

*Grateful for the Past
Vision for the Future*

MAY 22, 2016
TRINITY SUNDAY

A NOTE FROM REV. DR. PAUL J. KIRBAS



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needs of our aging facility, and our hopes for retrofitting this physical resource to strengthen the mission and ministry that God has given to us. Today is the day that you are invited, if you haven't already done so, to make your financial commitment, spread over 3 years, to do your part in reaching our financial goal of \$5.5 million. Today is the day to claim the promise of Jeremiah 29...where God promises us a future with hope!

As you leave worship today, ushers will be at the doors with baskets to receive your Westminster 20/20 pledge card. These cards were mailed to our members, but if you did not receive one, or forgot to bring it, there are extra pledge cards in the pew racks.

Following our 10:30 AM service today, we will have a Commitment Sunday Celebration Reception in the Garden

Court. This reception serves double duty, because it is also a time to celebrate June White as she retires from our staff after 49 years of continual service. June has been one of the pillars of our church throughout the decades of ups and downs. Even though she is retiring, June will still be around, and has even offered to come in one day a week to help us out. We are very thankful for that, because no one knows the history of this congregation like June! We would be lost without her!

And now, let us turn our attention to worship on this important day in the life of our church. For God knows the plans he has for us, to give us a future with hope!

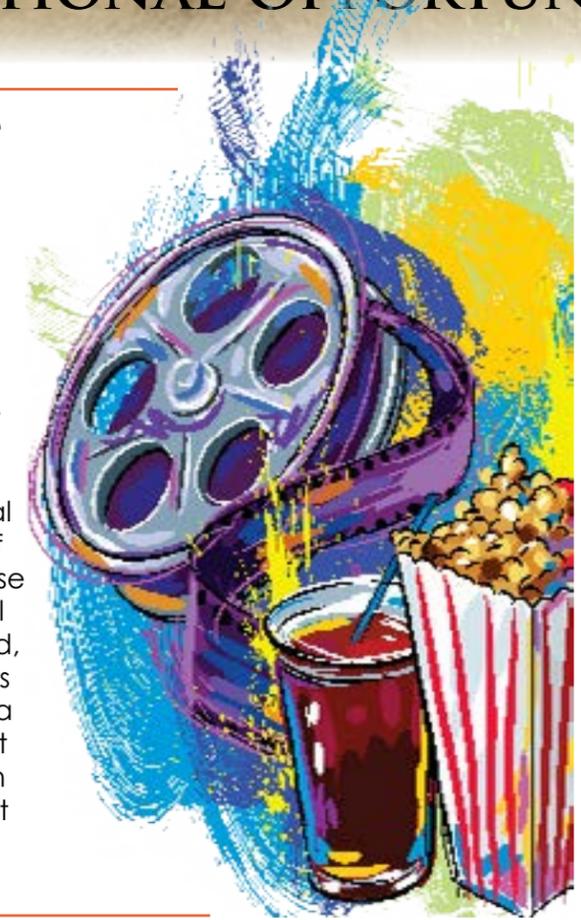
In God's Love,

Dr. Paul J Kirbas
Pastor/Head of Staff

CONGREGATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Recognizing God: Images of the Divine in Performing Arts, Film, and the Visual Arts

The Pastors' Class in June will explore the vast multitude of ways that Jesus and God have been represented, portrayed, and interpreted through visual and audial images of the Divine in Film, Performing Arts, and the Visual Arts. In class we will watch film clips, read portions of scripture, study musical interpretations, and view slideshows of masterpieces. We will consider how these artistic interpretations ultimately reveal or challenge our understandings of God, Jesus, and our Christian Faith. Art offers us an opportunity to see God through a new lens and this class will use different types of artistic expressions to broaden our horizons. This class will be co-taught by the Reverend Michelle Junkin and Reverend Abbey Walker.



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**He has made
everything
suitable
for its time;**

Ecclesiastes 3:11

Dear Congregation,

An important day has arrived! Today is our Commitment Sunday for our Capital Campaign Westminster 20/20. For many weeks, you have been hearing about the



**Westminster 2020
Capital Campaign**

Our Capital Campaign Commitment Sunday is TODAY. Let us join together and make Westminster 2020 a clear vision for the exciting future of our wonderful church!

Please join us after the 10:30am worship service in the Payne Garden Court, for a reception to celebrate the future of Westminster Presbyterian Church!



June White Retires

Please join us TODAY after the 10:30am worship service, in the Payne Garden Court, for a reception honoring June White, who has served the Westminster Presbyterian Church family since September, 1967!

If you would like to leave a note, there are cards at the front table.

DOWNTOWN BIBLE STUDY

We are starting a new downtown Bible study that will be held on Fridays at noon beginning in August. It will be a brown bag lunch program and will be held at the offices of McAfee and Taft, on the tenth floor of Two Leadership Square at 211 North Robinson Street. Rev. Dr. Paul Kirbas will be leading this group through a study of the New Testament book of James. If you would like to attend, please contact John Kenney at: john.kenney@mcafeetaft.com




Compassion in Action
**stephen
MINISTRY**

Facing Despair

"Hear my prayer, O Lord; let my cry come to you. Do not hide your face from me in the day of my distress. Incline your ear to me; answer me speedily in the day when I call." Psalm 102:1-2

The psalmist's words reflect the ache of the human heart in its pain and grief. Persons facing a life threatening illness or experiencing the loss of a loved one know what this is like.

God is intimately aware of our deepest heartaches. Are you feeling hopelessness? Are you struggling through a time of despair? Is someone in your life facing this kind of pain?

A Stephen Minister can be a presence beside you during times of despair, listening and caring for you, helping you to discover and experience God's love and care.

If you would like to know more about how Stephen Ministry can care for you, please contact Rev. Michelle Junkin, our pastor for congregational care.

**WESTMINSTER COMMUNITY
GARDEN**

WPC's Community Garden will be needing volunteers to weed and harvest throughout the growing season. Feel free to sign up at: <http://vols.pt/GzXL4A> You can sign up for a single time or multiple times and feel free to bring your spouse or other friends at a time that is convenient for you.

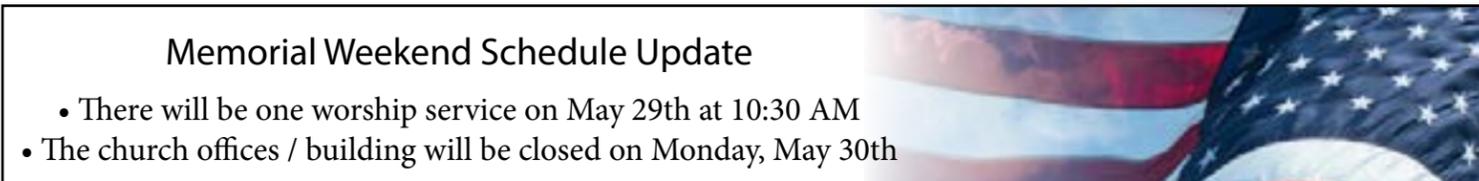
The community garden is located on the west side of the old manor lot just west of the church at 44th & Shartel.

For more assistance, you can contact:
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Memorial Weekend Schedule Update

- There will be one worship service on May 29th at 10:30 AM
- The church offices / building will be closed on Monday, May 30th



WORSHIP AT WESTMINSTER

Prelude to Worship

++Plains Brass Quintet

Time of Welcome

*Sharing of the Peace of Christ

Leader: Peace to you from the Father, and from the Son, and from the Holy Spirit. May the peace of the triune God be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Call To Worship

Jeremiah 29:10-11

Leader: For thus says the Lord, “When your seventy years are completed, I will visit you

People: And I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place

Leader: For surely I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord, “plans for your welfare and not for harm,

People: To give you a future with hope.”

*Processional Hymn: #1 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

Nicaea

+(verses 1 and 4)

Time of Confession

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty and Loving God, over and over again You’ve shown us in Your Word that generosity is a matter of the heart. Yet, so often, we fail to follow the example that You’ve set before us. We’ve failed to serve You, thinking that the costs are too great. We’ve failed to share Your love, thinking that those around us are unlovable. We’ve failed to care for others because, in our selfishness, we only care about ourselves and our own needs. Forgive us, Lord, and teach us to live a life worthy of the generosity that You’ve shown to us in Your Son, Jesus Christ. Open our hearts to the opportunities that You place before us to be Your faithful followers, and grant us forgiveness for our failures of the past. Lord hear this confession and those we now offer in silence...(a silence is kept). In the Name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of God’s grace.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*Response to Forgiveness: #581 *Glory Be to the Father*

Gloria Patri

++A Special Recognition

++Children’s Moment: #2 *Come, Thou Almighty King*

Italian Hymn

As the children come forward, the congregation shall sing (verse 1); as the children return to their seats, the congregation shall sing (verse 4).

Prayer for Illumination

Reading from the Old Testament

Jeremiah 29:10-14, p. 731

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Moment for Westminster 2020

Mike Turpen

++Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (Traditional)

Hymnal p. 35

Reading from the New Testament

1 Peter 1:3-9, p. 232

WORSHIP AT WESTMINSTER

++Anthem: *Upon This Rock*

John Ness Beck

Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

I will give thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven. And whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven.

And whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Upon this rock I will build my church.

Lo, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds has come.

Arise, and come away; Arise and come away; Arise, arise arise!

Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell, the gates of hell shall not prevail against it!

The church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord; She is His new creation by water and the word;

From heav’n He came and sought her to be His holy bride; with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:

O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, like them the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

Amen, Amen, Amen.

Chancel Choir

Sermon: “A FUTURE WITH HOPE”

Rev. Dr. Paul J. Kirbas

*Hymn of Discipleship: #772 *Live into Hope*

Truro

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional)

Hymnal p. 35

Invitation to Offering

Offertory: ++ *At the River*

Karl Seivers, Flugelhorn; Steve Thompson, Organ

*Doxology: #606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Old Hundredth

++*Prayer of Thanksgiving

+The Sacrament of Holy Communion

*Recessional Hymn: *The Church Was Built with Many Hands*

Westminster New

+(verses 1 and 4)

*Charge and Blessing

++*Choral Benediction: *The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

John Rutter

Chancel Choir

Postlude: ++ *Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals*

Plains Brass Quintet; Steve Thompson, Organ

Ushers will be at the doors to receive your Westminster 2020 pledge cards

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

+This sign indicates Chapel Worship Service only.

++This sign indicates Sanctuary Worship Service only.

✿Worship Flowers today are dedicated to the glory of God and given in celebration of the marriage of granddaughter Madeleine to Ben Stucky, by Barth and Linda Bracken.

Leading in Worship

Pastor/Head of Staff: Rev. Dr. Paul J. Kirbas

Director of Worship and Music: Josh Phelps

Associate Pastor for Congregational Care:

Organ: Steve Thompson, Principal Organist

Rev. Michelle Junkin

Carillon: Lisa Hart

Associate Pastor for Youth and Education:

Acolyte: Ellie Morgan

Rev. Abbey Walker

Percussion: Tyler Martin

Plains Brass Quintet

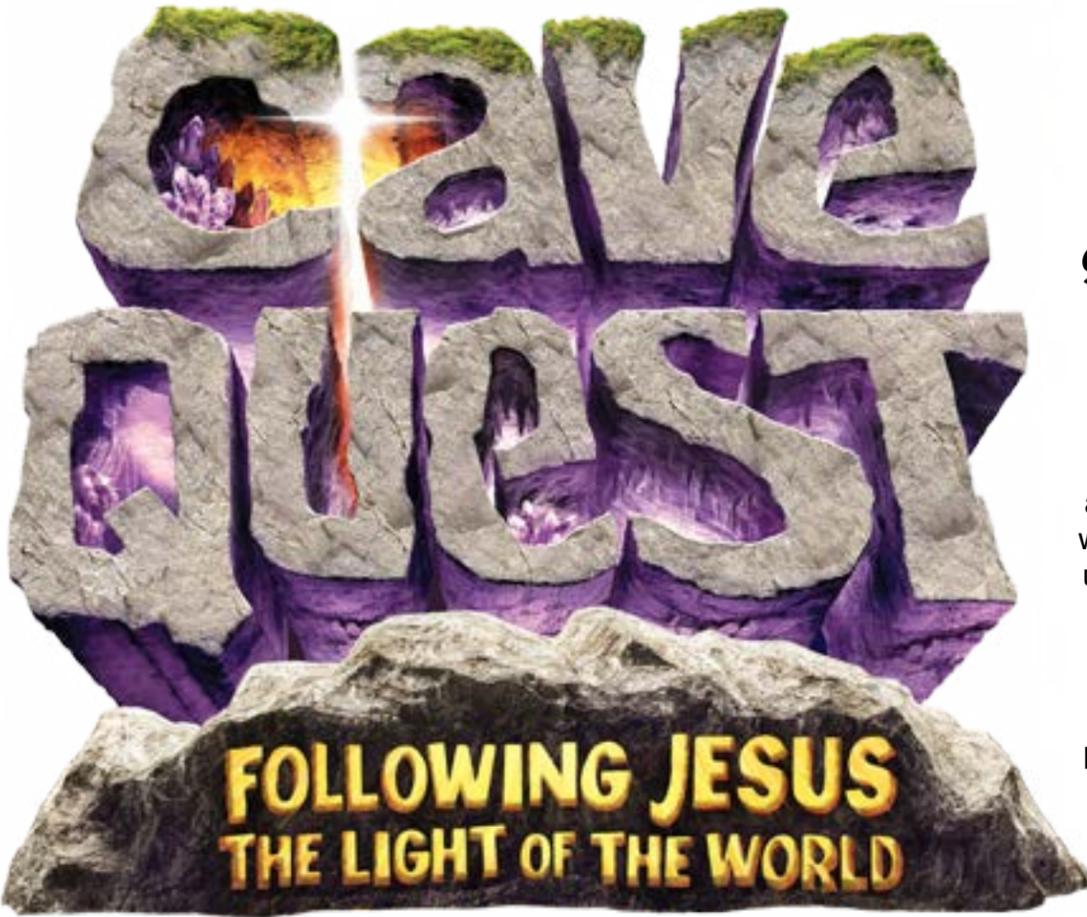
Trumpet: Karl Seivers, Lindsey Jessick,
Christi Wans

Horn: Mathew Evans

Trombone: Daryl Nagode

Tuba: Kody Smith

CHILDREN



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 6TH-9TH 9:00AM TO NOON

Each day the children will spelunk through activity stations with their Cave Crews where they will learn about God's love in amazing ways! You can sign up online under the Children's Ministry page.

We need YOU to make this week happen!

If you are able to help before or during VBS please email Heather Selement at hselement@wpcokc.org.

YOUTH AND EDUCATION

JHAMS

Junior High and Middle School
DEADLINE IS HERE!

Current 5-8th graders, don't miss out on games, worship, Lake Texoma, small groups, and staying in dorms!
Sign up on wpcokc.com



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For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

Ecclesiastes 3:1



Club 56 Frontier City
hang out day
June 25th
from 9a-12p

*Family Ice Cream Social
July 8th from 3-5p at church
(all families welcome)*



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendar for VBS, June 6th-9th. Kids will spend each day spelunking through activity stations with the Cave Crews where they will learn about God's love in amazing ways! You can sign up online under the children's page. WE NEED YOUR HELP! We need volunteers to help make this important week happen. If you are available to help before or during VBS please contact Heather Selement, heather@wpcokc.org, for more information. We also have a table in the Garden Court with a list of items that we need for VBS. Please consider picking up a couple of items to donate.

JR WEST AND WEST CAMPS

We are excited to announce that we have reached our maximum of 60 kids in summer camp. We are still taking names for our wait list. Please email Nicole at nmencer@wpcokc.org for more information.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Full Circle will have its last session for the school year TODAY. It will resume in the fall. The children are encouraged to stay in the service so that they may see all of the elements of worship that we have been working on this year and how they fit into the service. **Nursery** is still available for children 6 and under. Wednesday nights will resume in the fall.

"Fill In the Gaps" Summer Care

With all of the excitement around West/Jr. West Camp this year, we want to let you know that we have heard your request for additional care during the off weeks. The CDC is able to accommodate a few families, up to 10 children, during a four-week period of time. Those weeks are: May 31-June 3, July 5-8, August 8-12, and August 15-18. It is important to note that these weeks will be operated by the CDC and not by West Camp. If you would like more information, please contact the

CDC at 405-524-7120 or childcare@wpcokc.org. Space is limited to the first 10 children who have a completed registration form and pay the \$75 deposit. Please note that this is a complete session of care and not an a la carte option.



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Mission Week 2016 #Mycover

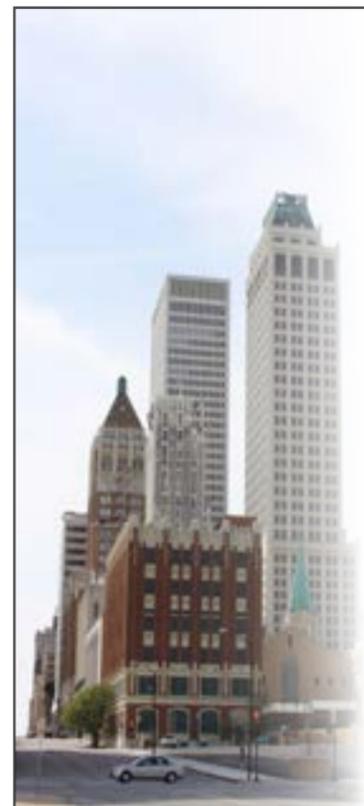
When? June 9th-11th We will meet at the church at 3:30 pm on June 9th and arrive back at the church June 11th around 3:30 pm.

Where? We will be staying at First Presbyterian Church, Tulsa in their youth building.

What? Mission week will look different this year, instead of staying in the city we will take a trip to Tulsa, Ok to serve the community around Tulsa. We will be serving at the Tulsa Food Bank and the Tulsa Day Center for the homeless. We will also be having a dodgeball tournament Thursday and going to Main Event on Friday night.

How much? \$80 Per child

Email Nicole at nmencer@wpcokc.org to sign up or for more information



Congratulations to our graduating Seniors!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Remember to silence all cell phones. No food or drinks are allowed in the Chapel or Sanctuary.

WPC CARES: Members in Need of Care. In order to care for our members who are hospitalized, homebound or simply needing prayer, please notify the church by email at wpccares@wpcokc.org or by phone at 524-2224 ext. 249. Doing so helps our ministers and care team members know whom to visit. Without your help our ability to know who is in the hospital or in need is limited.

Deacon of the Week: Anna McMillin - Please contact her for congregational care needs at 848-5713.

Flowers in the Worship services may be purchased to honor a loved one or special occasion and will be mentioned in the bulletin. Please sign up in the book at the reception desk. Cost is \$60/vase and there are 2 vases each week.

Children's Worship Bags can be found at the entrances to the Sanctuary. The bags contain activities that coordinate with the weekly worship theme. There are also some fun quiet games to enhance their worship experience. Questions? Contact Heather Selement at 405.524.2224 ext. 248 or hselement@wpcokc.org.

If You Are Interested in scheduling a baptism or wedding, or need to notify the church of a death in order to coordinate a funeral or memorial service, please contact Lori Jirousek, Executive Assistant at 524-2224 ext. 228 or lori@wpcokc.org.

WPC FOUNDATION Westminster Presbyterian Church Foundation has several designated funds that support different ministries and programs of our church. Is the Foundation already in your estate plan? If you have already included the WPC Foundation in your estate plans but have not previously notified us, please let us know. We would like to properly thank you for your support. Please contact the Business Office or any of the Foundation Trustees. Alison Taylor, Chris Stephens, Cliff Hudson, Ellen Morgan, Glenn Dunn, Hal Brown, Jim Richard, John Frick, Paige Bass, Richard Zahn, Sally Bentley or Sarah Frank.

Adult Christian Education Classes Sundays at 9:30am

Adult Bible Study: This 40 and over traditional adult Bible study class meets in the Library (room 205) on the Second Floor. They follow *The Present Word* curriculum. In May they will be learning about the *Fullness of Faith* in the Book of Luke.

Adventurers Class: Comprised of adults ages 40 and over, the Adventurers meet downstairs in room LL30. Through May John Shelley will be leading a study about the Sermon on the Mount.

Cornerstone Class: Looking for an opportunity to connect with other young families? Please visit the Cornerstone class downstairs in LL29.

Genesis Class: This 50 and up singles class meets downstairs in LL28. They are following *The Present Word* curriculum. In May they will be learning about the *Fullness of Faith* in the Book of Luke.

Happy Birthday! The following Westminster members are celebrating their birthdays this week. Please remember them in your prayers, that they may experience God's grace in the coming year.

May 22: Jacke McCutcheon

May 23: Cherie McGregor; Evie Mitchell; Margaret Short

May 24: Betsy Brunsteter; Nancy Hurley; Jeffrey Lee; Amanda Paliotta; Madeleine Schmidt; Kyle Swisher

May 25: Joe Freeman; Ben Huffman; Mary Ellen Irwin; Marlene White

May 26: Kenneth Tillotson

May 27: Jane Clark; John Drake; Peter Fryer; Nancy Lutz; Daniel Medley; Kimberly Moore

May 28: Rachel Brawley; Kristin Fares

COMMUNION* DATES

**served every Sunday in the Chapel service*

BAPTISM DATES

(2nd Sunday of each month)

MINUTE FOR MISSION

(3rd Sunday of each month)

Knit 'n Purls

The next meeting of Knit N Purl will be May 31st at 10:00am in the Parlor. If you are interested in joining this group you are invited to attend. No knitting skills are required. These lovely ladies will teach you the basics. Do you crochet? That's just fine. Come and fellowship over hooks, needles and of course lots of yarn.

Worship Flowers

Flowers in the Chapel and Sanctuary may be purchased to honor a loved one or special occasion. These dedications will be mentioned in the bulletin.

Please sign up in the book at the reception desk or online at wpcokc.org.

Cost is \$60 per vase and there are 2 vases each week.



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Sunday mornings on KSBI (check local listings) at 7:30a and 10:30a

Online via our LiveStream at <http://www.wpcokc.com/live-streaming>