

**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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**4th Sunday of Easter  
May 12, 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	Sicilienne from Suite op. 5	Maurice Durufle
*Call to Worship	Ps. 95 and Rev. 7	Kate Huisinga

Come, bow down and worship, kneel to the Lord, our Maker.  
**This is our God, our shepherd, we are the flock fed with care.**  
Blessing and honor is yours, O God.  
**Glory to God forever. Alleluia!**

\*Hymn 88 All Glory, Laud, and Honor VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we confess that we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace, and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation; we repent of these hurtful ways. Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to forgive others, and guide our feet into the way of peace. Amen.**

*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.”**

*Calendar of Church Building Events*  
*For May 12- 19, 2019*

<b>Sunday, 5/12</b>	<b>HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY</b>
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 & Fellowship (WHH)
11:30 am	Plant Sale (Johnstone Patio)
<b>Monday, 5/13</b>	
11:30 am	WPC Men's Group (off site/Olive Garden)
7:00 pm	Book Discussion (Library)
<b>Tuesday, 5/14</b>	
7:00 pm	Properties Meeting (Library)
7:00 pm	Discipleship Meeting (Room 106)
<b>Wednesday, 5/15</b>	
1:00 pm	Sewing Circle (Room 106)
4:15 pm	Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)
<b>Thursday, 5/16</b>	
9:30 am	WPC Staff Meeting (Library)
12:00 pm	Bible Study (Library)
<b>Friday, 5/17</b>	No activities planned
<b>Saturday, 5/18</b>	
8:00 am	Food for Life (Kitchen)
9:00 am	Celtic Gardeners (Garden)
<b>Sunday, 5/19</b>	
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 & Fellowship (WHH)
12:00 pm	Worship Committee meeting (Room 106)
5:00 pm	3rd Sunday Dinner

## COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE

FROM THE CELTIC GARDENERS There will be plants for sale today after the service, on the Johnstone patio. A plant can make a lovely Mother's Day gift!

SCRIPT DEADLINE Please send your articles and pictures you would like to have in the June-July Script before **Tuesday, May 14** at noon to Claudine at [wpcoffice1250@gmail.com](mailto:wpcoffice1250@gmail.com).

GRADUATE RECOGNITION **Sunday, May 19** is a special day for the congregation to recognize members for their accomplishments during the academic year. This could be a student receiving a high school diploma, college degree, seminary, graduate school, medical school, law school etc. Please contact the office to share your accomplishments with us at [wpcoffice1250@gmail.com](mailto:wpcoffice1250@gmail.com). Be sure to tell your family and friends to join us in worship on May 19 to help us celebrate your accomplishments.

MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC Please join us for the annual WPC Memorial Day Picnic on **Sunday, May 26**. Come to Wright-Herberich Hall immediately after the service for picnic fare and fellowship as we bid the 2018-19 church-school and choir year goodbye and welcome the summer!

YOUTH AT CEDAR POINT The Youth will be headed to Cedar Point on **Thursday, June 6**. We will be meeting in the church parking lot between 8:00 and 8:15 a.m. Youth members may bring ONE friend. We will need chaperones who can drive. Please contact Mallory at [wpcyouth1250@gmail.com](mailto:wpcyouth1250@gmail.com). Deadline for registration is **May 30**.

VBS, JULY 8-11 Registration is now open on the church website under the Upcoming Events page and the Children & Teens page.

Moment for Ministry

Memorial Day Picnic, Lisa Bansen-Harp

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 Alleluia

Randall Thompson

\*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 23:1-6 Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 501

The Second Lesson John 10:22-30 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 104  
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon Sheep

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.*

Together let us say: **Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

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

Spirit, come - come and live in us: **in this bread, in this cup, in your people, one with Christ, one in ministry, in this place, in every place; in this world, in the world to come.**

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

*The Communion servers will distribute the bread and juice to you as you remain seated. They will serve the bread first. Gluten, soy, and corn free wafers are also available for those with allergies. Please hold onto your bread and we will all partake at the same time. We will then follow the same format for the cup. All cups contain grape juice. Please hold onto your juice and we will partake at the same time.*

### Words of Institution

“The bread of life.” “The cup of salvation.”

### Prayer following Communion

**Loving, glorious, and gracious God, you have fed us at your table. Help us now, as we leave this place, to continue the work of the universal church, to practice the communion of the saints, and, with hearts and souls refreshed, to seek your will. May we leave this place to love abundantly. May we love you with all our hearts. May we love our neighbors as ourselves. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

\*Hymn 264      When in Our Music God Is Glorified      ENGELBERG

\*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary      Trumpet Tune in Eb Major      David Johnson

***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 Cindy Beidler (Head Usher), Mike Hale, Sandy Gruneich Polly Davis, and Helen & Mark Preebe.

FLOWERS in the chancel are given by James and Mallory Gray in honor of Mallory's mother Pamela Keenan and grandmother Barbara Pollard; also in memory of James' mother Deloris Gray and Mallory's aunt Susan Pollard.

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