTER FLOWER FUND

Please print names as you wish them to appear in the bulletin.

In honor of _____

In memory of _____

Celebrating _____

I will pick up my flower(s) after the 11:00 a.m. Easter Service.
 My flower(s) may be given to shut-ins.

Given by _____

Suggested donation: \$12. Amount enclosed \$_____.

Deadline is Monday, March 26.

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Self-Nomination For the Standing Committees of Session

Members of the congregation are asked to serve for up to a three-year term on eight standing committees by request of the Congregational Nominating Committee. Members who rotate off after serving a committee are given a year's sabbatical before being eligible to serve again on the same committee.

The Nominating Committee is scheduled to meet in early May to choose candidates for the vacancies on eight standing committees for the 2018-2019 program year. Listed below are the mission statements of the standing committees. If you wish to nominate yourself for one of the following committees or if you have any questions, please e-mail Bob Knechel (bob.knechel@gmail.com). You may also complete the form at the bottom of this page and return it to Amanda Newhart in the Church Office by March 26.

MISSION STATEMENTS

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

The mission of the Building and Grounds Committee is to assure the maintenance and rehabilitation of the real property of the church: the building, the grounds, and the parking lot. The committee recognizes that the church building is a place of worship and an architectural treasure. It will strive to pass it on to the next generation in as good or better condition than it was received. Therefore, all repairs, additions and renovations will be of the highest available quality, while at the same time being cost effective. You must be a member to serve on this committee.

EDUCATION AND PRACTICE

The mission of the Education and Practice Committee is to encourage faith formation through education and spiritual practices for all ages. You must be a member to serve on this committee.

EVANGELISM, HOSPITALITY, AND MEMBERSHIP

The mission of the Evangelism, Hospitality, and Membership Committee is to provide opportunities for evangelism to be learned and practiced by the congregation, to lead the congregation's ministry of hospitality to visitors, and to welcome new members into the church body and encourage them to grow into the full life of the church. You must be a member to serve on this committee.

FELLOWSHIP

The mission of the Fellowship Committee is to offer opportunities for the members of Westminster to increase their congregational friendships in a variety of settings and in an environment of love and warmth. You must be a member to serve on this committee.

MISSION

The charge of the Mission Committee is to demonstrate God’s love and compassion, to enrich the lives of people in need, and to encourage social justice and peacemaking through education. You must be a member to serve on this committee.

PERSONNEL

Working with the Pastor/Head of Staff, the mission of the Personnel Committee is to assure the adequacy of personnel and personnel administration for the church. You must be a member and an Elder to serve on this committee. The committee will:

- Form and interpret personnel policies, including Equal Employment Opportunities.
- Assist in establishing position descriptions and work responsibilities for each position.
- Recommend terms of call for pastors, terms of employment for non-ordained staff and review salary actions.
- Evaluate effectiveness of policies and personnel.
- Serve as confidential support for the Pastor/Head of Staff.

STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE

The mission of the Stewardship and Finance Committee is twofold: First, to educate the congregation about stewardship and encourage generous financial giving as a matter of spiritual practice. Second, to monitor the Session’s adopted budget. You must be a member to serve on this committee.

WORSHIP, MUSIC AND FINE ARTS

Worship at Westminster is guided by our Directory of Worship and led by our Pastors. The Mission of the Worship/Music and Fine Arts Committee is to plan, evaluate and encourage Sunday worship, special worship, weddings, and funerals. The committee will also oversee the church’s music ministry and its fine arts. You must be a member to serve on this committee.

I would like to be considered to serve on the following committee(s):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Building and Grounds | <input type="checkbox"/> Mission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education and Practice | <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evangelism, Hospitality and Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Stewardship and Finance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fellowship | <input type="checkbox"/> Worship, Music and Fine Arts |

_____ Name

_____ Phone

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.

Have you enjoyed visiting Westminster? Would you like to know more about us and how to become a member of our congregation? Do you wonder what it really means to be a Presbyterian? If so, you are invited to our Spring Investigating Church Membership Seminar that begins on April 8. It meets Sundays, directly after worship, from 11:05 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., in the Library (across from the Sanctuary on the East side). 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 in memory of Lee and our parents, Jack and Katie Lane and Andy and Mary Thompson by Linda Lane.

Being baptized today is Marty Jones.

Youth being confirmed and commissioned today are Olivia Collins, Harker Davies, Marty Jones, Abby Lachman, and Sam Stack.

2018 Confirmation Class Mentors are Teri Biers, Mel Gillespie, John Jahoda, Alan and Marsha Pippenger.

Please plan to **greet the members of the 2018 Confirmation Class** in Fellowship Hall immediately following worship.

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

Next Sunday, March 18, come to the Chapel Reception Room and have your **blood pressure checked** from 9:30 to 9:45 and 11:00 to 11:15 a.m.

During Lent, the **Earth Stewardship Ministry Team** hopes you will join us in asking our creator God,

through prayer, to help us remember we are part of God's creation, all of which is precious to God. Celtic Prayer: *God of the universe, we thank you for your many good gifts - for the beauty of Creation and its rich and varied fruits, for clean water and fresh air, for food and shelter, animals and plants. Forgive us for the times we have taken the earth's resources for granted and wasted what you have given us. Transform our hearts and minds so that we would learn to care and share, to touch the earth with gentleness and with love, respecting all living things.* — Fiona Murdoch, Eco-Congregation Ireland from the Catholic Health Association Site

Prayer Shawls are made and given so that a recipient might tangibly experience the love and peace of God surrounding them no matter the difficulty. The shawl offers warmth and the comfort of remembrance. Prayer Shawls are available in the Library each Sunday morning before worship. Come and let a member of the team help you find a shawl for a special friend or loved one with need.

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; Nancy – Fellowship Hall.

ADULTS AND OLDER ADULTS

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

Lenten Prayer and Prayer Practices Classes *Our Lenten Prayer and Prayer Practices classes continue. The meeting times and locations are:*

Wednesdays at 5:00 pm

- *Prayer for Daily Living* (West Parlor)
- *Mindful Unwinding—The Art of Journaling* (Room 207/209)
- *Foundational Prayer* (Room 206)
- *See Something? Pray Something* (Library)

Sundays at 9:00 am

- *Written Responses to Prayer Practices* (Room 207/209)

Sundays at 11:20 am

- *Historical Texts of Prayer* (West Parlor)

A daily Lenten devotional booklet, entitled "Finding Peace in Lent" is available in the Church Office. This devotional provides the opportunity to reflect upon and pray the St. Francis Peace Prayer along with a daily scripture passage and a suggestion for putting one's prayer into action. The cost is \$1.

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, the older toddlers participate in a faith formation class, First Lessons in Faith, 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. From there they 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 in Room 102 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 escorted to their CrossRoads workshops at 10:55 A.M. by their Cross-Roads Shepherds.

CrossRoads: Education for the Journey, features varied and engaging activities for children in **grades 1 through 6**. 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.

Calling all Kirkmont Campers! The Kirkmont Center 2018 Camp Catalog is now available to see the week(s) your child or grandchild would like to go to camp. Campers make new friends, sleep in cabs, play, sing, and worship together while experiencing Kirkmont's motto: "Be of good courage and know that you are loved!" The Early Bird Discount ends March 18. Sign up at kirkmont@kirkmontcenter.com. See Pastor Denise if you have any questions.

MISSION

Mission Trip—Westminster will be sending an inter-generational mission team to Fayetteville, NC, June

10-16, to do ongoing Hurricane Matthew relief. The trip is open to anyone over the age of 16 (14 and 15 with an adult sponsor). We will be staying at Highland Presbyterian Church. Register today on the church website. Contact Nancy Hodgkins (223-7285 or nancy@westminsterdayton.org) for more information.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is currently responding to areas in the United States and worldwide that have been affected by disasters. 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 in the memo line.

MUSIC

Choirs for children and youth today. New members are welcome! See back page for schedule.

Are you interested in **singing with the Westminster Choir for our May Festival Concert** on Sunday, May 6, at 7:00 p.m.? The choir will be expanded for this very special event — “Handel Fest.” The concert will include excerpts from *Messiah*, including “Hallelujah,” and *Judas Maccabaeus*, as well as two Coronation Anthems

and portions of Water Music. The entire concert will be accompanied by full orchestra. Interested individuals should contact John Neely (223-7285 or john@westminsterdayton.org).

YOUTH

Youth Class (grades 7-12) will not meet this morning. Youth care encouraged to attend the confirmation reception in Fellowship Hall. Class will resume next Sunday.

Junior High and Senior High Youth Fellowships will not meet this evening. Everyone is invited to attend the Youth Choirs Concert. Youth Fellowship will resume next Sunday.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

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.

No members are known to be in the hospital as of Thursday, March 8: Recently hospitalized and released: Barbara Wiedlund; Ron Bitzer.

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

Officers of Westminster Presbyterian Church

ELDERS

Class of 2018

Jennifer de Vries
Brent Manley
Peggy Sisson
Wayne Spalding

Class of 2019

Sarah Kiewitz
Sharon Norton
Ross Padak
Tom Perry

Class of 2020

Paul Bascom
Kay Berg
Bob Knechel
Amy Lachman

DEACONS

Class of 2018

Terry Biers
Kat Colclasure
David Leach
Linda Mione
Steve Oroszi
Jerry Shell

Class of 2019

Roger Bailey
Dixie Bowsher
Barbara Groff
Becky Mann
Jerry Snyder
Jeff Thomas

Class of 2020

Mark Anderson Sharp
Sara Frease
Sean Hearrell
Jennifer Lawson
Ernie McCallister
Judi Weaver

Standing Committees of Session

Building and Grounds
Education and Practice
Evangelism, Hospitality and Membership
Fellowship
Mission
Personnel
Stewardship and Finance
Worship, Music and Fine Arts

*Westminster Presbyterian Church:
Where Loving God and Neighbor Is Transforming Lives*

Event Schedule

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

Sunday, March 11			6:40 Light Supper	FH	
8:30	Nursery (birth - age 4)	108	7:00 Stephen Ministry Supervision	WP	
9:00	Lenten Class: <i>Written Responses to Prayer Practices</i>	207-209	Thursday, March 15		
	Confirmation Class (grades 9-12)	WP	10:00	Coffee, Caring, and Crafts Circle	WP
9:15	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100	6:00	Fellowship Committee	WP
10:00	Worship	Sanctuary	6:15	Westminster Ringers Rehearsal	203-205
10:20	First Lessons in Faith for Toddlers (ages 3-4)	106	6:30	DGMC Committee Meeting	211
	Children and Worship (Pre-K—K)	102	7:30	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100
	Come and See (grades 1 and 2)	104	Friday, March 16		
10:55	CrossRoads: Education for the Journey (grades 1-6)	101/107/109	No Scheduled Events		
11:00	Coffee Hour / Confirmation Reception	FH	Saturday, March 17		
11:20	Lenten Class: <i>Historical Texts of Prayer</i>	WP	No Scheduled Events		
11:30	Genesis Singers (ages 4-5, Pre-K)	104	Sunday, March 18		
	Cherub Choir (grades K-2)	Theater	8:30	Nursery (birth - age 4)	108
	Calvin Choir (grades 3-6)	100	9:00	Lenten Class: <i>Written Responses to Prayer Practices</i>	207-209
	Carillon Bells (grades 7-8)	301	9:15	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100
	Te Deum Ringers (grades 9-12)	203-205	9:30	Blood Pressure Check	CRR
5:30	Carillon Bells and Te Deum Ringers Rehearsal	Sanctuary	10:00	Worship	Sanctuary
5:50	Knox Choir Rehearsal (grades 7-12)	Sanctuary	10:20	First Lessons in Faith for Toddlers (ages 3-4)	106
7:00	Knox Choir and Youth Bell Choirs Concert	Sanctuary		Children and Worship (Pre-K—K)	102
		FH		Come and See (grades 1 and 2)	104
8:00	Dessert	FH	10:55	CrossRoads: Education for the Journey (grades 1-6)	105/107/109
Monday, March 12				Youth Class (grades 7-12)	301
9:00	Sunshine Circle	WP	11:00	Blood Pressure Check	CRR
6:30	Bridge Interest Group	WP		Coffee Hour	FH
7:00	Building and Grounds Committee Meeting	Library	11:20	Lenten Class: <i>Historical Texts of Prayer</i>	WP
7:00	Dayton Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal	100	11:30	Genesis Singers (ages 4-5, Pre-K)	104
Tuesday, March 13				Cherub Choir (grades K-2)	Theater
12:00	Staff Meeting	WP		Calvin Choir (grades 3-6)	100
4:30	Miami Valley Pipe Band Lessons	211		Carillon Bells (grades 7-8)	301
5:00	Miami Valley Pipe Band	FH		Te Deum Ringers (grades 9-12)	203-205
Wednesday, March 14			5:00	Youth Advisors Meeting	101
10:00	ID Ministry	Chapel/CRR		Knox Choir Rehearsal (grades 7-12)	100
5:00	Lenten Classes (see Adult Education section for details)	Sanctuary	6:00	Youth Dinner (grades 7-12)	FH
6:00	Taizé Service	Sanctuary	6:30	Youth Fellowship (grades 7-12)	FH
	Earth Stewardship Ministry Team	Library			



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