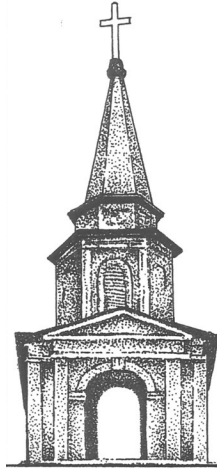


3rd Sunday after Pentecost
June 26, 2022 at 10:30 a.m.



*At the ringing of the chimes, 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.*

Follow us also on



or on our church website at westminsterakron.org

Voluntary

The lone, wild bird

Emma Lou Diemer
(b. 1927)

*Call to Worship

A Contemporary Celtic Prayer Book, p 19.

Blessed be Sunday.

Blessed be God's "shalom."

Blessed be the joy of kinship.

Blessed be the joy of friendship.

Blessed be the joy of breaking bread.

Blessed be the fruits of fertile earth.

Blessed be God for our kinship.

With all races and creed,

And with all creatures.

God Looks upon us all, And it is all very good!

*Hymn 139

Come, Thou Almighty King

Call to Confession

Lisa Park Boush

Prayer of Confession

Thank You, Lord, for this slow time with You. The world moves so quickly, and the worldly live at warp speed. Music plays constantly in stores to keep us energized. Advertisements occupy prominent places along the highways to stimulate us. Even our worship in this modern age is determined more by electronics than contemplation. Is it any wonder that Your still small voice is seldom heard? Forgive us for those inklings of Your presence that tickle our senses, but we are too busy to notice. Forgive us when we scratch that itch without giving a thought to how close You may be to us. We are hurried children, over stressed, overly busy, overly angry, and so fall prey to the fables of this age: that youth is perpetual; that health never fails; that age is the enemy; that technology is the future; that our lives are our own. Through the life and death of Jesus, bring us Your peace, and the assurance that our time is in Your hands, and that there is no time like the present. In Christ we pray, Amen.

Silence is observed.

Response 323

Loving Spirit

**Loving Spirit, Holy Spirit, You have chosen me to be;
You have drawn me to Your wonder, You have set Your sign
on me.**

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

*Response 579

Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy
Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

*Passing the Peace

We invite you now to greet one another saying,
The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

Time for Church Life and the Invitation to Offer Our Gifts to the Lord

Special music

How Can I Keep From Singing

Arr. Richard Walters

Ginger Thorne-Herrmann, soprano

*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 With Young Disciples, children are invited to stay with their
families or visit with our childcare staff in the nursery.*

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Spirit, you carry our prayers to the heart of God. You place our feet on the path of peace. You stir our desire for the eternal. You open the way to deep truth. Like wind upon the water, like tongues of living fire, come, Holy Spirit, abide with us as we open the Word. Amen.

The First Lesson

Psalm 130

1 Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!

2 O Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

3 If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

4 But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

5 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in God's word I hope;

6 my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

7 O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with God is plentiful redemption.

8 And God will redeem Israel from all iniquities.

*Hymn 339

Be Thou My Vision

The Second Lesson

Mark 5: 21-43

Lord, the story of your grace. Thanks be to God!

Sermon

The Reverend David Aber

*Affirmation of Faith

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I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ, God's only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to Prayer

Christ be with me

from Te Deum

Andrew Carter (b. 1939)

Ginger Thorne-Herrmann, soprano

Prayers of the People - 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 478

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

*Charge and Benediction

Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold onto what is good; return no one evil for evil; support the weak; help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Lord bless you and keep you. May God make God's face shine upon you, and be gracious to you. May God lift up God's countenance upon you and give you peace.
And all God's people say, **Amen.**

Voluntary

Praeludium in C, BuxWV 137

Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1907)

They cast their crowns before the throne, singing, "Worthy are You, our Lord and God, to receive glory, honor and power, for You created all things, and by Your will they existed and were created. (Rev. 4: 10-11)

Serving as liturgist today is Lisa Park Boush.

Announcements

The Flowers in the Chancel are in memory and honor of Eleanor Humphrey. At 101 years old, Eleanor was the last remaining charter member of Westminster.

Beyond Suffering Classes on Disability Ministry The last day of class will be on Monday, June 27. All are welcome! Zoom link: Meeting ID: 834 0004 2992 - Passcode: 116464

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83400042992?pwd=Ym5rV0xEK1ppdXJmYjJWLzdzWmozQT09>

VBS Items Needed On the table in WHH, find a post-it note, listing an item needed, grab it, and bring the item to the church by July 3.

The Holy Spirit speaks to us as we worship. Use the space below to record your thoughts on the music, prayers, scripture, and sermon.

Calendar of Church Building Events For June 26 - July 3, 2022

Sunday, 6/26

- 8:30 am Summer Worship Service on the Johnstone Patio
- 9:30 am VBS Volunteers' Meeting
- 10:00 am Nursery Opens
- 10:30 am Worship Service & YouTube Livestream
- 11:30 am Coffee Fellowship in WHH
- 11:40 am Outreach Meeting in Room 106
- 11:45 am Personnel Committee Meeting in Pastor's study

Monday, 6/27

- 3:00 pm Beyond Suffering Disability Class Via Zoom

Tuesday, 6/28

- 7:00 pm Session Meeting in Room 106

Thursday, 6/30

- 10:00 am WPC Staff Meeting in the Library

Saturday, 7/2

- 8:00 am Food for Life in the kitchen

Sunday, 7/3

- 8:30 am Summer Worship Service on the Johnstone Patio
- 9:00 am Handbell Choir Practice in the Sanctuary
- 10:00 am Nursery Opens
- 10:30 am Worship Service & YouTube Livestream
- First Sunday Food Collection
- 11:30 am Coffee Fellowship and Birthday Cake in WHH



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.

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