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MORE LIGHT
PRESBYTERIANS



Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.

Westminster Presbyterian Church

September 13, 2026



10:30 am Worship Service

Welcome to Westminster,

No matter where you are on your journey of faith,
you are welcome here!

The flowers in the chancel are given by Dottie Erb in honor of immigrant families in the greater Akron area.

Today September 13, we will celebrate the beginning of a new church program year with Rally Day. The Deacons are serving lunch after worship. During lunch there will be an Information and Involvement Fair to highlight the various programs of the church as well as information about how you can become involved. There is truly something for everyone at Westminster and Rally Day will be a chance for you to discover much of what Westminster offers. Members are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. Most importantly, bring your appetite.

Dr. Tuell will be joining our Thursday night Bible study on Zoom on September 17th, and 24th. On September 26th, he will come to Westminster and lead a discussion on what the Bible actually says about gender and sexuality. Steve is ordained in the United Methodist Church and he has been a consistent voice for inclusion in the UMC.

On Saturday, October 3rd, Pastor Alan invites you to attend the Soul Shop training. His good friend Lisa Zimmerman (pastor of Allenside and Firestone Park Presbyterian Churches) is going to be the co-facilitator of this training. Lisa is also inviting members of her congregations. Contact Pastor Alan now for more information and if you interested in attending. Alan's email: wpcpastoralan@gmail.com

This Week's Music at WPC:

Scan or take a picture of the QR code with your smart phone
and learn some musical history and context.



Come after worship and sit with a
cup of coffee and share your stories,
laughter and kindness.

Calendar of Church Building Events For September 13-September 20, 2026

Sunday, 9/13

- 8:30 am Childcare open
- 8:45 am Choir rehearsal
- 10:30 am Worship & YouTube Live-Stream
- 11:35 am Coffee/RALLY DAY Luncheon Fellowship (WHH)
- 11:50 am Nominating Committee meeting (Pastor's Study)

Monday, 9/14

- 7:00 pm Discipleship Committee meeting via ZOOM

Tuesday, 9/15

- 9:30 am Quilt Ministry (WHH)

Thursday, 9/17

- 12:15 pm Finance Committee meeting
- 7:00 pm Bible Study via ZOOM

Saturday, 9/19

- 8:00 am Food For Life
- 8:00 am ILP Studio (Room 208-209)

Sunday, 9/20

- 8:30 am Childcare open
- 8:45 am Choir rehearsal
- 10:30 am Worship & YouTube Live-Stream
- 11:35 am Coffee Fellowship (WHH)
- 11:35 am Deacons meeting (Room 106)
- 11:45 am Handbell rehearsal (Sanctuary)

we acknowledge that we are too inclined
toward anger, jealousy, and revenge, to ambition and pride,
which often give rise to discord and bitter feelings between
others and us.

Too often have we thus both offended and grieved you,
**O long-suffering Father. Forgive us this sin and permit us to
partake of the blessing you have promised the peacemakers,
who shall be called the children of God.**

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(Silence is observed)

Response 574	Lord, Have Mercy	<i>Kyrie</i>
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.		
Lord, have mercy upon us.		

Assurance of Forgiveness

Christ is our peace; those who are divided he has made one.
He has broken down the barriers of separation by his death
and has built us up into one body, with God.
To all who repent and believe, he has promised reconciliation.
So live as people reconciled. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*Response 567	Glory to the Father	<i>Gloria Patri</i>
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 of the Peace

Greet both friends and strangers saying,
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Prayer for Illumination

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. **Amen.**

First Lesson	Romans 14:1-1	(pew bibles p.163)
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This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Lesson	Genesis 50:15-21	(pew bibles p.48)
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Sermon	A New Creation	Reverend Dr. Alan Olson
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Hymn 347	Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive	DETROIT
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The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts! **We lift them up 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

Therefore, we join our voices with the choirs of heaven and with all the
faithful of every time and place who forever praise your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord (insert)	Sanctus
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Words of Institution

Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.