



Westminster Presbyterian Church

If any one faculty of our nature may be called more wonderful than the rest, I do think it is memory. There seems something more speakingly incomprehensible in the powers, the failures, the inequalities of memory, than in any other of our intelligences. The memory is sometimes so retentive, so serviceable, so obedient; at others, so bewildered and so weak; and at others again, so tyrannic, so beyond control! We are, to be sure, a miracle every way; but our powers of recollecting and of forgetting do seem peculiarly past finding out.

—Jane Austen, *Mansfield Park*

But anyone who loves God needs no tears, no admiration: he forgets the suffering in the love. Indeed, so completely has he forgotten it that there would not be the slightest trace of his suffering left if God himself did not remember it, for God sees in secret and recognizes the distress and counts the tears and forgets nothing.

—Søren Kierkegaard, *Fear and Trembling*

May 27, 2018

Service for the Lord's Day

CARILLON PEAL

CALL TO WORSHIP IN MUSIC

Pastorale on Psalm 23

Percy Whitlock

In Memoriam

Myron Roberts

(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 - "In Thee Is Gladness"

Giovanni Gastoldi

In thee is gladness amid all sadness,
Jesus, sunshine of my heart!
By thee are given the gifts of heaven;
Thou the true Redeemer art.
Our souls thou wakest;
Our bonds thou breakest;
Who trusts thee surely hath built securely;
He stands forever; Hallelujah!

*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 262 - "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand"

National Hymn

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

**Holy God, you see us as we are,
and know our inmost thoughts.
We confess that we are unworthy of your love.
We forget—to seek and do your will,
to live as your grateful children,
to love as Christ loved us.**

**Lord, in your mercy, forgive us,
heal us and make us whole.
Set us free from our sin,
and restore to us the joy of your salvation,
now and forever.**

(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.

***GLORIA PATRI**

H. W. Greatorex

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON - 1 Chronicles 16:7-18, 34-36

Pew Bible, pp. 375-376 OT

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM - "A Rose Touched by the Sun's Warm Rays"

Jean Berger

A rose touched by the sun's warm rays
All its petals gently does unfold;
So you, when touched by God's great mercy,
Let joy and gladness win your soul.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON - Matthew 28:16-20

Pew Bible, p. 34 NT

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***HYMN 210** - "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

St. Anne

SERMON

The Reverend Dr. Richard L. Baker, Jr.

Lest We Forget: In Living Memory

Focus: "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

—Matthew 28:20

***STATEMENT OF FAITH**

Apostles' Creed (traditional version)

The Reverend Susan G. Hamilton

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(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 - "Come and Taste"

American folk tune, arr. Alice Parker

Come and taste along with me
Consolation flowing free,
From the Father's wealthy throne,
Sweeter than the honeycomb.

*I'll praise God and you praise God,
And we'll all praise God together;
We'll praise the Lord for work that he has done,
And we'll all praise God forever.*

All that come with free good will
Make the banquet sweeter still;
Now I go to Mercy's door,
Asking for a little more.

Goodness, running like a stream
Through the new Jerusalem,
By a constant breaking forth
Sweetens earth and heaven both.

O, return, ye sons of grace,
Turn and see God's smiling face.
Hark, he calls backsliders home,
Then from him no longer roam.

***Doxology (Hymnal No. 592)**

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Response - "We Give Thee but Thine Own"**

**We give thee but thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from thee.**

Old Hundredth

Schumann

SILENT PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(The pastoral prayer is divided into three sections: Thanksgiving, Intercession and Petition. When the minister says "Through Jesus Christ our Lord," the congregation is encouraged to respond with an audible "Amen.")

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 564 - "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"**

Materna

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE (all sing) - "Shalom to You"**

Traditional Spanish Melody

Sha - lom to you now, sha - lom, my friends.
May God's full mer - cies bless you, my friends.
In all your liv - ing and through your lov - ing,
Christ be your sha - lom, Christ be your sha - lom.

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY - An Early American March

James Hewitt, arr. Jon Spong

(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: Amy Lachman
Church Office Receptionist: Sharon Burns
CPR/AED: Jeff Thomas, Dyan Thomas

Head Greeter: Stan Eichenauer
Bus Driver: Ernie McCallister

Music Participants: Westminster Choir – John Neely is Organist-Director.

Today's Music: Daniel C. Roberts' hymn, "God of the Ages" (Hymn 262), was written in 1876 at St. Thomas' Episcopal Church in Brandon, Vermont, for the 100th birthday of America. The author served in the Civil War and spent his years in ministry in small New England parishes. George William Warren's rousing tune with its trumpet fanfares has helped make this patriotic text a perennial favorite.

The words of the first Anthem, "A Rose Touched by the Sun's Warm Rays," come from *Pennsylvania Book Plates* by Henry S. Borneman.

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.

Westminster Dinner Theater

Friday, June 8, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 10, 12:00 p.m.

Neil Simon's *Plaza Suite* Directed by Brian Sharp

This play is comprised of three acts, each involving different characters. The setting is Suite 719 in New York City's Plaza Hotel. The first act introduces the audience to the not-so-blissfully wedded couple Sam and Karen Nash who are revisiting their honeymoon suite in an attempt by Karen to bring the love back into their marriage. Can she, or is it gone? The second act involves a meeting between famous movie producer Jesse Kiplinger and his old flame, suburban housewife Muriel Tate. How perfect is Muriel's life now? The third act revolves around married couple Roy and Norma Hubley on their daughter Mimsey's wedding day. What could go wrong? From dramatic to hilarious, the audience will experience all emotions. You won't want to miss it!

The Friday evening menu is gluten free:

Corn Crisped Chicken Breast,
Roasted Tomato Sauce
Spinach and Asparagus Risotto
Mediterranean Vegetable Platter
Roasted Pineapple Sundae Bar

Sunday afternoon menu:

Smothered Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Balsamic Glazed Green Beans
Strawberry Shortcakes

Price for Dinner and the Theatre is \$15 person.
Theatre capacity is 125 people for each performance.

To make a reservation, please fill out the form below and return it to the Church Office,
or make your reservation online (www.westminsterdayton.org).

**Reservations and payment deadline is Friday, June 1,
OR earlier if the seating capacity is reached.**

Dinner Theater Reservation Form

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Number of reservations for Friday, June 8: _____ Number of reservations for Sunday, June 10: _____

Please let us know if you have mobility challenges and need special seating accommodations. _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ (payment must accompany reservation)

Please make checks payable to Westminster Presbyterian Church.

**Westminster Presbyterian Night at Fifth Third Field
Saturday, August 18, 7:00 p.m.
Reservation deadline is Monday, June 25**



Dayton Dragons Night Registration Form

Group Seating Preferred

Presby Group (if applicable): _____

All Guest Names: _____

Phone Number: _____

Number of reservations (\$13 per person): _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ (payment must accompany reservation.)

Please make checks payable to Westminster Presbyterian Church.



You can also register online at westminsterdayton.org

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.

PARISH NOTES

The flowers in the Chancel are given by Louisa Ann Wilson in memory of her father, Louis Wilson, and in honor of her mother, Louise Wilson.

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.

Today is the last day to register for Grand Day Camp, which will be held next Saturday, June 2, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. All children ages 2-7 are invited to attend with his/her Grandparent. This year's theme is "Prayer and Blessing," led by The Reverend Dr. Jacqueline Nowak, Founder and Director of The Blessing Center. Children will make a Prayer and Blessing box to take home, along with enjoying games, and songs, and eating lunch together. Nursery care will be provided for the youngest toddlers as needed. Register online at our church's website or contact Denise Weaver.

Next Sunday, June 3, 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.

Electronics recycling is available next Sunday 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.

Fair Trade food products will be on sale next Sunday 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.

Come walk the Labyrinth, noon-7:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 5, in Fellowship Hall. Invite a friend to come along for the journey. All are welcome.

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.

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, Urbana**.

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.

ADULT EDUCATION

The Following Classes Conclude Today

9:00-9:45 a.m.

Disagreement and Discernment — taught by Gene Saunders (West Parlor). It seems like everywhere we turn today, we witness disagreement. Whether it be religious, social, or political, seeds of division seem to be sown everywhere. In such an environment, is it possible to have disagreement and still be united in a fruitful, common ministry and mission? The early church leaders faced the same dilemmas. Together we will explore the issues leading up to the Council of Jerusalem, the meeting itself, and how its outcome still holds lessons for us today.

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

Memoirs of the Soul — taught by Kay Berg (Library). Recall, Reflect on, and Write stories of your life that make you, you. Get started writing those personal stories you've been wanting to record, both for yourself and for your family. Join friends of all ages for this beginning memoir writing class. Please bring a note pad or journal and your favorite pen or pencil.

Summer Sundays Begin Next Week
See Inside Back Cover for Class Listing

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.

Young Children's End of Year Annual Picnic (Infants - second graders and siblings) will be held next Sunday, June 3, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., at Orchardly Park in Oakwood. Food, beverages, and tableware will be provided. This is a drop-in event; come when you can between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. Bring your family, swimsuits, towels, and blankets. Please RSVP to Katie Brennaman (katiebrennaman@yahoo.com) or Denise Weaver (denise@westminsterdayton.org).

MISSION

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.

Next Sunday is **Hunger Sunday**. Please bring canned food for the needy in our area. A monetary gift may also be given.

Mission Trip—Westminster will be sending an intergenerational 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.

Colombia Trip – There are still a few spots available to visit our sister church in Barranquilla, Colombia, June 27 - July 3. For more information please contact Nancy Hodgkins (nancy@westminsterdayton.org).

MUSIC

Children's Choir's and Knox Choir have concluded rehearsals for the academic year. Rehearsals resume on Sunday, September 9.

All are invited to sing in our drop-in, no-excuses **Summer Choir** every Sunday from June 17 to September 2. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Choir Room and prepare anthems on the spot to sing at the 10:00 a.m. service. You do not have to be involved in the choir regularly in order to participate in the Summer Choir. Everyone is welcome, so bring your friends along, too! For more information contact John Neely (john@westminsterdayton.org).

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.

Members known to be in the hospital as of Thursday, May 24: Miami Valley Hospital—David Ryan. Recently hospitalized and released: Dean Burden.



MADD DAYS at Westminster Music, Art, Drama, Dance Day Camp July 30 - August 3, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Registration is now open for those in grades 3-8 (as of fall 2018). Enjoy choir, handbells, dance, drama, Christian education, and art. The cost for the week is \$80. For more information and to register visit 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

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
Jerry Taylor	Music Associate	Wayne King	Maintenance Supervisor
Jenne Gross	Mission Associate	Marvin Fleming	Sexton



Summer Sundays After Worship and CrossRoads* Schedule

The Ministries and Mission of WPC

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

All Summer Sundays classes will meet in the Chapel
with the exception of July 1, July 8, and August 5.

May 27	Memorial Day Weekend – Adult Ed	NO CROSSROADS
June 3	W.I.S.E. Ministry Report (<i>Westminster Invests in Students & Education</i>)	Yes
June 10	Children’s Ministry Report	Yes
June 17	ID Ministry Report	Yes
June 24	Intergenerational Mission Trip Report	Yes
July 1	Patriotic Mini-Concert (<i>Sanctuary</i>)	NO CROSSROADS
July 8	Organ Demonstration (<i>Sanctuary</i>)	NO CROSSROADS
July 15	WPC Building Report	Yes
July 22	Montreat Youth Conference Report	Yes
July 29	Colombia Trip Report	Yes
Aug 5	Ice Cream Social (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)	NO CROSSROADS
Aug 12	WPW Churchwide Gathering Report	Yes
Aug 19	Faith and Civic Life: Jim Wallis	Yes
Aug 26	Faith and Civic Life: Jim Wallis	Yes
Sept. 2	Labor Day weekend – No Adult Ed	NO CROSSROADS
Sept. 9	Convocation Sunday, Children’s Sunday School Start-up	

* From June through August, a one-workshop CrossRoads class is provided from 11:20 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. to children in grades K-6. CrossRoads: Education for the Journey is our workshop-based educational program that allows children to actively experience the Bible story in colorful, stimulating learning.

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Where Loving God and Neighbor Is Transforming Lives*

Event Schedule

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

Sunday, May 27

8:30	Nursery (birth - age 4)	108
9:00	Adult Education	WP
	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100
10:00	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00	Coffee Hour	FH
11:20	Adult Education	Library
2:00	Eagle Court of Honor—Josh Assink	Chapel/FH
6:00	Oakwood Baccalaureate	Sanctuary

Monday, May 28

	Church Office Closed in Observance of Memorial Day	
6:30	Bridge Interest Group	WP

Tuesday, May 29

12:00	Staff Meeting	WP
4:30	Miami Valley Pipe Band Lessons	211
5:00	Miami Valley Pipe Band	FH
6:00	Dayton Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal	100
6:30	Dinner Theater Rehearsal	FH

Wednesday, May 30

10:00	ID Ministry	Chapel/CRR
5:30	APNC	CRR
6:00	Dayton Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal	100
6:30	Dinner Theater Rehearsal	FH

Thursday, May 31

10:00	Coffee, Caring, and Crafts Circle	WP
6:30	Dinner Theater Rehearsal	FH
	DGMC Committee Meeting	211

Friday, June 1

No Scheduled Events

Saturday, June 2

10:00	Grand Day Camp	FH
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Sunday, June 3

8:30	Hunger Sunday	Narthex
	Nursery (birth - age 4)	108
9:00	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100
9:30	Blood Pressure Check	CRR
10:00	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00	Blood Pressure Check	CRR
	Coffee Hour	FH
11:20	Summer Sundays After Worship:	
	WISE Ministry Report	Chapel
	Summer CrossRoads	101
1:00	Young Children's End-of-Year Picnic	Orchardly Park

CRR—Chapel Reception Room
FH—Fellowship Hall
HH—Heritage Hall
WP—West Parlor



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