

Westminster At Worship

A Celebration of Worship Handbell Musical Sunday

June 9, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Please silence your cell phones prior to entering the sanctuary.

†Those who are able to stand may do so.



GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

SETH CUNNINGHAM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

INTROIT

"I've Got the Joy Down in My Heart" ARR. STEPHENSON
Adult Bell Choir

†CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Celebrate God in this sacred space!

Celebrate God in all places under heaven!

PEOPLE: Give praise for God's mighty deeds!

Give praise for God's resurrecting power!

LEADER: Praise God with a fanfare of trumpets.

PEOPLE: Praise God with the harp and the cello!

LEADER: Praise God with tambourines and dancing!

PEOPLE: Praise God with handbells and chimes!

LEADER: Praise God with cymbals and drums!

PEOPLE: Let everything with life and breath praise God!

OPENING MUSIC

*“Soon and Very Soon”
Adult Bell Choir*

ARR. MORRIS

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.

We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy.

**We have not loved you with a pure heart,
nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**We have not done justice, loved kindness,
or walked humbly with you, our God.**

Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness.

**In your great compassion,
cleanse us from our sin.**

**Do not cast us away from your presence,
or take your Holy Spirit from us.**

**Restore to us the joy of your salvation
and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.**

— A Time of Silent Confession —

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE

Believe this good news and give thanks: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

†RESPOND TO GOD’S GRACE

“Gloria Patri”

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, Amen.

†SHARING GOD'S PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

†HYMN

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" LOBE DEN HERREN

*Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration!*

*Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?*

*Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly for aye we adore him.*

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

THE WORD READ AND RUNG

"Battle Hymn of the Republic" ARR. DOBRINSKI
Adult Bell Choir

"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" ARR. DOBRINSKI
Adult Bell Choir

"Amazing Grace" ARR. BEHNKE
Adult Bell Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

†HYMN

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies" LASST UNS
ERFREUEN

*From all that dwell below the skies
let the Creator's praise arise:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
through every land, in every tongue.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!
In every land begin the song;
to every land the strains belong:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
In cheerful sound all voices raise
and fill the world with joyful praise.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;
eternal truth attends thy word:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
till suns shall rise and set no more.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD WITH THANKSGIVING

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*"Rock-a My Soul"
Adult Bell Choir*

ARR. STEPHENSON

~ Please record your presence on the "Friendship Pad"

†DOXOLOGY

*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

O God, bless these gifts that we have given as expressions of our love for you and our neighbors, that they may bring closer to fulfillment your reign of peace and love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BEING SENT WITH GOD'S WORD

SENDING SONG

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"
Adult Bell Choir

ARR. DOBRINSKI

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†POSTLUDE

SETH CUNNINGHAM



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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JUNE 9, 2024


NURSERY CARE is available for infants and toddlers during the worship service. Our nursery is equipped with a paging system. Quality childcare is provided by Elaine Edwards who is infant/CPR trained.

EGG CARTONS: we are going to be buying fresh eggs in bulk for our Food Pantry and are looking for 6 or 12 count egg cartons to use to divide and distribute eggs. Please drop them off in new Food Pantry (formerly the Nursery). Thank you!!

VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN: Bay Shore's Day Camp on the Road is coming to Westminster August 5-8 from 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m for fun week of VBS! **There is NO COST!** Click on the QR code to register. 

PICKLEBALL: Come try out the fastest growing sport in the US! A group from Westminster is inviting anyone who is interested to play pickleball at Delta College on Friday evenings, starting May 17th from 5-7 p.m. No experience necessary or equipment needed. This is a great opportunity for fun and fellowship! The courts are located outside on the North end of the campus (the tennis courts). Spectators welcome!

STARGAZERS AND SOULSEARCHERS: Using prompts from the Beatitudes, we're continuing to explore our faith through reflecting, writing and sharing (only if you wish). Our next meeting is **Tuesday, June 11th at 1:00 p.m.** in the Narthex. You are welcome to attend, even if you missed earlier sessions. Please see Judy Hudson or Rev. Linda for questions.

MATTHEW 25 CAFE AT THE SALVATION ARMY: Westminster serves lunch at the Matthew 25 Cafe on the second Tuesday of each month. Crews work from 9-11 a.m. with meal prep, or 11-1:00 p.m. serving and cleaning up. Join us on **June 11th or July 9th.** Scan the QR code or **sign up at the bulletin board just outside the sanctuary.** 

GRATEFUL BOOK STUDY: If gratitude is good, why is it at times, so hard to do? In *Grateful*, Diana Butler Bass untangles our conflicting understandings of gratitude and sets the table for a renewed practice of giving thanks. After a short hiatus, we'll meet again **Tuesday, June 18th and 25th at 1:30 p.m.** in the Narthex.

PER CAPITA 2024 Per capita for 2024 is \$29.50. Remember that Per Capita goes to fund the greater church including our Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly, which in turn, provides great support to Westminster. **Look for the blue envelopes in the pew backs or in your box of envelopes.**

JOIN US ON FACEBOOK: Westminster Presbyterian Church-Bay City

BULLETIN BOARDS: Check out the Church bulletin board just outside the sanctuary for upcoming church events and happenings, **plus sign-up sheets for volunteer opportunities!** In addition, the Community bulletin board in Fellowship Hall has information on health screenings, grief groups and other events in the area.

BOOK & BRUNCH: For this summer's Book and Brunch Series, we will continue our theme from last summer of hunger and food insecurity. While a book has not yet been chosen, the dates for this year's gatherings will be June 23rd, July 21st, and August 18th after worship in Fellowship Hall. And watch this space for details on this year's book.

SUMMER MOVIE SERIES: We have plans to show at least 3 movies during our Summer Movie series, starting next Wednesday, June 12th at 1:00 p.m. We will be showing the movie "Come Sunday" As always, we'll have popcorn, candy and beverages.

TITUS THEATRE: As you may know, Titus Youth Theatre has been using our building for much of the spring, rehearsing their productions that will be performed later this month here at Westminster. The actors, directors and crew are all students! Their performances will be **Thursday, June 20th and Friday, June 21st from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, June 22nd from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.** See the display in the Narthex for a brief synopsis and specific show times for each play.

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There are many ways to share your gifts with Westminster.

Cash and checks are welcome. Please use your offering envelopes or the envelopes found in pew backs and place your gift in the offering plate when it is passed.

Visit our website www.wpcbc.org and click on the "Give Now" button at the top of the page. This will direct you to our Online Giving Portal or simply scan the QR Code below.

Contributions can also be sent through the mail to the attention of the Church Treasurer.

We're grateful for your gifts, however you choose to give.
THANK YOU!

