

WESTOVER HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A CONGREGATION OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)



ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 16, 2024
10:30AM

OUR MISSION

Westover Hills Presbyterian Church exists to worship & learn, welcome & celebrate, advocate & serve with people open to a faith shaped by practice to be a congregation recognized as a safe place and a resource for action, acceptance, and joy.

Adopted May 2024

WE GATHER AT GOD'S INVITATION

Those who are able are invited to stand. **Bold text indicates unison readings.*

WELCOME & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Dr. Robert Wm Lowry, Pastor

PRELUDE

David Austin, Director of Music

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Alicia Quinn, Liturgist

God looks from heaven upon the children of earth
to see whether there are any wise enough
to seek the fellowship of God.

**By faith, may Christ live within our hearts,
that we may be rooted and grounded in love
and filled with all the fullness of God.**

When the Lord restores the fortunes of God's people,
the people of faith shall rejoice, and the whole church be glad.

**We bow down before the Father of Christ Jesus,
from whom every family on earth is named.**

To God be all the glory,
in the church and in Christ Jesus
**throughout all generations,
forever and ever. Amen!**

†OPENING PRAYER

Loving and Gracious God—Holy one of Israel—
tender one to all who call upon you with repentant and
believing hearts:

 bless us, we pray, with your presence this day.
Teach the little ones who have gathered to learn your ways,
inspire those who seek your wisdom, energize those who
 are exhausted,
comfort those who grieve and strengthen those who are
 weak.

 Indeed, O God, fill all our hearts with your praise
and lead us in holiness and righteousness in this hour
 and in the hours to come.

 We ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.

†GATHERING HYMN

Purple #15

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

 Creator God,
 You loved the world into life.
**Forgive us when our dreams of the future
are shaped by anything other than glimpses of a kingdom
of justice, peace and an end to poverty.**

 Incarnate God,
 you taught us to speak out for what is right.

**Make us content with nothing less than a world
that is transformed into the shape of love,
where poverty shall be no more.**

Breath of God,
let there be abundant life.

**Inspire us with the vision of poverty over,
and give us the faith, courage and will to make it happen.**

Silence is kept.

SUNG RESPONSE “Glory to God” Purple #582

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

...in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

†THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION “Thy Word” Purple #458

NEW TESTAMENT READING Leviticus 11:1-12

SERMON “You Are What You Eat” Dr. Lowry

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

†HYMN OF RESPONSE Purple #53

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We believe in one God, who is Creator,
maker of all we see and all we don't see;**

**Who is Ruler of the universe:
Source of all creation!**

**We believe in one God, who is Jesus Christ,
God from God, Light from Light, true God and true
human.**

**He is one with the Creator; the Word made flesh, our
Messiah:**

Savior of all creation!

**We believe in one God, who is Holy Spirit,
Breath of God moving among us.**

**Who is one with the Creator; one with the Christ; our
Comforter and our Guide:
Mentor of all creation!**

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY

Matthew 25 Team

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE DEPART IN GOD'S NAME

+CLOSING HYMN

Purple #313

+CHARGE AND BENEDECTION

+POSTLUDE

JOIN US ON THE JOURNEY! JUNE 16 - JUNE 23, 2024

Welcome

We are so glad to be worshiping with you today.

If this is your first visit, welcome! If you have been with us before, welcome back! Whether you are a life-long Presbyterian, a brand-new Christian, or someone who is just trying to make sense of this world we share, we hope you will feel at home at Westover Hills Presbyterian.

Let us know you are worshiping with us!

In the pew you will find an information card. Please leave us information on how we might be in touch with you to share more about life at Westover Hills. We would love to share a little about our story and hear more about yours. If you do not see a card in the pew near you, please ask one of the ushers you saw when you came in and we will be sure to get one for you. If you prefer, please scan the QR code to the right to be directed to the contact page of our website.



Worship Note

This week and next Robert is preaching from Hebrew texts you may never have heard of before. They are in the bible but, why?! Admonition against eating rock badgers and a divine threat of hemorrhoids. “This is the word of the Lord!”

Volunteers Needed for Church Office

We are looking for volunteers to be in the office on Wednesdays from 10am to 3pm. Office keys are available if you need them.

To volunteer, please contact Liz Branch at erbranch@comcast.net and Bill Smith at wsmith425@hotmail.com

Treats and Treasures

Treats and Treasures season is upon us. The Careline has information on both donations and the sale. If you have questions, please email the office at office.westoverhills@gmail.com

Yoga and Midweek Manna

Yoga is on hiatus until September. Midweek Manna will resume in late August.

CARING FOR ONE ANOTHER

Prayer and Meditation

There are two important traditions at Westover Hills that join our voices in prayer every week. The first is ***Prayer on the 9's***. Every day you are able, join us in taking a minute to pause at 9am and 9pm to offer a short prayer for the church, the world, or someone you know who needs comfort.

Every Sunday in the bulletin and every Wednesday in the Careline e-newsletter, we share the list of pastoral care concerns known to the church. Members and friends are invited to pray for those people and world issues named on the list. Prayers of comfort, for healing, and for peace are always appropriate ways to remember our friends and neighbors. This week we remember:

Please note, we recently did a periodic revision to the prayer list. If there is a prayer concern you wish to be added to the prayer list, please email it as indicated below.

**Jane Estes - dealing with multiple health issues;
GA staff and commissioners to the 226th General Assembly of the
PC(USA);**

The resident and staff at Women and Children First;
Robin Appleton - kidney tumor (sister-in-law of Rosemary & Paul McGinnis);
Zoe Travis - surgery and treatment for LCH (great niece of Rosemary & Paul
McGinnis);

Jennifer Garlington (Shirley's niece) dealing with breast cancer;
The WHPC Staff: Robert, Tammy, David, Ulysses, and Shawn

Bold indicates new additions or updates.

To include a person or group on the Prayer List, please contact the church office at office.westoverhills@gmail.com **and** Robert at robertwilliamlowry@gmail.com

Please also email our publications resource person at jones.caleb.a.34@gmail.com

Deacon's Ministry

Deacons for June are John MacLeod and Kay McCollum.

COMMUNICATIONS GUIDELINES

Announcements for the Careline, bulletin, and social media should be sent to our external publications resource person, Caleb. His email is below.

- For Bulletin: The deadline for submission is 5pm Monday. Bulletin announcements should be limited to 100 words or less. Announcements typically run for three weeks.
- For Careline: The deadline for submission is 5pm Tuesday before the first date the announcement is to be included. Careline announcements for events will run for three weeks prior to the event.
- Social media: Guidelines for social media are in the planning stages.

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Calendar and Church Website

