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.*

WPC Staff

The Reverend Jonathan S. Hauerwas, Pastor jhauerwas.wpc@gmail.com (cell phone 330-606-4551) (office hours: Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, 9:30-11:00 am) Alcee Chriss III, Music Director/Organist wpcmusicdir1250@gmail.com (weekly workdays: Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday)

Debby Evrard, Staff Accountant wpcfinance1250@gmail.com (weekly office days: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday)

wpcchildren1250@gmail.com Sheila Svoboda, Dir. of Children & Family Ministry (weekly office days: Tuesday and Thursday)

Claudine Schooley, WPC Church Office wpcoffice1250@gmail.com (weekly office days: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday)

Zack Troyer, Director of Adult & Youth Bells, and Children's Choir

wpcchildrenschoir1250@gmail.com (cell phone 330-285-0213) Traci Range, Director of Childcare wpcchildcare1250@gmail.com

(cell phone 330-459-1177)

Mallory Gray, Youth Coordinator wpcyouth1250@gmail.com

(weekly workdays: Tuesday and Thursday)

Dave Bodnar, Davtime Custodian (weekly workdays: Sunday—Thursday)

wpcbuilding@gmail.com



Westminster Presbyterian Church 1250 West Exchange Street, Akron, Ohio 44313 westminsterakron@gmail.com - 330-836-2226 www.westminsterakron.org



Westminster Presbyterian Church

come encounter grow serve

1250 W Exchange • Akron, Ohio • westminsterakron.org • 330-836-2226



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

Sit toward the front, where it's easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on. 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."

COME

Voluntary Chorale from Suite Gothique

Leon Boelmann

*Call to Worship

Cindy Weiss

God, who rules the universe, calls us;

Christ, who took up his cross, calls us;

Holy Spirit, who frees us body and soul, calls us.

Let us faithfully answer by worshiping the triune God.

*Hymn 144

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

HYFRYDOL

ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession

O God, Holy Trinity, help us confess our sins. You give us a place in your creation, and you intend that we live in love with all that you have made. We confess that we abuse what you give us. Far from walking in the Spirit, we stumble on paths that lead to death. Have mercy on us. Satisfy the longings of our souls by taking us up into your Spirit that we may love our neighbor. Rekindle our desire to follow our Savior, Jesus Christ, whose passion for obeying you leads to our inheritance, which is your promised kingdom. To you and the Son and the Holy Spirit, One God, be all worship and praise now and forever. Amen.

Silence is observed.

Calendar of Church Building Events For June 30–July 7, 2019

Sunday, 6/30

8:30 am Early Morning Worship (Johnstone Patio)
10:00am Child Care Center opens
10:30am Worship/(Sanctuary)
11:30 am Coffee and Fellowship (Wright-Herberich Hall)
11:30 am Memorial Garden Open House

11:30 pm VBS Work Day

Monday, 7/1,

No activities planned

Tuesday, 7/2

10:00 am Search Committee Meeting (Pastor's Study)

Wednesday, 7/3

No activities planned

Thursday, 7/4 Independence Day

Offices closed

Friday, 7/5

No activities planned

Saturday, 7/6

8:00 am Food for Life (Kitchen)

Sunday, 7/7

8:30 am Early Morning Worship (Johnstone Patio)

10:00am Child Care Center opens 10:30am Worship/(Sanctuary)

11:30 am Coffee, Cake & Fellowship (Wright-Herberich Hall)

COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE

MEMORIAL GARDEN OPEN HOUSE Please join the Memorial Garden Committee today for an 11:30 a.m. open house by the Johnstone Patio. Tour the garden and learn more about its opportunities. Literature will be available about the garden and also about cremation services available from several local funeral homes. Light refreshments will be served.

SUMMER WORSHIP Each Sunday in June, July, and August, there are two worshipping opportunities at Westminster. The 8:30 a.m. service features piano music and is held on the Johnstone Patio, weather permitting. The 10:30 a.m. service featuring the organ is held in the sanctuary. Communion at the early service will be administered July 14, July 28, August 11, and August 25. Communion will be administered at 10:30 a.m. on July 14, and August 11.

TIME TO BUY VBS ITEMS! Please check the display in WHH. You may choose from a variety of food and paper products. Leave items in the kitchen or in the refrigerator.

VBS this year has a lovely soprano, Lara Troyer, coming in for entertainment. She will be bringing her "Seuss and Song" on Thursday morning at 11:00 a.m. Families and congregants are invited to come and enjoy! We will also have a fun and tasty potluck on Thursday evening at 6:00 p.m. Bring a dish and come see what we have done for our VBS week (July 8-11). Don't forget to register online!

NEW MEMBER CLASS Are you interested in deepening your connection to Westminster? Others have already expressed an interest in participating in a new member's class. If you are considering membership, as well, then please contact our pastor so that a convenient date and time can be scheduled for all.

PASTOR ON STUDY LEAVE Our pastor will be away on Study Leave from July 7 - July 19. The Reverend Steven Savides will be preaching on July 7 and The Reverend Cathy Ulrich will be offering the sermon and administering Communion on July 14. For emergency pastoral care needs, please contact our office.

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.**"

Moment for Ministry

Jim Shriner, Memorial Garden

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 Jesus the Very Thought of Thee Eric Thiman Joel Rhoads, 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

After the Time with Young Disciples, 3 through 6 year-olds are invited to the Nursery for age-appropriate activities. Grades K-8 will stay in worship with their family.

GROW

Prayer for Illumination

The First Lesson Psalm 72:11-15, 20

Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 533

Following the first reading, please remain seated for the singing of our congregational hymn.

Hymn 420 God of Grace and God of Glory CMW RHONDDA

The Second Lesson Luke 9:51-62

Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 70

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Sermon Wherever You Go The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

SERVE

*Affirmation of Faith

Remembering the promise to reconcile the world, God joined our humanity in Jesus Christ - the eternal Word made flesh. He is the long-awaited Messiah, one with us and one with God, fully human and fully divine, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of Mary. As covenant partners, set free for joyful obedience, we offer our hearts and lives to do God's work in the world. With tempered impatience, eager to see injustice ended, we are confident that

the light which shines in the present darkness will fill the earth when Christ appears. Come, Lord Jesus. Our world belongs to you.

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 132 Come, Great God of All the Ages ABBOT'S LEIGH

*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary I Know That My Redeemer Lives George Shearing

The funding for the soloist today, Joel Rhoads, was provided by the Seiberling fund for Music.

Welcome to our worship this morning!

Join us after worship today in Wright-Herberich Hall for coffee and fellowship.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES, HYMNALS, CHILDREN'S BIBLES AND ACTIVITY BOXES are available. Please ask an usher.

USHERS are Dave Stobbs (Head Usher), Barbara Thackeray, Donna and Dan Gorring, Linda Stobbs, and Bill Bramley.

FLOWERS in the chancel are provided by the Susann Reef Endowment Fund in memory of Dr. Thomas Reef.

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