### 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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# Second Sunday in Lent March 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

G.T. Thalben-Ball

\*Call to Worship

Gabby Gray

The psalmist sings, one thing I asked of the Lord, that I will seek after:

to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord,

and to inquire in God's temple.

Sisters and brothers, God is good,

and in love and mercy greets us here.

Let us worship God!

\*Hymn 482 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty LOBE DEN HERREN

Introit Swing Low, Sweet Chariot arranged by Zach Troyer Westminster Children and Youth Choir

## **ENCOUNTER**

**Prayer of Confession** 

Merciful God, you have made us citizens of heaven, but we confess that we have set our minds on earthly things. We have let our desire for security restrain our commitment to serve the poor. We have let our fear of danger curb our obligation to love our enemies. We have let our love of things dull our generosity to the needy. We have let our craving for public status prevent our honesty about hidden sins. Yet, you know the desires of our heart and nothing is hidden from you. By the power of the Holy Spirit, conform our sin-weakened bodies to the glory of Christ, that we may be the body of Christ for the world. Amen.

Silence is observed.

## Calendar of Church Building Events For March 17—24, 2019

#### **Sunday**, 3/17

9:00 am	Child Care Center opens
9:30 am	Education for all ages
10:30 am	Worship/Volunteers Appreciation Sun

10:30 am Worship/Volunteers Appreciation Sunday (Sanctuary)
11:30 am Annual Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary)

11:30 am Coffee and fellowship (WHH)
11:30 am VBS Meeting (Tween Room)

5:00 pm 3rd Sunday Dinner

## **Monday**, 3/18

1:00 pm Task Force Meeting (Pastor's Study)

#### Tuesday, 3/19

9:30 am Prayer Quilt Ministry (WHH)

6:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting (Pastor's Study)

#### Wednesday, 3/20

1:00 pm Sewing Circle (Room 106)

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

#### Thursday, 3/21

9:30 am WPC Staff Meeting (Library)

12:00 pm Bible Study (Library)

3:00 pm Membership Committee Meeting (Library)

4:15 pm Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)

#### **Friday**, 3/22

No activities planned

## Saturday, 3/23

No activities planned

#### **Sunday**, 3/24

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 Worship Committee Meeting (Room 106)

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION SUNDAY Today, we are highlighting the Membership Committee, Office Volunteers, those who assist with the church website, and update church records. Today, we are also recognizing Worship Committee members, those who provide leadership for the Christmas Pageant, Ushers (both adults and Tweens), Sound System Technicians, Communion Servers, Liturgists and Liturgist Scheduler, Pew Crew, those who work in the Celtic Garden, those who donate flowers, Flower Arrangers, those who participate in the Hanging of the Greens, and those who organize the Children's Activity Boxes.

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.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING/FISH BOXES FOR KIDS This offering enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, food to the hungry, and help to empower the poor and oppressed. Collection: April 14.

LENT AND EASTER DATES 2019
Palm Sunday: Sunday, April 14
service at 10:30 am
Maundy Thursday: Thur., April 18
Communion Service at 7:00 pm
Good Friday: April 19, 2017
service at noon

Easter Sunday: Sunday, April 21 service at 8:00 am and Communion Service at 10:30 am

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 He's Got the Whole World in His Hands Moses Hogan Caleb Wright, *Soloist* 

\*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 Psalm 27:1, 3-5, 11-14

Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 503

\*Hymn 77 Forty Days and Forty Nights

AUS DER TIEFE RUFE ICH

The Second Lesson Luke 13:31-35 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 77
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!** 

Sermon In the Name

The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

## **SERVE**

\*Affirmation of Faith Psalm 46
God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Come, behold the works of the Lord. "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." The Lord of hosts is with us; and the God of Jacob is our refuge.

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 210 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

\*Charge and Benediction

**Congregational Meeting** 

Funding for our guest musician this morning is provided by Enyart music endowment fund.

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 Nancy Keogh in loving memory of her husband, Jack.

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**

THE TWO QUILTS in the Wright-Herberich Hall this week are for Frank Holub, Jr. who is residing at Ohio Living—Rockynol and Moss Rutan.

NEXT SCRIPT DEADLINE is **Tuesday**, **March 19 at noon**. Please send pictures and articles to wpcoffice1250@gmail.com.