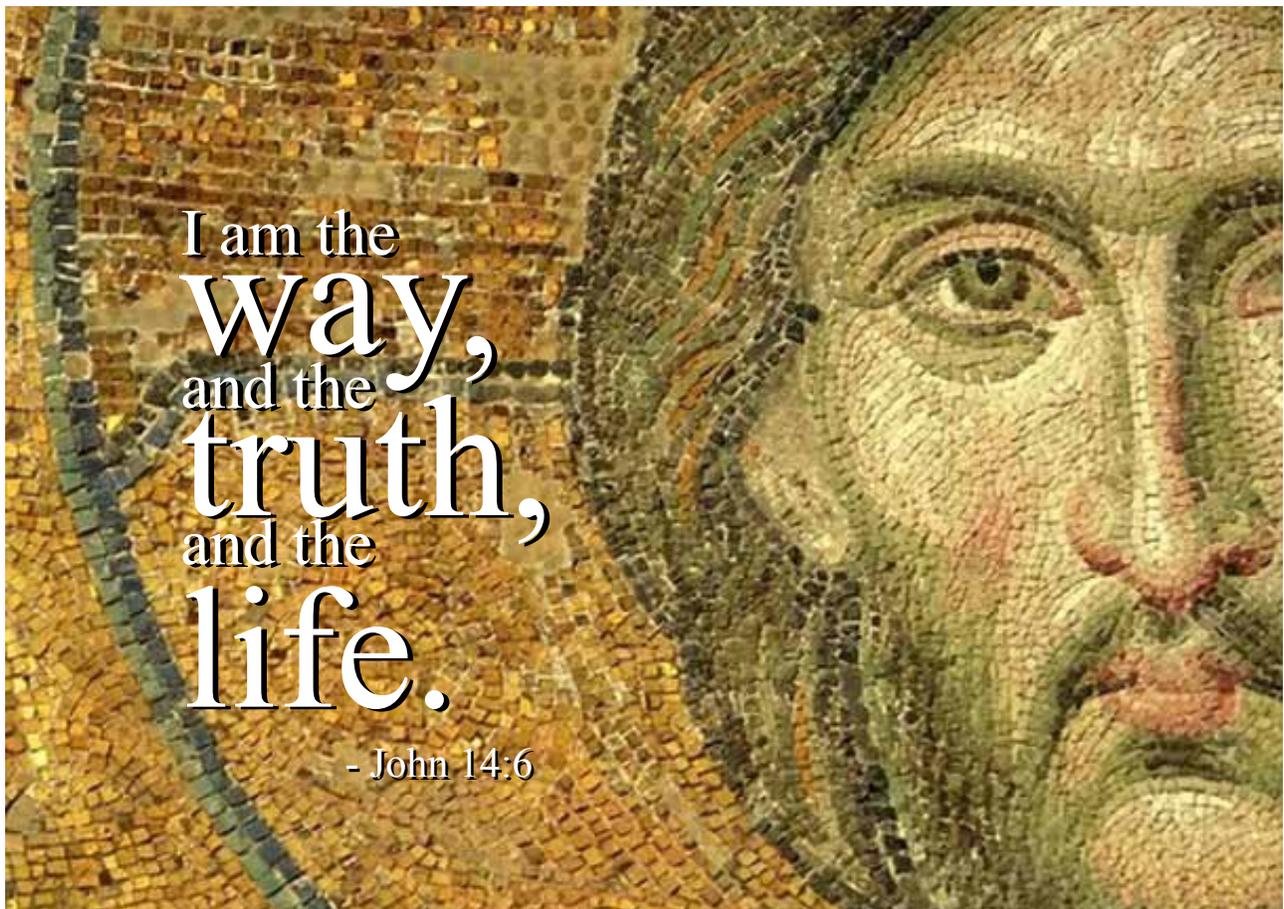




WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Buffalo, New York

May 14, 2017
Fifth Sunday of Easter
10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary



Mosaic detail depicting
Jesus at Hagia Sophia, Constantinople

Welcome to this Place of Christian Worship

Do not wait for someone else to begin worship. Pray silently for yourself, for those about you, for the poor and the oppressed, for those unable to be present, for those who will shortly lead our common worship. Latecomers may enter the Sanctuary during the singing of the first hymn or during the Response to the Assurance. Ushers are available for assistance. Please turn off all cell phones.

Opening Voluntary

Simple Gifts

arr. Virgil Fox (1912-1980)

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Yorty

Order of Worship

Chiming of the Trinity

The sounding of the chimes, invoking Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit, is an invitation to prepare for worship through a time of silent reflection. Please be respectful of those who are praying.

Introit

Trust in the Lord

Daniel Gawthrop[†] (b. 1949)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and He shall direct your path.

Call to Worship

The people stand and remain standing for the hymn that follows.

Hymn in Procession, No. 416

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Call to Confession

Cantor:



Be with us now, O Lord, qui-et us, cen-ter us, hear us.

Congregation:



O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer. When we call, an - swer us.
O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer. Come and lis-ten to us.

Prayer Of Confession

Almighty God, your word offers freedom from sin, but we confess that we have not obeyed your word. We have harbored malice toward our enemies; we have been deceitful in our relationships; we have been insincere in our commitments; through gossip we have slandered our friends. Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance. Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk that we may grow into the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Time for silent prayer

Kyrie

The people sing.

John Weaver (1984)



Lord have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Assurance of Pardon

Response

GLORIA PATRI

The people stand to sing.

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).

Time with Children

TALLIS CANON

Go with them, Lord, and guide their way through this and ev - ery com - ing day,
that in Your Spir - it strong and true their lives may be a gift to You.

At this time, parents may decide to have their children 3 years and older leave with their teachers. When the children leave, please make sure they take their belongings with them.

Prayer for Illumination

Psalm Lesson

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Chant: Janes Turle (1802-1882)

¹In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness. ²Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me. ³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me. ⁴Take me out of the net that they have secretly laid for me, for you are my tower of strength. ⁵Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth. ¹⁵My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me. ¹⁶Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving kindness save me.

Gospel Lesson

John 14:1-14

¹Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going. ⁵Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?' ⁶Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.' ⁸Philip said to him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' ⁹Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

Hymn, No. 415

Come, Labor On
The people stand to sing.

ORA LABORA

Sermon

I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

The Deacons receive the gifts, a portion of the blessings God has given us, which we return unto God.

Te Deum in C

Benjamin Britten *(1913-1976)

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.
To thee all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the powers therein.
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin continually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee.
The noble army of martyrs praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee,
The Father, of an infinite majesty; thine honourable, true, and only Son,
Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

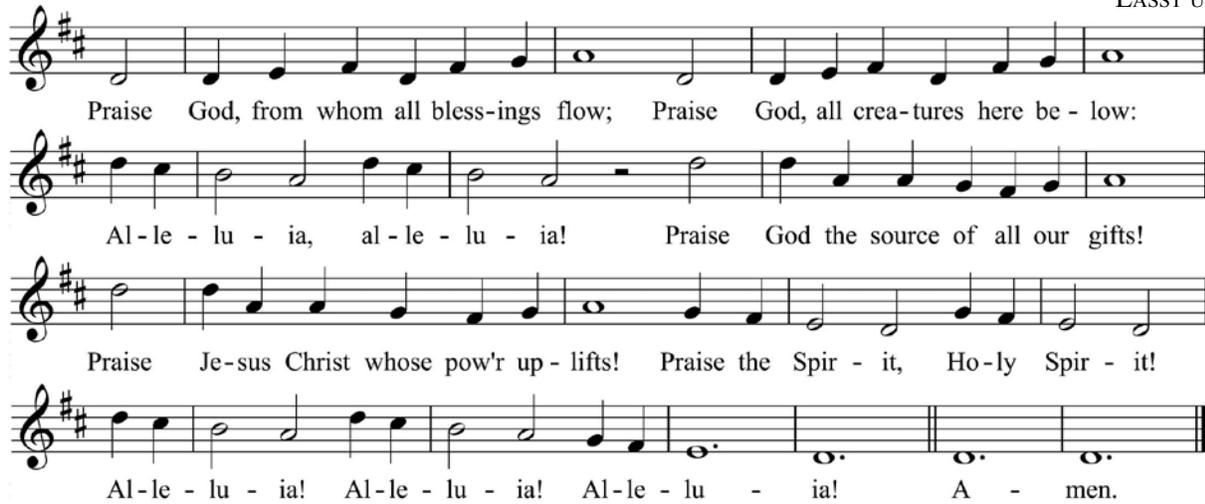
Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ;
thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,
thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy saints, in glory everlasting.
O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage.
Govern them and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify thee,
and we worship thy Name ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

Presentation of the Gifts

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

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here be low:
Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Je-sus Christ whose pow'r up - lifts! Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it!
Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! A - men.

Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, receive the gifts we bring
in gratitude for your astounding goodness.
Make our lives to be an acceptable offering
in union with our risen Lord,
who lives and reigns with you 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 and ever. Amen.

Sending Hymn, No. 442

The Church's One Foundation
The people stand to sing.

AURELIA

Benediction and Choral Response

Mt. St. Alban Service: Nunc Dimittis

David Hogan (1949-1996)

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word;
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
To be a light to lighten the gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
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

Closing Voluntary

Crown Imperial

William Walton (1902-1983)

Immediately following worship, please join us at Meet & Mingle in the Holmes Room for refreshments and fellowship.

Worship Leaders

The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Yorty, Pastor
F. William Gray, Liturgist
Garrett F. Martin, Organist and Director of Music Ministries
The Westminster Choir

Deacons Serving Today

Doug Fabian, Carol Huber, Callan Izatt, Kathleen Kelly, Florence Kilambo Kalumbu, Donald Kitungano, Mike Reynolds, Jo Stevens, Ron Sutz

Chancel Flowers

The flowers at the Lord's Table are given in memory of Marianne Weber by her husband, Thomas Weber.

The flowers at the Pulpit are given by Wendy & Mike Reynolds in loving memory of their mothers, Suzanne C. Read and Marcia P. Reynolds and in honor of all mothers.

If you would like to purchase Sunday flowers in honor/memory of family or friends, there is a monthly sign up on the kiosk in the Gallery Room. You may also call Sue Adams at 883-7597 or email hugwalker1@gmail.com

Notes on Today's Music

†**Daniel E. Gawthrop** is a native of Fort Wayne, Indiana, and graduate of Michigan State University and Brigham Young University. Well-known as a choral composer and conductor, he has received commissions from the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, the Kennedy Center, and the American Choral Directors Association.

††**Benjamin Britten** (1913-1976) is widely regarded as the greatest British composer of his generation: a master of dramatic music in the forms of opera, choral and orchestral works. Often alienated by the prevailing musical establishment, Britten brought into his music influences from European and American contemporary composers, as well as Balinese gamelan. He was equally adept at writing for professionals, amateurs and children, and composed prolifically throughout his life until illness curtailed his activities. He was awarded a life peerage in 1976, becoming Baron Britten of Aldeburgh where he lived for more than thirty years and founded the famous festival in 1948.

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WORSHIP AND PREACHING SCHEDULE

Worship: 8:15 AM in the Holmes Chapel with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary.

May 21 - The Rev. Dr. Thomas H. Yorty

Recognition of Graduating Seniors
Sermon: Believer in a Secular World I
Acts 17:22-31

May 28 - The Rev. Dr. Thomas H. Yorty

Sermon: Believer in a Secular World II
John 17:1-11

ANNUAL MEETING - JUNE 4, 2017



Join us on June 4, the Day of Pentecost for our Annual Meeting

This Sunday, the service will be designed to incorporate our Annual Meeting into worship. We will intersperse reports, testimonies and stories with hymns and prayers. Join us as we catch the pulse of this Body of Christ called Westminster and commit to the year ahead!

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, May 14-Happy Mother's Day

- 8:00 AM Senior Choristers
- 8:00 AM Infant/Toddler Care
- 8:15 AM Worship/Communion
- 9:00 AM Case Library Conversations
- 9:00 AM Heavenly Grounds
- 9:00 AM Adult Bible Class
- 9:30 AM Dialogue Diner
- 9:30 AM Last Choir Rehearsal for the season
- 10:30 AM Worship
- 10:40 AM Sunday School
- 11:30 AM Meet & Mingle

Monday, May 15

- 9:30 AM WECP Grandparent Day

Tuesday, May 16

- 7:15 AM Wake Up Group
- 9:00 AM Management Mtg.
- 9:30 AM Carol Timmerman Yorty Rehearsal
- 9:30 AM WECP Grandparent Day
- 4:30 PM Choir School Rehearsal
- 4:30 PM ENERGY Program
- 5:00 PM Personnel Mtg.

- 6:00 PM Zen Dharma

- 7:00 PM WECP Parent Board Mtg.

Wednesday, May 17

- 9:30 AM Worship Planning Mtg.
- 9:30 AM WECP Grandparent Day
- 10:00 AM Carol Timmerman Yorty Rehearsal
- 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline
- 12:00 PM Enews Info. Deadline
- 1:30 PM Staff Mtg.
- 4:30 PM ENERGY Program
- 4:30 PM Choir School Rehearsal
- 5:30 PM Pathways To Peace
- 6:00 PM BGMCM Rehearsal
- 6:00 PM Choir School Evensong
- 6:30 PM Session Mtg.
- 8:00 PM AA Mtg.

Thursday, May 18

- 7:15 AM Wake Up Group
- 8:45 AM Centering Prayer
- 9:30 AM WECP Grandparent Day
- 12:15 PM WOW Bible Study
- 4:30 PM Choir School Rehearsal

- 4:30 PM ENERGY Program

Friday, May 19

- 9:00 AM Fridays @ WPC Sign Goes Up
- 9:30 AM WECP Grandparent Day
- 11:00 AM Carol Timmerman Yorty Warm Up
- 5:30 PM Taize Service

Saturday, May 20

- 8:00 AM WECP Children's Fair

Sunday, May 21

- 8:00 AM Infant/Toddler Care
- 8:00 AM Senior Choristers
- 8:15 AM Worship/Communion
- 9:00 AM Case Library Conversations
- 9:00 AM Heavenly Grounds
- 9:00 AM Spiritual Life
- 9:00 AM Adult Bible Class
- 9:30 AM Dialogue Diner
- 10:00 AM ENERGY Celebration
- 10:30 AM Worship/ Recognizing Graduating Seniors
- 11:10 AM Sunday School Last Day
- 11:30 AM Meet & Mingle
- 12:30 PM Inquirer's Mtg./Light Refreshments

Thanks to your Generosity, we've EXCEEDED our Goal!

Pledges received as of 05/12/17

Number of Pledges Received	Total Pledges Received	DOLLARS OVER OUR GOAL
296	\$608,785	\$8,785

Thanks to the generosity of members and friends of Westminster, the Ministry of Generosity Committee is pleased to announce that we have exceeded our 2017 Generosity goal of \$600,000! This is our most successful giving campaign in our church's history and we reached it in record time. We are grateful for your financial pledges to this church as it signifies that we have a healthy church, whose members support our mission resoundingly. Through your generosity we are able to continue our ministry as we strive to answer the Prayer of St. Francis to "Love, Comfort, Understand and Give" within our church home and our community. If you have not yet made a pledge and would like to you may do so on our secure site at www.wpcbuffalo.org/giving, or email Sawrie Becker, sbecker@wpcbuffalo.org. Thank you for being a contributing member of this church as your pledge, in any amount, makes us a stronger congregation.

News & Notes

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 relatives of Westminster members and all who are serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. Our prayers for peace include our neighborhoods, workplaces, schools, and 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.

MISSION & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

ENERGY is always in need of plastic folders, spiral note books, notebook paper, pink erasers, dry erase markers, black Sharpie markers, glue sticks, white glue, and Crayola watercolor sets. Additionally, ENERGY can use sturdy paper plates, 7 oz. cups, napkins, plastic forks, cake mix, and frosting cans. Donations may be left on the kitchen counter in the basement ENERGY rooms.

Visit The West Side Bazaar, 25 Grant Street, for lunch and shopping.

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, Jane Morris 571-481-1839, Ellen Smith 882-2064, Elizabeth Stewart, 585-217-7878, Jim Wieland 523-0217.

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

CHILDCARE AT WESTMINSTER

Childcare for children 5 years old and younger is available from 8:00AM to 11:30AM in the WECP (school) building.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT WESTMINSTER

- Our preschool class meets in the WECP building. After *Time with Children*, children 3-5 year olds leave with their teachers, "Miss Debby" and "Mr. Chris" LaMendola and walk to the building together. In cold weather, the children need their coats. After worship, the children and their teachers meet together in the Holmes Room.
- 1st - 4th grade classes: Meet each Sunday with their teachers in the 1st Parish Hall Classroom.
- 5th -7th grade class meets each Sunday with their teacher Carol Timmerman-Yorty in the 2nd Parish Hall classroom
- Our confirmation class is made up of 8th graders. They meet one-on-one with their mentor until their class begins in January when they meet each Sunday from 9:15AM to 10:15AM in the classroom on the Parish Hall balcony.
- Our Senior Highs, 9th-12th graders, meet each Sunday at 9:30AM in the Parish Hall kitchen for Dialogue Diner.

THE WESTMINSTER CHOIR SCHOOL

The Senior Choristers, ages 12-18, rehearse Tuesday, 4:30PM-5:30PM, Wednesday, 4:30PM - 6:30PM, and Thursday, 4:30PM - 5:30PM. At 6PM, on Wednesdays, the choristers sing Choral Evensong in the Holmes Chapel, open to everyone. *The Junior Choristers*, ages 7-11, rehearse simultaneously, joining the Senior Choristers for the service of Choral Evensong at 6 PM.

The Apprentice Choristers, ages 4-6, rehearse each Sunday through May 21st, during the 10:30AM Sunday School in the Holmes Chapel. The Apprentice Choristers are taught fundamental music and choral skills, with the assistance of Dr. Val Cooley and Mrs. Julie Zenger. Participation in the programs is not limited to Westminster members; all are welcome to join. For more information, please contact Garrett Martin, Organist and Director of Music gmartin@wpcbuffalo.org 884.9437 ext. 318.

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. Our next date is **May 21** at 12PM. 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.

SUNDAY MORNING SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Case Library Conversations

9:00 AM to 10:15 AM in the Case Library

Sunday, May 14 & 21: Join Laurel Braun and Debbie Katz as we look at the myths and assumptions of race. We'll look at clips from the PBS series, *Race: The Illusion of Power* and discuss insights from Betty Irving's book *Waking Up White in America*.

Sunday, May 28: Memorial Day weekend – no program

Spiritual Life

Sundays, 9AM - 10:15AM in the Heritage Room

Our programming will resume in September when Dr. Yorty offers his introduction to the new program year to both the Case Library and Spiritual Life groups. Spiritual Life wishes all a Happy Mother's Day.

Adult Bible Study

9:00AM - 10:15AM first classroom on the Parish Hall Balcony

Join our continuing conversation as we explore the Sunday scripture passages. This discussion moves from what the biblical passage means to what this passage might mean in our lives. Our class is led by Debbie Katz and other class members. Our curriculum is *Feasting on the Word*. Please come to these classes as your schedule permits.

PASSAGES: A PROGRAM FOR OLDER ADULTS

Join us in October when Passages resumes for the new 2017-2018 program year. Lunch: 12:30PM, Program details, speakers and topics, will be listed in the September newsletter and on our website: www.wpcbuffalo.org Stay tuned for another informative and fun Passages program year

WOW KNITTING GROUP

The group meets on Tuesday, May 23 and works on their individual projects as well as prayer shawls, scarves and other handmade items for members of the church. Beginners welcome! Contact Fran Holmes: mfranholmes@verizon.net for information and dates.

COMMUNITY SHREDDING EVENT

Sponsored by Buffalo Sunrise Rotary Club. Saturday June 17, 10am - 1pm at Westminster This service ensures safe and secure disposal of unneeded, outdated business and personal papers. The cost is \$10.00 per box (approx size 10"x12"x15") Rotarians will be on hand to assist with unloading boxes from your vehicle.

WESTMINSTER PRESENTS

Fridays at Westminster: Come for the music - Stay for lunch! Each Friday, local Buffalo artists present a 30 minute lunchtime recital in Westminster's historic Sanctuary at noon. Lunch provided by a local food truck. Donations benefit the Westminster Friends of Music.

May 19: Carol Timmerman Yorty and Friends Food Truck: Souped Up

Choral Evensong: Every Wednesday, 6PM in the Holmes Chapel through May 24th. The Senior Choristers of the Westminster Choir School lead this weekly service of music and Scripture readings.

Taizé Worship: May 19 at 5:30 PM. Start your weekend with this service of calming prayer and meditation.

WILLS EMPHASIS MONTH

During the month of May, the Presbyterian Church (USA) reminds us to consider making a will or updating an existing will to mirror the changes that may take place in your life. A will is unique and should be structured to fit the needs and estate plans of each individual in accordance with the laws of the state in which they live. For this reason, you should consult a lawyer to assist you in drafting your will and estate plan. As you reflect on the role of your church family on your spiritual journey during your lifetime, perhaps you will consider including your church family in your plans. Gifts that come from wills can play a critical part in continuing a church's mission and can help it meet people's needs through ministry now and in the future generations. Making a bequest to the church in your will is a simple effective way to speak into the future of your faith community. Please stop by the information table in the Atrium entrance of the church to pick up valuable resources to assist you in estate planning. You may also contact Sawrie Becker, Director of Development, at 884-9437, ext. 315, sbecker@buffalo.org or Thomas Yorty, Pastor at 884-9437, ext. 313, tyorty@wpcbuffalo.org. We are happy to help you!

MEET & MINGLE - FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Please join us in the Holmes Room immediately following the 10:30am worship service for a relaxed and inviting fellowship opportunity. *Meet & Mingle* offers beverages, light healthy snacks, and provides a meaningful time of gathering and bonding for our congregation. Continue to stop by the **Heavenly Grounds Café** in the Oak Room which is open from 9AM to noon with coffee service until 10:30AM.

We need YOUR help! In order to keep it running successfully we are looking for YOU to help in one of the following ways:

1. Be a shopper – Purchase the food from a list provided and bring to church for storage. Bring receipts for reimbursement.

2. Be a host for the week. The hosts come early to church to make the punch, put the food on serving plates before the 10:30 service; monitor the need to refill punch or food platters; clean up dirty dishes, put unused food away, and take home tablecloths to be laundered and returned.

3. Be a sponsor – Make a donation to WPC to cover the weekly costs. Please contact Debby LaMendola (716-983-4993) if you can help!

Thank you to this weeks sponsors, Elizabeth Stewart & Anthony Bannon and host, Roger Seifert.

GOOD NEWS!

Air conditioning is coming to the Holmes Chapel and Holmes Room! Thanks to a special gift from Dr. Philip and Donna Niswander, the summer worship services in the Holmes Chapel will be temperature controlled, creating a more comfortable worship experience for all of us!

We are grateful for this wonderful gift from the Niswander family, and we look forward to worshipping together when we officially begin summer worship hours on **Sunday, July 2, 2017, 10 AM.**

Rescheduled: Diane Bish Concert



We regret to inform you that today's Sunday, May 14, 2017 concert featuring Diane Bish is being rescheduled, due to the flu. We have worked closely with Ms. Bish to reschedule the performance for Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 4:00 PM.

For those that have purchased their tickets in advance, please know that your ticket will remain valid for the rescheduled October date. If this presents a problem and you would like a refund issued, please contact Jamie Adamczyk at Westminster Presbyterian Church, (716) 884-9437. For any other questions, please contact Matt Marco, (716) 884-9440 x. 306.

Although we are all saddened to hear that Ms. Bish is unable to be with us this weekend, we wish her a speedy recovery and will look forward to having her in Buffalo next October.

ENERGY CELEBRATION

Sunday, May 21, 12 - 2:00 PM in Parish Hall

A luncheon will be served and the ENERGY students will share their music, art, reading, and accomplishments this past year. R.S.V.P by May 19th. A sign up sheet is on the Information Table in the Gallery Room. Or contact Carol Greetham, carol@wedibuffalo.org, 716-507-8216. Donations gratefully accepted! A program of WEDI, ENERGY creates a caring environment where students from refugee families gain self confidence by improving their English Language Skills. Learn more at http://www.wedibuffalo.org/after_school



Worship in the Holmes Chapel - 8:15AM

*The Gathering is an opportunity for worshippers to greet one another and to share prayer concerns.
An offering plate has been placed on the Communion Table to receive your gifts.*

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¹In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; deliver me in your righteousness. ²Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me. ³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold; for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me. ⁴Take me out of the net that they have secretly laid for me, for you are my tower of strength. ⁵Into your hands I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth. ¹⁵My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me. ¹⁶Make your face to shine upon your servant, and in your loving kindness save me.

Gospel Lesson

John 14:1-14

Text can be found on page 3 of this bulletin.

Anthem

Love One Another

Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

But as He which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation.
Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear.
Love one another with a pure heart fervently, see that ye love one another.

Meditation

I am the Way, and the Truth, and the Life

Prayers of the People

Concluding with the Lord's Prayer

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

We will distribute the elements of communion today by intinction – simply take the bread and dip it in the cup. It is appropriate to say "Amen" or "Thanks be to God" when receiving the bread and the cup as they are gifts of God for the people of God. Westminster Presbyterian Church serves only gluten and dairy-free bread in Communion.

Sending Hymn, No. 442

The Church's One Foundation
The people stand to sing.

AURELIA

Benediction

Closing Voluntary

Crown Imperial

William Walton (1902-1983)

Worship Leaders

The Reverend Dr. Thomas H. Yorty, Pastor
Garrett F. Martin, Organist and Director of Music Ministries
Dr. David Henning, Guest Organist
Senior Choristers of the Westminster Choir School
Hillary Hunt and Veronica Shanchuk, Chorister trainers

Rescheduled: Diane Bish Concert



We regret to inform you that today's Sunday, May 14, 2017 concert featuring Diane Bish is being rescheduled, due to the flu. We have worked closely with Ms. Bish to reschedule the performance for Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 4:00 PM.

For those that have purchased their tickets in advance, please know that your ticket will remain valid for the rescheduled October date. If this presents a problem and you would like a refund issued, please contact Jamie Adamczyk at Westminster Presbyterian Church, (716) 884-9437. For any other questions, please contact Matt Marco, (716) 884-9440 x. 306.

Although we are all saddened to hear that Ms. Bish is unable to be with us this weekend, we wish her a speedy recovery and will look forward to having her in Buffalo next October.



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