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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First Sunday of Lent March 10, 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 Adagio from Concerto in A Minor, BWV 593

Johann Sebastian Bach

*Call to Worship

Michael Dunbar

The Lord who calls us to worship him today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one.

Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings.

Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory, and power.

Let us worship God!

*Hymn 365 Jesus, Priceless Treasure

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ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. Amen.

Silence is observed.

Calendar of Church Building Events For March 10—17, 2019

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Sunday , 3/10	DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME
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/Communion (Sanctuary)
11:30 am	Coffee and fellowship (WHH)
4:30 pm	Childcare opens for 5@5
5:00 pm	5@5 Concert
Monday , 3/11	
11:30 am	WPC Men's Group (off site/Olive Garden)
7:00 pm	Book Discussion (Library)
Tuesday, 3/12	
7:00 pm	Discipleship Meeting (Room 106)
7:00 pm	Outreach Meeting (Pastor's Study)
7:00 pm	Properties Meeting (Library)
Wednesday, 3/13	
4:00 pm	Bridges/Circles (WHH, Kitchen, Library)
Thursday, 3/14	
9:30 am	WPC Staff Meeting (Library)
12:00 pm	Bible Study (Library)
4:15 pm	Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)
Friday, 3/15	
	No activities planned
Saturday, 3/16	
8:00 am	Food for Life (Kitchen)
Sunday , 3/17	
9:00 am	Child Care Center opens
9:30 am	Education for all ages
10:30 am	Worship/Annual Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)
11:30 am	Coffee and fellowship (WHH)
11:30 am	VBS Meeting (Tween Room)

3rd Sunday Dinner

5:00 pm

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 Brad Hall (Head Usher), James Lee, Sook Lee, Andi Jopperi, and Mike Grau.

FLOWERS in the chancel are given by James Cole in memory of his grandmother, Ellen Arnold.

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

COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Please plan to attend our Annual Congregational Meeting immediately following worship on Sunday, **March 17**. In addition to our regular business, we will be electing one new deacon to serve as unexpired term.

NEXT SCRIPT April/May Script will be distributed on Sunday, March 31, 2019. Please have your articles and pictures about activities sent to wpcoffice1250@gmail.com by noon on **Tuesday**, **March 19**, **2019**.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN GATHERING Attention all women of the church! Come and celebrate spring! On **Saturday**, **April 6 at noon**, meet at Bravo Restaurant (Summit Mall) where we will enjoy food, fellowship, and fun as we all become models! Wear a spring bonnet, homemade or store bought, but not required! Your efforts to don the most beautiful hat may be rewarded with a prize. Please bring your \$20 cash/check to WHH on March 24 or 31 or call Margo to reserve a spot at 330.396.0408.

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Response 567 Glory 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 Cantique de Jean Racine

Gabriel Fauré

*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/Fish Boxes

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 Psalm 91:1-2,9-16

Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 548

The Second Lesson Luke 4:1-13 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 61 This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon For Forty Days

The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

SERVE

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**Lift up your hearts! **We lift them to the Lord.**Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The minister offers thanksgiving for the work of God in creation. Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The minister offers thanksgiving for the work of Christ and the Holy Spirit.

Christ is the bread of life: When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your life, ministry, death, and resurrection, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.

In one voice, let us offer the words of 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.

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Please come forward by the center aisle beginning with the front row. Return to your pew by the side aisles. Those in the balcony may come forward at any time. The servers with chalices have wine for dipping the bread; those with trays have cups for grape juice. If you choose to receive the bread and cup in your pew, please raise your hand so a serving team can identify you. Gluten, soy, and corn free wafers are also available for those with allergies.

Words of Institution

"The bread of life." "The cup of salvation."

Agnus Dei

Charles-Marie Widor

*Communion Hymn 5 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence PICARDY

Prayer following Communion

God of all hope, we bless and thank you for nourishing us with Christ, the bread of life. Help us to live free from all desires for anything else that promises to satisfy. Strengthen us now to offer this bread to all who hunger. Through Jesus Christ, the living bread. Amen.

*Hymn 84 In the Cross of Christ I Glory

RATHBUN

*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary Toccata in D Minor, BuxWV155

Dieterich Buxtehude