

Westminster At Worship

A Celebration of Worship *Fourth Sunday after Pentecost*

June 21, 2026

10:30 a.m.

Please silence your cell phones prior to entering the sanctuary.

†Those who feel comfortable standing may do so.

* Denotes hymn number in pew hymnal. Some lyrics may be different than what is projected on the screens.



DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE

SETH CUNNINGHAM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

TOLLING OF THE BELL

†CALL TO WORSHIP

God, we enter into a brand-new moment of worship this morning.

We come with deep gratitude and wide expectation.

Thank you for dreaming this day into being.

Thank you for inviting us to celebrate it with you and with one another.

Come let us worship God.

Let us worship God together.

†HYMN

"Morning Has Broken"

*No. 35

*Morning has broken like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!*

*Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.*

*Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation; praise every morning,
God's re-creation of the new day!*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, though we know you to be our all, there are times when the all of life is too much. In such moments when we feel cast aside or falling apart, we are tempted to give up. Yet, we know too that you impart strength and courage. Do for us what have not done for others, and in your undeserved graciousness, help us to see that life does not have to be what it is. Teach our hearts that we never walk alone. Grant us in grace to receive such astonishing and wondrous forgiveness and blessing. In your mercy and grace we pray...

— A time of Silent Confession —

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

+RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

GLORIA PATRI

*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

May the peace of Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another with God's love, Christ's peace, and the Holy Spirit's embrace.

DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

HEBREW READING

Genesis 21:8-21

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 10:24-39

SERMON

*"The Hard Work of the Kingdom Continues:
Comfort in the Compelling"*

Rev. Linda Williams

†HYMN

"Oh Happy Day"

*No. 368

*Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
Oh, when he washed (When Jesus washed)
When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
He washed my sins away, Lord (Oh, happy day)
Ah, happy day (Oh, happy day)*

*Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
Oh, when he washed (When Jesus washed)*

*When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
He washed my sins away, Lord (Oh, happy day)
Ah, it's a happy day (Oh, happy day)*

*He taught me how (He taught me how)
To watch (Watch)
Fight and pray (Right now, good God, oh yeah)
Fight and pray
And he'll rejoice in everyday (Right now, good God, oh yeah)
Everyday, oh happy day*

*Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
Oh, when he washed (When Jesus washed)
When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)
He washed my sins away (Oh, happy day)
Ah, happy day (Oh, happy day)*

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A New Creed 1968, United Church of Canada

**We are not alone,
we live in God's world.
We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,**

to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

DISCIPLES RESPOND TO THE CALL OF GOD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

MEN'S CHOIR

"All to Us"

*Words and Music by Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, Matt Maher
and Matt Redman; Arranged by Mary McDonald*

†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.*

†PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, your gift to us is life. Our gift to you is how we choose to live life, including our choices of offering to advance your work in the world. So, take these gifts from our hands, loving God, along with our prayer that they will help accomplish not what we will, but what you intend. Multiply our seed sown this day, we pray. Amen.

DISCIPLES DEPART TO SERVE GOD

†HYMN

“Amazing Grace”

*No. 422

*Amazing grace, how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.*

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!*

*Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come.
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.*

*The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures.
He will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.*

*When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.*

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Guide my feet while I run this race.

**Guide my feet while I run this race,
for we don't want to run this race in vain!**

Hold my hand while I run this race.

**Hold my hand while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

Stand by me while I run this race.

**Stand by me while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

I'm your child while I run this race.

**I'm your child while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

Search my heart while I run this race.

**Search my heart while I run this race,
for I don't want to run this race in vain!**

Guide my feet while I run this race.

**Guide my feet while I run this race,
for we don't want to run this race in vain!**

†POSTLUDE

SETH CUNNINGHAM



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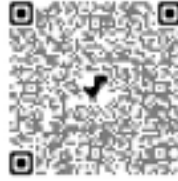
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Feasting on the Word; Presbyterian Outlook

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JUNE 21, 2026

- **THE FLOWERS** for today's service were provided by Joy Thompson in celebration of her daughter Pam Monville's birthday on June 24.
- **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.
- **PER CAPITA for 2026 is \$35.00.**
- **WINGS OF PRAYER:** If you have someone you would like to add to our Wings of Prayer list, please contact Patti Wesenick at 989-737-6844.
- Mark your calendars, **BAY SHORE CAMP'S ON THE ROAD DAY CAMP** is returning to Westminster **August 3 through August 6**. Camp is open to those entering Kindergarten through 5th grade.

Registration is LIVE through the camp's website: <https://bayshorecamp.com>



[campbrainregistration.com/](https://bayshorecamp.com) or scan the QR code to register.

Camp fills up quickly, so be sure to register early! We are still working out the details on what we might be able to offer

for others outside of these age groups.

More details will be available soon!

- **CARING CONNECTIONS:** Come join us on the first Thursday of every month. Our Caring Connections Group is open to the Bay City community, so if you have a friend or neighbor who is dealing with grief, they are welcome to join! **Please note that our July meeting is planned for the second Thursday of the month, July 9**, because of the July 4th holiday.

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Giving to Westminster

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. 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!

GENERAL FUND	Month to Date thru June 16,	
	2026	Year to Date
Pledges & Other Giving	\$ 13,964	\$ 301,546
One-time Gifts	\$ -	\$ -
Other Cash Received	\$ 46	\$ 6,325
Total Income	\$ 14,010	\$ 307,871
Expenses	\$ 19,323	\$ 196,470
Net Income/(Loss)	\$ (5,313)	\$ 111,401

Budgeted expense total for 2026 is \$467,000.



Westminster

COMMUNITY PANTRY

The Pantry Celebrates Two Years serving Bay County! In Year Two (June 2025-May 2026), we had 2,556 visits serving 7,257 people with 82,493 pounds of food. Compared to our first year, that's 600 more visits serving 1,354 more people with almost 19,000 pounds more food going out the door.

The June "Item of the Month" is canned fruit (peaches, pears, mixed fruit, pineapple, etc.). We cannot always get these staples from the Food Bank, but they are items we always want to have in stock. All donations may be left on the cart outside the pantry door. Thank you!

Items for the Tree: We try to keep our Christmas tree stocked with kitchen items like can openers, measuring cups and spoons, dish towels, dish cloths, etc. First-time guests and returning guests who bring their own bags can pick something off our tree. Right now, our tree is looking a little bare. We appreciate your donations of new or gently-used items. Please leave them on the cart outside the pantry door. Many thanks!

Our "Free Little Library" has been a hit! We have inspirational reads, devotionals, cookbooks and children's books. If you have books to contribute, please leave them on the cart outside the pantry. These books will feed the spirit, just like food feeds the body!

• **SUMMER MOVIE SERIES:** Join us this summer for a special movie series featuring films connected to authors from this past year's book group. Our next film is *A Patch of Blue* on **Tuesday, June 23. Movies will be shown on Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m.** As always, we have soda, popcorn, and candy, so come enjoy a good film and good company with us this summer. Any questions, please call the church office. Remaining films in this year's series include: *The Last Brickmaker in America* (**July 7**); *The Secret Life of Bees* (**July 21**); and *Yentl* (**August 25**). A family-friendly movie also will be shown on August 11.

• **LOONS GAME:** Join us for a fun-filled evening at Dow Diamond on **Friday, July 17th** as we cheer on the Great Lakes Loons! This isn't just any baseball game—it's **The Great Lakes Grand Carnival** night, when the ballpark transforms into a full-scale carnival experience. For



tickets go to <https://www.gofevo.com/event/Westminsterpresbyterian26>. Tickets can also be purchased through the church office or on Sunday mornings if you need help, or scan the QR code to buy online.

• **BOOK/BIBLE STUDY SERIES:** This summer we invite you to join our book/Bible study series on *Tending the Wild Garden: Growing in the Fruit of the Spirit* by Eugenia Gamble. We will meet three weeks in June, three weeks in July and four weeks in August. You need not attend all weeks, just come as you are able to enjoy and be inspired by *Tending the Wild Garden*. Our next meeting is **Wednesday, June 24 at 1:30 p.m.**

• **"SUMMER DICE AND SMILES" Bunco group:** Join us for on **Tuesdays: June 30, July 28, and August 18.** Bring a bag lunch at **noon, and Bunco will begin at 12:30 p.m.** Light refreshments served. Prizes will be awarded for Most Bunco, Most Mini Buncos, Most Wins, and Most Losses. Come for a fun time—no skill needed, just lots of luck and laughter!

• **FLOWERS FOR THE SERVICE:** If anyone would like to provide flowers for an upcoming church service, please see the calendar on the wall outside the Sanctuary to sign up for open dates!

• **LOG FOLDING:** We will be gathering this **Tuesday, June 23 at 10 a.m.** to fold the July issue of The Westminster Log. Thanks to everyone who helps with the effort, your assistance is greatly appreciated!

• **ONLINE DIRECTORY:** A number of people have reported that they were unable to access the online directory after an update to their phone. If you are having trouble connecting to the directory, please contact the church office to receive your "unique identifier" code that will allow you to access the directory.

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The office is open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Monday through Thursday. Closed
noon to 1 p.m. for lunch each day.

Show Your Spirit – New WPC Shirts Now Available!



T-Shirt



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Looking for a great way to represent our church community? We're excited to offer custom shirts featuring our church logo!

We're offering **100% Cotton T-Shirts** for \$12-15 or **Polo Shirts** for \$25-29. They are available in Navy blue, White, or Red

You can place your order using the QR code below or by following the link. The online store is open until the end of June. If you'd prefer to order in person, we'll have someone taking orders and payments after church on June 14, 21, and 28.

Support Westminster with pride and help spread the word about our church family. Perfect for Sunday services, community events, or everyday wear. Get yours today!

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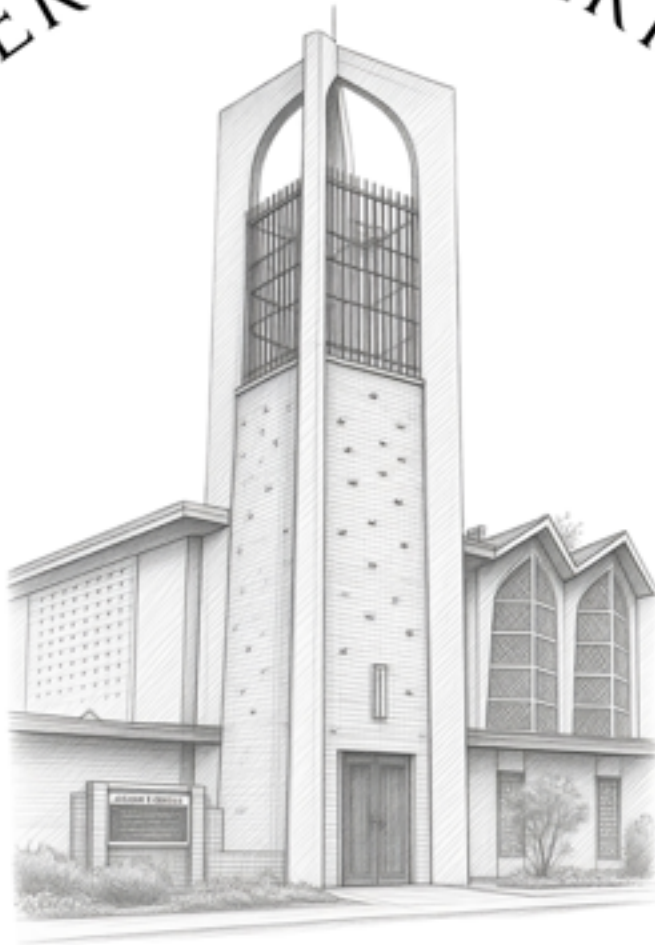
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