

# Westminster Presbyterian Church

2110 Sheridan Blvd. Lincoln, NE



**October 2, 2022**

## 8 Habits of Evangelism: Sacraments

**Prelude** "Two Swedish Folk Tunes" arr. John Ferguson

**Welcome** Please sign and pass the friendship pad.

**\*Call to Worship (Psalm 34:1-3)** Deacon Claire Titus

One: I will bless the Lord at all times;

***All: Praise of God shall always be in my mouth.***

One: My soul makes its boast in the Lord;

***All: Let the humble hear and be glad.***

One: O magnify the Lord with me,

***All: Let us lift up God's name together.***

**\*Hymn #321** *The Church's One Foundation*

**\*Call to Confession** Deacon Claire Titus

**\*Time of Silent Confession**

**\*Unison Prayer of Confession**

***God of love, you invite us to find renewal by way of the good news of Jesus Christ. We confess that we fall short of living out your hopes for our lives. We say we will nurture a child's faith in baptism, but then we make faith a lower priority than test scores and status. We find your grace in the simple gifts of bread and cup, but we fail to see your grace in the simple moments of daily life. Lord, forgive us and redirect us. Show us your grace once again, so that our lives may be re-shaped to reflect Christ's love to all. Amen.***



Psalm 34 is a wisdom instruction about God's goodness. (New Interpreter's Bible). Today we will say the first three verses as our Call to Worship, while verses 4-10 will be read as our first scripture reading. Psalm 34's invitation to "taste and see that the Lord is good" is a central theme of our worship today, as we consider the ways that our practice of the sacraments lead us to experience and share God's goodness day-to-day.

## Response to the Confession

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***“Forgive our sins as we forgive,”  
you taught us, Lord, to pray,  
But you alone can grant us grace  
to live the words we say.***

***Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls  
and bid resentment cease.  
Then, by your mercy reconciled,  
our lives will spread your peace.***

## \*Assurance of Forgiveness

...Believe and share the good news!

***In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!***

## \*Response of Praise

#581

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the  
beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.***

## \*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.***

A note on the Confession of Belhar: "Apartheid formed a racially stratified society. Those with the lightest skin tones were offered the greatest protection and opportunity. Non "white" persons were separated into three categories; each skin tone step away from the "white" category represented a decrease in governmental protections and opportunities.

## Children's Chat

Ron Souliere

## Prayer for Illumination

### Scripture

Hebrew Scriptures

Psalms 34:4-10

O.T. pg. 508

Gospel Reading

Luke 22:7-23

N.T. pg. 86

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

## Sermon

"8 Habits: Sacraments"

Rev. Chris Peters

## \*Hymn #77

***I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table  
(v. 1-4)***

## **\*Affirmation of Faith (Confession of Belhar)**

Deacon Claire Titus

***We believe that the unity of the people of God must be active in a variety of ways; in that we have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one name, are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope.***

## **The Lord's Supper**

### **Invitation**

Rev. Dr. Jimmy Shelbourn

### **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**

### **Special Music**

"Communion Prayer"

by Patricia Mock and Richard Nichols

Sanda Mašić, *flute*

Westminster Choir

## **Prayer After Communion**

**\*Hymn #385    *All People That on Earth Do Dwell***

Racial separation was established by law and enforced through violence. Nonwhite citizens lived with constant and intrusive police presence and interference in the daily functions of life. Those who protested risked punishment, imprisonment, and even death."

(Introduction to the Confession of Belhar, PCUSA Book of Confessions Study Edition)

Hymn 385 is a paraphrase of Psalm 100 by a Scot, set to a tune that a French composer originally created for Psalm 134 in the Genevan Psalter of 1551." (Glory to God Hymnal). This hymn was sung at the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II in 1953, a further reminder of our ties to Christian tradition globally!

## \*Charge & Benediction

Rev. Chris Peters

The postlude, "Listen, God Is Calling," is based on a Swahili hymn from Kenya.

### Postlude

"Listen, God Is Calling" arr. Anne Krentz Organ

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\*Please rise in body or spirit for these parts of worship.

Today is **World Communion Sunday**, a celebratory day of recognizing our unity in Christ with Christians around the world. WCS was started in a Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh and has expanded to be a Sunday designation officially recognized by the World Council of Churches. From Lohmen (Germany) to Lesotho to London to Lincoln, as we celebrate communion today we value that our global siblings in Christ celebrate this same meal that Jesus first shared with his disciples.

At Westminster it is our tradition to display flags of various nations in our sanctuary. A word of thanks to the International Student Office at Nebraska Wesleyan University for loaning us today's flags. They represent the nations of India, Spain, Ecuador, Saudi Arabia, Brazil, Ukraine, Scotland and Germany.

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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.

### Giving to Westminster's Mission and Ministry

**At Church:** An offering to support Westminster may be placed in our Giving Baskets following the service. These are located by the Sheridan Blvd. doors in the narthex and the sanctuary elevator exit. Look for the signs that read "Giving Basket."

**Online:** To give online, visit the following web address:

<https://westminsterlincoln.org/generosity-and-the-joy-of-giving/>

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

**Ministers:** The whole congregation

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

**Liturgist:** Deacon Claire Titus

**Music Director:** Ronnie Zanella

**Organist:** John Ross

**Director of Children &**

**Youth:** Trish Souliere

**Ushers:** Carol Boehler, Kim Kubick, Diana Wild, Carol Shelbourn

**Greeters:** Katie & Leo Zulkoski

**Communion Servers:**

Katie Zulkoski, Sebit Deng, Phoebe Ford, Tim Gergen, Robyn Uebele



*“I am the vine,  
you are the branches . . .”*

**The week of Oct. 2, 2022**

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

**CROP Walk | Sunday, October 9 | 1 PM**

Westminster will be participating in the 2022 CROP Hunger Walk to support CWS and help families who are struggling with hunger. Register to walk or to donate to our team at <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/event/lincolnne>. All walkers will receive a Team Westminster t-shirt.

**Baby Shower**

Babies need lots of love . . . and a few things, too. There will be a baby shower for Baby Peters in Fellowship Hall today following worship.

**Youth Group Tonight**

The Youth Group meeting tonight from 6:30 to 8 PM will focus on fellowship. Join your church friends to talk, play games, do homework together, or just hang out.

**Circle 4**

October 3, 7 PM, Hostess Kathy Anderson

**Two Sunday Bible Studies Offered in October**

**Focus of Adult Education will be on the Reformation**

**The Lesser-Known Reformers | Oct. 9, 16 & 23**

Pastor Jimmy will be teaching an Adult Ed. class in the Lounge.

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| 10/9  | 10:45 AM | “The Pre-Reformers: Wycliffe and Hus”          |
| 10/16 | 10:45 AM | “The English Reformation: Tyndale and Cranmer” |
| 10/23 | 10:45 AM | “The Scottish Reformation: Wishart and Knox”   |

## **The Reformation in Scripture | Oct. 9, 16, 23 & 30 | 10:45 AM**

A second discussion, led by Pastor Ellen Davis, will center around “The Reformation in Scripture.” Historically, the Protestant Reformers based their theological understanding of God, Jesus Christ and faith on five foundational beliefs. Each had scriptural foundation and guided the Reformers as they followed the Holy Spirit in living out the principles of their faith. The class will meet in the parlor.

- 10/9 Sola Scriptura – Scripture: Our Only Foundation  
2 Timothy 3:10-17
- 10/16 Sola Fide – Faith: Our Only Means – Romans 3:19-28
- 10/23 Sola Gratia – Grace: Our Only Method – Ephesians 2:1-10
- 10/30 Sola Christus – Christ: Our Only Mediator  
2 Corinthians 5:11-21  
Soli Deo Gloria – Glorifying God: Our Only Ambition – Romans 15:1-13



## **Mission LiNK | Oct. 19**

We will be making tied fleece blankets for People’s City Mission on Oct. 19 at 6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. This is our Wed. night event for all ages. Jennie Danner will be there to talk about how the blankets will be used for a specific project at Christmas. She will also speak about the Safe Place program. Come and hear what Jennie has to say. Adults are invited to make a blanket at home and bring it to be blessed and donated on Oct. 19.



Practical, Personal, Powerful: An 8-Week Sermon Series designed by the PCUSA's Office of Theology and Worship to explore a faithful and transformational understanding of evangelism for our world today!

Sunday, 10/9: Fellowship  
Sunday, 10/16: Teaching  
Sunday, 10/23: Justice  
Sunday, 10/30: Generosity

**Trish is out of the office** for a couple of weeks following knee surgery. She is reachable by phone or email.

### **Prairie Readers**

October's meeting is a special one for Prairie Readers. Pat Leach, Director of Lincoln City Libraries, will be with us to talk about books. Those of you who have heard Pat know what a fine presenter she is; she never disappoints. The fact that she is a member of Westminster makes this event even more special. All are welcome.

October Prairie Readers  
October 19, Wednesday, 1 PM  
Fellowship Hall



### **Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach Family Service Opportunity | Sunday, Jan. 1**

Sign up your family to volunteer here:

<https://forms.gle/gqmdsmiWbdRqVJJW8>.

Questions? Contact Susie Hughes at [skh@eskays.com](mailto:skh@eskays.com).

## Lohmen Lore

Last week’s answer: The itinerary that our travelers start on Monday includes *all of the above*: Dinner with Ukrainian refugees, a river boat ride, a castle tour, fixing “An American Sunday Dinner,” seeing where Moravian stars are made, shopping in a Christmas village, and more. They will have stories to tell!

New question: What’s on the agenda for the retirement celebration happening in Lohmen next week?

- a) An acknowledgement from the mayor of Lohmen
- b) A song by the local high school choir
- c) A video of Westminster’s congregation
- d) a processional with religious banners and state flags

## Week Beginning October 2

<p><b><u>Sun. (2)</u></b> 9:30 AM Sanctuary Worship/World Communion Sunday 9:40 AM Faith Village/Nursery 10:30 AM Peters Baby Shower, Fellowship Hall 12 Noon Sudanese Worship</p> <p><b><u>Mon. (3)</u></b> 6:30 PM Scouts, Den/Pack, Cole H. 7 PM Circle, Kathy Anderson</p> <p><b><u>Tues. (4)</u></b> 9:15 AM Staff Meeting 11:30 AM Lunch Bunch 5 PM Adult Ed, Lounge 6 PM Building &amp; Grounds, Lounge</p>	<p><b><u>Wed. (5)</u></b> 10 AM Circle 3, Lounge 1:30 PM Hearts &amp; Hands 5:30 PM Westminster LiNK 6:30 PM Living the Faith, Lounge 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal 6:30 PM Hearts &amp; Hands</p> <p><b><u>Sun. (9)</u></b> 9:30 AM Sanctuary Worship 9:40 AM Faith Village/Nursery 10:40 AM Lesser Known Reformers, Lounge 10:45 AM Reformation in Scripture, Parlor 12 Noon Sudanese Worship 1 PM CROP Walk Registration</p>
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Week 39 Giving	\$1,450
YTD Giving	\$408,729
Weekly Budget	\$10,970
YTD Budget	\$427,839

## Televised Worship

Thurs. at 12:30 pm/Sat. at 1 pm.

Channel 1302/Spectrum & Channel 13/Windstream.