

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Knowing Christ, Making Christ Known

February 22, 2026
10:00 A.M. Traditional



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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PRELUDE *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* Ken/Butler

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

MINUTE FOR PAM (Presbyterian Association of Musicians)

Kelly Abraham, Executive Director

CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise Ye the Lord (Psalm 150) – *Glory to God* #633

Refrain: Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah! Everybody praise the Lord.
Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah! Everybody praise the Lord.

Leaders will offer words of praise, followed each time by the refrain.

*** HYMN #740**

Lead Me, Guide Me

Lead me, guide me, a - long the way, for if you

(A) (D) (A7) (D)
B^b E^b B^b7 E^b

lead me, I can - not stray. Lord, let me walk each

(A7) (B7) (Em) (D) (A7) (D)
B^b7 C7 Fm E^b B^b7 E^b *Fine*

day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

(D) (B7) (Em) (A7) (Em)
E^b C7 Fm B^b7 Fm

I am weak and I need your strength and power to help me

(A) (D) (D) (D7)
B^b E^b E^b E^b7

o - ver my weak - est hour. Help me through the dark-ness your

(Em) (D) (A7) (D)
Fm E^b B^b7 E^b *to Refrain*

face to see. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole.
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.
Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

A leader will offer the prayer of confession, including this response:
God of grace, have mercy on us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* **RESPONSE #582** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (from The Confession of Belhar)

We believe that God has entrusted to the Church the message of reconciliation; and that the Church is called to proclaim and embody this reconciliation; to be peacemakers; and to believe and to witness that God conquers all powers of sin and death, of hate, bitterness and enmity, through his life-giving Word and Spirit.

We praise God that the gospel does not separate people on the basis of race, gender, class, or culture, but is the power of reconciliation in Christ.

We believe that God wants to bring about true justice and lasting peace on earth; we believe that God is, in a special sense, the God of the suffering, the poor and the downtrodden.

We praise God who gives justice to the oppressed and bread to the hungry; who sets captives free and makes the blind to see; who protects strangers, orphans, and widows and obstructs the plans of the wicked.

We believe that the Church belongs to God and that it should stand where God stands: against injustice and with those who are wronged.

We commit ourselves to reject all forms of injustice in ourselves and amongst us; and to struggle against all forms of injustice and every teaching that allows injustices to flourish.

We are called to confess and to do all this in obedience to Jesus Christ, our only Lord, even if authorities or laws oppose this, even if punishment and suffering may be the consequence.

Jesus is Lord! We will follow Him! To the one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be honor and glory for ever and ever.

THOUGHT FOR CHILDREN

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING – *“The Peace of Christ”*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying — *Glory to God* #469

Refrain: Lord, listen to your children praying.

Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

Leaders will offer prayers, followed each time by the refrain.

.....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.

OFFERTORY

Lazarus

Robert Tanner

Lazarus! Rise up! The Lord is calling you! Come forth, oh Lazarus! The Lord is calling you!. Rise up, Lazarus! The Lord is calling you. No need to be afraid, come on up out of that grave.

The Lord says you're sleeping but if that is true, why did they put you into that tomb? I hear my Lord weeping but don't be ashamed, when Jesus calls your name.

The daughter of Jairus fell sick and died, but then the Lord spoke to her and she opened her eyes. She rose up from her slumber, now you do the same, when Jesus calls your name.

One morning after sleeping in the Savior's hands, God's children gonna wake up in the Promised Land. So hold your head up now and don't be ashamed, when Jesus calls your name.

*** DOXOLOGY #606** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*** UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

In the name and in the spirit of Jesus, we bring our gifts to you, O God. Help us to give with them a ready mind, a willing spirit, and a joyful heart. Amen. *(please be seated)*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 11:1-44

(Pew Page 873)

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, 'Lord, he whom you love is ill.' But when Jesus heard it, he said, 'This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.' Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judea again.' The disciples said to him, 'Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?' Jesus answered, 'Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.' After saying this, he told them, 'Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.'

The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.' Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, 'Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him.' Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow-disciples, 'Let us also go, that we may die with him.'

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.' Jesus said to her, 'Your brother will rise again.' Martha said to him, 'I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.'

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, 'The Teacher is here and is calling for you.' And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, 'Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.' When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, 'Where have you laid him?' They said to him, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, 'See how he loved him!' But some of them said, 'Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?'

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, 'Take away the stone.' Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, 'Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.' Jesus said to her, 'Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, 'Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.' When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'

Pastor: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Danté Stewart

*** HYMN #313**

Lord, Make Us More Holy



1 Lord, make us more ho - ly; Lord, make us more ho - ly;
2 Lord, make us more lov - ing; Lord, make us more lov - ing;
3 Lord, make us more pa - tient; Lord, make us more pa - tient;
4 Lord, make us more faith - ful; Lord, make us more faith - ful;



Lord, make us more ho - ly, un - til we meet a - gain:
Lord, make us more lov - ing, un - til we meet a - gain:
Lord, make us more pa - tient, un - til we meet a - gain:
Lord, make us more faith - ful, un - til we meet a - gain:



ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, un - til we meet a - gain.
lov - ing, lov - ing, lov - ing, un - til we meet a - gain.
pa - tient, pa - tient, pa - tient, un - til we meet a - gain.
faith - ful, faith - ful, faith - ful, un - til we meet a - gain.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Total Praise

Richard Smallwood

** Please rise in body or in spirit*

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Worship
Times:
9:00 a.m.
10:30 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: Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7, Psalm 32, Romans 5:12-19, Matthew 4:1-11 **NARRATIVE LECTIONARY:** John 11:1-44

JOINING US IN WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY is Rev. Dr. David Gambrill, PC(USA) Associate for Worship

NO JOURNEY CLASS THIS MORNING.

KIDSCONNECT MORNING SCHEDULE:

- 8:15am – **Childcare (6 months thru 4 years old)** is available **until 11:45am** in Room 109.
- 10:00am - **Children Pre-K through 5th grade** will start out in worship with their parents and after the Thought for Children will be dismissed to their classes. Dismissal time is 11:10am.

Nursery – Room 109 (Downstairs)

WeeConnect (Ages 3-5) – Chapel (Upstairs)

Grades K-1 – Room 103 (Downstairs)

Grades 2-3 – Room 405 (Upstairs)

Grades 4-5 – Room 406 (Upstairs)

USHERS: Steve Brown (Lead usher); Peg and Craig Garner; Ann McNally; Herb Simmons; Rex Ebert; Rob and Barb Necarsulmer.

GREETER: Bob Beitler

WELCOME DESK: Amy Flynn

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Church Administrator

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Bob Young

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Kirsten Santos Rutschman

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Erin Sheffield

Sandy Kurek

WORSHIP INFORMATION

WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Morning in the Sanctuary

9:00am – Traditional worship

10:30am – Contemporary worship with band

Wednesday Morning in the Chapel

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

CARING FOR OUR SANCTUARY – We ask that you refrain from bringing food and drink into our Sanctuary to protect our carpet.

PHONE MINISTRY – Calling in for Worship is offered for those who want to listen to the 9:00 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 weekly update. We invite you to join us at westminsterpc.org when 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 or the church office. Anyone wanting to gift a Prayer Shawl/Comfort Critter to someone, please contact the church office.



NEWS AND EVENTS

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WE WELCOME GUEST PREACHER DANTÉ STEWART TO THE PULPIT

This morning we are pleased to welcome Danté Stewart to the pulpit as part of our Come Sunday Weekend event. Danté is an associate minister at Tabernacle Baptist Church in Augusta, GA, and a published writer of works ranging from essays to poetry. In fact, he was named “Georgia Writer of the Year” in 2022. He earned his master’s degree in modern religious thought and experience from the Candler School of Theology at Emory University in 2023. His first book Shoutin’ in the Fire: An American Epistle was published in 2021 and he has a second book forthcoming entitled What a Broken Heart Can Do.

BOY BREAKING GLASS: A VISION FOR A BETTER FUTURE CONCERT

4:00 pm Sunday, February 22 • Sanctuary

Celebrate Black History Month with Elevation, an all-professional, intentionally diverse vocal ensemble whose performances fuse traditional, classical choral music with jazz, Hip-Hop, R&B, storytelling, and spoken word.

This concert is inspired from Gwendolyn Brooks’ searing poem, *Boy Breaking Glass*, about a young Black boy who breaks a window, not out of vandalism, but as an act of protest and creation. The shattered glass becomes his art, a demand to be seen and heard in a world that has erased him. Through music that spans genres and idioms, we ask: What might it mean to build a future from the fragments? To lift every voice—not in support of the status quo, but in pursuit of justice, belonging, and joy. Joining them for a closing set of gospel music are participants of the *Come Sunday: Worship and Music That Moves Us* workshop. Tickets (\$20/adult or \$10/student) can be bought at the door.

ACTNOW IN FEBRUARY

Westminster's Outreach Committee is collecting items for ACTnow, which is an interfaith organization that helps individuals and families with immediate needs. Staff and volunteers work to stabilize households, encourage self-sustainability, and build community. Please bring **full-size items** to church during the month of February and place them in the marked bins located in the Heckert Center. Here is a list of needed items:

Toothpaste / Bar Soap / Deodorant / Giant Gift Cards

RISE AGAINST HUNGER MEAL PACKAGING SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 9AM - 2PM

Join us in Spellman Hall as we pack over 20,000 meals for Rise Against Hunger. Bring your friends and family for a morning of service and fellowship. **If you cannot join us for meal packaging, consider making a financial donation to support this event.** Westminster pays \$.41/meal to run this event. It costs approx. \$90 to feed a child for an entire school year.

GENESIS RINGERS: BEGINNING HANDBELLS (GRADE 3 - ADULT)

Are you interested in handbells? Learn the basics of handbell ringing in three weeks. No experience or music-reading skills necessary! Meets March 1, 8 and 15 from 4:00 – 5:00pm. contact Kirsten Santos Rutschman at krutschman@westminsterpc.org.

POTLUCK & PLAY: MARCH 9

Attention orchestra/concert band instrumentalists: Come share in a potluck supper (mains provided) and read through some fun music for later this spring. Potluck at 6:15pm, rehearsal at 7:00pm. Youth welcome! Contact Kirsten at krutschman@westminsterpc.org.

COME AND SEE, A LENTEN JOURNEY: SHARE YOUR STORY

For our upcoming Lent worship series *Come and See*, we'd love to hear and share your stories of how an invitation changed your life. If you are willing to share your story, fill out a form available online at bit.ly/ComeandSee2026. With permission, we hope to share these stories in various formats including print, social media, and video. Come and See!

NEW LENTEN JOURNEY SERIES: FINDING JESUS IN THE PSALMS

10:15 am Sundays, March 1-March 29 • Spellman Jr & [Zoom](#)

The Psalms provide a perfect framework for experiencing Lent through the verses that were Jesus's own scriptures, offering us strength and wisdom in a painful and redemptive season. Join us for this six-week DVD/Book study as Barb Roose combines an interpretation of the psalms with real life stories. We encourage you to read the book; however, it is not required to participate.

SAVE THE DATE: CREEK CLEAN UP

9:00-11:30 am Saturday, March 21 • West Goshen - McDonalds

Join in caring for creation by removing trash from the areas surrounding the streams. We will provide gloves, trash bags and refreshments. Use bit.ly/CreekCleanUp26 to register for WEST GOSHEN SITE 111. List WPC as the group. **Deadline for free T-shirt is 2/23.** Walk-in volunteers too. Questions? Contact [Sue and Martin Bruegel](#).

WE'RE HIRING:

ACTING DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY

(Part-Time - 20-25 hours/week) This role provides leadership and direction for the youth ministry program (grades 6-12), focusing on spiritual formation, discipleship, and relational connections. Help youth discover God's love in Jesus Christ and encourage their participation in the church's mission of knowing Christ and making Christ known. Contact Erin Sheffield for more information. esheffield@westminsterpc.org

PART-TIME OFFICE ASSISTANT

Westminster Presbyterian Church is seeking a detail-oriented and welcoming Office Assistant to support the daily operations of our church office. This part-time role partners closely with the Office Manager to provide office support and warm hospitality to members and guests. Ideal candidates will bring strong communication skills, solid Microsoft Office proficiency, and prior office experience, along with a heart for service and a commitment to the mission of Westminster and the Presbyterian Church (USA). Join a collaborative team dedicated to helping our ministries run smoothly and faithfully each day. Contact Erin Sheffield for more information. esheffield@westminsterpc.org

REGISTER FOR CAMP SPARK

Monday-Friday June 22 - 26 (8:00 am - 12:00 pm with optional afternoon component from 12:00 - 4:00 pm)

Our summer day camp returns for PreK to rising 6th graders. Participants engage in the arts, worship, recreation, and service projects for our community. To register children or to volunteer use the churchcenter app. Questions? Contact Caclia Rollet at campspark@westminsterpc.org.

Pricing:

- \$150/child for morning only & PreK camp (Family max - \$250)
- \$250/child for full day camp (Family max- \$500)

**Scholarships/Sponsorships available as needed and discounts available when an adult family member volunteers.*

GRATITUDE GIFT FOR CHRIS CLARK

If you'd like to contribute to a **monetary Gratitude Gift to Chris**, who served faithfully for 10 years as our Director of Youth and College Ministries, [donate via Venmo to Ed McFalls](#) or send a check payable to Ed McFalls with Chris Clark in the memo line. (1301 Kincade Lane, West Chester, PA 19380) or bring to the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recycle Your CDs & DVDs! Westminster's Music Ministries invite you to join our Care for Creation campaign by recycling old media. We're collecting CDs, DVDs, cassette tapes, audiotapes & any plastic cases. Drop them in the designated bins near the back doors during February and help us give these items a second life. Recycling will be done by GreenDisk. Questions? Contact Laureen Smith at laureenasmith@gmail.com

Trivia Night, Tuesday, February 24, 7:00pm, Spellman Hall. Looking for a fun night out? Test your knowledge and enjoy an evening of laughter, friendly competition, and great fellowship. Gather your team (or join one when you arrive) for exciting trivia rounds, music, and awesome prizes you won't want to miss. It's the perfect way to connect with old friends and make new ones—all are welcome!

Game Night, Friday, February 27, 6:00-8:00pm, Spellman Hall. Come out to play a variety of games for all ages with your church family. Feel free to bring your favorite games to play and snacks to share. We'll provide snacks and drinks, too. A family-friendly movie will be shown in Spellman Jr. if you decide you need some "chill" time and space. Bring a blanket/stuffy if you wish. Lots of bean bags will be there for comfy places to sit. Stay for the entire time or come and go as you are able.

2026 Tuesday Fellowship: On February 24, we complete our Celebration of Black History month with a presentation from the Curator of Patent Models at Hagley Museum in Delaware, **Chris Casio**. His presentation is entitled: "Hiding in Plain Sight. Black Inventors in Hagley's Patent Model Collection." The patent model collection is second largest collection in the world. The Smithsonian Institute has the only patent model collection that is larger. Enter the single door just to the right of the main entrance off the front circle. Please arrive at 9:30 for snacks, tea, and coffee with GREAT conversations. The presentation will be from 10 - 11 AM. All are welcome to attend Tuesday Fellowship in Spellman Jr or **ZOOM** online. Those wishing to ZOOM should contact Dave Goodale (dbgpharma@gmail.com). He will send you a link.

Donate Items for Easter Baskets Help us fill 50 Easter baskets for Chester County Migrant Ministry in Kennett. To provide uniform baskets to all the children, order items from our Amazon Wish List at bit.ly/EasterGifts26. We are also in need of Walmart Gift Cards to purchase candy and stuffed animals. Gift cards can be dropped off in the church office. Donations due by March 20. Questions? Contact Nancy Steinginga at nancysteinginga01@gmail.com.

Last Week to sign up for 2026 Women's Retreat, March 13 & 14 at WPC. Join women (16 and older) for a weekend of rest, renewal, and shared discovery. Registration is available on the website or forms in the church office. **Four spaces are still available!**

2026 Men's Retreat, April 10, 11 & 12 at Sandy Cove Retreat Center. This retreat invites men to take an honest look at the spiritual and emotional environment we are building. Join other men for a powerful weekend of teaching, prayer, honest conversation, worship, and practical steps toward lasting change. Leave equipped and renewed to cultivate a home where God's presence is felt, grace flows freely, and your family thrives with your intentional leadership. Registration is available on the website.

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Westminster's Library-Please visit the library to see our "Black History Month/Love" display. While there, feel free to check out books, DVDs, and study guides of interest. **Please take time this month** to stop by Spellman Hall and enjoy the display case honoring our church librarians past and present.

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 for Zoom link. Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 24 at 6:00pm.

Broad Street Volunteer Opportunity. Broad Street Love (formerly Broad Street Ministry) located at 315 South Broad Street in Philadelphia offers radical hospitality to all in their community. Westminster sends up to 4 volunteers to help serve, bus, and clean up lunch at the 10:30 am – 2 pm Sanctuary Lunch Service on the third Thursday of each month. The next opportunity will be on Thursday, March 19. Questions? Please contact Joseph Kefauver at jjkefauver@verizon.net.

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**December 2025 (Year-End)
General Fund – Mission and Church Operations**

Year To Date	Actual	Budget	Fav/ (Unfav)
Pledged Revenue	\$1,806,230	\$1,920,000	(1.06%)
Non-pledged giving	\$ 322,874	\$ 290,000	.89
Other Revenue	\$ 205,323	\$ 299,096	(1.45%)
Total Revenue	\$2,334,427	\$2,509,096	(1.07%)
Total Expenses	\$2,436,781	\$2,509,096	(1.03%)
Net Surplus (Deficit)	\$ (102,355)	\$ 0	

We ended 2025 with a budget deficit of \$102,355. Identified giving totaled \$2,129,104 representing a 2.9% increase over 2024, but falling \$80,896 short of budget, which had assumed a 6.8% increase.

In addition to the shortfall in giving, we experienced significant overages in property expenses, along with increased security costs related to a consistent police presence on Sundays in accordance with our safety plan.

Entering 2025, Westminster held an operating reserve of \$257,306. The 2025 deficit will reduce that reserve to \$154,951.

Attendance – February 15, 2026 – Total 983

9am – Online -470, Phone –6, In Person – 277 **(753)**

10:30am – Online -107, In Person – 123 **(230)**

Offering Figures for 2/15/26 (including online giving)

General Fund-Sunday Svc/Mailed/Online	\$ 50,720.56
Per Capita	3,868.92
Souper Bowl	285.05
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	<u>1,000.00</u>
Total	55,874.53

FOOD FOR OUR NEIGHBORS

FEBRUARY – CEREAL

**For questions about any of our activities or events,
visit the website at westminsterpc.org or call the
church office.**

Calendar for the Week of February 22, 2026

Sunday, February 22

8:15 A.M. Nursery care (109)

10:00 A.M. Kids Connect/ Wee Connect (Various Rooms)

10:00 A.M. One Worship Service (Sanctuary)

11:45 A.M. Baptism Class (Library)

4:00 P.M. Elevation Concert: Boy Breaking Glass (Sanctuary)

6:00 P.M. Mourning Star Grief Group

Monday, February 23

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

12:30 P.M. Library Committee (Library)

4:00 P.M. Wellness Team (Zoom)

6:45 P.M. The Chosen Bible Study (Chapel)

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

7:00 P.M. Stephen Ministry Mtg (Zoom)

8:00 P.M. Living Waters Leadership (Zoom)

Tuesday, February 24

7:00 A.M. “Morning Joe” Parent Support Group (407)

9:30 A.M. Tuesday Fellowship (Spellman Jr.)

9:30 A.M. Small Group Women’s Bible Study (414)

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

6:00 P.M. Alzheimer’s/Dementia Support (Spellman Jr.)

7:00 P.M. Tuesday Trivia (Spellman Hall)

7:00 P.M. Endowment Committee (Zoom)

Wednesday, February 25

9:10 A.M. Chapel Service (Chapel)

9:30 A.M. Women's Weekly Bible Study (Spellman Hall)

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

4:45 P.M. Cherub and Children Choirs (Spellman Hall)

7:00 P.M. The Chosen Study (Zoom)

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

7:00 P.M. Chancel Ringers Rehearsal (Spellman Hall)

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

Thursday, February 26-Thrift Shop Closed

10:00 A.M. Tech Time with Lynn

12:00 P.M. Lunch Bunch (offsite)

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

7:00 P.M. Celebrate Recovery (online only)

7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir (Music Room)

Friday, February 27

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

6:00 P.M. Game Night (Spellman Hall)

Saturday, February 28

9:00 A.M. Thrift Shop open until 12:00 noon

Sunday, March 1

8:15 A.M. Nursery care (109)

9:00 A.M. Confirmation Community Gathering (407)

9:00 A.M. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

9:00 A.M. Rise Against Hunger (Spellman Hall)

9:00 A.M. Kids Connect/ Wee Connect (Various Rooms)

10:15 A.M. Journey Class (414)

10:30 A.M. Contemporary Service (Sanctuary) / Young Children and Worship (Chapel)

3:30 P.M. Genesis Ringers (Spellman Hall)

5:00 P.M. Taizé Worship (Chapel)

5:00 P.M. Youth Choir (Music Room)

5:30 P.M. Youth Group Oscar Night



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