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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6th Sunday after Epiphany February 17, 2019 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 Elegy

William Grant Still

*Call to Worship

Brad Hall

We are invited into God's healing presence with these words: "I am the Lord, who heals you."

Diseased, depressed, dysfunctional, defeated, we come hungering for health that only God can provide.

God calls us to bring open eyes, hearing ears, and tender hearts turned toward God, the Great Physician.

We bow before the Lord in faith and expectancy!

Children's Choir

Go Tell It on the Mountain

arr. by Zack Troyer

*Hymn 289

O God of Every Nation

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ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, your call to discipleship is demanding. You call us to reorder our lives by the kingdom you are bringing in Jesus Christ. Yet we still pass by the ones you especially notice: people who are poor and hungry; people who weep. We have not stood with those who are hated, bullied, or excluded. Comfortable with the way things are, we are too complacent, even complicit with injustice and prejudice. Forgive us, O God, and turn us back to your gospel. We pray this now, for our sake, and for the sake of your world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silence is observed.

Calendar of Church Building Events For February 17—24, 2019

Sunday, 2/17

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)

5:00 pm 3rd Sunday Dinner

Monday, 2/18

No Activities Planned

Tuesday, 2/19

9:30 am Prayer Quilt Ministry (WHH)

Wednesday, 2/20

1:00 pm Sewing Circle (Room 106)

4:00 pm Bridges/Circles (WHH, Kitchen, Library)

7:00 pm Deacons' Meeting (Room 106)

Thursday, 2/21

9:30 am WPC Staff Meeting (Library)

12:00 pm Bible Study (Library)

3:00 pm Membership Meeting (library) 4:15 pm Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)

Friday, 2/22

No Activities Planned

Saturday, 2/23

No Activities Planned

Sunday, 2/24

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 Vision Team Meeting (Library)

11:30 am Worship Committee meeting (Pastor's Study)

COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE

OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR IN CONCERT Alcee Chriss III will offer a full -length, free solo organ recital at Christ Presbyterian Church in Canton, OH on **Sunday**, **February 17** at 4:00 p.m. The church is located at 530 Tuscarawas St. W. Canton, OH 44702. Please come out and support him.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY Join us as Reverend Emily Griffith, an episcopal priest and Godly Play trainer, helps us delve into nurturing spirituality in children. We will have a simple supper followed by her thought-provoking presentation. Friday, **March 1** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Reverend Griffith returns on Saturday for a Teacher Godly Play Training. If you teach or are interested in teaching join us on Saturday, **March 2** from 9a.m.to3p.m.Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Let Sheila know if you need childcare! Contact at wpcchildren1250@gmail.com.

WPC TALENT SHOW AND CHILI TASTING on **March 9, 2019.** Westminster's Got Talent...and now is the time for you to show it! Please submit your entry TODAY for the first ever church-wide Talent Show. Please sign-up for your talent (including chili cookin') at Connection Point or via email to lbansenharp@hotmail.com.

Monthly Financial Report

January 2019	Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Total Revenues	\$81,749.77	\$76,367.75	\$81,749.77	**\$76,367.75
Total Expenses	\$40,167.94	\$53,356.57	\$40,167.94	\$53,356.57
Net	\$41,581.83	\$23,011.18	\$41,581.83	\$23,011.18

^{**}Budgeted total revenues include anticipated withdrawals from Rowley investments necessary to balance the budget totaling \$40,954 for the year.

Please contact the Finance Office if you would like a copy of the detailed financial report for the period ending January 31, 2019.

Response 574 Lord, Have Mercy
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Response 567 Glory Be to the Father Gloria Patri 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.

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

Time for Church Life and Call for the Offering

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 Ain'-a That Good News

William Dawson

*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.

Time with Young Disciples

Following the Time for 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 206 of the Education Building. Parents and guardians, please pick up your children following worship in WHH.

GROW

Prayer for Illumination

The First Lesson Jeremiah 17:5-10

Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 717

*Hymn 372 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

The Second Lesson Luke 6:17-26 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 64
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon First, He Healed Them The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

SERVE

*Affirmation of Faith Philippians 2:5-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord!

Prayers of the People, Silent Reflection 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.

*Hymn 379 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less SOLID ROCK

*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary Song of Sunshine

Alfred Hollins

Welcome to our worship this morning!

Join 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 are Cindy Beidler (Head Usher) Mike Hale, Sandy Gruneich, Ron & Sophia Louise Zito

FLOWERS in the chancel are given by Susan Switzer Greene in loving memory of her father, Duane Switzer.

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