



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Leading In Worship

Preacher

Rev. Landon Whitsitt, Senior Pastor

Liturgists

Sharon Varnum

Elder Kim Mitchell, Pastor of Congregational Care (Frederickson Hall)

Musicians

Kevin Wilkinson, Co-Director of Worship and the Arts

Dr. Melissa Plamann, Co-Director of Worship and the Arts

Steve Thompson, Principal Organist

Mark Billy, Artist in Residence

Lisa Hart, carillon

Brianna Holt, Director of Children's Music (Frederickson Hall)

Dr. Sallie Pollack, piano (Frederickson Hall)

WORSHIP ORDER

October 4, 2026
World Communion Sunday

Prelude

Trumpet tune in D

David Johnson, (1922-1987)

Chiming the Hour

Preparing for Worship

Introit

*Call to Worship

We gather as God's children,

claimed and loved by our Creator.

We gather as siblings,

not just here, but in every time and place.

On this World Communion Sunday, Christians across the world remember
that we are one body,

many peoples, many traditions, one Lord over all.

So come to the table set across the whole world,

one bread, one cup, one family of God.

*Hymn of Praise (No. 515)

DOVE OF PEACE

I Come with Joy

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God,

you are our maker and our master,

yet we find ourselves unable

to run the path you have set before us,

because our gaze drifts again and again

towards empty prosperity and power.

We declare with our mouths

that we cannot be the servant of two masters,

but our hearts have not yet believed it.

Forgive us.

Give us hearts to understand

and hands to act,

that we may be wholly yours.

Amen.

Assurance of Grace

Hear these words from Paul's second letter to Timothy:

"If we are faithless, he remains faithful—he cannot deny himself."

Our place with God does not rest on our own faithfulness, but on the faithfulness of Christ Jesus.

Friends, believe the good news:

We are always already loved! Thanks be to God!

*Response to the Gift of Grace (No. 581)

GREATOREX

Glory Be to the Father



Sacred Space (10:30am)

The children are invited to gather on the front steps for a lesson.

*Passing of the Peace

Children Age 4 to 3rd Grade will now be dismissed to Children's Chapel.

In Chapel the children are learning all about The Great Family and World Communion.

Grownups, if you have a child joining Children's Chapel today, please stop by the kiosk near the worship bags to sign them in. Please pick up children attending chapel in the children's ministry area upstairs on the 2nd floor after worship.

*Song of Community (No. 301)

TWO OAKS

Let Us Build a House (v. 3)

**Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine, and wheat;
a banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
all are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.**

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

1 Corinthians 10:14-33, p. 132

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Psalter

Psalm 24

Hal H. Hopson (1933-2025)

The psalm refrain will be sung once by the cantor. Please join in singing the refrain when it is repeated and thereafter, as the cantor invites you to join in.



Hazel Rinehart, cantor

Second Reading

Luke 16:1-13, p. 60

For the word of God in scripture,
for the word of God among us,
and for Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,
thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Landon Whitsitt

Servants of Christ

*Affirmation of Faith

From the *Heidelberg Catechism*

What is your only comfort in life and in death?

That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Anthem (10:30am)

This Is My Father's World

arr. Vicki Tucker Courtney (b. 1954)

Chapel Singers; Dr. Sallie Pollack, piano; Brianna Holt, conductor

Moment for Stewardship

Tim Ridley

Announcements and Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

O Salutaris Hostia

Edward Elgar (1857-1934)

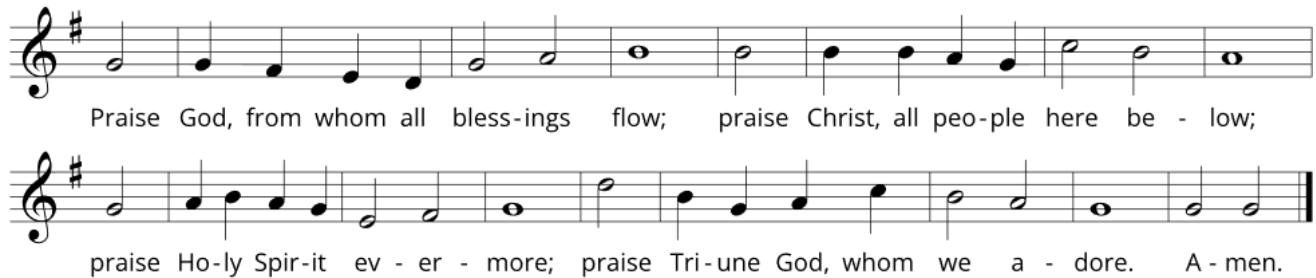
O saving Victim, opening wide the gate of heaven to man below;
our foes press on from every side, thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.
To Thy great name be endless praise, immortal Godhead, One in Three.
O grant us endless length of days in our true native land with Thee. Amen.

Chancel Choir; Steve Thompson, organ

*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Prayers of the People and 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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

Communion Hymn (No. 526)

LINSTEAD

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Communion is received via intinction with gluten-free wafers and grape juice.

*Hymn of Sending (No. 697)

HENDON

Take My Life and Let It Be

*Blessings, Charge, and Benediction

Postlude

Toccata

Florida Peters (1903-1986)

*This sign is an invitation, to all who are comfortable and able,
to stand as they offer God thanks and praise.

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Communion loaf of bread dedicated to the glory of God, baked and presented by Shira Lucky.

The Heidelberg Catechism (1563)

Written at the time of the breaking of the peace of Augsburg in response to the Lutherans and at the direction of Frederick the Elector, its central doctrines are those of Stewardship and the Lord's Supper. It is the most personal of the Reformed creeds.

Banner: Regal Red and Gold:

A tribute to the rule of Frederick III, who ordered the writing of the Catechism for followers of John Calvin in Germany; Crown of Thorns, German Cross, and Tablets: Symbols of misery, redemption and thankfulness; The Two Lights and the Fire: The Trinity.



AN EVENING WITH THE HOMELESS ALLIANCE



Learn about how we can help our unhoused neighbors

Tuesday, October 6

6:00pm | Westminster Presbyterian Church

Community Conversation on Homelessness

Join us on October 6 at 6:00 p.m. for an evening of conversation and learning about homelessness in Oklahoma City. We'll hear from Miguel Rios, Director of Communications for Homeless Alliance; Elizabeth Bliss-Burger, Senior Program Manager for Housing & Homelessness with the Office of the Mayor; and Erika Warren, Communications Manager for Homeless Services with the City of Oklahoma City.

Come and learn more about homelessness in our community, the work being done to help our neighbors, and how we can better understand and support those experiencing homelessness. Everyone is welcome!



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Blood Drive

Today | 9:00am-12:00pm | Room 105



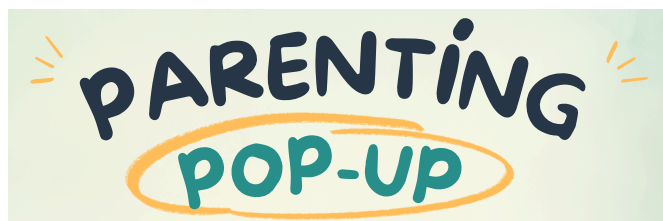
The need for blood is critically low, and we need at least 18 people to sign up and donate to make our drive a success. The drive takes place during Sunday service; stop by before or after worship. Please consider donating and helping us reach our goal of 18 donors!



Blessing of the Animals

Today | 5:00 PM | WPC

Do you have a special fur baby in your life, or perhaps a more exotic creature? If so, we want to invite you to bring your pet to our Blessing of the Animals service that will be held on the Manor Lawn, today, at 5:00pm. Weather Permitting.



All About Choosing A Great Children's Bible

October 11 | 9:30 AM | Rhythm Room

Join Rev. Dr. Michelle Junkin for Parenting Pop-Up, a practical conversation about faith at home. Explore a variety of Children's Bibles and learn how to choose the right one for your family. Discover ways to help your child engage with Scripture, ask questions, and see themselves in God's story.



Grief Support Group

Every other Monday, Oct 5,19 - Nov 2,16,30

12:30-2:00pm | LL30

WPC's Grief Support Group will gather every other Monday to offer a supportive space for those experiencing grief. Come share, listen, and find support alongside others walking through loss. No registration is required, and all are welcome.



Mid-Week Manna

Wednesdays, Sept 16-Oct 21 | WPC

Dinner: 5:15pm | Program: 6:00-7:00pm



Mid-week Manna is for the whole family! Join us for an optional dinner followed by programming for adults, youth, and children. There's something for everyone to learn, connect, and grow together. Please register for dinner by Monday each week.



HS (8th-12th Grade) Lock-in

October 17 | 6:00pm-9:00am | Youth Room

Come join Scott, Maggie, and Amber for an overnight stay at the church! Stay for church the next morning or get picked up by 9am!



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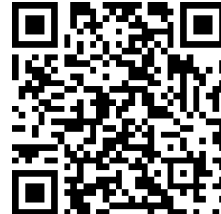
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Volunteers Needed for Trunk or Treat October 28 | 5:30pm | Manor Lawn



Help make Trunk or Treat a success! We need volunteers for setup, welcome and registration, inflatables, food and drinks, games, and cleanup. To volunteer, sign up online. **Candy donations are also welcome and can be dropped off in the donation box located in the Garden Court.**



Parents' Night Out - Pjs & Pancakes November 6 | 6:00-9:00pm | WPC



Kids are invited to get cozy for a fun night of pajamas, breakfast-for-dinner, games, and a movie while parents enjoy an evening out. Come dressed in your favorite PJs and ready for a night of fun with friends. Cost is \$30 for one child or \$50 for a family group (2+ kids).



Guy's Night Out at Fassler Hall November 11 | 6:00pm | 421 NW 10th St. OKC



Connect with other guys in the church at Fassler Hall at this outing just for men to fellowship together. The church will cover appetizers. Beverages and meals are provided individually. Please register if you'd like to attend, as space is limited.



Ladies Night - "Grateful Hearts & Creative Hands" November 18 | 6:00pm | WPC



Join Rev. Junkin for "The Art of Gratitude," a special women's evening of devotion, fellowship, and autumn-inspired DIY projects. Create succulent pumpkin planters and customized simmer pot kits while enjoying charcuterie-style snacks. All supplies are provided. Childcare is available with advance registration.



This Week I Learned

Curious about what your child is learning in Children's Ministry today? Scan the QR code to explore this Sunday's lesson, activities, and announcements!



October 14 | 9:00am | WPC

Help Feed My Sheep pack and deliver monthly groceries to families in need. Sign up to serve.

October 17 | 8:30am | WPC

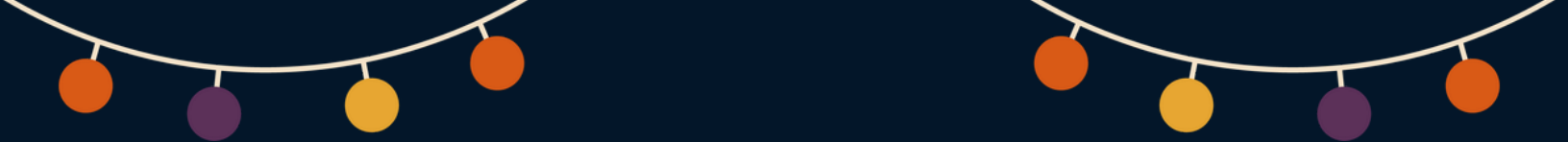
Serve with Feed My Sheep at the Hope House to deliver monthly groceries to families in need. Sign up to serve.



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TRUNK OR TREAT

≡ A FUN FALL NIGHT FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES ≡

OCTOBER 28 | 5:30-7:30PM
WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
4400 N SHARTEL AVE OKC, OK 73118



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≡ FREE ≡

CANDY

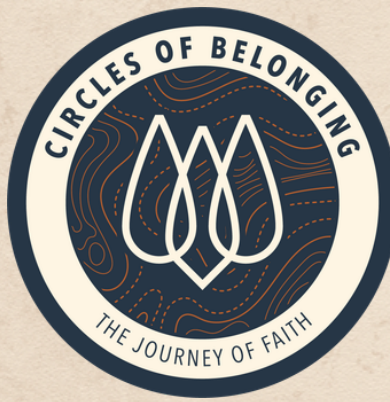
COSTUMES

FOOD

FAMILY FUN



FIND YOUR
PEOPLE



FIND YOUR
DIRECTION

Life changes. So do the questions we ask and the ways we grow in faith. Circles of Belonging brings people together around the season of life they're navigating, with shared meals, meaningful conversation, time with our pastors, and real relationships with others walking a similar road.



**DISCOVERING
DIRECTION + IDENTITY**

A 20s + 30s* community exploring vocation, friendships, faith, and life's next steps.



**STEERING THROUGH LIFE'S
IMPORTANT DECISIONS**

A 30s + 45s* community navigating family, work-life balance, commitments, and faithful living.



**EXPANDING PURPOSE +
DISCOVERING NEW PATHS**

A 45s + 60s* community reflecting on leadership, personal growth, and life's transitions.



***FIND YOUR CIRCLE**

You don't have to fit neatly into an age category. Find the group that best matches the season of life you're navigating and connect with people you can learn from, encourage, and walk alongside.



SIGN UP FOR OUR FALL GATHERINGS
Oct. 11 & Nov. 8 | 6:00pm | Garden Court



OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
4 8:15am Worship: Chapel 9:00am-12pm Blood Drive RM 105 9:30am Christian Education 10:30am Worship: Sanctuary 10:30am Sensory Worship: Frederickson Hall 5:00pm-8:00pm Blessing of the Animals World Communion Sunday 19th Sunday after Pentecost	5 12:30pm Grief Support Group 6:00pm Esther Circle <i>Final day to RSVP for 10/7 Midweek Manna Dinner</i>	6 11:30am Stewardship Meeting 12:00 Children's Ministry Team 6:00pm-7:00pm An Evening with the Homeless Alliance	7 9:00am Spiritual Formation Group 10:00am Women's Bible Study 5:15pm Midweek Manna Dinner 6:00pm Midweek Manna 6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	8 7:00am Men's Bible Study	9	10
11 8:15am Worship: Chapel 9:30am Christian Education Parenting Pop-up 10:30am Worship: Sanctuary 6:00pm Circles of Belonging 20th Sunday after Pentecost	12 12:30pm Caregivers Support Group <i>Final day to RSVP for 10/16 Midweek Manna Dinner</i>	13 11:30am Stewardship Meeting 6:00pm Membership and Hospitality Meeting Zoom	14 9:00am Spiritual Formation Group 10:00am Women's Bible Study 5:15pm Midweek Manna Dinner 6:00pm Midweek Manna 6:00pm Chancel Choir 7:00pm Priscilla Circle	15 7:00am Men's Bible Study 9:00am Feed My Sheep Grocery Packing 11:00am Mary Circle	16	17 8:30am Feed My Sheep Grocery Packing & delivery. 6:00pm HS (8th-12th Grade) Lock-in
18 8:15am Worship: Chapel 9:30am Christian Education 10:30am Worship: Sanctuary 10:30am Sensory Worship: Frederickson Hall 11:30am Care Team Meeting 21st Sunday after Pentecost	19 11:30am Dinah Circle 12:30pm Grief Support Group 4:00pm Foundation Meeting <i>Final day to RSVP for 10/21 Midweek Manna Dinner</i>	20 11:30am Mission Team Meeting 11:30am Stewardship Meeting	21 9:00am Spiritual Formation Group 10:00am Women's Bible Study 5:15pm Midweek Manna Dinner 6:00pm Midweek Manna 6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	22 7:00am Men's Bible Study	23	24
25 9:30am Christian Education 10:30am Worship: Sanctuary 10:30am Sensory Worship: Live Streamed Frederickson Hall One Service Sunday Reformation Sunday Communion Sunday 22nd Sunday after Pentecost	26 12:30pm Caregivers Support Group	27 11:30am Stewardship Meeting 10:00am Knit N Pearl 12:00pm Personnel Committe Meeting	28 9:00am Spiritual Formation Group 10:00am Women's Bible Study 6:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal 5:30pm-7:30pm Trunk or Treat 	29 7:00am Men's Bible Study 5:30pm Nominating Team Meeting	30	31 