

Westminster Presbyterian Church

2155 UNIVERSITY AVE | DUBUQUE, IA



July 21, 2024 | Morning Worship 9:30 am

Welcome to Westminster! Please sign in so that we can connect with you!
Use the binders in your pew OR text WORSHIP to 563-227-8441

If You Are Worshipping...

Online – All the worship songs and words will be on your screen so that you can fully participate.

In The Sanctuary – If you are comfortably able, we invite you to stand during portions of worship marked with an asterisk (*). The congregation reads items listed in bold text. *Please note:* Our service is always live-streamed with multiple cameras in the sanctuary. You will likely be on camera at some point during your worship experience.

With Children – We are delighted with the presence of (and the sounds of) children in worship. Children are welcome to use any of the resources in our PrayGround (located behind the back pews). The back pews are saved for parents of children using the PrayGround, and the rocking chairs are reserved especially for nursing mothers or parents whose children need a cuddle and some rocking. **Also, childcare is available in our nursery down the hall.**

Special accommodations –

Assisted listening devices are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Anyone with mobility issues is welcome to use the padded green chairs located strategically throughout the sanctuary. There are spaces within the pews for wheelchairs. Ushers are happy to assist you with these or other accommodations.

THE BELLS CALL US TO WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. Mark Hayes

FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

“God has told you, O mortal, what is good, and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?” - Michah 6:8

OPENING PRAYER

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

***SONG OF PRAISE** GTG #645 *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, we confess that there are times when we have lived for ourselves, and turned from our neighbors. We have refused to bear the troubles of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. O God, in your great mercy forgive our sin and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will in seeking goodness for others; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

***SUNG RESPONSE** #582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

****PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

** Please take a moment to extend the peace of Christ to one another by greeting those around you. Say "hello", wave, learn each other's names – whatever feels most comfortable to you.

TIME WITH YOUNGER DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalm 23 & Matthew 25:31-40
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON The Fruit of the Spirit: "Goodness"

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** #801 *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** (from A Brief Statement of Faith, PCUSA)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church.

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in

the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

JOYS AND CONCERNS+

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* Bradbury, arr. Marianne Kim

*DOXOLOGY #606

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*SENDING HYMN GTG #754 *Help Us Accept Each Other*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *O, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus* w/Rachmaninoff's Vocalise, arr Marilyn Ham

SCRIP gift cards available today in the Narthex.

JOIN US TODAY
at 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
for the
THE ARTS, CRAFTS & MUSIC FAIR

Join in the fun after worship as members of our congregations have an opportunity to share and show off their talents in arts, crafts and music with all of us.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

TITHES AND OFFERINGS collected in today's service will be contributed to the general fund of Westminster Presbyterian Church. As a faithful pledger, you are encouraged to continue your giving patterns to either WPC or FPC. This can be done via electronic giving, mail, or simply holding your pledge until worship is hosted at the church of your pledge commitment.

ST. LUKE'S UMC is hosting a **POOL PARTY** for our congregations again this summer! This is open to all ages. Bring yourself, your family and friends for a **FREE** swim on **Sunday, July 28th from 5-7 PM** at *Sutton Pool*. There will be a food truck there if you would like to purchase dinner as well.

FOOD AND HYGIENE DONATIONS! Remember to bring non-perishable food items and hygiene items to worship at FPC and place them in the baskets at the entrance labeled "Food on the First" and "Supplies on the Second." The FPC Deacons will pack them up and deliver them to the Dubuque Food Pantry and Opening Doors.

MEN'S JOINT BREAKFAST: WPC & FPC men are meeting for breakfast and fellowship on Saturday, August 3rd at 8:00am at Westminster in the Board Room. All ages are welcome to join.

PASTOR ELLS ON VACATION: Pastor Stephanie will be on vacation in Ireland July 15-24 and Chicago July 27-29. For emergency pastoral needs, while she is in Ireland, please contact Rev. Stephanie Schlimm (563) 581-5512. While in Chicago, please contact Rev. Marsha Wilfong, 563-583-6571.

THESE DAYS, *Daily Devotions for Living by Faith* – for the months of July, August & September are here. Pick up a copy in WPC's Narthex.



Fill the Food Need

Your Westminster Mission Team reminds us all that, for many families the most expensive vehicle to operate is the grocery cart. They need our help to avoid hunger and food insecurity and to make ends meet. Our WPC Food Pantry Grocery Cart is located by the sanctuary entrance. Please help us to keep it filled with frequent and regular contributions of non-perishable food items. "For I was hungry and you gave me food."

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TODAY'S FLOWERS are provided by Pam Adams from her garden.

WPC CHANCEL FLOWERS - Please consider providing Chancel Flowers in memory of or honor of a loved one, special event or just to brighten up the altar. This is a perfect time of year to share your garden flowers. Call Mary Kay in the church office to sign up 563-583-1729.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE AND PICNIC – Sunday, August 4th at Westminster
A wonderful opportunity for members of First Pres. and Westminster to join in an outdoor service including communion. Worship will be followed by a Church Picnic for all.

WESTMINSTER HUNGER OUTREACH THANK YOU NOTES RECEIVED FROM JUNE 22, 2024, FOOD DISTRIBUTION

“To All of the blessed volunteers on June 22nd. Our family wishes to give you our sincere thanks for all your hard work on this date. Your generosity was truly appreciated to help us through a difficult time in our lives. You are all a gift in Christ’s mission. Blessings to you all.”

“Thank you so much for the wonderful turn out in the pouring rain. Activities like this one show your hard work of dedication to giving back to the community. We seniors especially appreciate your love and efforts. The contents of the food package was everyday items essential to healthy living. Looking forward to next time. Thanks so much!”



HAVE A PRAYER CONCERN OR JOY TO SHARE? Folks on the FPC Prayer Chain would be honored to pray for you. Simply email Pastor Stephanie at fpcdbq.pastor@gmail.com, and she will distribute your request. You may also join the FPC Prayer Chain this way!

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST FOR WESTMINSTER

- For both **Doug & Lois Pearce** who are dealing with multiple health issues. Currently Doug is at Hawkeye Care Center in rehab for his fractured leg and Lois has moved to their new residence at 1381 Oak Park Place, Rm. 205.
- For the family of **Berniece Trevallee** who passed away on 7/4.
- For **Arlys Williams'** ongoing health concerns.
- For **Gary Scoggin** as he prepares for another heart procedure on 7/23.
- For all those on the **Deacons Care List**.

CHURCH CALENDAR

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday, July 21

9:30am – Collaborative Worship at WPC

Rev. Marsha Wilfong, preaching

11:00am – Arts, Crafts & Music, FH

12:00pm – Sandwiches & Dessert

Thursday, July 25

9am-1pm Church Office Hours

Sunday, July 28

9:30am – Collaborative Worship at FPC

Rev. Marsha Wilfong preaching with coffee, treats and fellowship following worship.

1:30pm – Worship at Bethany Home

July 27-29 Pastor on vacation;

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Tuesday, July 23

9am – Tai Chi, FH

12:30pm – OFFICE CLOSED DUE TO A PERSONAL FUNERAL

Wednesday, July 24

8am – Men's Coffee, BR

11am – Personnel Mtg.- OFC

11:15am – Staff Meeting, WR

Thursday, July 25

7pm – TSWs Rain Site, SA

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For Pastoral Care please call the pastoral care # **563-279-4545** with your pastoral needs or call the office at 563-583-1729.

OFFICE HOURS at WPC are Mon.-Thurs.
9 am-2 pm.

CHURCH STAFF

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Deacon of the Month: DeDee Cosgrove

Pastor: Rev. Stephanie Ells

Music Director: Kristen Eby

Streaming Team: Mark Stant, Tom Boelk

563-582-4494 | firstpresdbq@gmail.com | www.firstpresdbq.org

WESTMINSTER

Preacher: Rev. Stephanie Ells

Care Coordinator: Sam Wu

Director of Music: Dr. Luke Tyler

Choir Director: Steve Peake

Timbrel & Lyre Director: Dr. Luke Tyler

Band Director: Sally Stulken

Organist/Pianist: Dr. Luke Tyler

Church Administrator: Mary Kay Pancratz

Financial Secretary: Becky Jenkins

Custodian: Josh Henry

Worship Tech: Emily Delamora

Greeters: Tom & Judi Schutt

Ushers: Randy Roos & Adam Etheredge

Hospitality Set Up: Doug & Jean Cheever

Hospitality Clean Up: Shirley Meriwether

Liturgist: Merrill Crawford

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with **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** and
WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

June 2	First	<i>To Live By the Spirit</i>
June 9	Westminster	<i>Knowledge of the Holy Spirit</i>
June 16	First	<i>Love</i>
June 23	Westminster	<i>Joy</i>
June 30	First	<i>Peace</i>
July 7	Westminster	<i>Patience</i>
July 14	First	<i>Kindness</i>
July 21	Westminster	<i>Goodness</i>
July 28	First	<i>Faithfulness</i>
August 4	Westminster	<i>Gentleness</i>
August 11	First	<i>Self Control</i>
August 18	Dbq. Arboretum	Annual Multi-Church Service with St. Luke's UMC
August 25	First	<i>Giving Thanks</i>



 **9:30 AM** 

