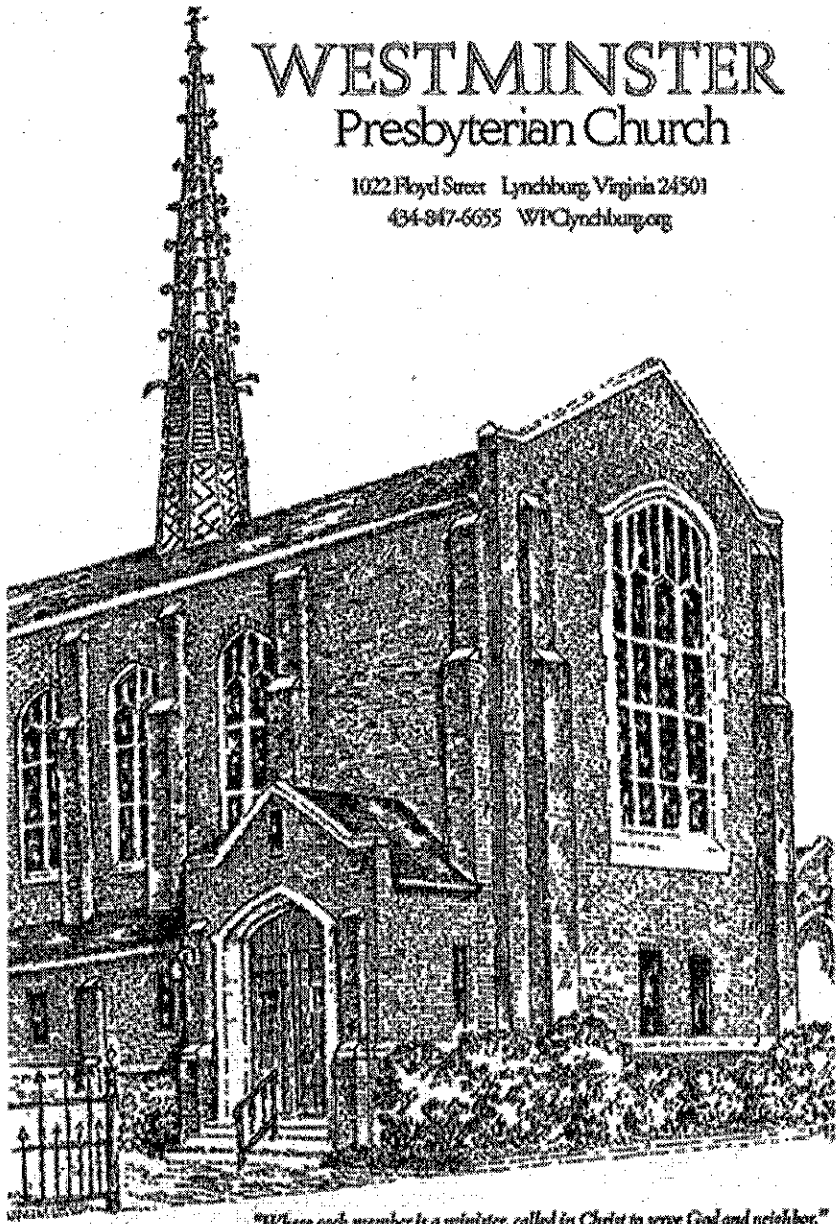


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"Where each member is a minister, called in Christ to serve God and neighbor."

Sunday, August 20, 2017
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Westminster Presbyterian Church

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Lynchburg, VA 24501*

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11:00 a.m.

WE GATHER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE: *Prelude and Fugue in F-minor*

GF Handel

WESTMINSTER CHIMES - Striking the Hour

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pix Mahler, Clerk of Session

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

People: **I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

Leader: The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations.

People: **Praise the LORD!**

*HYMN NO. 31 *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

MENDELSSOHN

*PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

UNISON

O God, you are infinite, eternal and unchangeable, glorious in holiness, full of love and compassion, abundant in grace and truth. Your works everywhere praise you, and your glory is revealed in Jesus Christ our Savior. Therefore, we praise you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

COMMON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

UNISON

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen

(A time of silence will be observed for personal confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Let us be assured of God's pardon.

Leader: Glory be to God. All glory be to God.

People: **In Christ, with Christ, for Christ, all glory be to God.**

*THE GLORIA PATRI

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WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Liturgist

FIRST READING: Isaiah 56:1-8

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Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT: "Pennies for Hunger"

Margie Anderson

SOLO: *Let the Bright Seraphim (Samson)*
Samantha Miller, *Soprano*

GF Handel

*Let the bright seraphim in burning row,
Their loud, uplifted angel trumpets blow.*

*Let the cherubic host, in tuneful choirs,
Touch their immortal harps with golden wires.*

SECOND READING: Matthew 15:10-28

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Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON: "Dinner Invitation"

Margie Anderson

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Apostles' Creed* (Traditional, page 14)

*HYMN NO. 422 *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* BEACH SPRING

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

(Please take a moment to share Christ's peace with those near you.)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE

*HYMN NO. 280 *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* AMAZING GRACE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

(*Please stand as you are able.)

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

August 20, 2017 – August 27, 2017

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We welcome all who worship with us today at Westminster Presbyterian Church, and we invite you to join us as we celebrate the difference God's grace is making in our lives.

Sunday, August 20	10:15 am	Fellowship
<i>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	11:00 am	Worship- <i>Guest Pastor: Margie Anderson,</i> <i>Commissioned Lay Pastor</i>
	<u>2:00 pm</u>	<u>Session Meeting</u>
Wednesday, August 23	10:00 am	Prayer Group
		<u>CHIMES DEADLINE</u>
Friday, August 25		<i>Church Office Closed</i>
Sunday, August 27	<u>9:00 am</u>	<u>Called Christian Education Meeting</u>
<i>21st Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	10:15 am	Fellowship
	11:00 am	Worship- <i>Guest Pastor: Rev. Brian Miles</i>

This Week: August 20, 2017

Pulpit Guest: Margie Anderson
No Sunday School
Fellowship: Julia Crim
Liturgist: Nancy Duncan
Ushers: Charles Ross & Greg Hoag
Acolyte: Jacob Reed
Nursery: Mary Harris & Linda Harris

Next Week: August 27, 2017

Pulpit Guest: Rev. Brian Miles
No Sunday School
Fellowship: Kathleen Smith
Liturgist: Greg Hoag
Ushers: Robert Roberts & Richard Mahler
Acolyte: Pix Mahler
Nursery: Mary Harris & Nicole Reed

*New Directories are available on the table outside the Office.
Please let the office know of any changes in your address, phone, etc.*

We welcome as our guest pastor today
Margie Anderson, Commissioned Lay Pastor

Margie was born in Big Island, VA. Margie received her BA from the College of William & Mary; she received her Master of Education from the University of Virginia. Margie was a School Teacher and Administrator for 24 years. After retirement, Margie entered into the CRE Program at the Presbytery of Peaks. Margie is currently the Commissioned Lay Pastor, serving Covenant Presbyterian Church. She has been married to David Anderson for 44 years and they have three daughters, Karin, Johanna, and Liesel.

Guest Soloist – We welcome Samantha Miller, DMA, as our guest soloist today. Samantha is Associate Professor of Voice at Liberty University.

Chimes Deadline - Just a reminder!

Hope everyone had a great summer and is ready to resume WPC activities. All newsletter articles for the September Chimes are due by Wednesday, August 23rd. This allows enough time to make sure the newsletter is in everyone's hands by the first of the month. (Two days for mailing). See the September Chimes for all the dates and times for meetings and events as we continue God's work. Thank you for your cooperation.



Do you enjoy interacting with children? How about leading a Sunday School class for children on a rotating schedule? The C.E. committee wants to offer a multi-age class this fall with a team of teachers on call. Martha Wilson welcomes inquiries and suggestions. She may even call YOU! Sunday School begins on September 17th.

Meetings in August:

- Session Meeting – today August 20th at 2:00 pm (NOTE TIME CHANGE)
- Called Christian Education Meeting – Sunday, August 27th at 9:00 am (Note time change this Sunday only)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR COMING EVENTS:

- Lunch Bunch – Monday, August 28th at 12 Noon at Charley's
- "Labor Day" – Monday, September 4th – Office Closed
- Rally Day with Roger Elliott – Sunday, September 10th after worship with lunch
- WPC Women's Circle - Monday, September 11th at 10:30 am at the church/lunch
- Congregational Care Committee – Monday, September 11th after PW Circle
- Sunday School begins – Sunday, September 17th at 9:30 am

MEALS ON WHEELS – Drivers' Schedule: Monday, Aug. 21st – Stuart Turille; Tuesday, Aug. 22nd – Kendall Sydnor; Wednesday, Aug. 23rd – Charlie Ross; Thursday, Aug. 24th – Cary Roberts; Friday, Aug. 25th – Ashby Sydnor. THANK YOU SO MUCH!!

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY - August is WPC's opportunity to help re-supply the Community Food Pantry (non-perishable BASIC items). Please bring your items to the church so we can assure that nobody has to go hungry!

Remember These and Others in Prayer

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| *Becky Maxey | *Helen Hester | *Pastor Kristi & family |
| *Helen Ross | *Sarah Goldenberg Fraher | *Starke Sydnor |
| *Louise Motley | *Grace Sydnor | *Betsy Jamerson |
| *Edgar Allen | *Lucy Slette | |
- *Marian Viar and family have moved to Ruckersville, Virginia (address in new directory)
*Westminster's Homebound
*Men and women serving in the military & their families

***Pastor Kristi and her son, Ben, visited us on Sunday, August 6th during fellowship and stayed for worship. She was optimistic about her 3rd chemotherapy treatment that was to take place Friday, August 11th. After three weeks, she will go through another MRI and other tests to see how the chemo treatments have worked. We pray for comfort and healing for our Pastor.*

We invite you to join us next week, August 27th, when our pulpit guest will be The Rev. Brian Miles.