

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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**Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 27, 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 In Quiet Mood Florence Price (1887-1953)

*Call to Worship

Kinsie Willis

In Christ, the God of heaven has made a home on earth.
Christ dwells among us and is one with us.
Highest of all creation, he lives among the least.
He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.
Come now, all who thirst,
and drink the water of life.
Come now, all who hunger,
and be filled with good things.
Come now, all who seek,
and be warmed by God’s goodness.

*Hymn 478

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession

God of our Restoration, whenever we come home to you, we realize how far we have strayed and how much we have forgotten of your law and your love. We have not loved you with our whole hearts or loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, heal us, and restore us to our relationship with you; through Jesus Christ, in whom we trust. 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 January 27—February 3, 2019

Sunday, 1/27	
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/Ordination and Installation of Church Officers (Sanctuary)
11:30 am	Coffee and fellowship (WHH)
Monday, 1/28	
No Activities Planned	
Tuesday, 1/29	
7:00 pm	Session Meeting (Room 106)
Wednesday, 1/30	
4:00 pm	Bridges/Circles (WHH, Kitchen, Library)
Thursday, 1/31	
9:30 am	WPC Staff Meeting (Library)
4:15 pm	Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)
6:30 pm	League of Women Voters (Room 106)
Friday, 2/1	
No Activities Planned	
Saturday, 2/2	
8:00 am	Food for Life (Kitchen)
Sunday, 2/3	
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, cake and fellowship (WHH)
11:30 am	VBS Planning (Tween Room)
11:30 am	Super Sub pick-up

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 Check your computer bookmarks! Our new church website comes with a new address, www.westminsterakron.org. The old web address (www.westminsterakron.com), will automatically forward to the new site for the next few months as a transition. Our goal was to create a website that will look great and also be easily updated by our staff throughout the seasons. Check back frequently for updates, new pictures and upcoming events in the life of our church!

*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. Amen.

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

Ordination and Installation of Officers

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 The Lord Is My Shepherd Thomas Matthews (1915-1999)

*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 Sheila Svoboda

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 19:7-10, 14 Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 499

*Hymn 288 I Sing the Mighty Power of God ELLACOMBE

The Second Lesson Luke 4:14-21 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 61
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon Jesus' First Sermon The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

SERVE

*Affirmation of Faith

Joining the mission of God, the church is sent with the gospel of the kingdom to call everyone to know and follow Christ, and to proclaim to all the assurance that in the name of Jesus there is forgiveness of sin. The Spirit calls all members to embrace God's mission in their neighborhoods and in the world: to feed the hungry, bring water to the thirsty, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, care for the sick, and free the prisoner. We repent of leaving this work to a few, for this mission is central to our being.

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 138 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! NICAEA

*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary In Dir Ist Freude, BWV 615
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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 Michael Dunbar in memory of his grandmothers, Mary and Evelyn.

Because of the weather, there were no flowers in the church last Sunday. The flowers donated by the Dinner Bridge Group will be on the chancel on February 3 and those donated by Bill Bramley will be on February 24.

THE WHITE ROSE IN THE CHANCEL is for Martha Wilson on the occasion of her death on January 19, 2019.

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