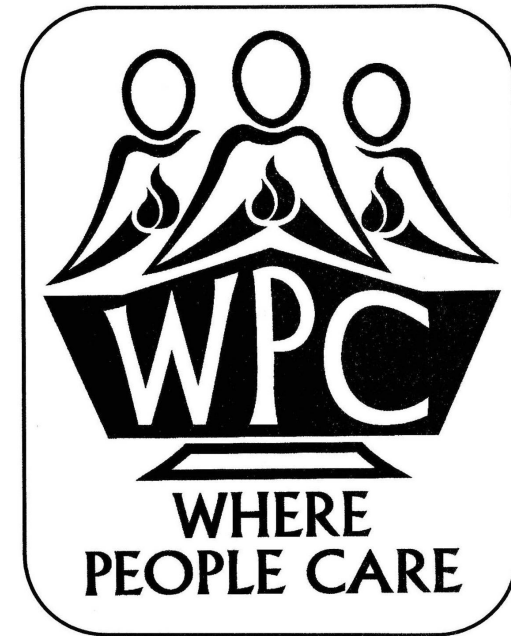


This Week at Westminster

Today, Oct. 9	9:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship Celebration, Sanctuary
	9:00 a.m.	WPC Kids, 303
	9:00 a.m.	Middlers' Class & High School, 305
	9:00 a.m.	Adult Education, 106A <i>START-Becoming a Good Samaritan</i> – Leaders: Jim & Erna Yackel, Darlene Smith, and Sally Van Bokkelen.
	10:00 a.m.	Haiti Brunch, South Hall
	10:30 a.m.	Adult Education, 209 <i>More than Numbers in Numbers</i> – Presenter: Ralph Klein
Monday, Oct. 10	10:30 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Celebration, Sanctuary After Children's Chat WPC Kids, 303
	3:00 p.m.	Phys Ed Fundays, South Hall
	8:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting
	9:00 a.m.	Mom's Time Out, 208/210
	1:00 p.m.	Loving Hands Knitters & Crocheters,
Tuesday, Oct. 11	5:30 p.m.	Illiana Artists, 305
	9:30 a.m.	Mom's Group, 209/210
	4:30 p.m.	Middlers – Pizza With A Purpose, South Hall
	5:30 p.m.	Middlers Volleyball practice
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study <i>Beatitudes from the Back Side</i> , 106A
Wednesday, Oct. 12	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting, 209
	7:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast Bible Study, 209
	9:00 a.m.	Quilters' Group, 301
	1:00 p.m.	Cancer Support Group, Lounge
	6:30 p.m.	Bruce's Bible Study, 207
	6:30 p.m.	Joyful Strains, 109
	7:00 p.m.	Awakening Mtg., South Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Deacon Meeting, 209
Thursday, Oct. 13	7:00 p.m.	NA meeting, 305
	7:00 a.m.	Acorns, 101
	9:00 a.m.	Mom's Time Out, 208/210
	9:00 a.m.	Samaritan Center Meeting, 301
	9:15 a.m.	Bruce's Bible Study, 209
	11:00 a.m.	Biblical Herbs and Seasonings, 209
	5:30 p.m.	High School Volleyball practice
	6:15 p.m.	Westminster Handbell Choir
	6:30 p.m.	Uncommon Man, Leader: Dylan Haapalainen, 209
	7:00 p.m.	Children's Ministry, 106A
Friday, Oct. 14	7:00 p.m.	High School Thursday Night Jazz, South Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Westminster Chorale
	7:30 p.m.	A.A. Group Meeting, 305
	8:00 a.m.	A.A. Group Meeting, 305
	10:00 a.m.	Youth Paintball, Bad Landz in Crete, IL.

Welcome to
Westminster Presbyterian Church



October 9, 2011
9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Celebration

Westminster Presbyterian Church
8955 Columbia Avenue, Munster, IN 46321
219-838-3131 website: wpcmunster.org

Pastor: Rev. Bruce E. Haapalainen, D.D.
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Westminster Presbyterian Church FYI

Worship Focus: *Christ Calls the Church To Serve on His Terms*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please sign the Friendship Pad in your pew)

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A LARGE PRINT BULLETIN OR A HEARING DEVICE,
PLEASE ASK AN USHER

PRELUDE: *A Mighty Fortress is our God* arr. for bells by Carl Wiltse
The Westminster Handbell Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Today is a day of great hope and promise – let’s fill it with kind words and actions.

People: This is the day that God has made.

Leader: Today begins a new week – fresh and new and full of possibility.

People: Today let us give thanks for what has been and look forward to what will be.

ALL: Let us worship God!

* **HYMN:** *A Mighty Fortress is our God* **NO. 260**

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Loving Lord, your words for us are clear. Your words are Kindness. Caring. Harmony. Despite your clarity, we have failed to hear you. We have listened to other words and have followed them: words of Greed. Self-service. Personal gain. We have looked for other paths and we have followed them. Forgive us, God. Heal us, God of Mercy, and return us to your paths of love and unity. And now hear our silent prayers as we come in Jesus’ name . . .

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God calls us back to the path of caring and kindness. God forgives us into a new way of thinking, acting and living. In Christ we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI** **NO. 579**

Whether you’re visiting Munster, looking for a church “home,” exploring the Christian faith, or worshipping as part of our church family, we’re glad you’re here! To get better acquainted with our guests, we offer a Visitor Information Center in the main hallway. Please stop at the table to pick up information about our ministries.

There are registration pads at the end of each pew which we hope you will use, along with our Westminster Presbyterian Church members.

- Our Fellowship Time is held after each worship service in Fellowship Hall which is outside the sanctuary. Please join us this morning.
- Infant and toddler care (ages 2 and under) is provided during worship in Room 208.
- The preschoolers (age 3 and 4) meet in Room 202.
- Sunday School (WPC Kids) for grades Kindergarten through 5th is held at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. in Room 303.
- Trained youth mentors are available on Sunday morning upon request for any child with special needs.
- Sunday School for Middlers and High School Age Youth is held at 9:00 a.m. in Room 305 which is at the south end of the building.
- Sunday Adult Enrichment groups meet at 9:00 a.m. in Room 106A and 10:30 a.m. in Room 209. All are invited to attend.
- Communion in our church is ordinarily held on the first Sunday of the month and is open to any believer.
- Restrooms are located on the East Side of Fellowship Hall.

~Call the church office (838-3131) for more information~

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer is a way that we show concern, and we invite God to be a part of our concern. Please take time to pray for these individuals and families.

Damian Santay	Dave Gott
Jill Meyers	Pat Warot
Bud Vance	Beverly Hughes
Karen Comstock	Jan Lund
Jim Jaracz	Gail Dixon
Promela Mehta	Kim Karlen
Karen Galocy	The Mizwicki Family

Aldridge Family, neighbors of Chuck Weier
The work of the Stephen Ministers
Robbie Osterman, serving in Iraq
Morgan Sidenbender, daughter/Wendy Borbely
Sharon Meyer, mother/Tiffany Perez
Amelia Oliver, friend/Sally Resch
Baby Eli, great grandson of Chuck & Karen Lansdowne
James Daum, brother/Marianne Comstock
Moirra Lukas, sister/Peggy Ogren
Therese Niemiec, sister/Jean Dixon
Nathan Pawlicki, nephew/Mike Pawlicki
Mary Benoit, friend/Therese Morfas
Virginia Briseno, mother/Diane Karlen
Barbara Dartoszuk, friend of Karen Comstock
Donna (Brumm)Wright, friend of Wendy Borbely
George Fischer, Janet Krieger's Dad
Anne Sikora, friend/Christine Cangiano

If you have prayer requests please contact the church office at 838-3131. These names will appear on the printed list. Please call again when the situation or person has improved and may be removed from the list. Prayer concerns will be left on for one month. They will be renewed if requested. Some people are in need of prayers, but do not want their names to appear on the printed list. If this is the case, please contact the prayer chain leaders, John Karcher (923-8023) or Clara Hanus (836-5727).

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

LITANY ON RESURRECTION

Leader: When the tomb looms large before our eyes, remind us, Lord, who we are:

People: We are children of the resurrection; the place of death will not hold us.

Leader: We are the painters of the rainbows; the shadow of death will not daunt us.

People: We are the breakers of loaves and fishes; the taste of death will not defile us.

Leader: We are the raisers of the dead; the power of death will not defy us.

People: We are the people of Pentecost; the spirit of death will not destroy us!

ALL: God is our refuge and our strength. We celebrate the power and promise of resurrection!

HYMN: *Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God*

NO. 333

SPOTLIGHT ON WORLD MISSIONS

Pix Mahler

OUR PRAYER FOR OTHERS

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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.

ANTHEM: *How Firm a Foundation*

arr. by Larry Shackley

Westminster Chorale

*How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said, to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled
Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed, For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand upheld by My righteous, omnipotent
hand.
When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.
When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.
The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I'll never, no never, no never forsake.*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 46: 1-7 (Old Testament, page 517 -Large print, page 636)

James 2: 14-19; 26 (New Testament page 230 -Large print, page 279)

(Pew Bibles are located alongside the hymnals on the shelves under the pew.)

MESSAGE: *Faith Is Like Calories*

Rev. Bruce E. Haapalainen, D.D.

JAMES: The Nuts and Bolts of Our Faith

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY: *Count Your Blessings*

arr. by Dan Miller

Count your blessings name them one by one and it will surprise you what the Lord has done

***DOXOLOGY**

NO. 592

***HYMN:** *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

NO. 315

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

***Please rise in body or in spirit**

WESTMINSTER IS A COMMUNITY WHERE PEOPLE OF ALL AGES ARE TRANSFORMED BY GOD'S LOVE TO SERVE AND GROW AS DISCIPLES OF JESUS

Thank you for sharing a part of your weekend with us.

Westminster Presbyterian Church is a place Where People Care!

WORSHIP NOTES:

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Verdeen Strain

ASSISTANT ORGANIST: Don Hill

PIANIST: Nat Stasinski

ELDER HOST: Wally Richardson

WORSHIP LEADER: Rebecca McCauley

DEACONS SERVING COFFEE: Barbara Grevengoed; Christie Stricklin; Tim Sweeney

THE FLOWERS IN OUR WORSHIP AREA are given by Ron & Mary Lomey in memory of Vern Hecker, and by Mary & Lynn Elkins in celebration of Roger Elkins' birthday

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This morning WPC is blessed to be welcoming New Members: Yongqing (Frank) Han, Shari Szulczewski, Bev Thorne, and Michael York. Make sure to welcome them as they become a part of the WPC family. They will be recognized at the 10:30 service.

Join us today for the **Haiti Homecoming Brunch** from 10:00 a.m. until Noon. The Free Will Offering will be used to support building a Haiti home which costs approximately \$2,000. You may also buy a "brick" to place on our Haitian Home model.

Mission Marketplace - Shopping at WPC? Not just any shopping, but shopping with a purpose. You will have the opportunity to purchase "Fair Trade" coffees, chocolate, artisan gifts and décor items today. The Mission Marketplace, located in Fellowship Hall, will be open on Sunday mornings, at special events and by appointment.

ADULT ENRICHMENT

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Next Sunday at 9:00 a.m. – *START – Becoming a Good Samaritan* – Leaders: Jim &

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Biblical Herbs & Seasonings this **Thursday, October 13**, at 11:00 a.m. in room 209. The Old Testament is filled with Scriptures relating to seasonings we eat everyday. Everyone is invited to come and be enlightened. Presenter: Susan Radovich.

WPC Youth scoop:

Pizza with a Purpose, begins **Tuesday, October 11**. **Middlers** meet for food and discussion from **4:30-5:30**. Open Gym/Volleyball until 7:00 PM.

High School Volleyball begins on **Thursday, October 13th** at **5:30** followed by **Thursday Night Jazz** dinner and discussion until 8:00 PM. All high school youth are welcome!

The Phantom of the Organ concert will be held here on **Friday, October 28** at 7:13 p.m. in the WPC Sanctuary.

Spooks, Goblins and Super Heroes, OH MY! Spooktacular Sunday is **October 30**, from 1 to 4 p.m., sponsored by the Westminster's Mom's Group. Plan your costumes; bring cousins and friends, for a costume parade, a Bouncy House, stories from the Enchanted Forest and refreshments. Bring canned goods to share with the needy.

Looking ahead - **Family Ministry** has scheduled a **Tailgate Party** in South Hall for **November 13th** at Noon.