

People: Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Leader: Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

People: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE: * Hebrews 10:19–23

Pastor: This is the grace of God for our salvation.

People: Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF FAITH: * *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

** The word catholic means universal*

SONG OF PRAISE * *Nothing but the Blood*, Hymn 307, stanza 1

What can wash away my sin? nothing but the blood of Jesus; what can make me whole again? nothing but the blood of Jesus.

O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

ANTHEM (11:00)

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

M. Andrews

(Hymn 77, stanzas 1, 3, 5)

Sanctuary Choir

INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY *For the Beauty of the Earth* arr. J. Rutter
(Hymn 116, stanzas 1, 2, 4, 5)
Jane Oehme & Cynthia Taylor, sopranos Beth Peazzoni, piano

Hymn (overleaf) * *How Blest the Man*
(September Hymn of the Month)

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Proverbs 9:1–18 (Pew Bible Page 533)

SERMON ***The Final Appeal*** Dr. Chris Walker
#9 in a Series on Proverbs—*Wisdom: Living Life in the Fear of the Lord*

Hymn 585 * *Take My Life, and Let It Be* HENDON

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE *
(11:00) *3-fold Amen* S. Haverstick

POSTLUDE *Ceremonial March* H. Sumsion

*Worshippers, please stand if physically able.

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At the Morning Worship Service:

Organist: Frank Dodd

Choral Director: Floyd Rawleigh

String Quartet: Melody Cliff, Tara Kenkelen, John Hamilton, John Caldwell

Evening Service: 6 PM

Dr. John Light preaches on Colossians 1:9–14, *Walking Worthy of the Lord: What that Looks Like and the Importance of Praying for It*, #2 in a series on Colossians—*In Christ All Things Hold Together*. Songs of Praise will be led by Elsa Rogers and Justus Rogers.

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How Blest the Man

1. ¹How blest the man who does not walk where wick - ed men would
 2. ³For he is like a grow - ing tree, which, plant - ed by a
 3. ⁴Not so the wick - ed! Like the chaff, the wind will blow them

guide his feet, who stands not in the sin - ners' ways nor
 flow - ing stream, in sea - son yields its fin - est fruit; its
 all a - way. ⁵The judg - ment they will not with - stand, nor

sits up - on the scorn - ers' seat. ²The law of God is
 leaves are al - ways fresh and green. In all he does he
 sin - ners with the righ - teous stay. ⁶God knows the way of

his de - light, his med - i - ta - tion day and night.
 finds suc - cess; pros - per - i - ty will he pos - sess.
 righ - teous ones; the wick - ed way will be un - done.

Visitors

Welcome visitors: Please complete the Connect Card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate. You will receive an informational, one-time mailing.

Connections class is held the first and second Sunday of each month. This monthly, two-week informal session is offered for visitors and those who desire an informative introduction to the life and ministry of Westminster Church—without obligation. *Connections* is located in the library (located across the Gathering Space), 9:30–10:30 AM.

Everyone

Help us minister to you; complete a Connect Card each week you worship with us.

Hearing devices to use in the Sanctuary are available from the ushers.

Sanctuary flowers are contributed by Eleanor Isaacson in loving memory of her husband, Robert Isaacson, who passed away September 16, 1993; and in loving memory of Harlan Hoover by Janice Hoover and family.



UPDATE FROM THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Westminster's Session is convening a meeting on **Sunday, October 15, during the Sunday School hour, 9:30–10:30 AM.** Adult Sunday School classes won't be held that day. The purpose of the meeting is to provide the congregation with an update on building the Fellowship Hall, our capital campaign, and our overall progress in building our master plan. The time will also include prayer for God's continued wisdom and leading in this process. Additionally, **following the 11 AM service,** we will hold a brief groundbreaking ceremony and prayer for the Fellowship Hall beginning around 12:30 PM.

Ministry Highlights

- **Water Street Mission is sponsoring Reverberate TODAY**, 6–8 PM, at Long's Park. This is a time for local Christians to come together to worship God and give thanks for all that He has done in Lancaster County. Food trucks will be open 4–6 PM. Learn more at reverberatelancaster.com.
- **Youth Choir begins TODAY, 12:30–1:45 PM**, in Music Room 203. A light snack is provided. Contact Floyd Rawleigh (rawleigh@westpca.com) for more information or to register.
- **Children's ministry seeks to hire an event assistant.** Mallory Brennan is stepping down from the event assistant position at the end of September. The event assistant position averages ten hours per week throughout the year with more hours required for seasonal events such as the Missions & Me project and VBS. Find the job description at westpca.com/job-opportunities. Interested applicants may submit a resume to Mary Jo Rizzo (rizzo@westpca.com) by **TODAY**.
- **Westminster is partnering with Love Life**, a ministry that aims to mobilize the church to help bring an end to abortion and the orphan crisis. Join us for prayer meeting this Wednesday, September 20, 6–6:30 PM, in room 126. On Saturday, September 23, 9–11 AM, there is a morning worship and prayer walk from Christ Alone Fellowship Church (41 Caroline Street, Lancaster) to Planned Parenthood. Visit lovelife.org to register for the walk and for more information. Contact Sarah@lovelife.com with any questions.
- **This week's dinner entrée is lasagna.** Dinner is available 5–6:20 PM. Tell us on your Connect Card or RSVP online by noon on Monday (www.westpca.com/wednesday) if you plan to attend. Cost is \$5 per person, aged 6 and older, maximum \$15 per household.
- **A helper is needed in the 3-year-old Sunday School class** to be a one-on-one buddy. Contact Mary Jo Rizzo with questions or to volunteer (rizzo@westpca.com).
- **The children's ministry is seeking a volunteer to recruit and schedule** Sunday school teachers and assistants as needed throughout the year. The time commitment is a few hours per week and serving on Sunday morning during the Sunday school hour. Contact Mary Jo Rizzo for more details or to volunteer.

Pastoral Staff

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Worship: 8 AM & 11 AM, 6 PM Sunday School: 9:30 AM

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Monday–Friday, 8 AM–4 PM

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