

Westminster Presbyterian Church

2110 Sheridan Blvd. Lincoln, NE

April 3, 2022
Fifth Sunday in Lent

Prelude

"Andante" by Felix Mendelssohn
from "Sonata No. 6 in d minor"

Welcome

Please sign and pass the friendship pad.

Call to Worship

Deacon Faye Moulton

One: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,

All: we were like those who dream.

One: Then our mouth was filled with laughter and shouts of joy.

All: We rejoiced: "The Lord has done great things for us."

One: May those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing,

All: come home with joy, carrying their sheaves.

Hymn #828

More Love to Thee, O Christ

Call to Confession

Time of Silent Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Purifying God, we grow comfortable with the way things are in our lives, in the church, and in the world. We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ, for you overturn our notions of power and protocol. Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others. Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us. Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others. Help us bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice. Fill us, our homes and churches, the whole world, with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Response to the Confession "You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!"

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

You are the Christ, giver of mercy!

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

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Assurance of Forgiveness

...Believe and share the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

Passing of the Peace

Please share a sign of welcome and inclusion that is mutually comfortable (high five, handshake, fist/elbow bump) with your neighbors.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Children's Chat

Trish Souliere

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Epistle Lesson

2 Timothy 4:6-8

N.T. pg. 213

Gospel Lesson

John 12:1-8

N.T. pg. 106

The Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Sermon

"God Moves Us...to Empty Ourselves"

Rev. Dr. Jimmy Shelbourn

Hymn #201

A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar

Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed)

Deacon Faye Moulton

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Moment of Gratitude

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Supper

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Hymn #223 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

Charge & Benediction

Rev. Dr. Jimmy Shelbourn

Postlude

"Fuga" by Felix Mendelssohn
from "Sonata No. 6 in d minor"

Interim Choir Director Ronnie Zanella will not be in worship this week due to a previously scheduled choral commitment. He will be back with us in worship next week.

Westminster welcomes and values children in worship. If a parent feels a break is needed for their child during the service, our Infant Room is available. This is located off the entry foyer through the Sheridan Blvd./West-end sanctuary doors. When you enter the foyer, turn to your right, where the door will be open.

There is a large basket near the Sheridan Street doors where your offering can be placed following the service.

If you don't want to take your bulletin with you, please dispose of it in the recycling basket as you exit the sanctuary.

There are **extra post cards** at the east entrance with the Holy Week worship schedule. Please take one and mail/give it to a friend or neighbor to invite them to worship with us. (It takes a first-class stamp to mail, because of the post card size.)

Ministers: The whole congregation

Pastors: Rev. Chris Peters & Rev. Dr. Jimmy Shelbourn

Liturgist: Deacon Faye Moulton

Music Directors: John Ross & Ronnie Zanella

Director of Children & Youth: Trish Souliere



*"I am the vine,
you are the branches . . ."*

The week of April 3, 2022

*Westminster Presbyterian Church is an inclusive faith family, inspired by Jesus Christ,
to call, nurture, and empower disciples.*

Interested in finding out more about Westminster?

Sunday, April 3, 10:35 AM

Meet an Elder at Coffee and Conversation

(Look for the balloon!)

Wednesday, April 6, 5:30-6:30 PM

Westminster Welcome Zoom Session with Members and Pastor Chris

Sunday, April 10, 8:50-9:10 AM

Those who wish to join, meet with Elders

Sunday, April 10, 9:30 AM Worship

New Members recognized in worship

Questions? Call or Text Donna Wyatt (603-714-0670)

Sunday Youth Group -- Chopped: The Feeding of the Five Judges

Tonight we will hold our first annual Chopped competition, "The Feeding of the Five Judges." Teams will use their finest culinary skills and creative minds to create food from mystery baskets. Westminster celebrity judges will be on hand to evaluate the completed projects and determine a winner. Everything kicks off at 7 PM and ends at 8:30 PM.

All Youth Group members are invited to attend Wednesday evenings, 5:30 PM-7:30 PM, and Sunday evenings, 7 PM-8:30 PM.

Palm Sunday Children's Processional | April 10

We invite the children to come to the Palm Sunday service to help us recall Jesus's triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Children will gather in the narthex by the west doors around 9:15 am to receive a palm branch and discuss the processional. At 9:30 am, we will walk down the middle aisle together, waving our branches. At that point, the children will rejoin their families until it is time for the Children's Chat. Small children and their parents are welcome to participate in the processional.

Eggstravaganza Easter Egg Hunt | Wed., April 13

Get your Easter baskets ready, Eggstravaganza is coming! On Wed., April 13 we will be tracking down treat-filled Easter eggs! Intrepid explorers will be divided by age and sent out to clear eggs from their section of the church. After the hunt, we will enjoy a fabulous pancake dinner before heading back to Faith Village for a story and more. The fun begins at 5:30 PM and ends at 7:30 PM.

Youth Group Mission Trip | July 29 – August 1

The Youth Group will head to Ferncliff in Little Rock, Arkansas for a mission trip July 29. We plan to stop in Branson to see Jesus, Live Onstage at the Sight and Sound Theater then continue on to Little Rock. After spending a couple of days at Ferncliff, we will head up to Kansas City and visit Worlds of Fun before driving back to Lincoln. The cost per person will be \$450, with scholarships available. It is going to be a great trip! Interested? Please register here <https://forms.gle/VBB4V5eHmpCzrwrs6>

VBS 2022: To Mars and Beyond



Join us on an exciting trip through outer space June 6-9 as we explore how to serve God and discover God's mission for our lives. Registration is \$15 per child/maximum \$45. Register your child or sign up to volunteer. The link is in the eVine.

Repurpose your Pill Bottles

What if you went to the pharmacy to get a prescription filled and they dumped the pills into your open hand? Not sanitary and not safe. This is what often happens in many underdeveloped nations. You can make a difference. The big pill collection container has returned for you to again drop off your empty, labels off, glue removed and cleaned pill bottles to the church office area. We will collect for the next few months and send these precious containers to underdeveloped nations for safe dispensary of medication to their citizens. So don't toss your empty pill bottles in the recycling bin at home, take the labels off including the glue and bring them to the church for us to repurpose.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Palm Sunday – April 10

9:15 AM (Narthex) – Kids Gather in Narthex for Palm Instructions

9:30 AM (Sanctuary) – Palm Sunday Worship

Holy Week Devotionals

Monday – Friday

10 AM (Chapel) – Led by various members

Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion – April 14

7 PM (Sanctuary) – Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion

Good Friday Worship – April 15

7 PM (Sanctuary) – Partnering in leadership with Southern Heights Presbyterian Church

Easter Sunday – Sunday, April 17

8 AM (Sanctuary) – Easter Worship

9:15-9:45 AM (Garden Room) – Coffee and Conversation

10 AM (Sanctuary) – Easter Worship

Please note: We will not have Sermon Setup, Faith Village, or Youth Group on Easter Sunday. Nursery care will be available for both the 8 AM and 10 AM services.

Week Beginning April 3

<p><u>Sun. (3)</u> 9:15 AM Youth Sermon Set-up 9:30 AM Sanctuary Worship/ Communion 9:40 AM Faith Village/Nursery 10:35 AM Meet an Elder at Coffee & Conversation 10:45 AM Confirmation Class 12 Noon Sudanese Worship 7 PM Youth Group</p> <p><u>Mon. (4)</u> 11 AM Explorers Study Group, Parlor 7 PM Circle 4, Hostess Carol Shelbourn, 9229 Keystone Drive</p> <p><u>Tues. (5)</u> 9:15 AM Staff Meeting 11:30 AM Lunch Bunch, Toast</p>	<p>5 PM Adult Ed, Lounge 5 PM Personnel via Zoom 6:30 PM Building & Grounds</p> <p><u>Wed. (6)</u> 9:15 AM Worship Planning 10 AM Circle 3, Lounge 1:30 PM Hearts & Hands 4:30 PM Search Committee 5 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 5:30 PM Whatchamacallit— Cole Hall 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 6:30 PM Hearts & Hands 7 PM Bible Study—Zoom</p> <p><u>Sun. (10) Palm Sunday</u> 9:15 AM Youth Sermon Set-up 9:30 AM Sanctuary Worship 9:40 AM Faith Village/Nursery 12 Noon Sudanese Worship 7 PM Youth Group</p>
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Week 13 Giving	\$2,668
YTD Giving	\$187,939
Weekly Budget	\$10,970
YTD Budget	\$142,619

Televised Worship

Thurs. at 12:30 pm/Sat. at 1 pm.
 Channel 1302/Spectrum & Channel 13/Windstream.

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