### 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.

#### **WPC Staff**

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# Second Sunday after Epiphany January 20, 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 Andante Espressivo

Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

\*Call to Worship Kate Clark

God calls us to worship, and we come, some with laughter and songs of joy.
God calls us to worship, and we come, some from a sense of obligation or habit.
God calls us to worship, and we come, some with hearts heavy with grief.
God calls us to worship, and we come,
Some with distraction or exhaustion.
God calls us to worship, and we come,
Some with eagerness and enthusiasm.
God calls us to worship, and we come,
Some with stress, loneliness, or depression.
As God's dearly loved children, we bring all of our joy and pain, hurt and hope into this place of Spirit-given grace, love and hope.
Let us worship God!

\*Hymn 343 Called as Partners in Christ's Service BEECHER

## **ENCOUNTER**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Lord Christ, come among us in your glory. Forgive us all the ways we have trivialized and scaled down your glory. Forgive us the ways in which we have used you for our purposes rather than allow you to use us for your work. We have come before you in worship, daring to ask you to stand before us in your glory. Give us the grace to behold your glory, to allow you to rule, to speak, to be the very presence of God among us. Lord, change us and our church from its predictable, staid, comfortable, merely human ways, into a place of your divine glory. Amen.

Silence is observed.

## Calendar of Church Building Events For January 20—January 27, 2019

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Child Care Center opens			
Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)			
Education for all ages			
Worship/Ordination and Installation of Church Officers (Sanctuary)			
Coffee and fellowship (WHH)			
Worship Committee meeting (Pastor's Study)			
Vision Team Meeting (Library)			
3rd Sunday Dinner			
Safety & Security Taskforce Meeting (Library)			
2			
Finance Committee Meeting (Pastor's Study)			
1/23			
Bridges/Circles (WHH, Kitchen, Library)			
24			
WPC Staff Meeting (Library)			
Bible Study (Library)			
Membership Meeting (Library)			
Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)			
No Activities Planned			
26			
No Activities Planned			
<b>2</b> 7			
Child Care Center opens			
Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)			
Education for all ages			
Worship/Ordination and Installation of Church			

Officers (Sanctuary)

11:30 am

Coffee and fellowship (WHH)

## **COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE**

MINISTRY LEADERS AND MODERATORS Please submit your complete report for the year 2018 to the church office to be included in the 2018 WPC Annual Report at wpcoffice1250@gmail.com.

WPC TALENT SHOW AND CHILI TESTING on March 9, 2019. Westminster's Got Talent...and now is the time for you to show it! Please submit your entry for the first ever church-wide Talent Show by February 10. On March 9 at 5:30 p.m., we will gather for this evening of fun, food, and fellowship. We will start by enjoying the entries in the Chili cook-off, as well as displays of art (all media), crafts, quilts or writing, followed by live acts in the areas of music (solo, duo, group; instrumental or vocal), dance, poetic readings, magic, juggling, comedy...whatever talent you've got! We may even have a house band! Please sign-up for your talent (including chili cookin') at Connection Point or via email to lbansenharp@hotmail.com.

NEW CHURCH WEBSITE Our new website address is: www.westminsterakron.org

#### **Monthly Financial Report**

December 2018	Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Total Revenues	\$85,520.47	\$67,992.74	\$606,043.56	**\$655,067.00
Total Expenses	\$59,749.24	\$57,032.75	\$587,449.86	\$655,067.00
Net	\$25,771.23	\$10,959.99	\$18,593.70	\$0.00

<sup>\*\*</sup>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 December 31, 2018. The final Financial Report for 2018 will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

Response 574 Lord, Have Mercy Kyrie 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."

**Installation of Officers** 

Moment for Ministry Youth Super Sub Sale

Mike Grau

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 O Saviour, Hear Me!

arranged from Gluck

\*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 207 of the Education Building. Parents and guardians, please pick up your children following worship in WHH.

## **GROW**

Prayer for Illumination

The First Lesson Psalm 36:5-10 Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 510

\*Hymn 485 To God Be the Glory TO GOD BE THE GLORY

The Second Lesson John 2:1-11 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 93
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!** 

Sermon Serving the Best The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

## **SERVE**

\*Affirmation of Faith

God holds this world with fierce love, and keeps the ultimate promise by sending Jesus into the world, pouring out the Holy Spirit, and announcing the good news: those who repent and believe in Jesus live anew as members of the family of God - the first fruits of a new creation. As covenant partners, set free for joyful obedience, we offer our hearts and lives to do God's work in the world. With tempered impatience, eager to see injustice ended, we expect the Day of the Lord, and rejoice in the goodness of God.

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 421 The Church of Christ in Every Age WARE

WAREHAM

\*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary Fanfare Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens (1823-1881)

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 Bob Leonard (Head Usher), Don Rearick, Earl Pierson, Raphael Peoples, and Phil Fry.

FLOWERS in the chancel are given by the Westminster and Rockynol Apartments Dinner Bridge Group in memory of members who have passed away.

The flowers on the pedestal are given in loving memory of Rosemary Bramley by Bill Bramley and family.

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

QUILT MINISTRY/CELEBRATE! Westminster member Martha Wilson turned **100-years-old** on January 16. We have put up a quilt for her. Please tie a knot and say a prayer for Martha to celebrate!