

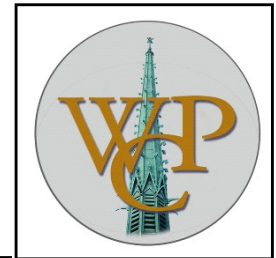
CHIMES - May 2025

Westminster Presbyterian Church

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Pastor: Rev. Shawn Hyska



In the midst of eating breakfast, Jesus turns to Peter and asks:

Jesus - "Peter, do you love me more than these?"

Peter - "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

Jesus - "Feed my lambs."

Jesus- "Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

Peter - "Yes, Lord, you know that I love

you."

Jesus - "Tend my sheep."

Jesus - "Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

Peter - "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you."

Jesus - "Feed my sheep."

At first, we could react like Peter did as scripture tells us that after the third time Jesus asked Peter whether or not he loved him, Peter felt hurt because Jesus kept asking him, as if Jesus thought Peter was lying, as if Jesus didn't trust Peter's first two responses.

We all know what it is like for someone to have to ask us, or us asking someone else, repeatedly the same question over and over again. We indirectly are saying we didn't hear nor believed it the first time.

Yet, I don't believe this was Jesus' intention at all. I believe, just like Peter stated, that Jesus knows and knew everything. He knew that Peter truly loved him. The reason for repeating the question and answer 3 times was to affirm his command with Peter, to cement in Peter's foundation what Jesus was instructing him to do because Peter loved him. He wanted Peter to never forget this moment. He wanted Peter to always trust in Jesus, to always trust in Jesus' love for Peter, but more importantly for Peter to trust in his love for Jesus. If Jesus had only asked Peter once, Peter might never remember this conversation. However, because Jesus kept on asking, Peter would not likely forget it.

I think it's the same question Jesus confronts all of us with. "Do you love me? Do you *LOVE* me? Do you love *ME*? *DO YOU* love me?"

*In Christ's Love,
Pastor Shawn*



Please remember our homebound members.

Birthdays

- 7 George Goodman
- 7 Gem Slette
- 19 Nicole Reed
- 20 Charles Dean
- 21 Barbara Taylor
- 22 Pix Mahler
- 28 Shirley Caskie

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| * Kathleen Smith | | * Queen Webb |
| * Westminster Canterbury | | * C/O The Summit |
| * 501 VES Rd, H-429 | | * 1300 Enterprise Dr. |
| * Lynchburg, VA 24503 | | * Lynchburg, VA 24502 |
| * Maymie Keys | | * Doris Hailey |
| * R&P at Liberty Ridge | | * 209 Woodland Avenue |
| * 30 Monica Blvd. Unit 35 | | * Lynchburg, VA |
| * Lynchburg, VA 24502 | | * 24501-2127 |
| * Eloise Peters | | * Barbara Taylor |
| * Westminster Canterbury | | * R&P at Liberty Ridge |
| * 501 VES Rd, B-706 | | * 30 Monica Blvd. Unit 344 |
| * Lynchburg VA 24503 | | * Lynchburg, Va. 24502 |
| * Sylvia Viar | | * Becky Maxey |
| * 15 John Rucker Drive | | * 57 Beech Avenue |
| * Ruckersville, VA 22968 | | * Hamilton, NJ 08610 |
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Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Hurricane Relief



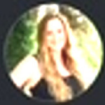
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is in communication with affected presbyteries and National VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster) to share information and coordinate resources as damage is assessed. PDA has deployed a National Response Team to Tampa Bay Presbytery, Presbytery of Western North Carolina and Northeast Georgia Presbytery. Please join us in praying for everyone affected by Hurricane Helene. **PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE RESPONSE, designate gifts to DR000169**

Israel/Palestine

As violence escalates in and around Israel/Palestine, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is providing humanitarian assistance through partners on the ground and through ACT Alliance. PDA has approved solidarity grants and will continue supporting our partners providing humanitarian assistance. Our response efforts will encompass a wide array of vital humanitarian interventions, including but not limited to medical supplies, shelter, WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene), food and non-food items and delivering crucial psychosocial support to individuals. **To support our response, designate gifts to DR000081-Israel/Palestine**

Officially Welcoming Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Miller

A wedding was held at WPC on Saturday, April 19th, joining Carter Brooks and Kyle Miller! It was a beautiful ceremony with many family and friends in attendance. Afterward, they hosted a light refreshment reception in the Fellowship Hall where they were greeted by many in the congregation, and were officially introduced as Husband and Wife. Congratulations you two and many prayers for a long, happy life!



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Lynchburg, Virginia



Palm Sunday Procession



Palm Sunday Luncheon



Below: The pulpit, shrouded in black, on Good Friday.



Above:

The Communion Table during the Maunday Thursday service—remembering the Last Supper, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples then served them his body and his blood.





Lynchburg Daily Bread

An Expression of love

Here is a list of the top 10 needs for Donation:

1. Protein, especially ground beef, chicken, and hams. (We would even take a whole cow and pay to have it processed).
2. Large #10 cans of veggies—green beans, carrots, and apples are especially loved.
3. 55 gallon trash bags
4. Plastic forks and spoons
5. Cleaning supplies such as dish detergent, bathroom cleaner, wipes, kitchen cleaner, etc.
6. Rolls of paper towels
7. Paper napkins
8. Instant mashed potatoes
9. Salad dressing (any kind)
10. Salt free seasonings, herbs, Mrs. Dash, oregano, pepper

Groups Projects

1. Make PB&Js to-go. We love giving out PB&J sandwiches that guests can use for dinner or snacks.
2. Put together plasticware bundles—we are always in need of plastic forks (spoons are appreciated, but not required). We'd love your group to "roll" a fork in a napkin for quick distribution at our serving windows.
3. Build a trail mix. Have group members bring various ingredients and create something delicious.
4. Break down bulk cereal into baggies. We can provide this as a quick to-go item for breakfast.
5. Bake nutritious bread, such as banana or zucchini.

Please drop off donations from 6:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. any day of the week. We are not able to receive your donations after 12:30 P.M.

Dear Lord,

please help fill
the poor like you
blest the loaves of
bread and fish all
the thousands of years
ago.

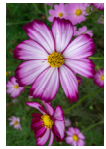
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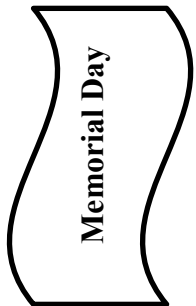
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May 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4 3rd Sunday of Easter Communion Scripture: Acts 9:1-6 (7-20) and Ps. 30 or Isa. 61:1-3 and Ps. 90:13-17; Rev. 5:11-14; John 21:1-19 Pastor: Rev. Shawn Hyska Acolyte: Raymond Ferguson Ushers: Chris & Val Harris Counters: Hoc Hughes, Charlie Ross Liturgist: Hoc Hughes Communion Prep: Ashley Thulin Communion Servers: Ashley Thulin, Sharee Evans Greg Hoag	5 Westminster Canterbury Lunch Bunch 12:00	6	7	8	9	10
11 4th Sunday of Easter Scripture: Acts 9:36-43 and Ps. 23 or Isa. 53: 1-6 and Ps. 114; Rev. 7:9-17; John 10:22-30 Pastor: Rev. Shawn Hyska Acolyte: Raymond Ferguson Ushers: Lucy & Joe Slette Counters: Hoc Hughes Liturgist: Aidan Thulin	12 PW Meets at 11:00 with a luncheon after	13	14	15	16	17
18 5th Sunday of Easter Scripture: Acts 11:1-18 and Ps. 148 or Lev. 19:9-18 and Ps. 24:7-6; Rev. 21:1-6; John 13:31-35 Pastor: Rev. Shawn Hyska Acolyte: Raymond Ferguson Ushers: Chris & Val Harris Counters: Hoc Hughes, Charlie Ross Liturgist : Ashley Thulin	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 6th Sunday of Easter Scripture: Acts 16:9-15 and Ps. 67 or Duet. 34:1-12 and Ps. 109:21-31; Rev. 21:10, 22-22:5; John 14: 23-29 or John 5:1-9 Pastor: Rev. Shawn Hyska Acolyte: Raymond Ferguson Ushers: Byron & Ashley Thulin Counters: Hoc Hughes, Joe Slette Liturgist: Chris Harris	26 	27	28	29	30	31
			Free Clinic Board Meeting @ 8:00 A.M.			Blessing Place Event 10:00—1:00 P.M.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1022 FLOYD STREET

LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA 24501



**May 4th 3rd Sunday of Easter
Communion**

Scripture: Acts 9:1-6 (7-20) and Ps. 30 or Isa. 61:1-3 and Ps. 90:13-17; Rev. 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

Pastor: Rev. Shawn Hyska

Acolyte: Raymond Ferguson

Ushers: Angela Hart Aidan Thulin

Counters: Hoc Hughes, Charlie Ross

Liturgist: Hoc Hughes

Communion Prep: Pix Mahler

May 11 4th Sunday of Easter

Scripture: Acts 9:36-43 and Ps. 23 or Isa. 53: 1-6 and Ps. 114; Rev. 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

Pastor: Rev. Shawn Hyska

Acolyte: Raymond Ferguson

Ushers: Lucy & Joe Slette

Counters: Hoc Hughes, Joe Slette

Liturgist: Aidan Thulin

Mother's Day

May 18 5th Sunday of Easter

Scripture: Acts 11:1-18 and Ps. 148 or Lev. 19:9-18 and Ps. 24:1-6; Rev. 21:1-6; John 13:31-35

Pastor: Rev. Shawn Hyska

Acolyte: Raymond Ferguson

Ushers: Val & Chris Harris

Counters: Hoc Hughes, Charlie Ross

Liturgist: Ashley Thulin

May 25 6th Sunday of Easter

Scripture: Acts 16:9-15 and Ps. 67 or Duet. 34:1-12 and Ps. 109:21-31; Rev. 21:10, 22-22:5; John 14: 23-29 or John 5:1-9

Pastor: Rev. Shawn Hyska

Acolyte: Raymond Ferguson

Ushers: Byron & Ashley Thulin

Counters: Hoc Hughes, Joe Slette

Liturgist: Chris Harris