

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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2nd Sunday of Easter April 28, 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 Fantasie Chorale No. 1 in D-flat Major Percy Whitlock

*Call to Worship Marcia Holcomb

Joyful is the sound we make this morning!
For this day liberates us from doubt and fear.
Thankful is the song we sing!
For this day moves us past darkness and despair.
Hopeful is the prayer upon our lips!
For this day awakens in us long-awaited new life.
Jesus said, “Where two or more are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”
Christ lives here and now. He is among us at this and every moment!
May his peace and presence be known to you.
And also to you.
Let us worship God.

*Hymn 118 The Day of Resurrection! LANCASHIRE

ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession

God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts, when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world, forgive us and help us to find our voice. When we are afraid to forgive and to love again, forgive us and give us the power to forgive. When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority, join with the weak to make us strong. When we are confined by our hurts, touch us with your wounded hands and set us free. When we are locked behind our doubts and fears, pass through our barricades, open our hearts, and give us peace. Amen.

Calendar of Church Building Events
For April 28—May 5, 2019

Sunday, 4/28
9:00 am Child Care Center opens
9:30 am Education for all ages
10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 am Tween Earth Day Service Event
11:30 am Coffee and Fellowship (WHH)
5:00 pm 3rd Sunday Dinner

Monday, 4/29
No activities planned

Tuesday, 4/30
No activities planned

Wednesday, 5/1
4:15 pm Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)

Thursday, 5/2
9:30 am WPC Staff Meeting (Library)
12:00 pm Bible Study (Library)

Friday, 5/3
No activities planned

Saturday, 5/4
800 am Food for Life (Kitchen)
9:00 am Celtic Gardeners (Garden)

Sunday, 5/5
9:00 am Child Care Center opens
9:30 am Education for all ages
10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 am Coffee, Cake & Fellowship (WHH)
4:30 pm Childcare for Concert (Nursery)
5:00 pm Five at Five Concert (Sanctuary)

COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE

CHANCEL FLOWERS Anybody interested in donating the chancel flowers in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special event, should call Barbara Blackfan at 330-576-6135.

RECYCLING CD’S Have old CD's you no longer use? Do the earth a favor by bringing them to WHH and placing them in a box at the Connection Point anytime during the month of April so that they can be recycled.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS/WHO IS GOD? The adult education class tackles the intriguing question, "Who is God?" Join us on Sundays in room 106 at 9:30 a.m. For more information, contact Rae Leonard.

ANNUAL PERENNIAL SALE **Saturday, May 11** from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. runs concurrently with the West Akron Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast. The sale this year is the day before Mother's Day. Also, please consider dividing and sharing perennials from your own gardens to donate to the sale. Labeled donations can be left in the Celtic Garden.

Monthly Financial Report

March 2019	Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Total Revenues	\$71,142.78	\$54,840.42	\$179,548.34	**\$167,594.41
Total Expenses	\$50,152.15	\$51,935.89	\$131,177.37	\$156,792.68
Net	\$20,990.63	\$2,904.53	\$48,370.97	\$10,801.68

**Budgeted total revenues include anticipated withdrawals from Rowley investments necessary to balance the budget totaling \$40,954 for the year.

Please contact the Finance Office if you would like a copy of the detailed financial report for the period ending March 31, 2019.

Silence is observed.

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 Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
William B Bradbury/Sandy Willard Rogers
Paul Stewart, Baritone

*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 Acts 5:27-32 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 123

*Hymn 383 My Faith Looks Up to Thee OLIVET

The Second Lesson John 20:19-31 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 115
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon Cognitive Dissonance The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

SERVE

*Affirmation of Faith *A Brief Statement of Faith*

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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 104 Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! HYMN TO JOY

*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary Variations on Austria Richard Purvis

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 Bob Leonard (Head Usher), Don Rearick, Raphael Peoples, Earl Pierson, and Phil Fry.

FLOWERS in the chancel are given by Mark Nelson and Jane Nelson Hutchison to celebrate Roger and Martha Nelson's 63rd wedding anniversary, TODAY.
The flowers on the pedestal are given by Rebecca Mullin Cardina and family with loving memories of her parents, Marjorie Mullin (with the fabulous hats) and Bill (big Stetson) Mullin. LOVE LASTS AS LONG AS WE REMEMBER.

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