



Westminster PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JULY 13, 2025 AT 10AM | 5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

An open and welcoming Christian community in service to God and neighbor

We Come Into God's Presence with Joy

Life of the Church

Prelude

* Call to Worship

Lynda Berg, liturgist

(congregation please read bold type)

All you brokenhearted, all you worn out,

All you overwhelmed, all you energized,

All you in chaos, all you at peace,

You, many things at once,

You, ebbing and flowing human,

You, containing multitudes:

Come and worship. Rest in God's presence.

The God of compassion meets and loves us as we are.

Adapted from enfleshed liturgy resource

* Hymn #307

*God of Grace
and God of Glory*

CWM RHONDDA

* *You are invited to stand as you are able.*

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy One, your Word is present and among us, not hidden in the heavens, not far across the sea, but near enough to touch, to feel, to experience. Still, we turn away. We grow weary of the world's pain and feel too small to make a difference. We harden our hearts against neighbors in need, numb our minds with noise, and forget the power of your transformative love. Forgive us, O God. Soften what has grown rigid. Loosen what is held too tightly. Open us again to your living Word. Help us begin again, with open hearts and outstretched hands. Amen.

Silent prayers of confession.

Assurance of Grace

* Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

* Song of 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.

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As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

We Hear God's Word

First Reading of The Word **Luke 10:25-28**

Anthem

A Moment to Wonder

Children are invited to come forward for a short lesson on the chancel steps.

Second Reading of the Word **Deuteronomy 30:9-14**

Sermon

Close at Hand

Rev. Hannah Lundberg

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn #835

*Just a Closer Walk
with Thee*

CLOSER WALK

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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 and Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

* Song of Response #714

God of the Fertile Fields, v2

**We would be stewards true,
holding in trust from you
all that you give;
help us in love to share,
teach us like you to care for people everywhere,
that all may live.**

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn #346

*For the Healing
of the Nations*

ST. THOMAS

We Go Forth to Serve

* Dismissal

And let all God's people say:
Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

This Week's News

Summer Schedule: Now through August 31, worship will begin at 10:00am. The Fellowship Hall Class meets before worship, from 9:00 to 9:45am, and Reading Through the Bible gathers afterward, from 11:15 to 12:15pm.

Caring for our community: Pick up a cloth grocery bag in the main entry today and bring it back next Sunday with nonperishable food and personal and household items, for Hope Clinic's food pantry.

Mission Workshop: After worship on July 27, all are invited to a Mission Workshop and lunch as we reflect together on how our church serves the community. We'll look back on past mission efforts, consider ongoing partnerships, explore emerging needs in Washtenaw County, and begin shaping our service priorities for the year ahead. Whether you've been involved in the past or are just curious to learn more, your voice and ideas are welcome! Please sign up on the bulletin board or email Gordon Beeman (gbeeman@umich.edu) so we can plan for lunch.

Blessing of the Animals: Join us for a joyful and interactive Blessing of the Animals on Friday, August 15th at 7pm! Bring a pet, a photo of a beloved animal (wild or domestic), a stuffed animal, or just yourself. We'll begin with a brief outdoor worship service, reflecting on how God's love is revealed through our furry, feathered, and scaly friends. Then we'll mingle through stations offering blessings for animals and people, treats and toys for pets in attendance, and crafts to help care for creatures in the wider world. We'll also be collecting supplies for the Humane Society of Huron Valley. Find their list of most-needed items here: www.hshv.org/wishlist.

Contribution statements are available for pickup on the coffee bar.

Grow in Faith and Friendship

Reading Through the Bible Group meets Sundays after worship at 11:15am for the summer. Please contact Marcia Anderson (hilden.anderson@gmail.com; 734-757-4305) for more info.

Sunday Morning Adult Ed meets in the fellowship hall at 9am for the summer.

Monday Conversations are weekly at 1pm online: an opportunity to discuss Sunday's sermon in a small group. The Zoom invitation is in the Friday *Good Things* and Sunday podcast emails.

Mary Martha Group meets the first and third Mondays at 7pm via Zoom. Please contact Margaret Klammer (mklammer@comcast.net) for more information.

Matthew 25 Study Group meets at 7pm on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. For meeting information please contact Elizabeth Tidd (lizbeth0405@yahoo.com) or Carol Hufnagel (carol.hufnagel@tetrattech.com).

Thursday Book Club is wrapped up for the Summer, and will resume in the Fall. Please contact Linda Harnisch with questions (rlharnisch@gmail.com).

We pray for our Westminster family

Ongoing needs: Donna Greyerbiehl, Kathy Kamm, Elke Kramer

Condolences to Dot MacArthur and family on the June 28 death of Dot's brother-in-law, Douglas MacArthur.

For deacon care, contact your deacon directly or send an email to the deacon moderator, Janet Eaton (jmfeaton@umich.edu). To list prayer requests here, in the *Friday Good Things Are Happening* email, or Prayer Chain, contact Jill Fairchild (jill@thefairchilds.net or 734-417-0816). You can join our email prayer chain by contacting Jill. To keep us current, please share updates on those for whom we are praying.

Welcome to Westminster

Our Values: Love, Compassion, Connection, Inclusion, Earth-Care, Service

Our Mission: Show the love of Jesus Christ by welcoming everyone, without exception, into the full life of the church; participating in the joyful worship of God; engaging in regular study, reflection, prayer and sharing of our faith; committing ourselves and our resources to the spiritual and physical needs of our church family and neighbors near and far; seeking to be a good neighbor in our neighborhood.

Sunday worship podcasts are at bit.ly/westpres_online.

For deacon care, please contact Janet Eaton (jmfeaton@umich.edu).

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