



Westminster
Presbyterian
CHURCH
— *worship well* —

November 15, 2009
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
11:00 a.m.

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP

Trio-Sonata No. 6 in G (first movement)

J. S. Bach

Leader: To the church of God that is Westminster, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord.

People: Grace and peace from God and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Leader: We give thanks to our God always, because of the grace of God that has been given us in Christ Jesus.

People: For in every way we have been enriched in him -- in speech and knowledge of every kind -- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among us.

Leader: Christ will also strengthen us to the end, so that we may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: God is faithful, and calls us into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Let the Lord's name be praised unto all generations.

(From 1 Corinthians 1)

+*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 276

FAITHFULNESS

Great is Thy Faithfulness

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unprinted) In confessing our sins, we acknowledge before God and one another that we do not live into the fullness of God. Trusting in God's mercy and love, let us pray together:

Leader: O Lord, for the harm we inflict, and the good we neglect,

People: Forgive us.

Leader: From our prideful insistence on our narrow ways,

People: Humble us.

Leader: From our pursuit of that which has no worth,

People: Restrain us.

Leader: From our hoarding of that which must be shared,

People: Release us.

Leader: From our timid faith,

People: Free us.

Leader: From our diminished hope:

People: Restore us.

Leader: From our cautious love,

People: Enliven us, O Lord.

Leader: Faith, hope and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

ALL: God of creation, abide with us in your loving mercy, that in Christ, we might become a new creation.

Please continue to pray silently

***KYRIE ELEISON**

F. Schubert

Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.
 Christ, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy.
 Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy,
 Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - - - - cy.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON (UNPRINTED)**

Patrick Hunnicutt

Friends, hear the good news. God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

+*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the
 Ho - ly Ghost, as it was in the be - gin-ning, is now, and ev - er
 shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Casey W. FitzGerald

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—*Apostles' Creed

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.

*HYMN OF WELCOME

John Fawcett, 1782

Music: Johann Georg Nägeli (b. 1773)

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christ - ian love;

The fel - low - ship of kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.

+ WELCOME AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CALL FOR OFFERING AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

OFFERTORY

Thomas Attwood

Teach me, O Lord, the way of Thy statutes, and I shall keep it unto the end.
(Psalm 119:33)

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 9:19-23 New Testament, p. 172

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Kindergartners and 1st graders are invited to Children and Worship.

SERMON

Reaching Youth at Westminster Patrick A. Hunnicutt

"I have become all things to all people that I might by all means save some." (I Corinthians 9:22)

THE WORD MADE VISIBLE

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

SANCTUS

Franz Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, _____
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, _____
hea - ven and earth are full, _____ full _____ of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes _____ in the name of the Lord. _____
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 MOTET

Michael Ippolitoff-Ivanoff

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. He is full of compassion and mercy, he will not always be chiding. He will ever show his mercy and loving kindness to all who think on his commandments to do them.

(Psalm 103)

SENDING

*RECESSIONAL HYMN 435

ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVOGELEIN

We All Are One in Mission

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*Those who are able, please stand.

+Ushers will seat worshippers.

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Leading in worship today are Patrick A. Hunnicutt, Associate Pastor; Casey W. FitzGerald, Associate Pastor; Paul T. Stetsenko, Director of Music Ministries; Westminster Choir; David Moser, Elder for New Member Reception.

There will be a Congregational meeting directly following this service in the Sanctuary to elect Elders, Deacons, a Trustee, and members-at-large to the Nominating Committee.

Today we welcome the following new members to our church family:

Heather Hyde
Nate Jensen
Katie Sodaro

The Congregation is invited to the Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall after worship, hosted by the Boy Scouts.

Flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by Ann and Jordan Taylor in honor of Dan and Jean Taylor and Linda Small.

If you need to leave the sanctuary during worship, our service can be heard in the Narthex, Library, Library Lobby, and the Bride's Room off Fellowship Hall.

Childcare for infants and preschoolers is provided during the service. Classes for preschool children are held in the preschool wing and childcare is provided for infants in the nursery.

Large print bulletins and hearing aid assistance devices are available from an usher.

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP TODAY

Greeters: Gail Donley (main), Christine Eustis (library)
Ushers: Katherine Gunter (captain), Stewart Burnaman,
Michelle Clover, Bill Cox, Donna Cramer,
John & Becky Davies, Marti Klein, Cindy Shaw,
John Woods
Bus Driver: Ken Niemann
Communion Prep: Becky Davies, Rosa Fullerton, Jan Dickerson
Counters: John and Becky Davies, Olga Puspoki, Laura
Schneider

Next Sunday

November 22, 2009
Reign of Christ

**Worship**

8:30 a.m. Chapel
11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

Lectionary Passages

II Samuel 23:1-7
Revelation 1:4b-8

Psalm 132:1-12 (13-18)
John 18:33-37

Sermon

Reaching The Region, Nation, And World Through Westminster

Dr. Larry R. Hayward
Text: John 3:16; Acts 3:1-10

VISITOR INFORMATION

If you would like to learn more about our Church and the Presbyterian faith, we invite you to attend our Visitor Inquirers' Class. The next class will be held on **Sunday, December 6 at 9:45 a.m.**

The Membership Class is offered on the second Sunday of every month. *This class focuses on activities at Westminster and the meaning of membership.* The next Membership Class will be held **Sunday, December 13 at 9:45 a.m.** in the Johnson Parlor.

Following the Inquirer and Membership Classes, those joining Westminster will be received by the session **Sunday, December 20** in the Johnson Parlor and presented to the congregation at the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

To sign up for these classes and for more information, please contact one of the following people: **Gail Donley** at nsegail@hotmail.com; **David Moser** at moserd@gao.gov; or **Larry Hayward** at lhayward@wpc-alex.org or 703-549-4766.

THE WESTMINSTER UPDATE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2009

For more information check out the Chronicle or our website: www.wpc-alex.org

NEWS & NOTES

† There will be a **Congregational meeting** today, November 15, following the 11:00 a.m. worship service to elect Elders, Deacons, a Trustee, and members-at-large to the Nominating Committee.

† **Pledge Dedication Sunday** was November 1, and to date we have received 214 pledges for a total of \$846,862. Thank you to all who have submitted your pledges. We need everyone's support to be sure this "healthy tree" that is our church continues to bear good fruit. Please submit your 2010 pledge online (www.wpc-alex.org), with the pledge cards in the pews or by contacting Nancy Bea, Church Administrator, at Nbea@wpc-alex.org. Thank you for your generosity and support.

† The Personnel Committee is seeking someone for the part-time position of **Director of Westminster Travelers**. For more information, please go to our website, www.wpc-alex.org and click on the "About Us" tab and look for Jobs. If you have questions, want more details or would like to submit a resume, please contact the Personnel Committee, c/o Rosa Fullerton at rosa_fullerton@comcast.net.

Westminster presents
A Piano Recital
by
Valentina Lasitsa
Saturday, November 21, 2009
7:00 p.m.

Admission free, childcare available
A presentation of the Donald and Rosalee Stubbs Concert Series

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Go to www.wpc-alex.org, click on Education, then Adults and Young Adults for a complete list of fall programs, or pick up a gold colored flyer from the literature rack.

† **Sunday morning classes for adults**

- I. **In the Westminster Room, 9:30 – 10:50 a.m.: "Introduction to the Psalms"**, a Bible study from the DISCIPLE Program with DVD, Bible reading, and discussion led by Connie Ring, J.D., and Kathy Harkness, M.A. through December 13.
- II. **In Haverkamp Room, 9:45-10:45 a.m.: "Music and Social Justice"** taught by Dr. Eileen Guenther, Church Music Professor, Wesley Seminary; President of the American Guild of Organists. Listen to the types of music that have made powerful differences in the lives of people calling for justice each week through November 22.
- III. **In the Haverkamp Room, 9:45-10:45 a.m. on November 29 : " Faith in Action: An Overview of the WPC Local Mission Program"** led by Elder Rita Grazda, Chair of WPC's Local Missions Committee, and members involved in the program. Find out why the Local Missions Committee chooses particular organizations and activities for support

and involvement, the importance of personal participation, and how you can take part.

† ***Dream.Think.Be.Do***, a study for young adults, will not meet again in November, will continue December 6 and 13 and then resume again in January. Join us in the Bride's Room on the 6th for some great discussion! Contact Casey FitzGerald at cfitzgerald@wpc-alex.org for more details.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP

† Westminster will participate in an **Interfaith Thanksgiving Eve Service** with Agudas Achim Congregation and Trinity United Methodist Church. The service will take place Wednesday, November 25, at 7:30 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church, 2911 Cameron Mills Road. Reverend Lisa Ann Barbery, Associate Pastor at Trinity United Methodist Church will preach.

† **The 30th Annual InterFaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington's Concert** will be held Tuesday, November 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Washington Hebrew Congregation -3935 Macomb Street, N.W. Featured are performances by several area congregations, including the Mormon Choir of Washington, the Sikh Kirtan Chanters from Delhi, the Kol Rinah Choir of Washington Hebrew Congregation, and a Hindu call and response chant. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 202-234-6301 or visit www.ifcmw.org.

† **Flying Solo Singles (40s and above):**

- Sunday, November 15: Our **fall Roundtable will take place TODAY** after the congregational meeting. We welcome Patricia Lyons to our roundtable to lead a discussion on C.S. Lewis and his life. Lewis spent most of his adult life making meaning as a single person, finding ways to grow intellectually and in joy and faith on his own. Lunch will be provided. *No RSVP necessary.*
- Tuesday, November 24: Come to our **monthly Potluck** in the Johnson Parlor at 7:00 pm for food, fellowship and to decorate the Chrismon Tree! Please bring a salad, entrée, or dessert to share. We will also make sandwiches for the Bag Lunch program (materials provided).
- Thursday, November 26, **Thanksgiving Day:** Join your Flying Solo friends for Thanksgiving dinner at the historic Mount Vernon Inn. Our reservation is for 10 people at 12:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Nancy Hall Berens at nhallberens@wpc-alex.org ASAP as there are a limited number of spaces available.
- Our **annual Christmas Party** will be held on December 12 at 5:00 p.m.

† **Westminster Travelers**

- **Thursday, November 19;** 7:00 p.m. Radio drama *It's a Wonderful Life*; Aldersgate Church Community Theatre. Tickets are free. Carpooling will be arranged. Contact the office if you are interested.
- **Friday, December 4;** 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. *Written in Bone*; Smithsonian Museum of Natural History.
- **Friday, December 11;** 5:45 - 10:45 p.m. U.S. Army Band Holiday Concert.
- **Wednesday, December 16;** 2:30 - 8:30 p.m. Radio City Christmas Spectacular with the Rockettes at Patriot Center; \$48. (Waiting List.) Call the church office to reserve a space.

† Women's Ministry

- **Women's Book Groups** All women are invited to read *Gardens of Water* by Alan Drew and discuss it on Monday, November 23, at 11:00 a.m. or 7:30 p.m. in the Johnson Parlor.

† Young Adults

- **Faith on Tap** A time of discussion and fellowship at Capitol Brewing Company in Shirlington will meet Tuesday, November 17 at 7:30 p.m.

† WEEKEND YOUTH HAPPENINGS (11/15/09):

- **Confirmation, Middle School Youth Cafe and Senior High ViewTube** will meet in the 4th floor youth rooms at 9:45 a.m.
- **Both Middle School and Senior High fellowships** will meet at their normal times (4:30 & 7:00 p.m., respectively) to explore summer mission trip options! Parents encouraged to attend and give input! Middle schoolers will also be joined by a guest from ALIVE!
- **Youth Ensemble Rehearsal** (6:00-7:00 p.m.): All youth who love to sing (or just like it!) are encouraged to participate in this first rehearsal. We'll practice for a few short weeks and then sing during upcoming worship – so this is not a huge time commitment!
- **HELP THE HOMELESS WALKATHON** is next Saturday (11/21) from 8-12 on the National Mall. All youth and parents are urged to walk to benefit the ALIVE! shelter.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MISSION & SERVICE

† **THANKS FOR A GREAT DESSERT AUCTION!** Thanks to all who made last weekend's event so wonderful. Over \$5000 was raised for youth missions, and the night was filled with energy (and face-bound) cream pies. Special thanks to all who baked and bid, Linda Harkness, our sextons and all our tireless volunteers. The Youth of Westminster thank you!

† **Simplify your holiday decorating:** order a Christmas wreath or a centerpiece now. **The Boy Scouts of Westminster's Troop 129** are selling Christmas wreaths as a fund-raising project. You may choose from a variety of wreaths and door sprays, a Living Tree, a candle centerpiece or rope Garlands. Scouts will be taking orders in Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 a.m. service today. Orders will be available for pickup on December 6th. For further information, contact Jim Buchanan at 703-549-4766 or at JBuchanan@wpc-alex.org. The Scouts of Troop 129 appreciate your support.

† **Kenya Mission Trip** February 8-22, 2010 - applications are available. There are about five spaces left. For questions or to receive more information contact Henri Rush at rhcavusa@aol.com.

† **Adopt-a-Turkey:** Saturday, November 21 at noontime, WPC Parking Lot. We welcome volunteers to help distribute 300 boxes of frozen turkey dinners again this year to families in Network Preschool, Habitat for Humanity, the Arlandria Clinic, AACH, and ALIVE!. SUVs or pickups helpful, but not required! It is about a 1-2 hour commitment. Contact Louise Anderson, louiseanderson@erols.com or 703-820-3568, or Michelle Brummond, mbrummond@yahoo.com or 910-467-4780.

† This year's **Fall Cleanup** will take place from 8-11 a.m. on Saturday, November 21. We will perform general cleanup of the outside grounds, as well as selected cleanup jobs inside. Coffee and bagels will be provided. Bring work gloves, a rake, pruning shears and your enthusiasm. Contact Ken Niemann at k.niemann@wpc-alex.org or Building and Grounds at bg@wpc-alex.org with any questions.

† **An Important Community Discussion: Mental Health-Lifeline to Sanity.** November 23 at the Holiday Inn Eisenhower Metro Center -2460 Eisenhower Avenue. Alexandria will provide an overview of the mental health system in the City and State. Reception at 6:30 p.m., buffet at 6:45 p.m., program at 7:15 p.m. For questions, information or directions: contact Sherry Brown at 703-548-7089 or agendaalexandria@aol.com.

† **Adopt a Family.** You can make Christmas special for a family in need. The Child and Family Network Center is a neighborhood program aimed at providing education and other services to at-risk children and families. Information on the families will be provided so that gifts can meet basic needs for clothing and ensure that toys/items are developmentally appropriate. Please contact Craig and Stacey Lewis at lewiscstga@aol.com.

† **Used car needed.** The Member Response Team is aware of a member who is in need of a used car in good working condition for a modest price. If you might be thinking of selling such a vehicle, please contact Eileen Jinks, MRT staff liaison, at ejinks@wpc-alex.org or 703-549-4766 Ext. 132.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 – 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m.	Worship	Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Fellowship	Johnson Parlor
9:45 a.m.	Adult Ed	Westminster/Haverkamp Rooms
9:45 a.m.	Church School	3 rd Floor
9:45 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Room 401
9:45 a.m.	Senior High View Tube	Room 404
9:45 a.m.	Middle School Youth Cafe	Room 405
10:15 a.m.	New Member Meeting with Session	Johnson Parlor
11:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Congregational Meeting	Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
12:15 p.m.	Flying Solo Roundtable	Haverkamp Room
2:30 p.m.	Brownie Troop 3999	Room 306
4:00 p.m.	Adult Crossings	Room 103/105
4:00 p.m.	Youth Bells	Sanctuary
4:30 p.m.	Middle School Fellowship	Room 401/Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Youth Ensemble	Room 112
7:00 p.m.	Senior High Fellowship	Room 405
7:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Troop 4215	Room 103/105

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16

9:00 a.m.	Bag Lunch	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Den 5	Room 404
6:30 p.m.	Celtic Cross Ringers	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Landscape Meeting	Haverkamp Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

9:30 a.m.	Crafts Class	Room 104
11:00 p.m.	Staff Meetings	Haverkamp Room
12:15 p.m.	Preschool Staff	Westminster Room
6:00 p.m.	Presbytery	National Presbyterian
7:00 p.m.	B & G Committee	Westminster Room
7:00 p.m.	Landscape Meeting	Haverkamp Room
7:15 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 129	Room 404
7:30 p.m.	Crafts Class	Room 104
7:30 p.m.	Faith On Tap	Capitol Brewing Co.
7:30 p.m.	New Member Committee	Johnson Parlor
7:30 p.m.	Personnel Committee	Offsite

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

5:30 p.m.	Carol Choir	Room 106/103/105
6:00 p.m.	Beginning Bells	Sanctuary/Room 103/105
7:30 p.m.	A & F Committee	Westminster Room

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

9:00 a.m.	Chronicle Mailing	Westminster Room
9:30 a.m.	BH Garden Club	Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	Westminster Ringers	Sanctuary
8:00 p.m.	AA	Room 103/105
8:00 p.m.	Westminster Choir	Room 112

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20

9:00 a.m.	Bag Lunch	Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m.	Mornings for Moms	Room 304

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

9:00 a.m.	AA	Room 103/105
7:00 p.m.	Lisitsa Recital	Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22- CHRIST THE KING/REIGN OF CHRIST

8:30 a.m.	Worship	Chapel
9:30 a.m.	Fellowship	Johnson Parlor
9:45 a.m.	Adult Ed	Westminster/Haverkamp Rooms
9:45 a.m.	Church School	3 rd Floor
9:45 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Room 401
9:45 a.m.	Senior High View Tube	Room 404
9:45 a.m.	Middle School Youth Cafe	Room 405
11:00 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 p.m.	Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
12:30 p.m.	New Member Brunch	Smyles
4:00 p.m.	Adult Crossings	Room 103/105
4:00 p.m.	Youth Bells	Sanctuary
4:30 p.m.	Middle School Fellowship	Room 401/Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Youth Ensemble	Room 112
7:00 p.m.	Senior High Fellowship	Room 405