Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- We do our best to answer your phone calls weekday mornings.
- You may be directed to our automated answering service at other times.
- We strive to provide access to the church building during office hours through our callbox in the rear of the church building.
- Please call ahead and inquire about building access if you are coming after 2:00 p.m.

WEEKLY DEADLINE for information to be included in the Sunday Update and Sunday bulletin is Tuesday at noon.

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22nd Sunday after Pentecost October 21, 2018 10:30 a.m. Worship

At the ringing of the carillon please silence your cell phones and conversations and prepare your hearts and minds for an encounter with the Living God. **Bolded text is read or sung by all.** *Please rise in body or spirit.

To the parents of our young children

Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel you need to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome. Sit toward the front, where it's easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on. Quietly explain the parts of the service and actions of the pastor, choir, etc. Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you. If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

To the members of our congregation

The presence of children is a gift to the church, and they are a reminder that our congregation is growing. Please welcome our children, call them by name and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

COME

Voluntary Jerusalem, My Happy Home

George Shearing (1919-2011) *Call to Worship

Michael Dunbar

Let us worship the eternal God, the source of love and life, who creates us.

Let us worship Jesus Christ, the risen one, who lives among us.

Let us worship the Spirit, the holy fire, who renews us. To the one true God be praise in all times and places, through the grace of Jesus Christ.

*Hymn 142 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name CORONATION

ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you have given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus to direct us in the way of life. You offer us your Holy Spirit so that we can be born to new life as your children. Yet, O God, we confess that the ways of death have a strong attraction and that we often succumb to their lure. Give us the vision and courage to choose and nurture life, that we may receive your blessing. Amen.

Silence is observed.

Response 574 Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Calendar of Church Building Events For October 21–28, 2018

Sunday, 10/21

8:45 am	Child Care Center opens
9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:30 am	Education for all ages
10:30 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 am	Coffee and fellowship (WHH)
11:30 am	Worship Committee Meeting (Pastor's Study)
12:00 pm	Youth Farm Trip (Ramseyer Farms)
5:00 pm	3rd Sunday Dinner

Monday, 10/22

No Activities Planned

Tuesday, **10/23**

7:00 pm Session Meeting (Room 106)

Wednesday, 10/24

4:00 pm ^{*} Bridges/Circles (WHH, Kitchen, Library)

Thursday, 10/25

9:30 am	Staff Meeting (Library)
12:00 pm	Bible Study (Library)
12:30 pm	Metanoia Čircle (Room 106)
3:00 pm	Membership Meeting (Library)
4:15 pm	Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)

Friday, 10/26

No Activities Planned

Saturday, 10/27

9:00 am Celtic Gardeners (Celtic Garden)

Sunday, 10/28 Remembrance Sunday

- 8:45 am Child Care Center opens 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 9:30 am Education for all ages
- 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 am Coffee and fellowship (WHH)

2019 Stewardship Campaign

Please Give Generously! Consecration of Pledges – Sunday, November 4, 2018

Watch your mail beginning October 26 for the asking budget and your pledge card.



COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE

DECEMBER-JANUARY SCRIPT DEADLINE has been changed. Please send your articles and pictures to Claudine before Tuesday, November 6 to wpcoffice1250@gmail.com

Monthly Financial Report

September 2018	Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Total Revenues	\$59,961.97	\$63,152.66	\$439,206.41	**\$489,376.44
Total Expenses	\$34,563.22	\$46,657.75	\$435,368.05	\$495,831.27
Net	\$25,398.75	\$16,494.91	\$3,838.36	(\$6,454.83)

**Budgeted total revenues include anticipated withdrawals from Rowley investments necessary to balance the budget totaling \$53,801 for the year.

Please contact the Finance Office if you would like a copy of the financial report detail for the period ending September 30, 2018. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Amen. Amen.

*Passing the Peace

Greet both friends and strangers saying, "The peace of Christ be with you."

Stewardship Moment for Ministry

Stephen L. Harp

Time for Church Life

Please sign the friendship pad and pass it to those seated near you. If you are the last person to sign on that page, please tear it out and leave it on the pew for the ushers to pick up after the service.

Offertory	Ev'ry Time I Feel The Spirit	William L. Dawson
		(1899-1990)

*Response 592 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow *Doxology* Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Reception of New Members

Rosemary Wright, Gordon and Virginia Wepfer, George Leidy and Christine Harper-Leidy

Time with Young Disciples

Following the Time with Young Disciples, 3 through 5 year-olds are invited to Room 104 for age-appropriate activities. Kindergarteners through 6th graders are invited to children's choir rehearsal in room 207 of the Education Building. Sheila will meet the children

at the Sanctuary door on the lectern side and take the children to their appropriate classrooms so that parents may not miss the readings and sermon. Parents and guardians, please pick up your children following worship.

GROW

Prayer for Illumination

The First Lesson Ephesians 1:3-6, 13-14 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 192

*Hymn 341 Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine! ASSURANCE

The Second Lesson Ephesians 1:15-23

Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 192

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Sermon Marked The l

The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

SERVE

*Affirmation of Faith

from Heidelberg Catechism

My only comfort in life and in death is that I am not my own, but belong - body and soul, in life and in death - to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him. 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 376	Love Divine, All Loves Excelling	HYFRYDOL			
*Charge and Benediction					
Voluntary	Tuba Tune in D Major, Op. 15	Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)			

Welcome to our worship this morning!

Stay with us after worship today for coffee and fellowship in Wright-Herberich Hall.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES, HYMNALS, CHILDREN'S BIBLES AND ACTIVITY BOXES are available. Please ask an usher.

USHERS Cindy Beidler (head usher) & Mike Hale, Steve Harp, Bonnie & John Childs.

THE FLOWERS The flowers in the chancel are given by Jo Anne Barnes in honor of the wedding of her granddaughter Nichole, on October 14th, and in memory of her husband Bill's birthday.

VISITORS If you are new to Westminster, please pick-up your welcome bag that is in the entrance to the church.

Prayers of the People, Silent Reflection and The Lord's Prayer