



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 5, 2015 - 10:00AM in the Holmes Chapel
6th Sunday after Pentecost



Bald Eagle

Watercolor Artist: Gerald Hendriks

...but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.

- Isaiah 40:31

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, and for those who will shortly lead our common worship. Latecomers may enter the Chapel 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.

Childcare is available for children under the age of 5 years old from 9:30AM to 11:30AM in the WECP building.

Welcome and Announcements

Bill Devine

Order of Worship

Opening Voluntary

Variations on NETTLETON

Albert Travis

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.

Call to Worship

The people stand and remain standing for the Hymn.

Praise the Lord!

How good it is to sing praises to our God;
for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

**The Lord builds up Jerusalem;
he gathers the outcasts of Israel.**

He heals the brokenhearted,
and binds up their wounds.

**He determines the number of the stars;
he gives to all of them their names.**

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;
his understanding is beyond measure.

**The Lord lifts up the downtrodden;
he casts the wicked to the ground.**

His delight is not in the strength of the horse,
nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner;

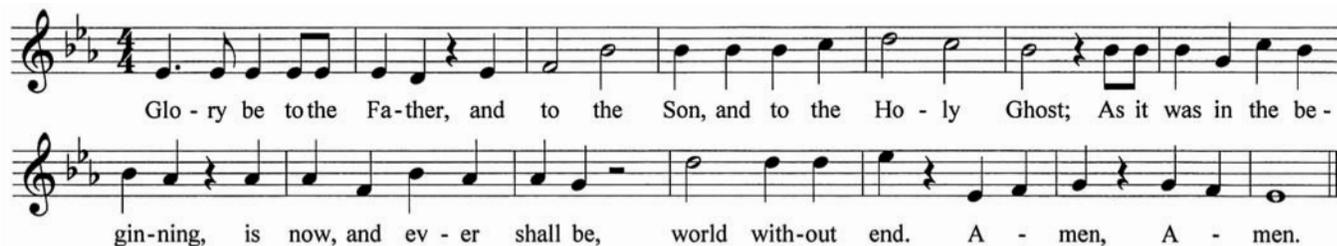
**but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.
Praise the Lord!**

Psalm 147:1-5, 10, 11

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 Lessons

Isaiah 40:21-31; Mark 1:29-39

Voluntary

Softly and Tenderly

arr. Raymond Brown

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling for you and for me;
See, on the portals He's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

Come home, ye who are weary come home;
Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, O sinner, come home.

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not His mercies for you and for me?

Time is now fleeting, the moments are passing from you and from me;
Shadows are gathering, deathbeds are coming for you and for me.

Oh! For the wonderful love He has promised for you for me;
Though we have sinned, He has mercy and pardon for you and for me.

Sermon

Waiting for God

Hymn, No. 275

God of Our Life
The people stand to sing.

SANDON

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.

Sometimes I Feel Like a Motherless Child

arr. Moses Hogan†

Sometimes I feel like a motherless child
a long ways from home.
Sometimes I feel like I'm almost gone
a long ways from home.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

It is the practice of this congregation to welcome all baptized persons, including those children whose parents have given their permission, to join in receiving the elements. Unfermented grape juice is used.

Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy
to give you thanks and praise,
God of majesty and splendor...

Therefore we praise you,
joining our voices with all the choirs of angels,
and sing the glory of your name:

The people sing.

John Weaver, 1984



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed, bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Ho - san - na in the high - est.

You are holy, O God of majesty....

Great is the mystery of faith:

The people sing.

John Weaver, 1984



Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain.

Prayers of Intercession are offered...

**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.**

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

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. On each tray there are wafers of gluten-free bread in a separate dish. Please take the center aisle to one of the communion stations, receive the elements, and return to your seat by a side aisle.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God, our help: we thank you for this supper shared in the Spirit with your Son Jesus,
who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal.
We praise you for giving us all good gifts in him,
and pledge ourselves to serve you, even as in Christ you served us.

Sending Hymn, No. 411

Arise, Your Light Is Come!
The people stand to sing.

FESTAL SONG

Benediction and Response

Walk Together, Children

arr. Moses Hogan^{††}

Walk together children, don't you get weary.
Walk on, my children, don't you get weary.
There's a great camp meeting in the Promised Land.
Gonna walk and never tire,
Sing on, my children, don't you get weary.
Shout together, children, don't you get weary.
There's a great camp meeting in the Promised Land.

Closing Voluntary

Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

Sigfrid Karg-Elert^{†††}

Worship Leaders

Lay Preacher: Bill Devine, Lay Preacher of the Presbytery of WNY

Reader: Cricket Gordon

Organist: Garrett Martin

Communion Celebrant: The Reverend John Long, Parish Associate, First Presbyterian Church, Buffalo

Soloist: Hanna Taylor

Deacons Serving Today

Shea Akers, Mary Callaghan, Doug Fabian, Kathleen Kelly, Florence Kilambo Kalumbu, Becky Read-Lukan,
Roy Stewart

Elder Serving Today

Bob Bojdak

Chancel Flowers

The flowers at the Lord's Table are given in memory of Margaret Pog Swift by Betsy Mitchell and Ann Swift.

*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.*

Notes on Today's Music

†**Dr. Albert L. Travis** is Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Organ at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas. He served on the faculty of the School of Church Music from 1977-2008. Dr. Travis has been Organist of Broadway Baptist Church in Fort Worth since 1978, and is currently serving as Organist and Director of Music Ministries where he plays the Rildia Bee O'Bryan Cliburn Organ. The Casavant organ has 191 ranks, the largest installation by the Canadian organ company, and one of the largest church organs in the world. Dr. Travis has degrees from Oklahoma Baptist University, Syracuse University, and The University of Michigan. The set of variations we hear for today's Opening Voluntary begins with a chorale, followed by a trio with an ornamented tune, a brief scherzo bouncing between the gallery and chancel organs, a soft meditation on the lush strings stops, and finishing with a vibrant toccata with the tune in the pedal, showcasing the full resources of the organ.

††**Moses Hogan** was an African-American composer and arranger of choral music. He was best known for his settings of spirituals. Hogan was a pianist, conductor and arranger of international renown. He died suddenly of a brain tumor at the age of 45.

†††**Sigfrid Karg-Elert** was born in Oberndorf am Neckar, Germany, the youngest of the twelve children of Johann Jacob Karg, a book dealer, and his wife Marie Auguste Karg, born Ehlert. According to another account, however, his father was a newspaper editor and publisher. The family finally settled in Leipzig in 1882, where Sigfrid received his first musical training and private piano instruction. At a gathering of composers in Leipzig, he presented his first attempts at composition to the composer Emil Nikolaus von Reznicek, who arranged a three-year tuition-free scholarship at the Leipzig Conservatory. This enabled the young man to study with Salomon Jadassohn, Carl Reinecke, Alfred Reisenauer and Robert Teichmüller. From August 1901 to September 1902 he worked as a piano teacher in Magdeburg. It was during this period that he changed his name to Sigfrid Karg-Elert, adding a variant of his mother's maiden name to his surname, and adopting the Swedish spelling of his first name.

Having returned to Leipzig, he started devoting himself to composition, primarily for the piano (encouraged by Edvard Grieg, whom he greatly admired); in 1904, he met the Berlin publisher Carl Simon, who introduced him to the harmonium. From then on until his death he created one of the most significant and extensive catalogs of original works for this instrument. Encouraged by the organist Paul Homeyer, he reworked several of these harmonium compositions for organ, before composing his first original organ piece, 66 Chorale Improvisations, Op. 65 in 1909.

The cultural climate in Germany in the 1920s and 1930s was very hostile to the internationally oriented, French-influenced Karg-Elert; although his works were admired outside Germany, especially in the U.K. (the Organ Music Society of London held a ten-day festival in his honor in 1930) and in the US, in his home country his music was almost completely neglected. All this led to him accepting an invitation for an organ concert tour of America in the spring of 1932. The tour proved to be a disastrous mistake. He was suffering from the diabetes which would soon kill him, and his limited powers as an organist compared unfavorably to the virtuoso standard of organ performance (set by the likes of Marcel Dupré and Louis Vierne) to which American audiences had grown accustomed. After his return to Leipzig, his health started deteriorating rapidly. He died there in April 1933, only 55 years old. His grave is in the Südfriedhof in Leipzig. The popularity of his compositions declined for a period after World War II, before a successful revival in the late 1970s; today his works for the organ are frequently included in service and recital.

PREACHING SCHEDULE

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

July 12 - Maine Mission Youth Group Leads Worship

July 19 - The Rev. Dr. Thomas H. Yorty

David's Political Hubris: A Lesson for Our Time I; 2 Samuel 7:1-14a

July 26 - Preached TBA

SUMMER WORSHIP AT WESTMINSTER

July 5 through September 6

ONE SERVICE at 10:00AM in the Holmes Chapel

Join us this summer for an intimate Worship service in the Holmes Chapel.

What a great way to start a summer Sunday morning!

(Fall hours resume on Welcome Back Sunday, September 13)



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

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.

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/bath room tissue, toothpaste, etc. for the Town Square Food Pantry will be appreciated.

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

RSVP:

- Sign-up on the Information Table in the Gallery Room and let us know what dish you will bring to share!
- Call the church office at 884.9437

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: June 21, August 9, October 11, 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 12: Interfaith Cooperation in American History

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

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.

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

Monday 6/29/15 to Sunday 7/5/15 - Maine Mission Trip.

The Senior Highs will be leading worship on July 12th, a week after returning from their annual Maine Mission trip. Please come and listen to their report on how the trip went and their life-changing experiences of helping others in Christ's ministry.

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.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, July 5

Name Tag Sunday

9:30 AM Infant/Toddler Care

10:00 AM Worship W/Communion

11:00 AM Cookies & Punch

Monday, July 6 - WPC Closed

Tuesday, July 7

7:15 AM Wake Up Group

10:00 AM Garden Group

6:00 PM Zen Dharma

Wednesday, July 8

9:30 AM Worship Planning Meeting

12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline

1:30 PM Staff Meeting

5:30 PM Pathways To Peace

8:00 PM AA Meeting

Thursday, July 9

7:15 AM Wake Up Group

Sunday, July 12

8:30 AM Case Library Summer Series

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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

RSVP in the Gallery Room on the Information Table



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