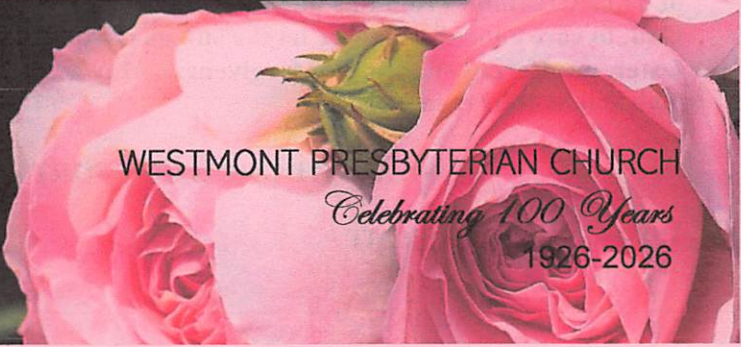




HONOR that
YOU it may
FATHER go well
AND with
MOTHER you and
that
you
may enjoy
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from
Ephesians
6:2,3 NIV

WESTMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Celebrating 100 Years

1926-2026

ORDER OF SERVICE

21st SUNDAY OF PENTECOST - ORDINARY TIME

October 18, 2026

10:15 AM

*M*ay the beginning of the prelude serve as a call to silent meditation and prayer.

You are welcome to use this time to mark your attendance in the blue friendship pads.

PRELUDE

“ ‘Hornpipe’ from the Water Suite”

G. F. Handel

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and PRAYER OF ADORATION

Good morning and welcome to Westmont Presbyterian Church. A special welcome to all those worshipping with us for the first time and to those worshipping with us online. Prayer cards are located in the pews; you may fill them out and place them in the offering plate.

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Genesis 2

Deb Lichtenfels

Leader: The Lord said,

“It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make a partner fit for him.”

People: So the Lord God took a rib from the man and made a woman.

Leader: The man said, “This at last is bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh!”

People: Therefore. A man shall leave his father and mother and cling to his wife.

All: And the two become one flesh.

*HYMN #263

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

ST. DENIO

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Deb Lichtenfels

Loving God, You created us so that as we lovingly live together, we will find life as you intended. We confess that we have turned from Your way. We betray neighbors, desert friends, stifle the hopes and dreams of others, and refuse to allow them to become the Crown of Your Creation. From this day forward, in all of our relationships, let it not be so. Help us, God, to care enough, to never let the sun go down without discussing a problem that could fester, or offering one another forgiveness. May marriage be a joyous sign of Your covenant love and of your creativity.

WE AWAIT GOD’S COMFORT AND CHALLENGE

*PRAYER FOR INSIGHT

***ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON (Psalm 103)**

Leader: "The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and full of covenant love.
God does not punish us as we deserve, nor repay us according to our sins.

People: As far as the East is from the West, so far does God remove our sins from us. This is wonderful news!

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Proverbs 31

Men: How valuable is a woman of honor. She is more precious than jewels.

Women: Her husband puts his confidence in her;
with her at his side, he will be blessed.

Leader: Children, rise up and call her blessed. Others, too, sing her praise!

Men: Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.

Women: Charm is deceptive; beauty may wither.

All: But a woman who honors the Lord is to be praised!

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

NEW TESTAMENT READING – John 11:17-27

The Rev. Jim Farrer

ANTHEM

"Breathe"

Derek Hayes

MESSAGE

"Jesus and Women"

The Rev. Jim Farrer

RESPONDING to GOD'S CHALLENGE

HYMN #527

"Near to the Heart of God"

MC AFEE

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Accept God's Gifts of forgiveness and New Relationship.

Begin to commit as much of yourself as you can to as much of our God as you understand.

Continue to deepen that Relationship until Jesus is Master of every area of your life.

***WE PROFESS OUR FAITH (Matthew 16:16)**

Leader: Who do you say that I am?

People: Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

WE PRAY FOR THE WORLD, OTHERS, OURSELVES

WE RESPOND BY GIVING

Our time, talents, treasures and self to God.

- * Presentation of our offerings:
- * "A Doxology"
- * Prayer of Thanksgiving

HYMN OF PRAISE: #304

"Jesus Loves Me"

OFFERTORY

"Spirit of God (Morecambe)"

arr by M. Gaspard

***HYMN #538**

"Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing" SICILIAN MARINERS

***CHARGE TO CONGREGATION (Micah 6:8)**

The Rev. Jim Farrer

Leader: What does the Lord require of you?

People: God has shown us what is good.

Leader: To do justice.

People: To love with God's kind of covenant love.

All: And to walk humbly with our God.

***WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

*For those who are able, you are invited to stand.

**PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.
PLEASE INVITE SOMEONE TO WORSHIP OR TO A CHURCH FUNCTION.**

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The Rev. Jim Farrer

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Twenty - First Sunday of Pentecost

Sunday, October 18

Adult Sunday School (K).....	9A
Worship Service (S).....	10:15A
Congregational Meeting.....	Immediately following service
Youth Sunday School.....	10:30A
Congregational Meeting.....	Following Service
Fellowship Hour.....	Following Service

Monday, October 19

Prayers & Squares.....	9A
IOC (K).....	10A
Prayer Group (P).....	11A
Bridge Club (K).....	11:30A
Ferndale Good News Club (F).....	2:15P

Tuesday, October 20

Bulletin Announcements Due.....	3P
Spiritual Direction (P)	11A

Wednesday, October 21

Men's Breakfast @ Jax.....	7:30A
Bridge Club (K).....	11:30A
PNC (P).....	6P
Session (K).....	7P

Thursday, October 22

Staff Meeting.....	1P
Westmont Good News Club (F).....	3:30P

Friday, October 23

Thread Articles Due.....	3P
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Saturday, October 24

Date: October 11, 2026

Attendance: 82

Offertory: \$14,290



Happy Heavenly Birthday To My Son, Doug Rush, Jr., Who
Celebrates His 59TH Birthday Today. - Joan Rush

THOSE WHO SERVE – OCTOBER 18, 2026

Liturgist.....Deb Lichtenfels
Ushers.....John Norris, Marge Tarsovich, Vivian Dunkle, Monica Black, Christine Weigman
Flowers.....Joan Rush
Fellowship.....Camille Maravalli and nieces - Heather and Coralie
Opener/Closer.....Kevin Howell /Chiz Price
Audio/Video.....Kevin Howell

INTERESTED IN JOINING WPC?

Anyone interested in joining WPC, or learning more about the church, please contact the church office @ 814.536.0796 or see Pastor Jim Farrer.

PRAYERS & SQUARES...Can you touch a prayer? YOU CAN!!!

... if it is tied into a prayer quilt made by our **Prayers & Squares** group. *Know someone in need of prayer support who would like a prayer quilt?* Would you like to join the quilters?

Please contact:

Linda Capp: 814.241.6963

Holly Capp: 814.270.0509

lcapp@atlanticbb.net

hollyhock11@gmail.com





WHAT: VETERANS' DINNER
WHEN: NOVEMBER 7, 2026 4P Social Hour; 5P Dinner
WHERE: WPC, Fellowship Hall
CONTACT: Gretchen Lohr glohr29@gmail.com.

- A list of meal item donations will be posted in the K room for donation sign up.
- Volunteer sign up in K Room.
- Honor Wall – new this year. (Friends, Family, Battle Buddy) – pls. provide first and last name/branch of service. See Details in K Room.
- Personal mementos for decorations. (On LOAN).
- Please donate by November 2 in order for us to finalize shopping.
- Desserts: please drop off on Friday November 6th by 7pm

***Thank you for your ongoing support ***

Aaaaaand - ANOTHER DEACONS' SHOPPING CART CHALLENGE !!!

Thanks to **all of you**, there's lots of food items being distributed from St. Vincent's Kitchen - Communion Sunday soup donations were a bust!!! The NEW CHALLENGE for Communion Sunday, November 1, is canned fruit! Grateful thanks to all of you supporting this worthwhile Deacons' Ministry. ❤️

WPC SPECIAL MINISTRY / HALLOWEEN DANCE AND PIZZA PARTY!!!



WHEN: October 29 6:30 to 8:30P
WHERE: WPC Fellowship Hall

VOLUNTEERS are needed and to help with drinks and pizza.
Dress Up! or come as you are!
Donations of cookies are always welcome and much appreciated.
Looking forward to seeing you there!

Call Lana Custer @ 814.659.0046 or Joan Rush @ 814.255.2094 for more info.

***** CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - TODAY OCTOBER 18th *****

Congregational Meeting **immediately following service** to elect Deacons, Elders, and to approve the Nominating Committee.

PRAYER BOARD: WPC, Laura & Nate, Tracy, James, Angela, Lyn, Lynn, Cindy H., Mike R., Evan, Chris S., Laurel Eatman, Paul Baribault, Steve Meck, Mary Meck, Dan Kovacs, Sharon Pletcher, Virginia, Ted Nyland, Tina, Jim Darr, Deborah DeGol, Sylvester, Vince, Beverly, Michael, Jeanne Strunk, Jasmine Connor, Gretyl Lauf, Barb Lauf, Anne Bradford, Kathy J., Nancy C., Alan Burnosky, Kay, Lynn, Matthew, Rick & Denise Mezyk, Skip & Adelle Picking, The Fleegle Family, Pastor Roland, Mike & Angie Hale, Marian Allen, Cory Locher, Bonnie & Barry's daughter- Robin, Dave and Debbie's daughter-Jenny, Larry Riddle, Megan, Hazel, Walter, Edward, Mike Long, Carol Burnworth, Patty Hagerich, Matthew Yeager, Betty Jo, Rick Krisko, Linda Batey, Dave, Janet Kokel, Linda Capp, Holly Capp, Lori Begg, Max Stevanus, Dan Gaydos, Carol Burnworth, Cathy Haddle, Pastor Jim and Sheila, Pastor Ken & Barb, Mary Ann, Dottie Glass, Spencer, Georgia Y., Marge D., Tina, Jake, Bill Miller, Ella Brawley, Ted Sendry, Jimmy Smedo, Dolores, Maria, Jake, John, Baby Jacob, Alexandra Turner, Kurt Tesche, Karen South.



PLEASE KEEP ALL THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES IN YOUR PRAYERS.

If you know of an active-duty person to be included on the list, call the church office with name, rank, address and, if appropriate, an e-mail address.

Please remember that some of these people are in a war zone and may not be available for regular communication. The following person is on assignment without a current address: SPC Andrew Medley.

Brittany Clegg

S. Sgt. Mitch Stein

932 Winterberry Dr.
Fayetteville, NC 28314

5500 125th Street South East
Minot, North Dakota 58701



DEACONS' CHRISTMAS STARS

The Deacons have contacted the 17 families we are sponsoring for Christmas! We will be giving them gift cards to Aldi for food and household goods as well as vouchers for shoes and clothing at St. Vincent de Paul. The families are comprised of adults, adult children, some grandparents and 55 children aged 18 and under. Each of those 55 children has a star with their first name, age, gender, and gift suggestions. Please come to the Koinonia Room after the service to select a child or children to bless with a gift! We do not want you to spend any more than \$50 per child. Please join in the Christmas joy of giving and be blessed to be a blessing!

