

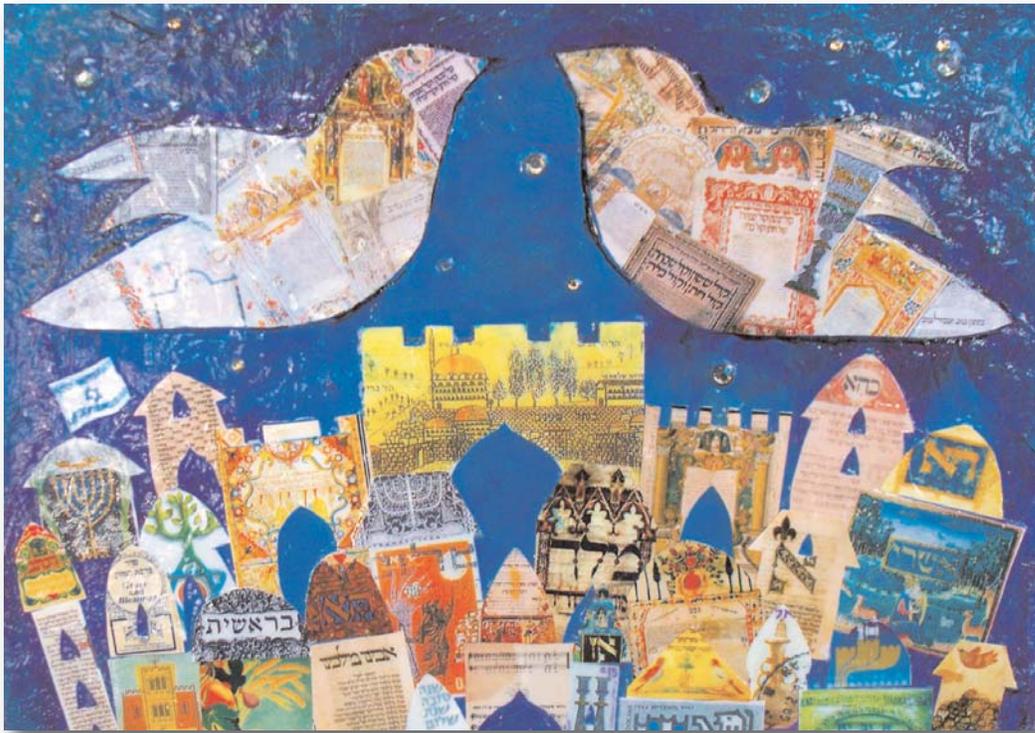


**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Buffalo, New York

*Gratitude in Every Season*

*We continue to show our gratitude to God by sharing the blessings bestowed on us.*

**July 19, 2015 - 10:00AM in the Holmes Chapel**  
**8th Sunday after Pentecost**



When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him,  
Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?'  
He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do.

- John 6:5-6



## Prayer of Confession

God of wonder,  
Lord of King David  
and of the Son, the Messiah, David's greater son,  
we confess our sins and pray for your help  
so that we can truly repent and turn from evil.  
Deliver us from the temptation  
to hide from you, to lie to you, or to excuse ourselves  
because of the harm we have done to others.  
Forgive us for the curse  
we have brought upon the earth.

Restore your creation to full health  
and feed the multitudes from the abundance  
of your merciful power.  
Grow in us a deeper desire  
to love Christ with the fullness of your love,  
and to glorify him, along with you and the Holy Spirit,  
now and forever. Amen.

*Time for silent prayer*

## Kyrie

*The people sing.*

John Weaver, 1984



## Assurance of Pardon

### Response

*The people sing.*

GLORIA PATRI

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be -  
gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

## Passing the Peace of Christ

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

*Please turn to your neighbor and share the peace of Christ. It is appropriate to say, "The peace of Christ be with you", and to respond, "And also with you." The gesture is simple, but the meaning is profound. When we extend our hand to another, we identify with Jesus, who extended his life to the point of death to make peace with humanity (Col. 1:20-21).*

*What's more, in the midst of divisions we symbolize our unity through handshakes and hugs (Eph. 2:14-21).*

*Likewise, when we regularly pass the peace we practice God's call to make every effort to maintain the bond of peace (Eph. 4:3).*

## **Prayer for Illumination**

## **Scripture Lesson**

Ephesians 2:11-22

## **Voluntary**

What Wondrous Love Is This†

American Folk Hymn, arr. Steve Pilkington

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
what wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this  
that caused the Lord of bliss  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul,  
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
What wondrous love is this  
that caused the Lord of life  
to lay aside His crown for my soul, for my soul,  
to lay aside His crown for my soul.  
To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;  
to God and to the Lamb,  
Who is the great I AM,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,  
while millions join the theme, I will sing.  
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;  
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.  
And when from death I'm free  
I'll sing and joyful be,  
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,  
and through eternity I'll sing on.

Nancy Van Baak and Julie Zenger, soloists

## **Sermon**

When God Builds the House

## **Hymn**

They Met to Read the Bible  
*Please see insert for this hymn.*  
*The people stand to sing.*

ST. CHRISTOPHER

## Invitation to the Offering

## Offertory

*The Deacons receive the gifts, a portion of the blessings God has given us, which we return unto God. Worshippers are invited to sign the Friendship Pad located in the aisle seat of each pew and then please pass it to others in your row.*

Ihr Heiligen, lobsinget dem Herren (Psalm 30:4-5)

Heinrich Schütz††

Ihr Heiligen, lobsinget dem Herren,  
danket und preiset seine Herrlichkeit,  
denn sein Zorn währet einen Augenblick,  
und er hat Lust zum Leben.  
Den Abend lang währet das Weinen,  
aber des Morgens die Freude.

*O you saints, sing praise to the Lord,  
give thanks and praise to his majesty,  
for his anger lasts only a moment,  
and he shows favor for a lifetime.  
Weeping endures for a night,  
but in the morning there is joy.*

## Presentation of the Gifts

*The people stand to sing as the Deacons come forward and remain standing for the Prayer of Dedication.*

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

## Prayer of Dedication

**Almighty God,  
enthroned in eternity;  
crucified and risen Christ,  
dwelling in heaven and with your people;**

powerful Holy Spirit,  
bringing life and truth;  
we thank you for calling us  
when we had no hope  
and for crowning us with salvation.  
We thank you for enriching our lives  
with all that is good  
and for providing for us in times of trial.  
Make us ever more mindful  
of the blessings you grant us each day;  
deepen our trust  
in your love and mercy.  
Increase our thanksgiving  
by guiding our offerings  
to help others in need.  
Unite us all in a community of thanksgiving,  
always glorifying you,  
O Holy Trinity,  
now and forever. Amen.

## Prayers of the People

Concluding with 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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil;  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Sending Hymn, No. 386

O for a World  
*The people stand to sing.*

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## Benediction

## Closing Voluntary

Prelude

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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## Worship Leaders

**Preacher:** The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Yorty

**Reader:** Ray Herman

**Organist:** Matthew Marco, Glynda Stephens Taylor Organ Scholar

**Soloists:** Nancy Van Baak and Julie Zenger

## Deacons Serving Today

Doug Fabian, Carol Huber, Florence Kilambo Kalumbu, Mike Reynolds, Austin Sanders, Nancy Stevens

## Chancel Flowers

The flowers at the Lord's Table are given in memory of Athena and King Donaldson by Gail Donaldson.

*To purchase Sunday flowers in honor/memory of family or friends, sign up on the "Flower Calendar" on the Kiosk in the Gallery Room. You may also call Marilyn Bassett at 634-4211 to choose a date.*

*The banners in the Holmes Chapel were designed by and are on loan from Mary Mohlke the Artist-in-Residence at North Presbyterian Church.*

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## *Notes on Today's Music*

The anonymous text of *Wondrous Love*<sup>†</sup> was first published in 1811; the tune first appeared in 1840, in the second edition of *Southern Harmony*. It remains one of the most familiar American hymns.

Steve Pilkington (b. 1956) is currently director of music and organist at Christ Church (United Methodist) in New York City. He is also Associate Professor of Sacred Music and Director of the Chapel at Westminster Choir College of Rider University.

†† **Heinrich Schütz** (1585-1672) was the most important German composer before J. S. Bach. Although he first became known for his sacred polychoral music, he started to compose for much smaller ensembles after the devastations caused by the Thirty Years' War. This morning's duet is from a collection of such pieces, *Kleine Geistliche Konzerte* (Little Spiritual Concertos).

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# Interfaith Congregational Picnic!

Sunday, August 23rd  
4-7PM

- Westminster Presbyterian Church
- Temple Beth Zion
- North Presbyterian Church
- Congregation Shir Shalom

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*A covenant between Presbyterians and Jews in pursuit of a more just world: Israel, Palestine, Divestment, and Longing for Peace. An opportunity for discussion and fellowship.*

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A Picnic Dinner will follow:

- All ages are welcome!
- Activities for children!
- Hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers and refreshments provided
- Bring casseroles, desserts to share!
- Donations of paper towels/bathroom tissue, toothpaste, etc. for the Town Square Food Pantry is appreciated.

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The picnic will be held in the backyard of Shir Shalom on 4660 Sheridan Drive

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RSVP:

Sign-Up: On the Information Table in the Gallery Room-or-

Call: 716.884.9437 -or-

Online: [bit.ly/1C2R431](https://bit.ly/1C2R431)



# PREACHING SCHEDULE

*Summer Worship Time: 10:00AM in the Holmes Chapel*

## July 26

9th Sunday after Pentecost

The Reverend Geri Lyon, M.Div., D.D.

Retired Pastor, First Presbyterian Church Buffalo and Member of the PWNV

Timlin Baptism

## August 2

10th Sunday after Pentecost

The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Yorty

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

# THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

## Sunday, July 19

8:30 AM Case Library Summer Series

9:30 AM Infant /Toddler Care

10:00 AM Worship

11:00 AM Punch & Cookies

11:00 AM Light Lunch/The Darwin Martin House Tour

## Monday, July 20 - WPC Closed

## Tuesday, July 21

7:15 AM Wake Up Group

10:00 AM Garden Group

10:00 AM Summer ENERGY Program

5:15 PM Invested Funds

6:00 PM Zen Dharma

6:00 PM Mission Outreach Meeting

## Wednesday, July 22

10:00 AM Summer ENERGY Program

1:30 PM Staff Meeting (D. Katz)

5:30 PM Pathways To Peace

6:00 PM Session Meeting

8:00 PM AA Meeting

## Thursday, July 23

7:15 AM Wake Up Group

10:00 AM Summer ENERGY Program

## Friday, July 24

10:00 AM Summer ENERGY Program

## Sunday, July 26

8:30 AM Case Library Summer Series

9:30 AM Infant /Toddler Care

10:00 AM Worship

11:00 AM Punch & Cookies



## Frank Lloyd Wright's Darwin Martin House Tour

Sunday, July 19th - following 10AM service

Light Lunch at the church

Tour starts promptly at 12:15

Cost: (tour/ lunch) \$17

payable at time of reservation

\*TOUR LIMITED TO 20 PEOPLE\*

Please check on the Information Table today to see if spaces are still available.

# Welcome! We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today.

We invite members and visitors to sign the friendship/registration pad as it is passed during the service. Please indicate if you would like information sent to you or request a call from the pastor.

As a More Light church, we invite all persons of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender community to membership and full participation in worship, leadership, service opportunities and all ministries of Westminster.

We light our peace candle remembering those who are serving in the Armed Forces. Our prayers for peace include our neighborhoods, workplaces, schools & families.

Bibles are available at the Sanctuary entrances.

Wireless Receivers for hearing assistance are available in the Church Conference Room.

If you need assistance, please ask any Deacon.

## BECOME A PART OF OUR LIFE

Anyone who would like to learn more about our community and the many ministries we support is invited to attend a meeting immediately following worship on any of the following dates: October 18, and December 13, 2015. The Rev. Thomas Yorty, Pastor of Westminster, will tell the story of our church along with the current programs of outreach and mission in the city and region. There will be time for conversation and an opportunity to get answers to any questions you may have. Light, healthy refreshments will be served. At the conclusion of the meeting, those who so desire will be received into the membership of the church. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Yorty (tyorty@wpcbuffalo.org or 830-8596), Karen Keaton (khkeaton@verizon.net) or any staff member.

## MISSION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The ENERGY Program - creates a caring environment where refugee and immigrant students, grades 1-6 from Buffalo's West Side gain social and cultural awareness and self-confidence through improving their English language skills. Contact Carol Greetham at 507-8216 or carol@wedibuffalo.org for more information, to donate or to volunteer.

The West Side Bazaar: Take friends and family over to 25 Grant Street for a delicious lunch and do some shopping! Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 11AM – 8PM, Friday 11AM-8PM, Saturday 10AM- 8PM. Sunday & Monday: Closed. Bazaar Bucks on sale now. Plenty of FREE PARKING!

**Summer ENERGY is Coming Soon!** Summer vacation begin soon for our ENERGY students. After a few weeks of vacation, boredom will be setting in, neighborhoods will be stifling, and the children will be ready for fun, reading, games, and field trips. ELL children (English Language Learners) benefit greatly with continued summer learning, reading and writing. If you're looking for a meaningful summer experience, consider volunteering for Summer ENERGY. For more information, contact Carol Greetham, carol@wedibuffalo.org.

Westminster's Alcohol and Drug Education and Referral Service has been working quietly and steadily since 1981 to help members and friends with any questions they may have about alcohol or other drugs. Call any of us for free and confidential advice. Phil Stevens, Chair 839-3357; Dave Carstensen 884-5403, Ken Carter 833-9287, Ellen Smith 882-2064, Jim Wieland 523-0217.

## WESTMINSTER CHOIR SCHOOL

### Starting again next September!

*The Apprentice Choir* is for children ages 4-6 years old. Children will be taught fundamental music and choral skills. 4:30 - 5:15PM in the Holmes Chapel. For information, contact Garrett Martin, Director of Music Ministries, gmartin@wpcbuffalo.org or 716-884-9437, ext. 318.

*The Senior Choristers* (ages 7 and above) rehearse on Wednesdays, September through May, 5:30-6:30PM in the Holmes Chapel. Participation in the program is not limited to Westminster members. For more information, contact Garrett Martin, Director of Music Ministries, gmartin@wpcbuffalo.org or 716-884-9437, ext. 318.

## ENRICHMENT & FELLOWSHIP

Passages: A Program for Older Adults - Enjoy your summer and plan to join us when we resume lunch and first program on Tuesday, October 6, 2015. If you would like more information on the Passages program, please call Debbie Katz at 884-9437, ext. 329.

WOW Lunchtime Bible Study is meeting the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 12:15PM in the Case Library. Join us as we look at Paul's advice to the church in Corinth and consider what we have in common with Paul and his community of believers. Questions? Contact Debbie Katz, Director of Christian Education at dkatz@westminster-bfloo.org, 884-9437, ext. 329.

Westminster Member - Life Changes? If you are recovering from an illness/surgery or are a caregiver with an ill family member, or have had a new baby, Westminster can provide a simple meal for those in need. Please contact Jamie at 884-9437, ext. 326 or email jadamczyk@wpcbuffalo.org

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AT WESTMINSTER

### Sunday School and Rotation Workshops will resume in the fall.

*Childcare is available for children under the age of 5 years old from 9:30AM to 11:30AM in the WECF building. Childcare providers will meet with parents and children at the entrance to the Westminster Early Childhood Programs (WECF) school building. Weather permitting, the children will be able to play in the playground.*

### Sunday School at WPC this Fall

• 3-5 year olds: Mrs. Debby & Mr. Chris LaMendola are our beloved preschool teachers. The three through five year class meets in the Early Childhood building. The children and their teachers walk to the building together and in cold weather, the children need their coats.

• 1st - 5th graders: Each month their class rotates through our three Rotation Workshops:

*Creation Station* - in Parish Hall

*Hollywood* - 1st room in the Parish Hall Balcony

*Apostles Playhouse* - in Parish Hall

• Our 6th & 7th graders meet with their teacher, Marta Butzer, each Sunday in the last classroom on the Parish Hall balcony.

• Our 8th grader confirmation class meets from 9:45-10:45AM in the Parish Hall balcony classroom.

• Our Senior Highs (9th through 12th graders) meet each Sunday at 9:30AM in the Parish Hall kitchen for Dialog Diner.

## SUNDAY MORNING ADULT LEARNING

### Case Library Conversations Summer Series

8:35AM - 9:35AM in the Case Library

We will present a five-session video discussion by Dr. Eboo Patel "Coming Together to Change the World" Sunday, July 12 - August 9, 8:35-9:45AM. We will hear Eboo Patel's Insights on Interfaith Cooperation for five distinct topics of study. Come and experience a new process of learning as we hear from a multi-faith group comprised of a Jew, two Muslims, a spiritual seeker with Jain and Hindu roots, two Episcopal Christians and one Evangelical Christian who is working in the Lutheran Church.

July 19: Interfaith Literacy

July 26: The Science of Interfaith Cooperation

August 2: The Art of Interfaith Leadership

August 9: The Role of Colleges, Seminaries, and Houses of Worship

## YOUTH EVENTS C.I.A (Christians in Action)

The Maine Bisons (Youth group from Maine) will be in Buffalo from August 3rd to August 9th. They will be staying at WPC, volunteering at various organizations throughout WNY and leading worship on August 9th. WPC will host a picnic for them on Wednesday, August 5th @ 6pm in the Parish Hall. Please join us to support and continue nurturing the relationship we have built as we unite to help those in need. Please see Mark Aquino with any questions and reservations: AskMark@Roadrunner.com

**Calling all 6th - 8th Graders and their Parents:** Please save the dates of Monday August 17th - Thursday August 20th, 2015 for the Middler Work Camp. Contact Debbie Katz or Mark Aquino for details. We look forward to a week of faith, mission, fellowship and fun

## WESTMINSTER GOES TO CHAUTAUQUA

Wednesday, August 5, 2:00PM, Hall of Philosophy. Sign up on the Information Table in the Gallery Room. Car Pooling from the Church Parking Lot - depart at 10:30AM sharp! Bring a Bag Lunch.

Presentation by Phil Zuckerman, Department of Sociology, Pitzer College, Claremont, California, Winner of Foreword Magazine's Silver Book of the Year Award. "Irreligion Rising: Why More Americans Are Becoming Secular." Afternoon Gate Pass (access noon - 8pm): \$15.

## DONATIONS NEEDED

The Heavenly Grounds Cafe is in need of donations of baked goods/cookies (store bought or homemade) for Sunday mornings. 4 Dozen pieces are needed and we will need 1 volunteer for each service to bring their donation by 9:30 am. Please sign up in the Cafe on Sundays or weekdays on the Information Table in the Gallery Room.



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