



Westminster Presbyterian Church

The man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. —Genesis 3:8

Now Jacob loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. —Genesis 37:3

**September 30, 2018
19th Sunday after Pentecost
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Service for the Lord's Day

CARILLON PEAL—BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

Calvin Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP IN MUSIC

Suite for Organ

Louis-Nicolas Clerambault

Plein Jeu – Basse de Cromorne – Caprice sur les grands jeux – Flutes

(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 483 - "Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"**

Mit Freuden zart

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer,
we confess that we have tried to hide from you,
for we have done wrong.
We have lived for ourselves,
and apart from you:
we have turned from our neighbors,
and refused to bear the burdens of others.

Have mercy on us, O God.

Transform our lives by the power of your Spirit,
and help us to live as what we truly are: your beloved children in Jesus Christ.

(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: By Christ's work, we are made children of God, and brothers and sisters to one
another. Friends, hear this Good News:

All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.**

***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 - Psalm 139:1-18

Pew Bible, pp. 577-578 OT

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM - "I'm Goin' to Sing"

African-American Spiritual, arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw

I'm goin' to sing when the Spirit says: Sing! And obey the Spirit of the Lord.

I'm goin' to pray when the Spirit says: Pray! And obey the Spirit of the Lord.

I'm goin' to shout when the Spirit says: Shout! And obey the Spirit of the Lord.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON - I John 3:18-24

Pew Bible, p. 240 NT

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***HYMN 302 - "I Danced in the Morning"**

Simple Gifts

(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.

Conversations with God: God Knows Us *and* God Loves Us

Focus: "If our hearts condemn us before God, this is how we will persuade our hearts: God is greater than our hearts and God knows all things." —I John 3:19-20

***STATEMENT OF FAITH**

Declaration of Faith, PCUS (1977)

The Reverend Denise C. Weaver

**We believe that Jesus, the long expected Savior,
came into the world as a child,
descended from David, conceived by the Holy Spirit.
We affirm that Jesus was born of woman, as is every child;
yet born of God's power, as was no other child.**

**Jesus, through his birth, life, death, and resurrection, brings about the relationship between
God and humanity that God always intended: we are adopted as children of God.**

**By grace through faith,
we are set right with God,
not because of anything we have done,
but because of what Christ has done.**

**In Christ, God gives hope
for a new heaven and earth,
certainty of victory over death,
assurance of mercy and judgment beyond death.
This hope gives us courage for the present.
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 - "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Philip W. J. Stopford

Jesus, lover of my soul,
Let me to thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high;
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none;
Hangs my helpless soul on thee;
Leave, ah! leave me not alone,
Still support and comfort me.
All my trust on thee is stayed,
All my help from thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head
With the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want;
More than all in thee I find.
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name;
I am all unrighteousness,
False and full of sin I am;
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace on thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound;
Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art;
Freely let me take of thee;
Spring thou up within my heart,
Rise to all eternity. Amen.

- Charles Wesley

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

Old Hundredth

***Prayer of Dedication**

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

Schumann

**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.**

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 223 - "O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer"**

Stuttgart

(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 and youth attending the Youth Class will be met in the Narthex.)

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE (all Sing) - "Bless the Lord" (from the Taizé community)**

Jacques Berthier

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY - The Rejoicing (from *Suite in G*)

Charles Callahan

(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 Best

Head Greeter: Linda Lane

Church Office Receptionist: Virginia Miller

Bus Driver: Karen Clute

CPR/AED: Warren Assink, Joyce Assink

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

Today's Music: Clerambault's suite (Call to Worship in Music) comes from a period of French organ composition when composers gave as titles of the music the stops which the organist was expected to use. For example, the second movement of Clerambault's suite calls for the Cromorne (forerunner of the Clarinet) stop to be used for the bass part.

The text of "Lord of the Dance," written by Sydney Carter, has become his most popular work. The hymn uses an American Shaker melody which is often sung to "'Tis the Gift to Be Simple." Carter harmonized and adapted this tune for this text. Here Jesus invites humankind to join him in the dance of salvation. Carter obviously parodied his setting after the eleven-stanza, seventeenth-century Cornish Carol "Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing-day." The phrase "Lord of the dance" may have its roots in English folklore whereas the convener of the annual fair was the "Lord of the dance" or Lord or, i.e., "provider."

Philip W. J. Stopford (b. 1977), composer of the Offertory Anthem, began his musical career as a Chorister at Westminster Abbey under the direction of both Simon Preston and Martin Neary. After winning a major music scholarship to Bedford School, he became Organ Scholar at Truro Cathedral. Upon leaving Bedford School, Stopford studied music at Keble College, Oxford. Following graduation he was appointed Organ Scholar at Canterbury Cathedral. In January 2003, he was appointed Director of Music at St. Anne's Cathedral, Belfast. Stopford now devotes his time to choral composition, conducting, and leading workshops globally.

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).



Faith in Action Volunteer Opportunities



Done in a Day!
Saturday, October 6
8:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Come and be a part of this valuable ministry to help our neighbors in need!

Worksites for this event include:

- **YWCA:** Sort donations; and other projects to be determined.
- **Peace Museum:** Work inside the museum cleaning and polishing furniture. Work outside on yard clean up.
- **Eastmont Elementary:** Landscaping, planting, and other outdoor work.
- **DECA Middle:** Organize donations, supply room, and book room as well as light cleaning.
- **Dayton Urban Ministry Center:** Yard work. Volunteers are encouraged to bring their favorite tools.

For more information,
contact Shelly Davies (508-681-5712 or shellydavies72@gmail.com)
or Paul Bascom (psbascom@gmail.com).

To register online, visit our website at westminsterdayton.org

Annual Memorial Organ Recital

Christopher Houlihan, Organist

Next Sunday, October 7, 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.

Members and friends of Westminster will once again be given the opportunity to memorialize a loved one by contributing to the Memorial Organ Recital Fund. Those wishing to contribute to the Memorial Recital Fund are asked to use the form below. Donations may also be made using the online form on our website (www.westminsterdayton.org).

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

The recital is open to the public at no charge.

2018 MEMORIAL ORGAN RECITAL

Please indicate how you wish the names to appear in the program.

In Memory of _____

Given By _____

Amount given: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to Westminster Presbyterian Church,
marked "Memorial Organ Recital" in the memo line.

Thank you for this special gift.




PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PEACEMAKING AND RECONCILIATION

join us!

Peace
at all TIMES
in all WAYS.

— 2 THESSALONIANS 3:16



Next Sunday, 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 peacemaking efforts around the globe.

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY

Visit our website at www.westminsterdayton.org



Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) urges your support for those affected by Hurricane Florence. PDA is delivering immediate aid to those impacted by Hurricane Florence on the eastern seaboard of the United States. Initial assessments suggest catastrophic destruction, but the full scope of the damage will not be known for many months.

PDA is deploying teams to affected presbyteries to meet with Presbyterian and community leadership to assist in coordinating relief efforts and mucking out homes and churches. After initial needs are addressed, PDA will remain—providing spiritual emotional care and Long Term Recovery to address unmet needs of those impacted. Through your prayerful gifts we draw hope out of the chaos.

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 hurricanes?—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 in the memo line.

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 | Amanda Newhart Executive Assistant to Dr. Baker |
| John W. Neely Assoc. Pastor for Music | Kate Stephenson Administrative Assistant |
| Nancy S. Hodgkins Assoc. Pastor for Youth & Mission | Miranda Watt Administrative Assistant |
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| Denise C. Weaver Interim Assoc. Pastor for Spiritual Growth | Wayne King Maintenance Supervisor |
| Jenne Gross Mission Associate | Marvin Fleming Sexton |
| Craig Showalter Business Administrator | |

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 Fall series of **Investigating Church Membership classes**. The class will be held on the Sundays of October 14, October 21, and October 28, from 11:10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in the Resource Center (across from the Sanctuary on the east side). The class will be informative about both the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and Westminster Church in particular. Class participation is not a decision to join Westminster. Those who are 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 memory of Kyle Sessions.

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.

Come walk the Labyrinth, noon-7:00 p.m., this Tuesday, October 2, in Fellowship Hall. Invite a friend to come along for the journey. All are welcome.

Next Sunday, October 7, we will worship join with Christians around the globe in celebrating **World Communion**.

Next Sunday, October 7, 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.

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 **Presbyterian Church of New Paris**.

ADULTS AND OLDER ADULTS

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.

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).

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.

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).

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.

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.

Call for Teen Volunteers (grades 7-12) in the Nursery. Would you like to begin (or continue) to care for our infants and toddlers from 9:50 to 10:50 a.m. in the nursery on Sunday mornings. Our parents and nursery staff appreciate your help and energy. Please let Sarah Richison or Denise Weaver (Denise@westminsterdayton.org) know if you are interested.

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.

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

Confirmation (grades 9-12) – This class is open to any senior high youth who wishes to explore their faith and what it means to become a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church. This class meets each Sunday morning from 9:00 to 9:45 a.m. in Room 300.

Youth Class (grades 7-12) meets on Sunday mornings from 10:55 to 11:30 a.m. in Room 301. Youth interested in participating should meet in Room 301 at the beginning of the final hymn. This interactive, relational, Bible study class is taught by Gene Saunders and Joseph Shonle.

Junior High and Senior High Youth Fellowships will meet this evening from 6:00 to **8:30** p.m. for Party in the Park (Yankee Park in Centerville). We will leave immediately following Knox Choir and return to the parking lot at 8:30 p.m. Youth should dress for the weather and bring \$5 for dinner. Parents please speak to Nancy Hodgkins if you will be picking up your youth in Centerville.

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, September 27. Recently hospitalized and released: George Bayless; Jim Becher.

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

This Thursday, October 4
Organist will be Terry Donat
Acting Dean of the Dayton Chapter of
the American Guild of Organists.

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.

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.

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Event Schedule

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

Sunday, September 30

8:30	Nursery (birth - age 4)	108
9:00	Confirmation Class	300
9:15	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100
10:00	Worship	Sanctuary
10:55	Youth Class (grades 7-12)	301
11:00	Coffee and Conversation	FH
11:20	Adult Education	Chapel/WP/209-211
11:30	Genesis Singers Rehearsal (ages 4-5, Pre-K)	104
	Cherub Choir (grades K-2)	Theater
	Calvin Choir (grades 3-6)	100
	Knox Ringers (grades 7-12)	203-205
5:00	Knox Choir Rehearsal (grades 7-12)	100
6:00	Youth Party in the Park	Parking Lot
7:00	Dayton Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal	100

Monday, October 1

7:00	Dayton Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal	100
7:15	Bach Society Rehearsal	FH
7:30	Drums Alive class	Theater

Tuesday, October 2

12:00	Labyrinth Walk	FH
	Staff Meeting	WP
4:30	Miami Valley Pipe Band Lessons	211
6:00	Session Meeting	

Wednesday, October 3

10:00	ID Ministry	Chapel, CRR
12:00	Women's Therapeutic Court Lunch	FH
	Program Staff Meeting	WP
3:00	DECA Book Club	WP
5:15	Celtic Spirituality	209, 207
6:00	Taizé Service	Sanctuary
6:40	Light Supper	FH
7:00	Evening Circle	Offsite

Thursday, October 4

10:00	Coffee, Caring, and Crafts Circle	WP
12:10	Noonday Organ Recital	Sanctuary
12:35	Lunch	FH
3:00	DECA Book Club	WP
6:15	Westminster Ringers	203-205
6:30	Miami Valley Information Services	FH
7:30	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100

Friday, October 5

9:00	Home Communion Kit Assembly	Library
1:00	Drums Alive Class	Theater

Saturday, October 6

8:15	Done in a Day	FH
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Sunday, October 7

8:30	Hunger Sunday	Narthex
	Nursery	108
9:00	Blood Pressure Check	CRR
9:15	Westminster Choir Rehearsal	100
9:30	Home Communion Kit Pick-Up	Library
10:00	Worship	Sanctuary
11:00	Coffee and Conversation	FH
	Fair Trade	FH
11:20	Adult Education	Chapel/WP/209-211
11:30	Genesis Singers Rehearsal (ages 4-5, Pre-K)	104
	Cherub Choir (grades K-2)	Theater
	Calvin Choir (grades 3-6)	100
	Knox Ringers (grades 7-12)	203-205
12:00	Blood Pressure Check	CRR
4:30	Youth Music	FH
5:00	Youth Advisors Meeting	Chapel
	Knox Choir Rehearsal (grades 7-12)	100
6:00	Youth Dinner (grades 7-12)	FH
6:30	Youth Fellowship (grades 7-12)	FH
7:00	Dayton Gay Men's Chorus Rehearsal	100



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