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WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Baccalaureate Sunday

07 June 2026 + 10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Voluntary

Andantino

Edward Elgar

*Ringing of the Bell

*Call to Worship

Leader:

God is our shepherd, we need nothing else.

People:

**We rest in green pastures and walk by still waters.
God renews and refreshes us.**

Leader:

God guides us along paths of righteousness.

People:

**And walks with us through shadowed valleys so we are
not afraid.**

Leader:

Our shepherd comforts us.

People:

We dwell securely in the Lord.

*Processional Hymn 803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Resignation

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive those who confess their faults. And grant, O merciful God, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen

***Silent Confession**

***Sung Response**

Lord Have Mercy Upon Us

Hymnal, Back Cover

***Declaration of Pardon**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us greet one another with the sign of peace.

***Response of Praise**

Gloria Patri

Hymnal, Back Cover

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.

Children's Sermon

*Children Pre-K – Grade 5 go to summer Sunday school in the
3rd Floor Classroom following the Congregational Response.*

Congregational Response

Listen, Listen, God is Calling

Neno Lake Mungu

Listen, listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting,
offering forgiveness, comfort, and joy. *(Repeat three times)*

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 23

Pew Bible, OT page 501

Second Scripture Reading

John 10:1-18

Pew Bible, NT pages 103-104

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

God as Shepherd

Rev. Dr. Anne C.S. Marshall

Special Music

Gavotte

Jean-Baptiste Lully

**Recognition of High School
Graduates**

The Church at Prayer

Pastor: The Lord be with you.
People: **And with your spirit.**
Pastor: Let us pray.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, page 35

The Presentation of Our Gifts

*At this time all worshipers are asked to sign and pass the
Ministry of Friendship folders at the end of each pew.*

Offertory

Chanson

Edgar Elgar

*Offertory Response

Doxology

Hymnal, 606

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

**God our Shepherd, you lead us beside still waters and
guide us in paths of grace and mercy. As we bring these
gifts before you, teach us again to trust you to guide us,
provide for us, and use us for your purposes. Bless these
offerings, that through them others may know your care,
your comfort, and your steadfast love. In Christ's name
we pray. Amen.**

*Hymn 816

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee

Wer nur den lieben Gott

*Charge and Benediction

*Voluntary

Pomp and Circumstance

Edward Elgar

(*) The congregation is invited to stand.



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WESTMINSTER MINISTRIES ARE WELCOME TO SCAN
HERE.

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SERVING THIS SUNDAY AT WESTMINSTER

- **The flowers** in the chancel are given in loving memory of Ruth Nuess Irwin by her son Richard Irwin and family.
- **The flowers** on the reception table in Parish Hall are given by Arthur and Robin Pinke who congratulate their parents, Maggie and Josh Pinke on fourteen years of marriage.
- **Sunday Liturgist:** Rev. Sarah A. Bishop, CRE Sue Sawers
- **Worship Leader:** Macklin Metzger
- **Acolytes:** Reese and Harper Huston
- **Greeters:** Braden Barton and Aerwyna Eastvold
- **Safety Team:** John Stafford
- **Ushers:** Greg Boutelle (Head Usher), Claudia Nash, Todd Lafrenz, Cathy Yokely, Randy Wiseman, Bernie Wiseman, Cameron Hudgins, Mary Ray
- **Music:** Eva Pan, Violin and Dale Rogers, Organ
- **Videographers and Sound:** Bill Deemer, Krista Steller

EDUCATION AND FELLOWSHIP THIS SUNDAY AT WESTMINSTER

- **9:15 a.m. – VBS Ministry Partner Team Meeting (Parish Hall)**
- **9:45 a.m. – 12 noon Infants, toddlers, and two-year-olds (Nursery)** gather for play and Bible Story. *Caregiver: Erin Winn*
- **10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Children in Pre-K – Grade 5** begin in worship & go to Sunday school following the Congregational Response. Summer Sunday School is in session! Our children will continue to learn in their respective classrooms with the Frolic Preschool and Feasting on the Word curriculums. The students in Grades 3-5 will participate in a study of the Psalms.
 - **Preschool – Grade 2 (Third Floor Chapel)** *Teacher: Meleah Berkowitz*
 - **Grade 3 – Grade 5 (Third Floor Tower Room)** *Teachers: Aaron Berkowitz and Cathy Brower*
- **11:15 a.m. – Exploration Class (Library)** If you would like to learn more about Westminster Presbyterian Church, join us for an Exploration Class **today** after worship at **11:15 a.m.** in the Library. We will answer any questions you might have about our ministry opportunities as well as answer any questions you might have about the beliefs and theology of the church. If you are not able to come, but would like to learn more about the church, please contact Pastor Anne amarshall@wpcspi.org.
- **11:15 a.m. – Baccalaureate Reception (Parish Hall)**

BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

- Benjamin Bassett** – from SHS attending Missouri University of Science and Technology. Ben will major in applied mathematics and aerospace engineering or mechanical engineering.
- Anna Collins** – from LHS. Anna is undecided on which college to attend but wants to study in the medical field.
- Liam Kiszely** – from NBHS attending Lincoln Land Community College. Liam will major in video editing.
- Carter Magalis** – from SHS attending University of Kentucky. Carter will major in business management.
- Luke Milliman** – from SHS attending University of Missouri in Columbia, MO.
- Eva Pan** – from SHS is a Rotary Youth Exchange student from Taiwan and participates with the WPC Youth Group. She will return to Taiwan this summer to complete school.
- Emma Ridley** – from Mt. Zion HS attending Tarleton State University. Emma is the granddaughter of Linda Folse.
- Caroline Rogers** – from St. Paul’s School attending Wake Forest University. Caroline is the granddaughter of Linda Folse.

ASSOCIATE DEGREES

- Cameron Hudgins** – A.A. in the Arts from Lincoln Land Community College, Springfield.
Cameron will attend the University of Illinois Springfield and pursue his degree in English.

COLLEGE DEGREES

- Rose Angelo** - B.A. in Environmental Science and Chinese from University of Colorado Boulder in December 2025.
- Harrison “Hank” Beatty** – B.A. in marketing from University of Illinois, Champaign. Hank earned the Illinois Academic All-American and was drafted by the Tennessee Titans in the NFL.
- Emma Batterman** – B.A in Fine Arts and Education from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. Emma will pursue a master’s degree at New York University this fall.
- Jessica Borland** – B.A in Middle Childhood Education from University of Miami, Ohio. Jessica graduated Magna Cum Laude. She is moving home and will begin her teaching career.
- Samantha Magalis** – B.A. in Psychology from University of Kentucky in December 2025.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME VISITORS! Information about us is in our Welcome Brochure located in the pew pockets and on our website www.wpcspi.org. Please complete the Ministry of Friendship folder located at the end of each pew. If you are interested in joining Westminster, speak with one of the pastors.

VBS JUST LIKE ME: begins **tomorrow, June 8-12 from 9:15 a.m. to 12 noon**, children ages 4 - Grade 5 will enjoy Bible stories, crafts, games, music, and snacks. Thank you to our ministry partners who will lead the children this week.

Director and Assembly Leader: Dr. Aaron Berkowitz

Registrar: Pat Roller, Cheryl White

Bible Story and Drama Team: Rev. Sarah Bishop, Charlotte and William Affrunti, Abigail Eldridge, Sophia Llosa, August Ekstedt

Art/Crafts: JoAnn Berkowitz and Sam Berkowitz

Games: Isaac and Ethan Alt, Sam Kuforiji, Charlie Noll

Music: Meleah Berkowitz and Dale Rogers

Snack: Pat Hymans

Decorations: Al Hymans

Garden Guides: Kathy Bacon, Julian Carruthers, Dee Dee Duffy, Georgina Hudspeth, Camille Massey, Julie Sundquist, Logan Tipsword

Registration is still open for kids Pre K-5th grade- please sign up today to reserve your spot! We will continue to take registrations through Sunday, June 7 or until all slots are filled.

We also still need ministry partners- **we need TWO ministry partners** to function as group guides, walking our K-2 and 3rd-5th graders from activity to activity. No experience is necessary- this is great way to help support the children of Westminster.

The children will be donating school supplies for Camp Compass this summer. Members are invited to join them. There will be a VBS presentation next Sunday, June 14 during worship.



STEADFAST NEIGHBOR SERVICE WEEK: JUNE 22-26 It is not too late to sign up to help! We have 32 projects at the homes of 19 neighbors and a few organizing and sorting projects at the church for those who prefer to work indoors. You can sign up for one day or many. We hope to work in the mornings and end our days with lunch.

Please sign up by Sunday, **June 14** for each day you can work and plan to join us at our Team Building Meeting next Tuesday, **June 16 at 5:30 p.m.** in Parish Hall. At the team meeting, you can indicate which project best matches your skill set.

Come take part in this opportunity to show our love for our neighbors in physical and tangible way.



Scan to Sign-up

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS During the months of **June and July official office hours will be from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** to ease volunteer coverage, needs during staff vacations, and allow staff to catch up on projects and trainings with fewer interruptions. If you have a particular need to be in the building outside of the summer office hours or scheduled church events, please coordinate with church staff.

KNIT 2 PURL 4 MISSION AND FELLOWSHIP gathers every Tuesday at **1:00 p.m.** in the Second Floor Classroom. Due to the VBS schedule, we will cancel our **June 9** knitting at Westminster. Knitters are encouraged to knit at home. Contact Mary Jo Jenkins at 217-622-8657 with questions.

DMA (DON'T MENTION AGE) meets on **Friday, June 12** with a **potluck at 5:30 p.m., and program at 6:15 p.m.** Bring a side to share with others. Jill Egizii, President of W.I.L.D. Canine Rescue, will provide a program called "A W.I.L.D. Night at DMA," and will speak on the mission of the rescue and the resale store.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS A group of intrepid adventurers will meet with Dungeon Master Aaron Berkowitz on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays on **June 17 and July 1 & 15 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Ziegler Library to explore the 1st century AD ancient Near East.

YOUTH MISSION FUNDRAISERS THE CAR WASH / BAKE SALE SUNDAY, JUNE 21 Members are invited to support the Youth Mission Team for their final two fundraisers before they depart for Charleston, SC. Give the youth permission to clean your car (or pay them not to clean it) and stop by the table of delicious baked goods prepared by members of the youth mission team and their parents.

APOSTLES' READ LIBRARY BOOK GROUP The Apostles' Read Library Book Group meets on the fourth Tuesdays, **June 23 and July 28** from **6:00 – 7:00 p.m.** in the Ziegler Library to discuss June's book *There is No Place for Us: Working and Homeless in America* by Brian Goldstone and July's book *The Things We Cannot Say* by Kelly Rimmer. New members are always welcome! Led by Dr. Aaron Berkowitz.

FAIR TRADE JUNE 21 & JULY 19 – Melanie Green and DL Stanfield will be in the West Narthex on the third Sunday of most months after worship with fairly traded products from Equal Exchange.

POKÉMON CLUB The Pokémon Club meets with Aaron Berkowitz on Sundays, **June 28 and July 26, from 12:30-2:00 p.m.** in the Second Floor Classroom. All children and the young at heart are welcome. No experience necessary and all supplies will be on hand.

PW SPONSORS BLANKETS+ During May PW and Springfield's Church Women United sponsored Blankets+ (formerly Blanket Sunday). Church World Services (CWS) collaborates with local communities to identify people with needs and secure resources to build a more viable future. We appreciate the generous donations totaling \$840 which is close to the \$852 we collected in 2025.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Monday, June 8

9:15 AM VBS (Parish Hall)

Tuesday, June 9

9:15 AM VBS (Parish Hall)

1:30 PM Staff Meeting (2nd Floor Classroom)

4:30 PM Support & Endowment Committee (Library)

Wednesday, June 10

9:15 AM VBS (Parish Hall)

10:30 AM Worship Planning (Pastor's Study)

3:30 PM DBSA Group (3rd Floor Classroom)

6:00 PM Board of Deacons (3rd Floor Classroom)

Thursday, June 11

9:15 AM VBS (Parish Hall)

Friday, June 12

9:15 AM VBS (Parish Hall)

1:00 PM Helping Hands Bagged Lunch Prep (Kitchen)

5:30 PM DMA Potluck (Parish Hall)

6:15 PM DMA Program (Parish Hall)

Saturday, June 13

Sunday, June 14

Holy Communion

10:00 AM Worship Service (Sanctuary)

10:15 AM Summer Sunday School Pre K-5 (Chapel)

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