

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.

WEEKLY DEADLINE for information to be included in the Sunday Update and Sunday bulletin is Tuesday at noon.

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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 30, 2018 10:30 a.m. Worship

*At the ringing of the carillon 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.*

To the parents of our young children

Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel you need to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome. Sit toward the front, where it's easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on. Quietly explain the parts of the service and actions of the pastor, choir, etc. Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you. If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

To the members of our congregation

The presence of children is a gift to the church, and they are a reminder that our congregation is growing. Please welcome our children, call them by name and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.



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COME

Voluntary There is a Happy Land

George Shearing
(1919-2011)

Prelude in D Major, BWV 532a

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

*Call to Worship Psalms 92 and 96

Brad Hall

It is good to praise the Lord and make music to your name,
O Most High, proclaiming your love in the morning and your
faithfulness at night.

**Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the
earth.**

Sing to the Lord, praise God's name;

proclaim God's salvation day after day.

Let us worship God!

*Hymn 264 When In Our Music God is Glorified

Engelberg

Anthem When the Saints Go Marching In

arr. Zack Troyer

Children's Choir, Youth Bell Choir, and Ben Troyer on Bass

ENCOUNTER

Prayer of Confession

**You gave us commandments, God of love, because you
know the hardness of our hearts. You have created us to
live in community, and still we oppress others and
separate ourselves from each other and from you. Jesus
loved the children, but there are still children in the
world who live in hunger or fear, rejected and unloved.
Forgive us, and call us to faithfulness. Bind all your
children together as sisters and brothers, that we might
share what we have been given, and receive your
kingdom with the wonder and gratitude of children.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Silence is observed.

Calendar of Church Building Events For September 30 – October 7, 2018

Sunday, 9/30

- 9:00 am Child Care Center opens
- 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 9:30 am Education for all ages
- 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 am Coffee and fellowship/Lunch for Alcee Chriss (WHH)

Monday, 10/1

No Activities Planned

Tuesday, 10/2

- 6:00 pm Outreach Meeting (Library)

Wednesday, 10/3

- 4:00 pm Bridges/Circles (WHH, Kitchen, Library)

Thursday, 10/4

- 9:30 am Staff Meeting (Library)
- 12:00 pm Bible Study (Library)
- 4:15 pm Adult Bell Choir (Sanctuary)
- 6:30 pm League of Women Voters (Room 106)

Friday, 10/5

No Activities Planned

Saturday, 10/6

- 8:00 am Food for Life (Kitchen)

Sunday, 10/7 World Communion Sunday

- 9:00 am Child Care Center opens
- 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 9:30 am Education for all ages
- 10:30 am Worship/Communion (Sanctuary)
- 11:30 am Coffee, Cake and fellowship (WHH)
- 11:30 am Tween Event (Sky Zone) - Lunch (Tween Room)
- 11:30 am Flu Clinic (Library)
- 2:00 pm Pet Blessing Sunday (Church Front Steps)

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY is on October 7.

FLU SHOTS We will be offering free flu shots on Sunday, October 7, 11:30 a.m. in the Library. A pharmacist from Walgreen's will do all the paper work and give the shots. Both the regular shot and the extra strength shot for those over 65 years will be available.

CALLING ALL TWEENS 4th-6th graders. We're going to Sky Zone, on Sunday, October 7. After pizza lunch, we'll drive to Sky Zone in Boston Heights. Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. in room 107. We'll leave at noon and return to church at 2:30 p.m. Sign-up at Connection Point in Wright-Herberich Hall. Questions at wpcchildren1250@gmail.com.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN FALL GATHERING is on Sat., October 13 at 11:30 a.m. in the Wright-Herberich Hall and includes lunch followed by a chance to try inspired meditative drawing. ALL women are welcome to enjoy this relaxing activity. Childcare will be provided at a cost of \$5.

CLEANING/MAINTENANCE CONCERNS ONLINE To locate the form, please use the following process. The church homepage is available at www.westminsterakron.com. Once you access the homepage, you will notice a MENU icon in the top right corner. Click the MENU box. Next, find the tab entitled "Congregational Resources." Click it. Once there, go to "General Resources" and click the link. Scroll down to the end of the options and you will find 2 links entitled "Cleaning/Maintenance Concerns." Click once more on either link to access the form for conveying concerns about cleaning and maintenance needs at WPC.

Response 574

Kyrie

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Response 567 Glory Be to the Father

Gloria Patri

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 the Peace

Greet both friends and strangers saying,
"The peace of Christ be with you."

Time for Church Life

*Please sign the friendship pad and pass it to those seated near you.
If you are the last person to sign on that page, please tear it out and leave it on the pew for the ushers to pick up after the service.*

Offertory Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

*Response 592

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, 3 through 5 year-olds are invited to Room 104 for age-appropriate activities. Kindergarteners through 6th graders are invited to children's choir rehearsal in Room 207 of the Education Building. Sheila will meet the children at the Sanctuary door on the lectern side and take the children to their appropriate classrooms so that parents may not miss the readings and sermon. Parents and guardians, please pick up your children following worship.

GROW

Prayer for Illumination

The First Lesson Psalm 26:1-3 ,6-8, 11-12
Pew Bible, Old Testament Pg. 503

*Hymn 331 Thanks to God Whose Word Was Written Wylde Green

The Second Lesson Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12
Pew Bible, New Testament Pg. 218
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon A Public Profession The Reverend Jon Hauerwas

SERVE

*Affirmation of Faith

This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are being saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for us according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and the he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God.

Prayers of the People, Silent Reflection 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.

*Hymn 455 All Creatures of Our God and King

*Charge and Benediction

Voluntary Fugue in D Major, BWV 532b Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

Welcome to our worship this morning!

*Join us for Alcee's celebratory reception
in Wright-Herberich Hall after worship today.*

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS, HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES, HYMNALS, CHILDREN'S BIBLES AND ACTIVITY BOXES are available. Please ask an usher.

USHERS Bob Leonard (head usher), Phil Fry, Raphael Peoples, Earl Pierson and Don Rearick.

THE FLOWERS The Chancel Flowers are given by Phil Fry in grateful appreciation to Dave and Linda Stobbs for their arduous effort in the restoration of the Westminster Sanctuary.

VISITORS If you are new to Westminster, please pick-up your welcome bag that is in the entrance to the church.

COME - ENCOUNTER - GROW - SERVE

PET BLESSING SUNDAY Bring your loved ones... paws and all on Sunday, October 7 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on the front steps of the church. Our pastor will be offering prayers for the animals you love in recognition that all creatures are of value in God's sight. We hope to see you (and your best friends) there!