

Westminster Presbyterian Church



Children's Easter Pageant
"One Spring Day"
April 10, 2022

Westminster At Worship

A Celebration of Worship

Palm Sunday

Children's Easter Pageant

April 10, 2022

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WESTMINSTER AT WORK

PRAYER

PRELUDE

Wendy Tally

THE LENTEN CANDLES "A Royal Reception"

+CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Draw near to God,

PEOPLE: And God (*raise both arms to the sky*)

will draw near to us. (*bring hands toward heart,
crossing them over your heart*)

LEADER: When we try new spiritual practices, we find new ways
to be with God.

PEOPLE: **Let us** (*extend arms forward, palms facing upward*)

keep company (*bend elbows and bring together hands
in prayer*)

with Jesus. (*sign “Jesus” using right middle finger touching the middle of left palm, repeat with left middle finger touching the middle of right palm*)

CALL TO CONFESSION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess that we have sinned, and although we would like to deny it, we have forsaken you. We are horrified by the suffering we cause — to you, ourselves, and the world you have created. Open the gates of your forgiveness and restore us in your love, for the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

— *A Time of Silent Confession* —

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

†SHARING GOD’S PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

PRAYERS OF INTERSESSION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Holy God, your son humbled himself, even to death, to show us the power of loving service. Guide those holding positions of power, that their decisions give rise to the mutual flourishing of the world you so love. Save us, O Lord,

For your mercy is great.

Healing God, your son is betrayed and crucified in our violent world each day. Raise us to a new and rightly ordered world through the reconciling love of Christ, where all victims of violence, persecution, shame, or terror may stand together with you in peace. Save us, O Lord,

For your mercy is great.

Forsaken God, as your son suffered his cruel death on the cross, darkness covered the whole land. Enlighten us to care for your

creation, awaken us from our denial and abuse, and help us to alleviate its suffering. Save us, O Lord,

For your mercy is great.

Grieving God, your son consoled others in life and in death. We pray for all who are distressed, broken, or sorrowful, that together with Christ in his suffering we may be healed and raised in you. Save us, O Lord,

For your mercy is great.

Eternal God, your son was lovingly cared for as he was laid to rest in a tomb. We remember before you those who have died and pray for those who will die today; enfold them in your love, that they may rest and rise with Christ forever in his light. Save us, O Lord,

For your mercy is great.

We remember those this day that we hold in our hearts... we pray for ...

We ask all this in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever and who teaches us to pray,

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.

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

†UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy God, we give thanks for your saving love made known to us in the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. Bless these gifts that they may bring life on earth as in heaven; in Christ's name we pray. Amen.

CHILDREN'S EASTER PAGEANT

“One Spring Day”

MUSIC

“Baptized in Water”

*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood
of Christ, our King; Heirs of salvation, trusting his promise,
faithfully now, God's praises we sing.*

*Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of
Christ, our King; Born of one father, we are his children,
joyfully now, God's praises we sing.*

“Hosanna”

*Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Hosanna,
hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Lord, we lift up your name
with hearts full of praise; be exalted, oh Lord my God!
Hosanna in the highest!*

*Glory, glory, glory to the King of Kings! Glory, glory, glory to
the King of Kings! Lord, we lift up your name with hearts full of
praise; be exalted, oh Lord my God! Glory to the King of
Kings!*

*Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Hosanna,
hosanna, hosanna in the highest! Lord, we lift up your name
with hearts full of praise; be exalted, oh Lord my God!
Hosanna in the highest!*

“Were You There”

Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

BELL TOLL

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE



“One Spring Day”

Written and directed by Brandi Higgins
Inspired by *One Wintry Night* by Ruth Graham

Cast List

Narrator: John Tapley

Lady: Rev. Linda Williams

Jeb: Max Weatherwax

Lilly: Harper Lindahl Milton

John the Baptist: Jayden Call

Jesus: Emerson Chambers

Simon: Isaiah Lindahl Milton

Phillip: “Bug” Call

Andrew: Brevin Chambers

John: Karma Weatherwax

James: Dylan Heidtman

Peter: Olive Graves

Youth: Isaiah Lindahl Milton

Woman Disciple 1: Lillian Chambers

Woman Disciple 2: Sabine Sivy

Jairus: Jayden Call

Messenger: Emily Majchrzak

Woman: Lauren Graves

Little Girl: Meadow Gustafson

The Crowd: Andrew, Camila, Emily, Everett, Isaiah, Ivy, Meadow

Pharisee: “Bug” Call

Mary, the mother of Jesus: Lauren Graves

Three Kids: Everett Morse, Camila Schmidt, Isaiah Lindahl Milton

Backstage Coordinator: Ray Weatherwax

Thank you to Judy Hudson for managing and organizing the costumes.

Thank you to Harold Miller and Heather Heidtman
who stepped in to help with the set.

HOLY WEEK ACTIVITIES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: This year during Holy Week, we are excited to offer you the opportunity to journey through Holy Week with Stations of the Cross. The colored posters and devotional materials help children and adults use all four gospel accounts to tell the story of Jesus' passion, death, and burial. These stations will be posted around the outside of the church building and can be accessed any time during Holy Week. They will also be set up around the sanctuary for use while the building is open (Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

WEDNESDAY SERVICE OF MORNING

PRAYERS: At 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 13, take a virtual prayer break with Pastor Jamie. The service will be streamed on the church's Facebook and YouTube pages. This brief (8-12 minute) service will help us start our Wednesday together in prayer for one another, for our communities, and for the world. Online participants will be able to share their prayer concerns utilizing the comment box on Facebook.

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP

SERVICE: On Thursday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. we join Jesus and his disciples in the upper room for their last supper together. We will explore the spiritual disciplines of service, love, and thanksgiving together as Jesus teaches us the meaning of service, shows us the way to love one another, and offers us the bread of life and the cup of salvation. Those who feel comfortable can participate in a symbolic washing. Communion will be served.

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE WORSHIP

SERVICE: Tenebrae means "darkness" or "shadows." On Friday, April 15 at 7:00 p.m. Matthew, one of Jesus' disciples, interviews different characters who interact with Jesus during the final hours before his crucifixion. With each progressive step towards the cross, candles are extinguished as evil tries to extinguish the light of the world. We will hear the story of Jesus' Passion in scripture, song, and silence.

EASTER WALK & VIGIL: This year Westminster will have a unique and fun way to share Easter with our church friends and family. On Saturday, April 16 beginning at 4:30 p.m. (and April 17 before and after both Easter services), we will have a story walk in place for folks of all ages to enjoy. There will be 14 story stations representing a different part of the Easter story. Expect to find something fun at each station. Immediately following the Easter Walk, we will host an Easter Vigil, a service that helps us to bring the light of resurrection into a dark world. This is a family-friendly time to reflect on the stories of God's salvation that have been passed down since the beginning.

EASTER BREAKFAST: The Fellowship and Outreach Committee will host Easter breakfast on Sunday, April 17 at 9:00 a.m. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$5 per individual, \$7 per couple, and \$10 per household.

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES:

Join us Easter morning for a joyous celebration of Christ's resurrection! We will offer two services (8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.) full of music and prayer, as we hear once again the good news of the empty tomb. We will celebrate communion together at both services. The Easter Story Walk will be available before and after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship services.

LONG-TIME WESTMINSTER MEMBER

Claire Jacobson is turning 100 later this month! We invite you to honor her on this special occasion by sending her a birthday card.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is scheduled for Monday, June 13 – Friday, June 17 from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. If you are interested in registering your child(ren) or volunteering, please sign up at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/wpcbc>.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR will rehearse this coming Wednesday (April 13) at 6:30 p.m.

KISSING A COW: Join us as Pastor Jamie, Pastor Linda, and Brandi kiss a cow following worship on Sunday, April 24. Westminster celebrated Children's Sabbath this past October, and with the help of our generous congregation and an anonymous giver, the children and youth ministry have received a total of \$5,000 to purchase a community farm bundle through Presbyterian Gifts. This gift includes enough livestock, tools, and

training to support a larger farm that can serve an entire community. This bundle reflects families of chickens, multiple goats, piglets and cows, a pair of oxen with a plow, and a collection of equipment — enough to help communities raise both healthy food and their standard of living. Making this financial challenge more interesting, those donating were able to choose which silo — Pastor Jamie's, Pastor Linda's, or Brandi's — to place their donation; the winner with the most donations having the good fortune to kiss a cow. In the end, the donations were tied between the three. Join us on Sunday, April 24!

RUMMAGE SALE: The Presbyterian Women of Westminster will organize a rummage sale for the first week of May! It will open Wednesday, May 4 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. for members only. It will be open to the public on Thursday, May 5 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Friday, May 6 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. You may drop off items for the rummage sale beginning Sunday, May 1 after the worship service through Tuesday, May 3.

LYDIA CIRCLE will meet in-person on the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Session room. The next meeting is April 21. We are using the *Horizons Bible Study, What My Grandmothers Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus.*

DEBORAH CIRCLE: Ladies, you are invited! The Deborah Circle will meet via Zoom on Tuesday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m. Contact Karen Schoeppach at 989-684-1322 or kaysue@chartermi.net for Zoom information.

THE WIRED WORD, “*Where current events and faith intersect,*” takes place on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom. News is inevitable — whether good or bad, but what better way to extract hope from this input than to juxtapose scriptures as tools to persevere and navigate our daily walk in Christian faith. Our weekly Wired Word gatherings allow us to reflect on the week’s happenings with others who may not share our same thoughts and opinions, but are equally dedicated to thinking about and talking about how current events intersect with our faith questions and convictions. Any questions, or to receive study material and Zoom information, contact Rev. Linda at 686-1360 or parishassoc@wpcbc.org.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: When we respond to Jesus’ summons to “Follow me” and we choose to follow, we are committing to a lifelong apprenticeship journey — one in which we will continually be formed, reformed, and transformed. Discipleship is not a skill; it’s a way of

life. Bible Study classes are offered at two different times to accommodate various schedules. Join us on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the small conference room or Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. The same study materials will be used at both gatherings, and are available for pick-up in the church office. See Rev. Linda or Pastor Jamie with any questions.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD: If you are looking for grief support groups, health clinics, or volunteer opportunities that take place within our community, please check out the community bulletin board located in Fellowship Hall.

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

JOIN US ON FACEBOOK: Westminster Presbyterian Church - Bay City

PER CAPITA: Per capita for 2022 is \$29.00.

Prayer List

April 10, 2022

*"I raise my eyes toward the mountains. Where will my help come from?
My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth."*

Psalm 121:1

Jennifer	Owen
Ross	Dale
Mary Lou	Joyce
Sandy	Bibbee Family
Randy	Jim & Family
Amy	

Mission Co-Workers

Nikelle Johnson - Union Presbyterian Seminary
Lucy Dergarabedian - Lebanon
Cathy Chang & Juan Lopez - Philippines

Austin, serving in the U.S. military
Derek, serving in the U.S. military

People of Ukraine



This Week at Westminster

Today, Sunday, April 10, 2022

- 9:00 a.m. First Light (Sunday School)
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Handbell Practice
- 9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service - Children's Easter Pageant
- 11:30 a.m. Fellowship Time
- 4:30 p.m. Junior Bell Practice
- 5:00 p.m. Ignite (Youth Group)

Monday, April 11

- 6:00 p.m. Finance Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Stewardship Meeting

Tuesday, April 12

- 9:00 a.m. Bay ISD
- 10:00 a.m. Hearts & Hands Knitting
- 10:00 a.m. The Wired Word via Zoom
- 1:00 p.m. Bay City Lion's Club
- 6:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 150

Wednesday, April 13

- 9:00 a.m. Weekly Service of Morning Prayer
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Thursday, April 14

- 8:30 a.m. TOPS
- 9:00 a.m. Bay ISD
- 5:00 p.m. Food of Faith (at Messiah Lutheran)
- 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Worship Service

Friday, April 15

- 7:00 p.m. Good Friday Worship Service

Saturday, April 16

- 4:30 p.m. Easter Story Walk
- 5:00 p.m. Easter Vigil (outdoors, weather permitting)

Next Sunday, April 17

- 8:00 a.m. Easter Sunday Worship Service
- 9:00 a.m. Easter Breakfast
- 10:30 a.m. Easter Sunday Worship Service

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Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Friday
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Online Giving

Want to support the work God is doing through our church, but don't have cash or a check on hand? Visit our webpage www.wpcbc.org and click on the "Give Online" button or scan this QR code to get to our online giving portal. You can make a one-time gift to the church or set up a recurring gift. Thank you!



