#### 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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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 Now Pray We Christ, the Holy One

Dietrich Buxtehude

\*Call to Worship

Kate Huisinga

The Lord Jesus who calls us to worship him today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one.

Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings.

Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory, and power.

Let us worship God!

\*Hymn 260 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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## **ENCOUNTER**

**Prayer of Confession** 

Righteous God, we who own more than we use, proclaim more than we experience, and request more than we need, come asking your forgiveness. We seek your salvation, then act like we save ourselves. We beg your forgiveness, then repeat our errors. We experience your grace, then act defeated. We rely on your power, but only in hard times. We have become confused and misguided. Forgive our every defection. Bring us to an unbroken commitment and a steady trust, through Jesus Christ, who is the way of hope, the truth of God, and the life of love, now and always. Amen.

Silence is observed.

# Calendar of Church Building Events For October 27–November 3, 2019

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

8:45 am Child Care Center Opens 9:00 am Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

9:30 am Education for All 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)

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

#### Monday, 10/28

1:00 pm Safety Security/Task Force Meeting (Pastor's Study)

#### **Tuesday**, 10/29

No Activities Planned

#### Wednesday, 10/30

4:15 pm Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)

#### **Thursday**, **10/31**

9:30 am WPC Staff Meeting (Library)

12:00 pm Bible Study (Library)

#### **Friday**, 11/1

No Activities Planned

#### Saturday, 11/2

8:00 am Food for Life (Kitchen)

12:00 pm PW Fall/Winter Gathering (WHH)

### Sunday, 11/3 Remembrance Sunday / Daylight Saving Time Ends

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, Cake & Fellowship (Wright-Herberich Hall)
12:00 pm Teen Suicide Prevention Luncheon/Program (WHH)

Childcare is provided

FLOWERS in the chancel are given by Sophia Louise Zito in memory of her father, Barney Barnard's birthday, and in honor of her sister, Alet Barnard's birthday.

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

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

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS on Sunday, November 3.

TEEN SUICIDE PREVENTION 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.

WPC ADULT FELLOWSHIP DINNER Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship with our church family on **Friday, November 8** at 6:00 p.m. Buffet (\$12.00 per person) will be served at Ohio Living-Rockynol Stonebridge Grill. First come first served, as space is limited to 40 people with cash bar for wine and beer to gladden our hearts. RSVP Bill Melver at 330-256-0741 or sign up at the Connection Point.

FIVE AT FIVE CONCERT will be **Sunday**, **November 17** at 5:00 p.m. and will feature Les Délices "Intoxicating", medieval music.

THANKSGIVING DINNER The November Third Sunday Dinner will be held on **November 24**, which is the fourth Sunday of the month. This will be a Thanksgiving dinner. If you would like to sign up to help support this event, or to help during another month, please visit the link under the volunteer tab on westminsterakron.org, or sign up at the Connection Point.

COMPARATIVE RELIGIONS Have you ever been curious to learn more about Buddhism? If so, we invite you to an adult education opportunity **every Sunday in November** from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. in Room 106. Holly Christensen will serve as the facilitator for these discussions. We hope to see you then.

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/Ralph Davis

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 Tunaomba Mungu Atawale Adult & Childrens' Choirs

Arr. John Paradowski Zachary Troyer, conductor Paul Stewart, congas

(Swahili text) Tunaomba Mungu Atawale (We pray God to reign.)
Tunaomba Yesu Atawale (We pray Jesus to reign.)
Tunaomba Roho Atawale (We pray the Spirit to reign.)
Bwana (Lord)

\*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

Mallory Gray

Following the Time with 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 quardians, please pick up your children following worship in WHH.

# **GROW**

Prayer for Illumination

John 6:68

The First Lesson Psalm 72:11-19 Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 533

Please remain seated for the singing of our congregational hymn.

Hymn 288 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

**ELLACOMBE** 

The Second Lesson 2 Co.

2 Corinthians 9:5-8

Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 183

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

Sermon

Abundance

The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

# **SERVE**

\*Affirmation of Faith

The Holy Spirit speaks through the church, has spoken in the ancient creeds and in the confessions of the Reformation. God's Spirit speaks in the world according to God's ultimate Word in Christ. In every time and place, in ancient cities and distant lands, in technology and business, in art and education, God has not been without a witness. The Word has entered where we have failed to go. As we listen to the world's concerns, hear the cry of the oppressed, and learn of new discoveries, God will give us knowledge, teach us to respond with maturity, and give us courage to act with integrity.

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.

#### Consecration of Pledges

Please bring your pledge cards forward during the singing of the closing hymn. All pledge cards received in advance have been placed in the basket and included in the blessing. Thank you for your generous support of Westminster Presbyterian Church, its programs, ministries and missions.

\*Hymn (See insert) We Are Walking in the Light of God SIYAHAMBA

\*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Wilbur Held

This hymn was composed by the great Reformer, Martin Luther. For more information about the Reformation, see this Wednesday's Evotional.

# Welcome to our worship this morning! Join us after worship today in Wright-Herberich Hall

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.