

# WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Inviting All, Exploring Faith, Experiencing God*

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"Trinity Sunday"

**JUNE 11, 2017**

**9:30 A.M.**

*"Take a hard look at Jesus. He's the centerpiece of everything we believe."*

(Hebrews 3:1 The Message)

*"And what about you? Who do you say that I am?"* (Mark 8:29)

***TO OUR GUESTS: WELCOME!*** Thanks for joining us for worship. More information about Westminster Presbyterian Church is available on the Welcome Table in the back of the Sanctuary. We encourage you to fill out the Friendship Binder found in your pew and please join us for coffee and conversation in the Narthex after the service. In the Spring and Fall, Pastor Murry hosts "Welcome to Westminster" orientation meetings for anyone who would like to know more about Westminster or is considering the possibility of church membership. ***Meeting today after worship.***

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- Large print bulletins are available from the ushers.
  - Childcare for children 5 and under is provided in the Nursery down the hall from the Sanctuary.
  - Children's activities, books and crayons are on the small table in the back of the Sanctuary.
  - \* All who are able may stand.
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***Prelude***

Luke Tyler, Organist

***Words of Greeting***

Ruth 2:4

Hal Murry

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

***Welcome and Announcements***

***\*Greeting Our Neighbors***

***\*Introit #2164***

"Sanctuary"

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.*

*With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

***\*Call to Worship***

Samuel Wu

Leader: Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

People: *Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.*

Leader: God's steadfast love endures forever.

People: *Let us worship God.*

***\*Hymn #434***

"Today We All Are Called"

***\*Invitation to Confession***

Samuel Wu

***\*Unison Prayer of Confession***

*Holy God, we acknowledge to you, to ourselves, and to one another that we are not what you call us to be. There are times when we do not stand by our faith, times when we fail to share hope or reach out with love. We confess that we've done unkind*

*things and we have left undone deeds which could have made a positive difference in the lives of those around us. We pray for your forgiveness. We seek more of your Spirit in our lives. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.*

(Moment of silence for personal reflection.)

*\*Assurance of God's Forgiveness*

Hal Murry

*\*Response #2030*

"The First Song of Isaiah"

*Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in him and not be afraid.*

*For the Lord is my strong-hold and my sure defense, and he will be my Savior.*

*Children's Message*

"Trinity"

Hal Murry

*Anthem*

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Chancel Choir

*arr. Mark Hayes*

*Sermon:* "The Great Commission"

1. It's Matthew's "appearance" story
2. Today's Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20
3. ALL authority
4. ALL nations
5. ALways Emmanuel

*Scripture:* Matthew 28:16-20 (CEB)

<sup>16</sup>Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus told them to go. <sup>17</sup>When they saw him, they worshipped him, but some doubted. <sup>18</sup>Jesus came near and spoke to them, "I've received all authority in heaven and on earth. <sup>19</sup>Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>teaching them to obey everything that I've commanded you. Look, I myself will be with you every day until the end of this present age."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

*People: Thanks be to God.*

*\*Hymn #429 vs. 1,4,5*

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

*\*Affirmation of Faith*

from "A Brief Statement of Faith (PCUSA)

Hal Murry

*We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent*

*and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.*

### *Pastoral Prayer*

#### *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.*

#### *Giving of Our Offerings*

Please use this time to pass the Friendship Binder found at the inside end of your pew.

#### *Offertory*

"Medley of Hymns"

Merrill Crawford

*arr by Merrill Crawford*

#### *\*Song of Thanksgiving #333*

"Seek Ye First"

*Seek ye first the king-dom of God And His righ-teous-ness,  
And all these things shall be added unto you. Al-le-lu, al-le-lu-ia!*

#### *\*Prayer of Thanksgiving*

#### *\*Hymn #422*

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

#### *\*Blessing*

Hal Murry

#### *\*Response #2150*

"Lord, Be Glorified"

*In our lives, Lord, be glo-ri-fied, be glo-ri-fied.  
In our lives, Lord, be glo-ri-fied to-day.*

#### *\*Postlude*

Luke Tyler, Organist

**TODAY IS DESIGNATED AS "TRINITY SUNDAY"** on the "church" calendar as a way of commemorating the Christian doctrine of the Trinity: that God is one (monotheism) and yet known/experienced in three primary ways (as God, the Son and the Spirit). You'll see this doctrine frequently mentioned in liturgy and music, especially today.

*Did you get yours yet?* Our new pictorial directories are on tables in the back of the sanctuary...look for the one with your name on it! *Save Postage...Please help deliver to a friend, or to someone you live close to...it's a great way to re-connect!*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFTER WORSHIP, "Welcome to Westminster" meets in the Conference Room (down the hall from the Sanctuary). Today's (last class) topic: "The Meaning of Church Membership". All are welcome. The class is especially designed for anyone considering the possibility of church membership. Hal Murry leads the conversation.

THE SESSION IS INVITING APPLICATIONS from anyone feeling called to serve on the Pastor Nominating Committee which will begin a search in late summer for Westminster's next pastor. The application form and a page of information about the process are in the June *Hotline*, posted on the church website [wpcdbq.org](http://wpcdbq.org) and on the "Welcome Table" in the back of the Sanctuary. The Session will nominate, for election by the congregation, five to nine persons to serve on the PNC. Deadline for receipt of applications is June 19. For additional information please be in touch with either of our Session Clerks: Lois Pearce or Tom Stovall.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Josh Wu who has operated the video cameras this past year. The Live Video Stream connects us to our Church Family that can't attend in person. Josh's faithful service has made a big impact in the lives of those who are homebound or travel. Thanks Josh!

### COMING SOON:

- THIS YEAR'S "State of Westminster" presentation led by Hal Murry follows worship in Fellowship Hall on **June 18**. The meeting provides an overview of Westminster's strategic priorities -- where we are now and what comes next. ALL are welcome! Free treats for Dads!
- 9-4 on SATURDAY, JUNE 24, Westminster's Mission Garden is a stop on this year's Tour of Gardens. We will have workshops on vertical and raised bed gardening.
- REGISTRATION BEGINS on **June 25** for our summer discussions on the book *A Short History of Progress* by Ronald Wright. Cost of the book is \$10. We'll have a limited number of the books available on June 25 and will re-order as needed. **The class begins after worship on July 16**. Theme of the book: We have an unprecedented capacity for self-destruction, not only of humanity, but also of the planet. The stakes have never been higher. What we do now matters.

## YOU ARE INVITED!

Gerda Preston-Hartman  
is having an

### "Open House"

TODAY 1:00 TO 5:00 P.M.

at her Preston Heritage Museum

7569 Old Massey Road at the South Entrance to the Mines of Spain

**Please join her!**

Call 563-588-0649 with questions.

THE GREEN TEAM has been informed that they can only recycle "RECHARGEABLE" batteries . A box is provided. The other batteries should just be trashed per the City of Dubuque's instructions.

### GREEN TEAM TIP #9 – LED LIGHTS

**Quality Matters: Look for the Energy Star label.** LED lights with the Energy Star label have been independently tested and certified to provide high quality and performance. Low quality LED lights quickly become unsatisfactory long before they reach their rated lives: they can flicker, become dim, and change color.

## BYOB (Bring Your Own Bag) Campaign Kicks Off June 25th

The Westminster Green Team is set to launch the BYOB (Bring Your Own Bag) Campaign after worship on **Sunday, June 25th**. In order to discourage the use of single-use plastic bags and the severe damage that they do to the environment, and to encourage the use of bags for grocery and other types of shopping, the Green Team will be distributing special green tote bags to all in attendance that day. Each person will receive one free bag in exchange for filling out a short questionnaire. Members are encouraged to buy additional bags at \$2.00 each. Eliminating the use of plastic bags is a simple thing that we all can do to care for **God's Creation**.

Please join in the effort!



## WESTMINSTER LIFE AND MINISTRY: JUNE 11, 2017

Church Office Number: 583-1729

Rev. Hal Murry: 580-4196

Rev. Hal Murry, Teaching Elder  
Church Administrator: Mary Kay Pancratz  
Custodian: Tim Till  
Nursery: Amy Ehlers/Emily Meeker  
Adult Choir/Adult Handbells: Pam Crawford  
Band/Youth Handbells: Sally Stulken  
Organist/Pianist: Dr. Luke Tyler  
Refreshments & Bldg Care: Bill & Janet Porter  
Greeters: Jim & Sue Huff  
Dennis & Susie Williams

Missional Community Dev: Rev. Lindsay James  
Financial Secretary: Becky Jenkins  
Faith Formation Leader for Youth: Lisa Fast  
Care Ministry Coordinator: Glinda Manternach  
Youth Choir: Lizz Tyler  
Timbrel & Lyre: Dr. Luke Tyler  
Head Usher: Adam Etheredge  
Ushers: Laura Ting, Ed Hannon  
Gidget Maas, Adam Etheredge

### PRAYER REQUESTS:

- For Helen Watts
- Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Andrew & Alexis Seiffert who were married here at Westminster yesterday. Andrew is the son of Bill & Deb Seiffert.

*If you would like to have your name on our Prayer Request list, please advise the church office (583-1729) or the Pastor.*

### COMMUNITY EVENTS:


DUBUQUE FOOD PANTRY is launching a new program called "**LUNCHES TO GO**" - For children ages: Newborn to 18 years old, Mon., Tues., Wed. and Fridays 10:30 - Noon Starting Friday, June 2 - Friday, August 18. Each child will get his or her own lunch bag to fill. This is open to any child in the Dubuque Area. Call 583-4440.



**June 19-23**  
St. Luke's Church  
5:30pm Dinner VBS 6-8pm

See Lisa Fast for more details

Register On-Line by June 4th  
<http://wpcdbq.org/vbs-2017/>



**June 19-23**

**VBS Donations Needed**

Gift Cards to:  
Hy-Vee  
Wal-Mart  
Fareway  
Hobby Lobby

Or donations of cash or a check would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off in the Church Office. Thank You.

**THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER:**  
**JUNE 11TH THRU JUNE 18TH**

**Sunday, June 11**

8:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, LOFT  
8:40 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, FH  
9:30 a.m. Worship, Rev. Murry Preaching  
9:30 a.m. Mandarin Worship, BR  
10:45 a.m. Welcome to Westminster, CR

**Monday, June 12**

7:00 p.m. Scouts Board of Review, CR  
7:00 p.m. Troop 11 Boy Scouts, FH

**Tuesday, June 13**

9:00 a.m. English Tutoring, CR  
5:15 p.m. PIN Board, WR  
6:30 p.m. VBS Volunteer Mtg., St. Lukes  
7:00 p.m. Grief Support Group, MS

**Wednesday, June 14**

11:00 a.m. Regional Prayer Mtg., CR  
12:00 p.m. Voice Lessons, BR

**Thursday, June 15**

5:15 p.m. Green Team Mtg., BR  
7:00 p.m. Table Tennis, FH

**Sunday, June 18**

8:30 a.m. Women's Choir Rehearsal, LOFT  
8:40 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, FH  
9:30 a.m. Worship, Rev. Murry Preaching  
10:45 a.m. **STATE OF WESTMINSTER**, FH  
1:30 p.m. Worship at Bethany Home

**Summer Hours**

beginning June 19th

Becky Jenkins OFF Tues. & Wed.  
Mary Kay Pancratz OFF Fridays

**Covered Office Hours**  
will remain the same:

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Mon.-Thurs.  
9 a.m. - Noon on Fridays

**4th of July Holiday**

Office closed Mon. & Tues., July 3 & 4



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