

## 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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## Transfiguration of the Lord March 3, 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      Priere

Joseph Jongen

Introit      He Never Said a Mumblin' Word      Barbara B. Kinyon  
Westminster Adult Bell Choir

\*Call to Worship      Tracy McLean Ehrler

In your wisdom, O God, you call us here to worship you.

**We gather, alive to the Word of God.**

You call us to be fully alive with your life abundant, ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength, and mind.

**We listen, alive to the Word of God.**

You call us to be always watchful for your Word of wisdom, sometimes startling and unexpected, sometimes still and quiet, but always dwelling among us.

**We watch and wait for the Word of God.**

\*Hymn 488      The God of Abraham Praise      LEONI

## ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, we confess that we do not expect and long for the transforming power of your love to work miracles in these hard hearts of ours. Yet we secretly long for a rescue, an escape, a miracle, to relieve us of the responsibilities and the challenges you set before us. Healing Spirit, renew our confidence in your power and in the power of love to change our lives, and give us courage to be the fully responsible people Christ calls us to be. Amen.**

*Silence is observed.*

## *Calendar of Church Building Events For March 3—10, 2019*

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

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/Volunteers Appreciation Sunday (Sanctuary)  
11:30 am      Coffee, cake and fellowship (WHH)  
11:30 am      Presbyterian Women Meeting (Pastor's Study)

### **Monday, 3/4**

No activities planned

### **Tuesday, 3/5**

No activities planned

### **Wednesday, 3/6**

4:00 pm      Bridges/Circles (WHH, Kitchen, Library)  
7:00 pm      Ash Wednesday Service

### **Thursday, 3/7**

9:30 am      WPC Staff Meeting (Library)  
12:00 pm      Bible Study (Library)  
4:15 pm      Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)  
6:30 pm      League of Women Voters Meeting (Room 106)

### **Friday, 3/8**

No activities planned

### **Saturday, 3/9**

5:30 pm      Talent Show and Chili Cook-Off

### **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 am      Childcare opens for 5@5  
5:00 pm      5@5 Concert

# COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION SUNDAY Today, we are celebrating our **Care and Service for Others in our Community.** Deacons, Bereavement Team, Wedding Coordinators, Memorial Garden Committee members, **Friendly Visitors**, Greeting Card Ministry, Sewing Circle, Prayer and Baptismal Quilt Ministries and Prayer List participants. Those who visit the homebound and those in hospitals, those who plan, organize, cook for and clean up after church fellowship events, those who sponsor and serve our monthly birthday cake. Leadership of Presbyterian Women and the Men's Fellowship.

THE MARCH BIRTHDAY CAKE is given today by Sue and Wayne Greene.

THE QUILT in Wright-Herberich Hall is for Claude Wilton.

WPC TALENT SHOW AND CHILI TASTING 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, followed by live acts...whatever talent you've got! Don't miss it!

5@5 CONCERT WPC is delighted to present a rare (and free!) musical experience for this Saint Patrick's Day weekend. On Sunday, **March 10** at 5:00 p.m. We will welcome the Celtic band, Shenanigans, for an evening of authentic Irish folk music. This dynamic ensemble features Mark Alan Wade, National Champion dulcimer player, Cristina Wade on marimbula & Irish whistles, Randy Clepper, world renowned on Irish bouzouki, and Anthony Papaleo, master of all things stringed. You won't need your passports for this exciting concert, but you will be transported to Ireland for this enchanting performance on the week of Saint Patrick's Day!

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](mailto:wpcoffice1250@gmail.com) by noon on Tuesday, March 19, 2019.

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. 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 O Thou the Central Orb Charles Wood

\*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 First Sunday Food Collection

*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 Exodus 34:29-35 Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 81

\*Hymn 74 Jesus on the Mountain Peak MOWSLEY

The Second Lesson Luke 9:28-36 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 69  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon Holy The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

## SERVE

\*Affirmation of Faith

**Jesus Christ is the hope of God's world. When our spiritual ancestors refused to live in the image of God, he was born of Mary, sharing our genes and our instincts, entering our culture, speaking our language, fulfilling the law of our God. Being united in Christ's humanity, we know ourselves when we rest in him. In his death, forgiveness of sin is proclaimed. On the day of his resurrection, the tomb was empty; his disciples saw him; death was defeated; new life had come. God's purpose for the world was sealed. In this age, the Holy Spirit is with us, calling nations to follow God's path, united people through Christ in love.**

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 474 O Splendor of God's Glory Bright  
PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

\*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary Trumpet Tune in Eb David N. Johnson

***Welcome to our worship this morning!***  
*Join us after worship today for cake, 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.  
TWEEN USHERS are assisting in worship today.

FLOWERS in the chancel are given by Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bain and family in memory of Bruce's grandparents, Margaret and Charles Enyart.  
The flowers on the pedestal are dedicated in the memory of Cathryn and Dave Taliaferro by the Carroll Polak family.

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



### ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Please join us for a family-friendly service at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 6. Sheila Svoboda is providing the Time with Young Disciples, Pastor Hauerwas will distribute ashes, and Alcee Chriss' musical selections will set the tone for Lent.