



Come to the Table

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 20, 2026

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**please stand as you're able*

WELCOME AND OPENING SENTENCES

PRELUDE

Meditation on Amazing Grace, F. Swann¹

SETTING THE TABLE - *Come to the Table of Grace*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We often invoke the idea of "grace" when we say a blessing over our meals.

ALL: We know that grace is an essential need for our mutual flourishing.

One: We "say grace," but do we always share grace with others?

ALL: We need reminders that we are all human.

One: We thank God for another opportunity to make room at the table for others.

ALL: We give thanks for such a large table!

*HYMN 435

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy, In Babilone²

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***CELEBRATION SONG 582** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me, Glory to God*³

***PASSING THE PEACE**

One: ...the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE INTRODUCTION - from Philippians 1:21-30 & Matthew 20:1-16

TIME FOR WONDER (Children's Time)

After the message, children may go with the teacher to room 11 for Spiritual Adventures.

SERMON

The Table of Grace

***HYMN 649**

*Amazing Grace, Amazing Grace*⁴

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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 today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING INVITATION - *Please also pass the friendship form through the row.*

Bring coins! All change collected will go to a mission project as chosen by the children.

OFFERTORY

*Look at the World, J. Rutter*⁵

***DOXOLOGY HYMN 607** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow, Old Hundred*⁶

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

***HYMN 761**

Called as Partners in Christ's Service, Beecher⁷

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

God of Grace and God of Glory, arr. P. Manz⁸

Leaders Today



Pastor: Rev. Julie Erkel Hagee

Liturgist: Jean Loup

Minister of Music: Joe Chrisman

AV/Tech: John Tarr/Josh Mou

The Chancel Choir

Ushers/Greeters: Doug & Juanita Halls, Dylan Sturtevant, Karen Osborne (Deacon)

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WPC Announcements

Calling All Crafters!

You may not know that Westminster has a group called KNITWITS, and we are looking for any crafters who might want to join us. You can knit, crochet, stitch, or whatever you love to do. We talk and have fun while we are doing it together in the church lounge. Typically we have met on Monday mornings, but we are flexible and open to a new time that might work for more people. If you are interested, please let Kathy Kamp know and provide some times you might be available. There are people in the group who can teach - and we have knitting materials available - if you want to learn.

Just Bakery

Just Bakery will return with all their goodies after worship next Sunday, September 27th. Please join us in supporting this worthwhile mission opportunity. Thanks!

Test Window Complete

The test window for the anti-strike bird application is finished and can be seen on the windows facing the short side of the patio just past the coffee station. Any feedback can be directed to the property committee (Lu Kummerow, Janet Sausen, Jen Mou, Mark Williams or Evan Constant). Thanks!

Cherokee Adopt of School News

Westminster is a financial sponsor for the Cougar Crawl, a student run that is a fundraiser for the PTO. The run is October 7th from 9:00am-4:00pm. If you are interested, they need volunteers for one hour shifts to count laps and cheer on students. Let Kathy Kamp know if you can fill a shift from 9:50am-10:50am. They are also looking for back up gym shoes for kids who don't have them or forgot them. If you have gently used sneakers that need a home, there will be a bin for them in the narthex. Plus, there is a groundbreaking for the new school is on October 14th at 1:00pm. Everyone is welcome.

Pastor Julie Meet & Greets—Today & Next Sunday!

The Education Committee is sponsoring two Meet and Greets so that everyone can welcome Pastor Julie and help her put names and faces together and learn more about us. Many of you will have the opportunity to meet her at Session or committee meetings. For those without this opportunity, we welcome your attendance at a Meet and Greet on September 20th or September 27th immediately following worship. In order to keep the groups manageable, we suggest that those people with last names from **A-L attend on the 20th** and **M-Z attend on the 27th**. If you are not available on your scheduled Sunday, please feel free to attend the other session. Thanks for all your efforts to make this transition go smoothly!

PC USA World Communion Special Offering-Sept 6th to Oct 4th.

The World Communion Offering fosters worldwide unity and peace. Gifts to this offering support the ministries of racial justice, gender justice, peacemaking, global witness and ecumenical and interfaith relations. These ministries work to ensure all God's people have their place at the Table of Grace. Envelopes for this offering can be found in the pews or simply write a check and put "World Communion" in the memo. Thank you!

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Care List: Nancy Prine, Barbara Vogelsang, Bob Klassy

Members & Friends: Gay Didriksen and the Goller Family