#### 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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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

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 I Need Thee Every Hour

Arr. Emma Lou Diemer

\*Call to Worship

Kinsie Willis

The earth is the Lord's, for God made it:

Come, let us adore our God.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:

Come, let us adore our God.

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

Come, let us adore our God.

Lord, open our lips.

And our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

\*Hymn 483 Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

### **ENCOUNTER**

**Prayer of Confession** 

God of birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as a people hungry for good news. We have been so dead to miracles that we have missed the world's rebirth. We have preoccupied ourselves with pleasures and have overlooked the joy you offer us. We have been so concerned with making a living that we have missed the life you set among us. Forgive us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift; open our lips and hands to share it with all humanity in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silence is observed.

# Calendar of Church Building Events For October 20–27, 2019

#### Sunday, 10/20

8:45 am	Child Care Center Opens
9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:30 am	Education for All
10:30 am	Worship/Volunteer Appreciation Sunday (Sanctuary)
11:30 am	Coffee & Fellowship (Wright-Herberich Hall)
11:30 am	CFMT meeting (Tween Room)
5:00 pm	3rd Sunday Dinner

#### Monday, 10/21

7:00 pm Evening circle (Tween Room)

#### **Tuesday**, 10/22

7:00 pm Session Meeting (Room 106)

#### Wednesday, 10/23

4:15 pm Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)

#### **Thursday**, 10/24

9:30 am	WPC Staff Meeting (Library)
12:00 pm	Bible Study (Library)
3:00 pm	Membership Committee (Library)

#### Friday, 10/25 No Activities Planned

#### **Saturday**, 10/26

2:00 pm Reverse Halloween Party (Ohio Living-Rockynol)

#### Sunday, 10/27 Consecration of Pledges

8:45 am	Child Care Center Opens
9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:30 am	Education for All
10:30 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30 am	Coffee & Fellowship (Wright-Herberich Hall)

## **COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE**

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION SUNDAY In October we highlight **Financial Services of Westminster Church.** Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer, Finance and Endowment Committee members, Stewardship Team, Offering Counters and Check Signers, Finance Office Volunteers.

LIBRARY SURVEY Please complete the survey that you will find at the Connection Point in WHH and put it in the box. Thank you for your participation!

REVERSE HALLOWEEN—**Saturday, October 26** from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. For all Ages! Like last year, this year we are taking our party to others. Join us in your costume as we prepare some treats. Learn some songs and head over to our neighbor, Rockynol. We will share our Halloween joy with the residents there! "It is more blessed to give than Receive"—Acts 20:35. Sign up at the Connection Point.

PW FALL/WINTER GATHERING will be on **Saturday**, **November 2** at 12:00 p.m. in Wright-Herberich Hall. The lunch (\$5) will be followed by an inspiring program about gratitude, with our own Kris Keller taking the lead. Please bring items to help the children of WYDACA: underwear, unisex pants sizes 4-8, socks, hats, and mittens. Call Margo: 330.396.0408 if you need childcare.

TEEN SUICIDE PROGRAM We will gather on **Sunday**, **November 3** for a luncheon in Wright-Herberich Hall right after worship and before the presentation. Please sign up at the Connection Point if you are able to bring in a crock pot/instant pot of soup or chili to share.

#### **Monthly Financial Report**

September 2019	Actual	Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
Total Revenues	\$53,223.15	\$54,115.41	\$439,009.10	*\$454,820.22
Total Expenses	\$43,484.07	\$46,107.56	\$405,024.19	\$459,067.60
Net	\$9,739.08	\$8,007.85	\$33,984.91	(\$4,247.38)

<sup>\*</sup>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 September 30, 2019.

Response 574 Lord, Have Mercy 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

Stewardship/Marcia Holcomb

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 Lead Me, Lord Samuel Wesley/Carlton Young
Chancel Choir with Adult & Youth Handbell Choirs

Lead me Lord, Lead me in thy righteousness;
Make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou Lord only That makest me dwell in safety.

\*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

Sheila Svoboda

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 207 of the Education Building. Parents and guardians, please pick up your children following worship in WHH.

### **GROW**

Prayer for Illumination

John 12:21

The First Lesson Romans 12:1-5 Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 161

Please remain seated for the singing of our congregational hymn.

Hymn 339 Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

The Second Lesson Philippians 2:4-11

Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 197

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

Sermon Selfless

The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

### **SERVE**

\*Affirmation of Faith

We believe in the triune God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - who gathers, protects, and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. We believe in the one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. Together we will celebrate our differences as opportunities for mutual service within the one visible people of God. Together we will love one each other.

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 145 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

MARION

\*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

Arr. E. L. Diemer

# 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), Dan & Donna Gorring, Linda Stobbs, and Bill Bramley.

FLOWERS in the chancel are given by JoAnne Barnes in memory of her son, David, and her husband, Bill.

The Pedestal flowers are given by Barb, Jim and Karen Shriner in celebration of the October 13<sup>th</sup> wedding of Scott Shriner and Julie Brubaker.

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