



Westminster PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 9, 2025 AT 11AM | 22ND 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

Bill Sharp, liturgist

(congregation please read bold type)

The earth is God's, and everything in it,

Every creature, every tree, every breath of wind.

We come to remember that we belong to this creation, too,

Woven into its beauty, bound to its care.

We come to listen for the voice of the Creator,

Calling us to wonder, gratitude, and renewal.

Let us worship God, who made the world good,

Let us worship through the tending of creation.

* Hymn #20

*All Things Bright
and Beautiful*

ROYAL OAK

Core Values Reflection

Doug Franklin

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

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy One, you formed us from the dust of the earth, breathed into us the breath of life, and called us to care and tend to creation. Yet too often we forget that charge. We exploit what you call good, hoard what you meant to be shared, and seek convenience over sustainability. Forgive us, O God. Free us from greed and indifference. Plant in us new hearts, so that our living may honor the world you love. We pray through Christ, who renews all things. 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 #621 *I Will Call upon the Lord*

**I will call upon the Lord
who is worthy to be praised.
So shall I be saved from my enemies.
I will call upon the Lord.**

**The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock,
and let the God of my salvation be exalted.**

We Hear God's Word

First Reading of The Word

Luke 12:22-31

Anthem

A Call to Silence

by Craig Courtney

Westminster Choir

I listen to the forest in cathedrals made of trees,
and to the twilight vespers as the sun falls to its knees.
I listen to the echoes of the ageless canyon walls,
and to the stained-glass worship of the rainbow as it calls:
"Be still and know, be still and know, be still and know that I am God."

I listen to the whisper of the river as it flows
and to the swirling ballet of a thousand flakes of snow.
And when I hear the eagle's wings repeat a soaring prayer,
and when the falling stars cry out, I know that God is there.
"Be still and know, be still and know, be still and know that I am God."

Each of these a silent choir, a wordless hymn of praise,
the language is unspoken, yet heard in many ways,
a soundless sanctuary where I am free to go
to meet God in the silence, to just be still and know:
"Be still and know, be still and know, be still and know that I am God."

A Moment to Wonder

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

Second Reading of the Word

Haggai 1:15b-2:9

Sermon

Core Values: Earth-Care

Rev. Hannah Lundberg

We Respond to God's Word

* Song of Response #469 *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*

† **Lord, listen to your children praying.**

Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

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

The Merry Brook

by Frances Miller

Gail Arnold, harp

† *You are welcome to sign as you are comfortable and able.*

We include this practice as a way to engage our whole selves in worship.

* Song of Response #591

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn #23

*God, You Spin the
Whirling Planets*

PLEADING SAVIOR

We Go Forth to Serve

* Dismissal

And let all God's people say:

Alleluia! Amen!

Postlude

This Week's News

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.

Thanksgiving Food Drive: All of the spots on our signup have been filled! Thank you to everyone who has contributed! Please bring all donations to church by next Sunday, November 16.

New Member Class: A new member class will be held on Sunday, November 16th at 9:30am in the library. If you're interested in learning more about the church and what it means to be a member, join us! Let Pastor Hannah know if you plan to attend.

Thanksgiving Eve Service and Bread Exchange: Our annual Thanksgiving Eve Service is coming up on Wednesday, November 26th at 7pm. All are invited to participate by bringing a loaf of bread, homemade or from a bakery, to exchange. During the service, every person or family will be invited to come up and take a loaf of bread from the baskets for their Thanksgiving table. All the bread that is left over will be given to Fed Up Ministries and at-home members.

Please attach a note if your bread contains nuts or is gluten-free. If you would like to attach a personal Thanksgiving note on the loaf, please feel free to do so. If you are unable to attend on Thanksgiving Eve and would like a loaf of bread, please contact your deacon or Suzanne Lange (sueegnal93@gmail.com).

Christmas Decorating: Advent will be here soon! This year's decorating day will be Nov 28. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board; reach out to Lynda Berg (lrwberg@sbcglobal.net) or Richard LeSueur (rlesueur@prodigy.net) with questions. All abilities, mobilities, and experience are welcome!

Grow in Faith and Friendship

Reading Through the Bible Group meets Sundays at 9:30am. Contact Marcia Anderson (hilden.anderson@gmail.com; 734-757-4305) for more information.

Sunday Morning Adult Ed meets in the fellowship hall at 9:30am.

Children and Youth Faith Formation meets on the second Sunday of each month at 9:30am. Contact Cathy Daniels (catld1121@gmail.com) for more info.

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. 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 meets weekly at 1pm at Westminster and over Zoom. Contact Linda Harnisch for more information (rlharnisch@gmail.com).

We pray for our Westminster family

Ongoing needs: Fran Bolhouse, Cara Doane, Anne Gensheimer

Condolences to the family of Jan Newton on the October 5th death of Jan.

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.

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