

# WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Large Print Bulletin

Knowing Christ.....Making Christ Known

May 19, 2024

11:00 A.M. Contemporary



### GATHERING THOUGHT

"The Spirit doesn't solve our problems, but invites us to see possibilities we would not have seen otherwise. Rather than remove our fear, the Spirit grants us courage to move forward. Rather than promise safety, the Spirit promises God's presence."

- David Lose

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Pentecost

May 19, 2024

11:00 A.M.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad in your pew)*

## PENTECOST OFFERING HIGHLIGHT

### SONGS OF PRAISE

*All Who Are Thirsty*

Nehemiah 8:10, Isaiah 6:3, B. Brown and G. Robertson,

Come Lord Jesus come (4x)

All who are thirsty, all who are weak,  
Come to the fountain, dip your heart in the stream of life  
Let the pain and the sorrow be washed away  
In the waves of God's mercy as deep cries out to deep we sing  
*(Repeat from beginning)*

Holy Spirit come (4x)

*In Christ Alone*

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song,  
This Cornerstone, this Solid Ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm,  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease,  
My Comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh,  
fullness of God in helpless babe,  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones he came to save,  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied,  
For every sin on him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay, light of the world by darkness slain,  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he arose again,  
And as he stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am his and he is mine,  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me,  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny,  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from his hand,  
Till he returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

### **SONG**

*Lord Have Mercy On Us*

Jon Frost

Lord, have mercy on us,	Let your Holy Spirit fill this place,
Lord, have mercy on us,	Let us, your people, see Your face.
Lord, have mercy on us,	Let your Holy Spirit fill this place,
Lord, have mercy on us,	Let us, your people, see your face.

***Refrain:*** *For you are holy, holy, worthy of all praise,  
Look with compassion on your people,  
Fix on us your holy gaze,  
We come to you*

Lord, have mercy on us,	Let your Holy Spirit fill our hearts,
Lord, have mercy on us,	Illumine us, fill us with your light

*Refrain*

*We come to you, we come to you  
We come to you, we come to you*

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

## THOUGHT FOR CHILDREN

### CONGREGATIONAL GREETING – *“The Peace of Christ”*

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

**Question to Congregation:** *Do we, the members of this congregation, in the name of the whole church of Christ, undertake with these parents the Christian nurture of these children so that in due time they may confess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior? If so, signify by saying, “We do.”*

**Response: We do.**

**Question to Children** (read by Ian Fitzgerald): *Children of Westminster, do we promise to share the light of Jesus with Landon and Olivia by being their friends and always showing them kindness and love? If so, say, “Yes, we do!”*

**Response: Yes, we do!**

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

## SHARING OUR GIFTS

## *Spirit of the Living God*

Audrey Assad and Henry Hallam Tweedy

O Spirit of the living God, thou Light and Fire Divine  
Descend upon Thy Church once more and make it truly Thine  
Fill it with love and joy and power,  
with righteousness and peace  
Till Christ shall dwell in human hearts, and sin and sorrow cease.

Blow, wind of God, with wisdom blow until our minds are free  
from mists of error, clouds of doubt, which blind our eyes to Thee  
Burn, winged fire, inspire our lips with flaming love and zeal  
To preach to all Thy great good news, God's glorious  
commonweal.

So shall we know the power of Christ, who came this world to save  
So shall we rise with him to life which soars beyond the grave  
And earth shall win true holiness which makes thy children whole  
Till, perfected by thee, we reach creation's glorious goal.

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### **FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON** Acts 2: 1-21 (Pew Bible pg. 885)

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.  
Even upon my slaves, both men and women,  
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;  
and they shall prophesy.

And I will show portents in the heaven above  
and signs on the earth below,  
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.  
The sun shall be turned to darkness  
and the moon to blood,  
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.  
Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

## **SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON**

John 15:26-27

(Pew Bible pg. 878)

'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

*Pastor: The Word of the Lord.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

*"Pentecost Possibilities"*

Ann Hatfield

**SONG OF RESPONSE**

*We Are One in the Spirit*

Peter Scholtes

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;  
We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,  
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

***Refrain:*** *And they'll know we are Christians by our love,  
By our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;  
We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,  
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
*(Refrain)*

We will work with each other; we will work side by side;  
We will work with each other; we will work side by side,  
And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride: *(Refrain)*

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: *(Refrain)*

**BENEDICTION**

**SONG OF SENDING**

*We Are One in the Spirit*

Peter Scholtes

**All Who Are Thirsty**

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Jonathan Frost

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Worship Times:  
9:30 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.

**WELCOME VISITORS!** We are glad you are here today. To help us welcome you personally, please sign the *Friendship Pad* with your name, address, email and/or phone number.

If you are interested in knowing more about being a follower of Jesus, have any questions, or desire follow-up information, please speak to one of the pastors. Following worship, they can be found greeting at the doors of the sanctuary.

**LECTIONARY PASSAGES FOR TODAY** are: Acts 2:1-21 *or* Ezekial 37:1-14, *and Psalm 104:24-34, 35b*; Romans 8:22-27 *or* Acts 2:1-21; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-156-19.

**THE FLOWERS in the sanctuary** are from the memorial service for Robert Stevenson held Saturday in our sanctuary.

**WORSHIP BAND:** Jon Frost, acoustic guitar; Tim Evers, bass guitar; Mary Anne Hrin, drums; Mark Beazley, piano; Joe Hrin, saxophone; Elissa Mauro, vocals



**KIDSCONNECT MORNING SCHEDULE:** 11:00am – **Young Children & Worship** will start out in worship with their parents and after the Thought for Children will be dismissed to the Chapel.

**USHERS:** Chuck Lambing, Eric Emrich

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Ministers of Jesus Christ  
Pastors  
Pastor Emeritus

All the Members of the Congregation  
Leah Hrachovec, Jon Frost, Ann Hatfield  
Bob Young

## **WORSHIP INFORMATION**

### **WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

#### *Sanctuary*

9:30am – Traditional worship

11:00am – Contemporary worship with band

#### *Wednesday Morning in the Chapel*

9:10-9:30am – Prayer and Communion worship


**PHONE MINISTRY - Calling in for Worship** is offered for those who want to listen to the 9:30 am service by phone. Contact Nancy Christy at 610-696-3284 for dialing instructions.

**A REMOTE TV MONITOR** is in the Quiet Room (just outside the sanctuary in the west hallway) to view and hear worship in progress for those with restless children or who need to leave the sanctuary.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES** are available for worship at the Information Center in the Narthex. Additionally, the sanctuary is equipped with an induction loop system that transmits to hearing aids and cochlear implants with telecoils. **PEW CUSHIONS** also available at the Information Center.

**PRAY GROUNDS ARE LOCATED** along the sides of our Sanctuary and are geared towards young children to engage in items from the cart during worship. This allows a space more suitable for them to be a part of the worship service.

**LIVE STREAMING** of our services is offered over the internet. A service bulletin for worship may be found through the link on our website or in the Sunday update. We invite you to join us at [westminsterpc.org](http://westminsterpc.org) when you are not able to attend worship.

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**PRAYER MINISTRY** members receive a weekly list of prayer requests via email and members include them in their conversations with God. To have a prayer request included in the Prayer Ministry or to become a member, contact Janet Gauger at [gauger.janet@gmail.com](mailto:gauger.janet@gmail.com) or the church office.

**THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION** is celebrated the first Sunday of every month in all services. If you desire or know of someone desiring **HOME COMMUNION**, please contact Ann Hatfield, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care at 610-399-3377 ext. 114.

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM** is celebrated the **third Sunday of every month**. Our **BAPTISM CLASS** is offered the last Sunday of each month, except December, at 10:30 a.m. Contact the office to register for the baptism class.



# NEWS AND EVENTS

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May 19, 2024



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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

On Sunday, May 12, we welcomed the following 6 new members into the fellowship of Westminster Presbyterian Church during worship services:

Kelly and Zach Henderson  
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West Chester, PA 19382  
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[kelly.welde5@gmail.com](mailto:kelly.welde5@gmail.com)

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Susan and John Masters  
6 Laurel Lane  
Glen Riddle, PA 19063  
[msamtab3@aol.com](mailto:msamtab3@aol.com)

Judy Reynolds  
122 Forelock Ct  
West Chester, PA 19382  
[rfurryfriends@verizon.net](mailto:rfurryfriends@verizon.net)



## **THANK YOU, RON BELLAMY!**

Today is Ron Bellamy's last Sunday directing the Chancel Ringers. We thank him for his many years of service and wish him all the best. Join us for a reception in Café 10 West following the 9:30 am traditional service when you can thank Ron for his musical leadership.

Spiritual Practices And Recreation for Kids

**JUNE 24-28**

camp  
**SPARK**



Choose from three options:

<p><b>FULL DAY</b> 8am-4pm</p> <p>Grades <b>K-5</b></p> 	<p><b>MORNING ONLY</b> 8am-12pm</p> <p>Grades <b>K-5</b></p> 	<p><b>PRE-K</b> 8am-12pm</p> <p>Ages <b>4 &amp; 5</b></p> 
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**SUMMER DAY CAMPS AT WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

10 W. Pleasant Grove Rd. West Chester, PA 19380  
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Camp SPARK is a NEW summer children's program! This camp will share the worship, ministry, and mission of WPC with our community.

**We need volunteers.** To see some of the roles needed go to our website at westminsterpc.org, at the top of the page hover over the drop-down menu "News & Events" and click on "News." You will see information on registration and volunteer roles needed. For more info, contact Jill Reichert at [jreichert@westminsterpc.org](mailto:jreichert@westminsterpc.org).



## **VESPERS END OF YEAR PICNIC**

*4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Sunday, May 19 • Tyson Park  
(901 Oakbourne Rd. West Chester)*

Join us for a fun end of year picnic at [Tyson Park](#)! Play games in the open space or on the playground before we enjoy a picnic dinner together. The church will provide burgers/dogs/buns as well as plates/utensils/cups. [Please sign up at bit.ly/VesperPicnic](#) to indicate what you can bring. There are a few picnic tables but pack a blanket and/or some lawn chairs to make sure everyone has a seat. Bring some outdoor games/activities for all to enjoy. Questions or to sign up? Contact [Jon Frost at jfrost@westminsterpc.org](mailto:jfrost@westminsterpc.org) or [Jill Reichert at jreichert@westminsterpc.org](mailto:jreichert@westminsterpc.org).





## RESTORATIVE JUSTICE TRAVELING ART EXHIBIT

Sunday, May 19 *Art Exhibit: 9:00am-12:15pm (Spellman Hall)*

*Journey Class: 10:45-11:45am (Spellman Jr.)*

Jan Michner, the Founder and Executive Director of Arts and Hearts Holding Hands (AHHAH), will lead the Journey Class on May 19, to teach about her work around justice and equity for youth in under-resourced communities.

This exhibit is a collaborative work of art providing a voice to the youth of Chester County, PA. Through the telling of personal stories and poems from those who are incarcerated, their silence is broken as they are heard and seen in written form. By answering questions about who they are and where they come from, the sharing of their lived experiences emerged from a place of power and courage to be vulnerable. This art exhibition is an invitation to witness and listen to the youth of our communities, finding a way to connect to their lives and needs. Justice Restored 3.0 is the corollary of a partnership between **AHHAH** and **Chester County Futures** committed to breaking the chains of voices who have been silenced and marginalized.



**WESTMINSTER'S ANNUAL**  
**MOTHER'S DAY DIAPER DRIVE**

We will be collecting Diapers and Wipes during the **Month of May**. Diapers and wipes will be distributed to seven organizations in Chester County that work with families in need of Diapers. Diapers and wipes can be left in collection bins throughout the church or purchased online and delivered directly to Westminster at 10 West Pleasant Grove Road, West Chester, PA 19382.

**WE'RE HIRING!**

**Finance Assistant.** This part-time position (20-25 hrs/wk) reports to the Finance Director and provides assistance and backup in Accounts Payable, Deposits, Payroll and Financial Reporting. All interested candidates should send their resume and cover letter to Sandy Kurek via email at [skurek@westminsterpc.org](mailto:skurek@westminsterpc.org).

**Custodian.** This full-time position (40 hrs/week) reports to the Church Administrator. All interested candidates should send their resume and cover letter to Gerry McShane via email at [gmcshane@westminsterpc.org](mailto:gmcshane@westminsterpc.org).

**Nursery Care Providers.** This is a paid position, 4 hours on Sundays and occasional special events. Twice a month on average. For more information, contact Mary Maina at [childcare@westminsterpc.org](mailto:childcare@westminsterpc.org).



## **DINNER FOR 8 RETURNS THIS FALL!**

Dinner for 8 is an opportunity to join a small group of eight people (couples and singles – all are welcome!) to gather for good food, great conversation, and Christian fellowship. Dinners rotate between different households or restaurants each month. The fall session will run from September through December. Registration will start in late summer. Questions, or want a reminder when registration opens? Contact Scott and Erin Lockledge at [wpcdinnerfor8@gmail.com](mailto:wpcdinnerfor8@gmail.com).

## **UPDATE FROM THE TRANSITIONAL ASSOCIATE PASTOR (TAP) SEARCH TEAM**

Westminster has opened its search for a full-time Transitional Associate Pastor for Spiritual Growth. The Transitional Associate Pastor (TAP) Search Team is listing this opening with the presbytery and surrounding presbyteries. If you know of a pastor whose gifts would enhance our ministry and spiritual growth at Westminster, please share news of this search. Use the QR code to see the full job description and [email](mailto:tap@westminsterpc.org) inquiries/applications to [tap@westminsterpc.org](mailto:tap@westminsterpc.org).



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Westminster Plant Share** Today, under the Portico, all morning. Even if you don't share seeds or a plant, you may pick up a new plant.

### **Footsteps and Paws Walking Group**

Today, May 19, 2pm at Greystone Clubhouse, 1150 Sculthorpe Dr, West Chester, PA 19380. Led by Ed McFalls. Contact Tim Jaques at [tjaques1@me.com](mailto:tjaques1@me.com) for information on how to access the online schedule.

**Westminster's Thursday Lunch Bunch** group meets on the Fourth Thursday of each month at noon. This month the date is May 23, join us at **Osteria Ama** near 202 & Street Rd - call Carol Olver 610 883-6176 or Carol Edwards 610 306-0674 if you plan to attend.

**Tuesday Fellowship:** After 32 separate fellowship meetings this past fall, winter and spring, we are taking our usual summer break. Look for us again in the fall as we start a fresh schedule of new and inspiring presentations on Tuesday, September 10. Have a great summer of spiritual growth and reflection!

Westminster's twice-monthly **Stitch Unto Others** group meets in the Quiet Room. All types of needlework are included. First and Third Tuesdays (May 7 and 21) at noon. Experienced and newbies welcome.

**Westminster's Library.** Please visit the library to see our Mother's Day display. While there, feel free to check out any books or DVDs of interest. The blue library cards are one per family. If there are any questions, please contact Phyllis Simmons at [simmphyl@msn.com](mailto:simmphyl@msn.com).

**Alzheimer's/Dementia Support Group.** If you are a loved one supporting someone with Alzheimer's/Dementia, please join us! Our meeting is on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 PM at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Spellman Jr. (in person or on Zoom). Email Page Hinkle at [phinkle@brandywineECM.com](mailto:phinkle@brandywineECM.com) for Zoom link. Our next meeting is Tuesday, May 28 at 6:00pm.

# FINANCIAL



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**April 2024**

## **General Fund – Mission and Church Operations**

Year To Date	Actual	Budget	% vs Budget Better/(Worse)
Pledge Giving	\$ 813,327	\$ 679,420	19.7%
Total Revenue	\$ 1,080,674	\$ 980,862	10.2%
Expense	\$ 795,562	\$ 823,479	3.3%
Net	\$ 285,112	\$ 157,384	81.2%
Surplus/(Deficit)			

*Through April, we have collected 48% of our pledges, which is indicative of the sizable increase in prepaid pledges in the first quarter. April giving declined as expected but the YTD Surplus is \$128k above plan and \$92k ahead of the same period last year. Expenses remain under plan in all the major categories.*

### **Offering Figures for 5/12/24 (includes online giving)**

General Fund-Sunday Svc/Mailed/Online	\$12,993.50
CSG Collection	4.00
Per Capita	38.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	100.00
Memorial Fund	18.97
Rise Against Hunger	85.00
Total	\$13,239.47

### **Attendance: 5/12/24**

In Person	401
Phone	6
Wellington	6
Live Stream	476
Total	889

## Calendar for week of May 19, 2024

### Sunday, May 19

Plant Share all morning under Portico

8:30 A.M. Nursery Care (109)

9:30 A.M. Traditional Service/WeeConnect 3-4 yrs  
KidsConnect (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade)

10:45 A.M. Journey Class (Spellman Jr.)

11:00 A.M. Contemporary Service/Children and Worship

1:00 P.M. Stephen Ministry Training (405)

4:00 P.M. Vespers and Picnic at Tyson Park

### Monday, May 20

9:00 A.M. Thrift Shop workday until 3PM

6:00 P.M. Pickleball (rear parking lot)

6:30 P.M. Stewardship Meeting via Zoom

7:00 P.M. Preschool Board Meeting (Spellman Jr.)

### Tuesday, May 21

9:30 A.M. Tuesday Women's Bible Study (407)

10:00 A.M. Thrift Shop open until 3 P.M.

1:00 P.M. Stitch Unto Others (Quiet Room)

7:00 P.M. Session Meeting (Spellman Jr.)

### Wednesday, May 22

9:10 A.M. Prayer and Communion Service (Chapel)

10:00 A.M. Thrift Shop open until 3 P.M.

4:30 P.M. Contemplative Small Group via Zoom

6:00 P.M. Pickleball (rear parking lot)

7:00 P.M. Gathering of Men (Spellman Jr)

7:00 P.M. Worship Band Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### Thursday, May 23

Thrift Shop Closed

10:00 A.M. Tech Time with Lynn (Zoom)

12:00 P.M. Thursday Lunch Bunch (at Osteria Ama)

7:00 P.M. Celebrate Recovery (414)

7:00 P.M. Boy Scouts (Spellman Hall)

### Friday, May 24

10:00 A.M. Thrift Shop open until 3 P.M.

### Saturday, May 25

9:00 A.M. Thrift Shop open until noon

Sunday, May 26

8:30 A.M. Nursery Care (109)

9:30 A.M. Traditional Service/WeeConnect 3-4 yrs  
KidsConnect (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade)

11:00 A.M. Contemporary Service/Children and Worship

11:00 A.M. Baptism Class (405)

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