



FALL  
SERMON  
SERIES



# The GOOD NEWS

THE Celebration  
OF Worship

\*Please rise in body or in spirit.

## WE GATHER TOGETHER

### Prelude

Fantasy on Kingsfold  
This Is My Father's World  
*Westminster Ringers*

arr. H. Dean Wagner  
arr. D. Linda McKechnie

### Welcome and Announcements

### \*Share the Peace of Christ

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: We look in the mirror and what do we see?  
People: **We see people who try to be faithful,  
even as questions and struggles challenge our faith.**

Leader: We look in the mirror and how do we see?  
People: **We see with hearts which are open to God's love,  
with lives that seek to trust when all the evidence  
tells us not to be so foolish.**

Leader: We look in the mirror and who do we see?  
People: **We see a child of God who  
seeks to follow Jesus.**

**A Word for All Ages (11:00)**

*Children in PreK through 4th grade are dismissed to Sunday School.*

**Sending Song Hymn 748 (11:00)**

Go with Us, Lord

Go with us Lord and guide the way, through this and every coming day,  
that in your spirit strong and true our lives may be a gift to you.

**\*Prayer of Confession**

Unclog our ears and soften our hearts  
so that your word guides our lives;  
so that we put the needs of others before our own needs;  
so that we share what we have rather than hoard it for ourselves,  
and use our gifts to benefit others  
rather than our own status and position.

Remind us that following your son  
means emptying ourselves of ambition  
and filling ourselves with the desire to serve others as willingly as you did.  
Forgive our reluctance to follow his example;  
replace any selfish power plays of ours with his inclusive love,  
his compassion, and his humility.

*(A time of silence for personal confession)*

**\*Assurance of God's Love and Forgiveness**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**\*Sung Response**

Lord, Be Glorified

Bob Kilpatrick

1. In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.  
In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.
2. In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.  
In your world, Lord, be glorified today.

**Sacrament of Baptism**

**Prayers of the People**

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.

**Choral Response**

SEVENFOLD AMEN

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## WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD

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### Prayer for Illumination

#### Scripture Lesson

Mark 10:32-45

New Testament, page 47

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

#### Sermon

The Good News: Look at Me

Jo Forrest

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## WE OFFER OUR GRATITUDE

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#### Offertory Anthem

The Last Words of David

Randall Thompson

He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God.  
And he shall be as the light of of the morning, when the sun riseth,  
even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass springing out of earth  
by clear shining after rain. (2 Samuel 23: 3-4)

#### \*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

#### \*Prayer of Dedication

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## WE GO OUT TO SERVE

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#### \*Closing Hymn 377

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

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#### \*Benediction

#### \*Benediction Response

Go Ye Now in Peace

Joyce Eilers

Go ye now in peace and know that the love of God will guide you.  
Feel his presence here beside you, showing you the way.  
Know that the God who sent his son to die that we might live  
will never leave you lost and alone in his beloved world.

#### Postlude

Allegro Marziale

Frank Bridge

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**Leading in worship:** Jo Forrest, Laura Bentley, Richard F. Norris III, Jerry Malarkey, Dave Heilman, Rick Ralston, Jim Burns, Christine Hestwood, Jim Marshall, the Quartet, Chancel Choir, and Westminster Ringers.



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Help us raise \$350,000 to pay for this vital project to keep the power flowing. <https://www.westminster-church.org/let-there-be-light-project>



## Prayers of Concern and Thanksgiving

We celebrate with joy the birth of Henry Muffly, son of Erin and Matt Muffly, grandson of Mary and Tim Muffly.

## Baptisms

We rejoice with Cassandra and Marcus Bollman as they present Noa Grace; and Colleen and Keith Eddy as they present Molly Jeanette for the Sacrament of Baptism.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Westminster Seminars

### Four Gospel Stories through Rembrandt's Eyes

TODAY and October 27 | 9:45 a.m. | Galbreath Chapel

Presented by James E. Davison with Sandra Conley

The 17th century painter Rembrandt Harmenszoon van Rijn possessed an almost uncanny ability to paint scenes and people with remarkable depth and emotion. Some of his later Gospel paintings are especially profound. In this series we will look at four passages, seeking to enter the stories more deeply through Rembrandt's portrayal of them. What did he see in these passages, and how can we see more because of what he saw?



For more info and the Zoom link, go to <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/westminster-seminars>.

## Grief Care

Wednesdays, October 23 - November 20 | 6:45 - 8:00 p.m.

Memorial Parlor



Grief Care is a faith-based grief support group that can help you face the challenges of loss and move toward rebuilding your life. Contact Anna Hiner at [hiner@westminster-church.org](mailto:hiner@westminster-church.org) if you have any questions. To register and for more information, visit: <https://westminster-church.org/events/event-list/grief-care>.

## Cards for Jan Baumann

After seventeen years of faithful service as Volunteer Coordinator – tirelessly leading and gracefully inspiring us – Jan Baumann will retire on November 1. If you would like to contribute a card or note, please send them to the church by October 24 with the notation “Celebrate Jan Baumann.” They will be gathered in a box and presented to her on Sunday, October 27, when we will offer our gratitude at the congregational meetings.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Register Now for Fall Fitness Programs at the WROC

For a complete list, and to register for any class, visit [wroc.westminster-church.org](http://wroc.westminster-church.org).

In addition to old favorites, we've added to our fall lineup:

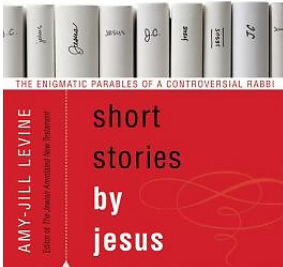
- Cardio Drumming
- Pilates
- Gentle Yoga
- T'ai Chi

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## SAVE the DATE: WROC Talk: The Whiskey Rebellion: A Distilled History of an American Crisis

Tuesday, November 12 | 6:30 p.m. | Fellowship Hall

Author Brady J. Crytzer will discuss the history of the Whiskey Rebellion. He teaches history at Robert Morris University. A specialist in the Imperial History of North America with seven books to his credit, Crytzer is a leading voice in his field.



### Westminster Book Group

Adult Spiritual Development

Wednesday, October 30 | Noon - 1:15 p.m. | Church Library

Join us for our next Westminster Book Group where we will discuss *Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi* by Amy Jill Levine. All are welcome!



### Voices of Spirit and Pappert Chorale from Duquesne University

Saturday, October 26 | 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.

Voices of Spirit and Pappert Chorale present *Sing Like A Planet*. Join the Duquesne choirs for a concert featuring repertoire about the magnificent, turbulent, and precious planet Earth. What would the Earth sing, if it could? Suggested donation of \$10/person.



### College Student Care Packages

Do you know of a college student in our congregation who could use a fall semester boost? Westminster wants to send them a care package! The deadline to submit a student to receive a care package will be Friday, November 1. Student names and mailing addresses, as well as any questions, can be sent to Harrison Burgess at [burgess@westminster-church.org](mailto:burgess@westminster-church.org).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Congregational Meeting - Sunday, October 27

The meeting will be immediately following each of the three worship services\*, when the Nominating Committee will present the nominations for Session, Board of Deacons, Nominating Committee, and Endowment and Special Gifts Committees. Nominations currently include:

#### Elders Class of 2027

Christopher Conroy  
Brian Eccher  
Jerry Malarkey  
Richard Ralston  
Harry Serene  
Deborah Waller

#### Endowment & Special Gifts Class of 2028

Richard Allwes  
Drew Hawth

#### Deacons Class of 2027

Christie Jones  
Dave Jones  
Catherine Kramer  
Miranda Policz  
Mark Rhoa  
Rebecca Stoczynski  
Sandy Thompson  
John Van Cleve

#### Deacons Class of 2025 (Youth)

Nolan Daniele  
Colin Green  
Lizzie Marsh

#### Nominating Committee 2025 At-large Members

Carrie Kushner  
Laura Rhoa  
Jodi Seftchick  
Amy Walker

\*The congregational meeting will be convened at the end of each of the three worship services so that everyone can participate. A brief town hall will also be offered following each service to provide a financial update.



### Reckoning with Anti-Semitism as Christians

Wednesday, November 20 | 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

What does God call us to do to protect our Jewish brothers and sisters? Surely we are expected to do more than shake our heads and pray as they face discrimination and violence. The event at Pittsburgh Theological seminary is a first step to developing practical tools for clergy and lay leaders to dismantle anti-semitism in their communities. The church van will leave from Westminster's north parking lot at 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions or wish to ride the van, contact Dan Paul at [dan.paul.42@gmail.com](mailto:dan.paul.42@gmail.com).



### Save the Date - Women's Retreat

February 7-9, 2025 | Crestfield Camp and Conference Center

Join the women of Westminster for a weekend of faith development, activities, and fellowship. This is an intentionally intergenerational group; everyone is welcome to join us. Read more at <https://www.westminster-church.org/events/event-list/women-belonging-retreat> or contact Laura Ecklin.

# THIS WEEK @ WESTMINSTER

OCT 20-26, 2024



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Scan here for a full WROC schedule & information

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:30	<b>Traditional Worship</b> Wiggle Room**	Sanctuary Rm. 239
9:00	Welcome Center	North Main Entry
9:45	<b>Bridge Contemporary Worship/</b> Bridge Sunday School (PreK-4th Grd.)	<b>WROC/Lvstrm.</b> Rm. 176
	Wiggle Room - The Bridge**	WROC Fitness
	Wesminster Seminars	Galbreath Chapel
11:00	<b>Traditional Worship</b> Wiggle Room**	<b>Sanctuary/Lvstrm.</b> Rm. 239
	Sunday School (PreK-4th Grade)	Rm. 233

\*Sunday School - Dismissed from worship after the children's message. Pickup after worship 9:45 in Room 176; 11:00 in Room 233. A time for children in PreK through 4th grade to explore the Bible, enjoy fellowship together, and grow in their faith.

\*\*Wiggle Room - 9:45 - Upstairs WROC Fitness Room; 8:30/11:00 - Room 239. Available to families with children who would prefer a separate space to step away while listening to the worship service. Please see an usher if you need help finding the Wiggle Room.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

12:00	AA	Fellowship Hall
7:00	Session Meeting	Galbreath Chapel

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

7:00	Tuesday Morning Men's Group	Rm. 238
10:00	Staff Meeting	Rm. 238

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00	Men's Small Group Bible Study	Rm. 231
4:30	Bible Read Along	Rm. 238
4:45	Little Ones & Loved Ones	Rm. 194
	Cherub Choir (K-2nd Grade)	Rm. 176
	Junior Choir (3rd-6th Grade)	Rm. 268
5:30	Wednesday Food & Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
6:00	Kids' Connection (PreK-2nd Grds)	Rm. 233
	Kids' Connection (3rd-4th Grds)	Rm. 176
	JAM - Youth Group (5th-6th Grds)	North Main Entry
	Veritas Youth Group (7th-12th Grds)	Youth Dept.
6:45	Grief Care	Memorial Parlor
7:30	Westminster Ringers	Rm. 268

Wednesdays @ Westminster have something for everyone! From children's choirs to Children's & Family Ministry programs, Food & Fellowship, Veritas Youth Group, Bible studies, and more, make plans to be here. Visit our website or scan the QR codes below for details.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

11:30	The Pittsburgh Presbytery	Rm. 238
7:00	LIFT(Ladies in Fellowship Together)	Rm. 283
	Book Group	
	Chancel Choir	Rm. 268
7:30	NA	Rm. 107
	Nar Anon	Rm. 131

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

6:30	Fishers of Men	Rm. 231
7:00	AA	Rm. 107
	AI Anon	Rm. 231

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

11:00	WECEP Trunk or Treat	Playground
7:30	Voices of Spirit and Pappert	Sanctuary
	Chorale from Duquesne University	



Children's & Family Ministry



Wednesdays @ Westminster



Music & Choirs

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