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Westminster's Session, Deacons, Trustees and staff seek to provide a community where abundant life manifests among us. With your strong support and participation we can:



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LEADERSHIP

expand our custodial staff and key



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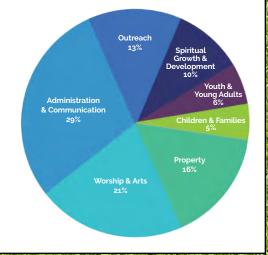


2024 Budget Proposal: \$2,346,815

Currently, 89.6% of our operating budget is supported by your annual gifts and pledges.

Your pledge helps our leadership plan faithfully and responsibly for the future year at Westminster. We pray you consider increasing your pledge in 2024, if you are able, and challenge you to work toward a tithe (10% of your income). There is a chart on the back of your pledge card to help you take a next step. Thank you for all the ways you support Westminster and share abundant life together.

Cover Photo: Members of all ages gathered on May 13 to walk/run a 5K. Westminster raised \$11,300 to support Living Waters for the World.



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Reenergized Music Program with New Director of Music Tim Evers, including Christmas and Lenten concerts featuring Chancel and Bell Choirs and area musicians.



Wonder, Imagination & Play and Campfire & Community provided new opportunities for families to connect this summer.



The new **Westminster Tapestry,** a 5-year project supported by the
Westminster Endowment and numerous volunteers, was dedicated in February.



Welcomed
48 new members,
celebrated 23 baptisms
and made 400+ pastoral visits
over the past 12 months.



Installed energy-efficient LED lighting in all areas of the church building, expanding our efforts as an Earth Care Congregation.



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A spiritually uplifting women's retreat drew 66 participants.



A new partnership with Cheyney University supports first-generation and under-resourced college students: WPC donated 750 water bottles filled with supplies to welcome students back to campus.



A new **Young Children & Worship** program during the 11 am worship service begins Fall 2023.



Expanding a partnership with Educational Equity Alliance:

WPC youth participated in their Soap for Hope

I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

- John 10:10

Westminster Presbyterian Church is a community on a mission to Know Christ and Make Christ Known! Knowing Christ creates abundant life for us and for all the world, we are called to thrive and to help our neighbors thrive. Over the next several weeks, we'll explore what this abundant life looks like and celebrate the ways Westminster participates in God's grace-filled love for the world.

People need community.

Westminster is a gathering place, a refuge, a welcoming house of worship and learning, in community with neighbors down the street and around the world.

Worship is the heart of the Westminster community of faith. Every time we gather, pray, proclaim God's Word, sing, and celebrate, we build up the beloved community with joy and beauty.

We build community by gathering and connecting through:

- The arts: reflecting God's gifts in our choirs and vibrant music ministry
- Service: supporting area universities and collaborating with local nonprofit partners
- Faith Formation: growing in life and faith through children's, youth, and adult learning opportunities including Bible studies and small groups

The world needs compassion.

That's part of what God's "abundant life" looks like: not hostility, indifference, or patronizing pity, but *genuine compassion*, the kind of mutual care evoked by Jesus' call to "Love your neighbor as yourself."

At Westminster, *Christ's compassion is at the heart of everything.* We respond faithfully to the needs of neighbors and friends. From backpacks and school supplies, to food and diapers, to prayer and spiritual encouragement, we make real the compassion of Christ.

The world needs justice and love.

Christ's vision of abundant life is not only for us or for a few - but for the whole world. Therefore, Christians speak up for those who are left out or left behind.

Westminster has a long history of working on behalf of God's loving justice. From the Home Team's efforts to increase attainable housing with rising rents and mortgages, to our efforts in responsible use of God's resources as an Earth Care Congregation, to our support of wellness, inclusivity and racial justice, Westminster lives out Christ's call in Matthew 25 to see Christ in those denied opportunities that allow for abundant life.

Commitment Sunday is October 22.

Please *support Westminster's vision* for creating abundant life for all by completing and returning your enclosed pledge card or by pledging online at westminsterpc.org/give. **Join us on Commitment Sunday, October 22,** when we'll joyfully celebrate all our gifts in support of our mission.

Thank you for being a part of Westminster and our life-affirming work of **Knowing Christ, and Making Christ Known**.

With joy in abundance,

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R. Roger Mecouch

Pastor Leah and the Giving Campaign Team



Make Your Pledge

Scan this QR code to pledge or go to westminster.org/give. Every gift matters in the abundant life at Westminster Presbyterian Church.