

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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26th Sunday after Pentecost
November 18, 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 Chorale Joseph Jongen (1873-1953)

*Call to Worship1 Samuel 2:1-2Natalie Labbe

Let our hearts exult in the Lord;
our strength is exulted in God.
Let our mouths be ever fixed in praise;
God has given us the victory.
There is no Holy One like the Lord;
there is no Rock like our God. Praise the Lord!

*Hymn 361How Firm a FoundationFOUNDATION

Children's Choir Lift Every Voice and Sing
(John Rosamond Johnson 1873-1954)

ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession1 Samuel 2:3,6

O God, who is faithful and just, we have failed to help those who have little while we have much. We are boastful and haughty, and fail to appreciate the gifts you have given. Our arrogance had led us away from your righteous way. Forgive us, Merciful God, and lead us to a humble path, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Silence is observed.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

Calendar of Church Building Events
For November 18—25, 2018

- Sunday, 11/18
- 8:45 amChild Care Center opens
- 9:00 amChoir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 9:30 amEducation for all ages
- 10:30 amWorship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 amCoffee and fellowship (WHH)
- 11:30 amWorship Committee Meeting (Pastor's Study)
- 5:00 pm3rd Sunday Dinner
- Monday, 11/19
- 7:30 pmJoint concert U. of Akron Faculty Brass Quintet and Faculty Woodwind Quintet
- Tuesday, 11/20
- 9:30 amPrayer Quilt Ministry (WHH)
- 5:30 pmFinance Committee Meeting (Pastor's Study)
- Wednesday, 11/21
- 1:00 pmSewing Circle (Room 106)
- 4:00 pmBridges/Circles (WHH, Kitchen, Library)
- Thursday, 11/22
- Thanksgiving No Activities Planned
- Friday, 11/23
- No Activities Planned
- Saturday, 11/24
- No Activities Planned
- Sunday, 11/25
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Monthly Financial Report

October 2018	Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Total Revenues	\$54,726.31	\$47,055.16	\$493,932.72	*\$536,431.60
Total Expenses	\$49,697.63	\$53,861.51	\$485,065.68	\$549,682.78
Net	\$5,028.68	(\$6,796.35)	\$8,867.04	(\$13,251.18)

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

No Rowley Funds have been expended for operations as of 10/31/18.

Please contact the Finance Office if you would like a copy of the financial report detail for the period ending October 31, 2018.

COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE

GIVING This is the last week to donate to Thank Offering. This allows grants to be giving to many worthy causes.

JOINT CONCERT Chris Blaha from the University of Akron Faculty Brass and Wind Quintets to preform at Westminster on Monday, November 19th at 7:30 pm. Admission is free .

HANGING OF THE GREENS We are asking members of the congregation to stay briefly after the worship service on December 2nd to help decorate the Church for Christmas with pine roping, sprays, wreaths and red bows. Decorations and instructions will be in Wright Herberich Hall.

FIVE AT FIVE CONCERT The next concert will be on Sunday, December 9th at 5 p.m. and will feature the musical artistry of Alcee Chriss III, our new Music Director/ Organist. Professional free childcare will be provided.

OUR GUEST PREACHER Rev. Dr. Sandy Selby is a Pastor of Furnace Street Mission and serves as on-call Chaplain at Akron Children’s Hospital. She worked for BFGoodrich for 18 years before following the call to ordained ministry.

*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.”

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 Teach Me, O Lord Come, Holy Ghost
(Thomas Atwood, 1765-1838)

*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 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. Parents and guardians, please pick up your children following worship in WHH.

GROW

Prayer for Illumination

The First Lesson 1 Samuel 2:1-10 Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg.245

*Hymn 276 Great Is Thy Faithfulness FAITHFULNESS

The Second Lesson Mark 13:1-8 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg.50

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

Sermon Hurry Up and Wait The Rev. Dr. Sandy Selby

SERVE

*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.

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 313 Come Down, O Love Divine

DOWN AMPNEY

*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary Allein Gott in der Höh' sei Ehr,' BWV 676

(Johann Sebastian Bach, 1685-1750)

Welcome to our worship this morning!

Stay with us after worship today for coffee, birthday cake 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 Brad Hall (head usher), Sook and James Lee, Andi Jopperi, and Mike Grau.

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

THE WHITE ROSE IN THE CHANCEL is for Roger Strassburg, Sr. on the occasion of his death on November 7. Pastor Hauerwas will officiate at Mr. Strassburg's funeral service at 1 pm on Wednesday, November 21 at the Chapel at Ohio Living-Rockynol. A graveside service will follow.

THE FLOWERS November 18th - The flowers in the Chancel are given by Scott and Karen Shriner in honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of their parents, Jim and Barbara Shriner.

2019 Stewardship

As of November 5, 2018, 64 households pledged \$222,037.

Thank you to all who stepped forward with a financial commitment for the coming year. Westminster Presbyterian Church will need Pledges and Contributions totaling \$487,916 to avoid spending Rowley Fund principal on operating expenses in 2019.

If you have not already pledged, pledge cards are in the literature racks and are available from the Finance Office. Your pledge plays a vital role in fulfilling our goals. Please give generously.