

# Westminster Presbyterian Church

2110 Sheridan Blvd. Lincoln, NE

**June 28, 2026**

**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**



## The Work of Jesus: Welcome

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\*Please rise in body or spirit for the parts of worship with an asterisk (\*) before the title.  
Parts of worship that are ***bolded and italicized*** are for all worshippers to read together aloud.

**Prelude**

“Fling Wide the Door” arr. Robert Buckley Farlee

**Welcome**

Please sign and pass the friendship pad.

**Session Meeting Update**

Elder Paul Korslund

**\*Call to Worship**

Deacon Karen Hoffman

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

***All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.***

One: Your love, O Lord, forever we will sing.

***All: From age to age, we will proclaim your faithfulness.***

**\*Hymn #343**

**Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life**

**\*Call to Confession**

Deacon Karen Hoffman

**\*Prayer of Confession**

***God who provides our every need, you have given us countless gifts. You have welcomed us for all of who we are. You have showered us with steadfast love. You have freely given us eternal life in Christ Jesus. We do not deserve these gifts. We take them and squander them. We continue to trust ourselves more than we trust you. We fail to embrace others as you have embraced us. Accept our confession. Be our glory and our strength for the days to come, our strength, shield, and deliverer. Amen.***

**\*Time of Silent Confession**

Lord, hear our prayer. ***Amen.***

**\*Assurance of Forgiveness**

Believe and share the good news!

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

**\*Response of Praise #471**

**The Lord is My Song**

***The Lord is my song;  
the Lord is my praise:  
all my hope comes from God.  
The Lord is my song;  
the Lord is my praise:  
God, the well-spring of life.***

**\*Passing of the Peace**

Rev. Dr. Jimmy Shelbourn

*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.**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture**

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 13:1-3

N.T. pg. 227

Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:40-42

N.T. pg. 11

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

**Sermon**

"Our Work for Jesus: Welcoming"

Rev. Dr. Jimmy Shelbourn

*"Whoever gives even a cup of cold water to these little ones . . . none of these will lose their reward." Matthew 10:42*

**\*Hymn #320**

**The Church of Christ in Every Age**

**Prayers of the People / The Lord's Prayer**

Deacon Karen Hoffman

***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.***

**Moment of Gratitude / Invitation to the Offering**

Rev. Dr. Jimmy Shelbourn

**Offertory Special Music**

"Let the Name of the Lord Be Praised"

by Jack Schrader

Summer Bass Clef Choir

**\*Hymn #606**

**Doxology**

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Rev. Dr. Jimmy Shelbourn

**\*Hymn #295**

**Go to the World!**

## \*Charge & Benediction

Rev. Dr. Jimmy Shelbourn

### Postlude

“Father, We Thank You” arr. Robert Buckley Farlee

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#### Liturgy Notes and Sources

Today’s liturgy is adapted from *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching, and the Arts: June 28, 2026: Fifth Sunday After Pentecost* and *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion, Year A Vol. 1, Proper 7 Complementary Lectionary*

**Westminster welcomes and values children in worship.** All kids and their families are welcome to pick up a Children’s Worship bag or blue Infant Bag in the Narthex (Sheridan Blvd. foyer). A nursery is available for kids under 5. If a parent feels a break is needed for their child during the service, our **Infant Room** is available at the north end of the Narthex.

#### **Giving to Westminster’s Mission and Ministry**

**At Church:** We have resumed giving through an offering in our worship service, leaning on the theology of offering as a response of gratitude to God’s word in worship. Checks may be made out to Westminster Presbyterian. General donations go to support the annual budget of the church, which includes Children/Youth support, staffing, building use, worship, and mission. You may also place an offering in our Giving Baskets following the service. These are located near the exits. Look for the baskets and signs that read “Giving Basket.” Ushers monitor the baskets and collect the offerings following the service. **For online giving,** scan the QR code.

**Ministers:** The whole congregation

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

**Liturgist:** Deacon Karen Hoffman

**Music Director:** Wes Hansmeyer

**Organist:** John Ross

**Handbell Director:** Christopher Boilesen

**Director of Children & Youth:** Trish Souliere

**Greeters:** Stephanie Rogers, Scott Rogers, Josh Whitfield

**Ushers:** Marilyn Hood, Carol Shelbourn, Bruce Sheffield, Margaret Sheffield

**Dishwashers:** Gary & Glenna Haller

**Sanctuary Audio and Livestream:** Dale Minter





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

**The week of June 28, 2026**

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

**Adult Ed | Sundays | 11:15 AM | Lounge**

**June 28:** Participants in the *Sleep in Heavenly Peace* June 13 bed build will show-and-tell about their experience.

**July 5:** No Adult Ed Class

**Pastor Chris Post-General Assembly Chat in Worship (7/5)**

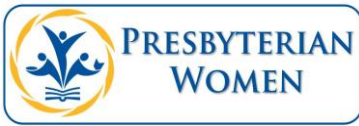
On Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup>, the majority of our sermon time will be a Q&A discussion with Pastor Chris about his General Assembly experience. Pat Leach will facilitate and moderate. To allow for proper planning, members are invited to submit questions to [chris@westminsterlincoln.org](mailto:chris@westminsterlincoln.org). Please use the email subject, “WPC GA Chat Submission.” While Chris is standing for General Assembly Co-Moderator, the line of questions will be planned to hear from his perspective as our Homestead Presbytery Commissioner foremost since the elections are the last act of General Assembly, on Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00am.

**Pastoral Care Cell Phone: 531-510-4929**

If you are a member and have a need for pastoral care, such as a bereavement or hospitalization, call 531-510-4929. One of the pastors will answer or get back to you.

**WPC YG: Service at Matt Talbot | July 19**

WPC Youth Group and their families will be serving dinner at Matt Talbot this summer on July 19. If you are willing and able to help with this activity, sign-up at <https://forms.gle/DWFwEJLbHND5oJ4D7>.



**PW Picnic in the Park**  
**Monday, June 29, 11:30 AM**  
**Stransky Park**

Presbyterian Women are having a pop-up summer gathering to share food and fellowship.

Bring your own lunch and drink.

Meet under the dome at the round tables.

Stransky Park (17th & Perkins) is west of Westminster. There is a small parking lot to the south of the park. Walkways are paved and accessible.

The event is canceled if it rains.

For information contact Linda Burchard (402) 477-5572.

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**Quilts of Valor Display in July**

For the month of July the Westminster Art Committee has invited the Quilts of Valor Foundation to display several quilts in the gallery space. This foundation began in 2003 when founder Catherine Roberts' son Nat was deployed in Iraq. Since then Quilts of Valor members have made and awarded over 400,000 quilts to service members and veterans across the country.

To become involved with the Quilts of Valor Foundation you can:

- Join. Become a member – individual, quilt business, or start your own group.
- Nominate. Submit a service member or veteran to receive a quilt.
- Donate. Make a gift to support supplies and shipping.

Quilts of Valor Foundation, PO Box 191, Winterset, IA 50273. 515-619-6556. [info@govf.org](mailto:info@govf.org)

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**Prairie Readers in July**

Dan Brown does not disappoint with his 2025 book, *Secret of Secrets*. Set in the beautiful city of Prague, the complex mystery is bound to lead to a spirited discussion. Come join us on July 15 at 1 pm in the Lounge.

## **Ladies' Night Out | Tues., June 30 | 5 - 7 PM | Billy's Restaurant**

This is your invitation to our next Westminster Presbyterian Church Ladies Night Out at **Billy's Restaurant**, 1301 H St. We have a prearranged price of \$17/person, additional cost for drink, tax, and tip. We meet solely for fellowship, getting to know one another better by sharing conversation around a good meal. **Please RSVP by Sun., June 28 to Robyn Uebele at robynu2@hotmail.com** (937) 935-6858. We really hope you can make it, and feel free to bring a friend!

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## **Westminster at the Theater: Magic Awaits! Join Us for "Cinderella" at the Lofte Theatre! | Sun., Aug. 2 | 2 PM**

### **Reserve Tickets by June 29**

The timeless enchantment of a magical fairy tale is being reborn right in our backyard! The Westminster Children, Youth & Family Committee invites you to join us for a group outing to see Rodgers & Hammerstein's *Cinderella* at the Lofte Community Theatre in Manley, Nebraska. Brimming with the legendary duo's hallmarks of charm and elegance, this beautiful musical holds a special place in history. Originally presented on television in 1957 starring Julie Andrews, it became the most widely viewed program in the history of the medium. Now, you can experience that same magic live on stage with your Westminster community.

### **Event Details**

- When: Sunday, August 2nd at 2:00 p.m.
- Where: Lofte Community Theatre (15841 Manley Rd. Manley, NE — just a scenic 37-mile drive from Westminster).
- Pre-Show Treats: Concessions will be open for purchase. Want to make a day of it? A delicious lunch is also available for purchase starting at 1:00 p.m. (while food lasts!).

### **Special Group Pricing!**

We have an incredible deal for our families. Thanks to a special group rate *plus* the Children, Youth & Family Committee generously covering half of every ticket, tickets are just \$10 per person for both children and adults!

### **How to Reserve Your Spot**

Spaces are limited, and we want to ensure we can sit together. Please complete the sign-up form <https://forms.gle/mdhPX8jEGzCDV4C86> by **June 29th** to secure your tickets for this magical afternoon.

To learn more about the beautiful venue, feel free to visit [Lofte.org](http://Lofte.org) and discover this hidden gem located northeast of Lincoln.

Don't let the clock strike midnight on this opportunity—grab your tickets today!

## Pastor Chris's Upcoming Schedule

The PC(USA) General Assembly is coming up, and Pastor Chris is both serving as a Homestead Presbytery Commissioner and standing for the office of Co-Moderator! That means a big impact to Chris's availability at church in coming weeks as he shares his time for the work of the greater church, as approved by Session and Homestead Presbytery.

- Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> – General Assembly Meeting On-Site
- Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup> – Pastor Chris in Worship at Westminster
- Tuesday, July 7<sup>th</sup> – Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup> – Vacation Time-Off

**Dylan will be out of the office the week of June 29 – July 3.**

### Week Beginning June 28

<b><u>Sun. (June 28)</u></b> 10 AM Worship, Sanctuary 11:15 AM Adult Ed, Lounge 12 PM Sudanese Worship, Chapel	<b><u>Tues. (June 30)</u></b> 5 PM Ladies' Night Out, Billy's
<b><u>Sun. -Thurs. (June 28-July 2)</u></b> General Assembly in Milwaukee	<b><u>Wed. (July 1)</u></b> 1 PM Hearts & Hands, Library
<b><u>Mon. – Fri. (June 29-July 3)</u></b> 9 AM-3 PM Youth Actors Academy of Lincoln (YAAL)	<b><u>Fri. (July 3)</u></b> Holiday for Staff No Preschool
<b><u>Mon. (June 29)</u></b> 7 PM Recovery Group, Library	<b><u>Sun. (July 5)</u></b> 9 AM Equal Exchange Coffee and Chocolate Available to Purchase 10 AM Worship, Sanctuary, Communion 12 PM Sudanese Worship, Chapel

**Worship services are available on-line at this link:**

<https://www.youtube.com/@WestminsterLincoln/streams>