

June 7, 2026



Westminster

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



UNITY TAKES a VILLAGE

Music Appreciation Sunday Image by Callie Boone

Worship With Us On Sunday!

Music Appreciation Sunday

*Join us for Pre-Service Music
beginning at 9:50 a.m.*

Scripture

Psalm 133
I Corinthians 12:14

Homily

The Rev. Julie Emery

Bulletin

10:00 a.m. Sunday Hybrid Worship Link

Zoom Meeting ID: 822 3301 6989

**Any questions, contact Becky Kimberly in the office
at office@westpresby.org.**



This Week at Westminster

In this e-newsletter, you'll find details about:

Westminster News and Events

- *Music Appreciation Sunday: Pre-Service Music Begins at 9:50am*
- *Bring Food Donations for West Hartford Food Pantry this Sunday*
- *Summer Worship with First Presbyterian Church, Begins June 28*

- *Volunteers Needed for West Hartford Pride Festival, June 27*
- *Westminster Volunteer Day at Hydroponic Farm in Hartford*
- *Thank You to Sam Warshauer for Pentecost Banners!*
- *Our Front Porch, Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the Covenant Room*
- *Graduating? We Want to Know!*

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Westminster News and Events



**THIS
SUNDAY**

Music Appreciation Sunday

Join us at 9:50am!

Join us in person or online for Music Appreciation Sunday this weekend! We rejoice in the gifts of the Westminster Music Ministry by welcoming a variety of musicians from our community to share their talents during the worship service.

Pre-worship music begins at 9:50am. Worship begins at 10:00am.
Coffee hour celebration to follow.

*Support the West
Hartford Food Pantry*

**BRING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD
DONATIONS TO WORSHIP ON
COMMUNION SUNDAY!**

*The Serve Team is collecting food donations each
Communion Sunday (first Sunday of the month).
Donations can be placed at the back of the sanctuary
or in the food donation bin outside the Fellowship Hall.*



A Summer of Worship and Connection 2026

JUNE 28th & JULY WORSHIP

Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church of Hartford

136 Capitol Avenue, Hartford

AUGUST WORSHIP Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

Westminster Presbyterian Church

2080 Boulevard, West Hartford



A Summer of Worship & Connection with First Presbyterian Church of Hartford (FPCH) Begins Sunday, June 28

We are excited to continue our annual summertime partnership with First Presbyterian Church of Hartford (FPCH). Starting Sunday, June 28 and throughout the month of July, Westminster will gather for worship at First Presbyterian Church of Hartford at their Sunday worship time of 10:30 a.m. (***please note the later starting time***). In the month of August, Westminster will play the role of host here at our 10:00 a.m. worship time. Online worship will continue to be offered.

[Click here](#) for further information regarding worshipping at FPCH.



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Volunteers Needed for West Hartford Pride Festival Saturday June 27, Noon - 5:00 p.m.

West Hartford Pride Festival is on Saturday, June 27, from noon to 5:00pm at Town Hall on 50 South Main St. Westminster is a supporter

of Presbyterian Promise, which will have a table there and needs volunteers from local participating churches.

Presbyterian Promise is a non-profit committed to proclaiming God's promise of justice and love in Jesus Christ by organizing churches and individuals in the Presbytery of Southern New England into a community of mutual support for the empowerment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer people through education, outreach and advocacy.

We are looking to have some representatives from Westminster to help at the table. This is a wonderful opportunity to share Westminster's spirit of welcome and inclusion. If you are willing to help for an hour or two, please contact Pastor Jinny at pastorjinny@gmail.com. Thank you!

[Click here](#) to learn more about Presbyterian Promise.

[Click here](#) for West Hartford Pride information.

Westminster Volunteer Day at Levo International Hydroponic Farm, Hartford

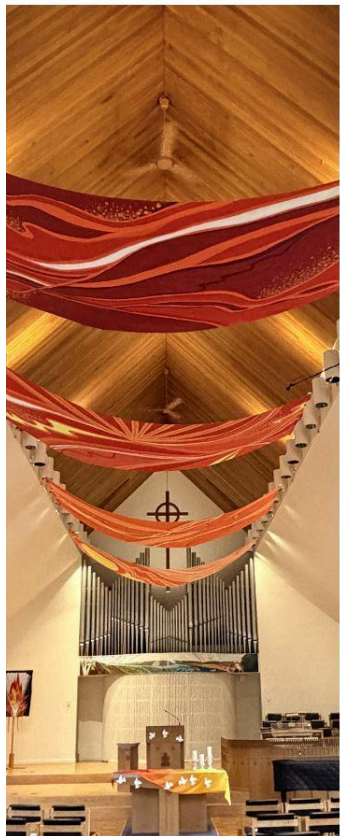


From left to right: Shelia Huddleston, Cindy Buckley, Barbara Riihimaki and Lesley Morrey.

Four hearty Westminster volunteers braved last Saturday's cold and windy morning to volunteer at Levo International, a Hartford non-profit addressing food insecurity, food deserts, and neighborhood revitalization. The project of the day was to help in assembly of new hydroponic systems at their new farm on Enfield Street.

Interested in joining a future Westminster work day? Contact Serve Elder, Lesley Morrey at lpmorrey@gmail.com or text 860-778-5948.

**Thank You to Sam Warshauer for
Creating New Pentecost Banners!**



Be sure to come into the Sanctuary to see our new Pentecost ceiling banners!



They are a beautiful reminder of the Holy Spirit around and in us.

A very special thank you to Sam Warshauer for imagining, designing and creating these stunning banners.

Our Front Porch

Adult Fellowship & Discussion Group



Sundays 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.
in the Covenant Room

Join Us for an Hour of Connection!

Gather before worship for conversation and connection.
No preparation or commitment is required.

Contact Peter Benner (pbenner16@gmail.com) or
Larry Carr (larrycarr@gmail.com) for more information



Graduating? We Want to Know!

Have a graduate? Please share your graduate's information with us so we can celebrate their accomplishments with our church community. Send their name, school, and degree information (if they are graduating from college or graduate school) to Becky Kimberly at office@westpresby.org.

Prayers for our Community and Our World

Please text or call Rev. Julie Emery at 603-748-1130 with any prayer requests or pastoral concerns.

We pray for those near and far:

We pray for peace, especially in those places of increased violence and war particularly in Iran and throughout the Middle East. We pray for a peaceful resolution to conflict. May God's peace take root in the hearts of all people, may peace prevail.

We pray for the communities throughout our country who are experiencing increased conflict and terror due to the actions of ICE. We pray for those suffering from trauma and grief, and for those who are caught in the middle of such conflict. We pray for an end to the violence and for justice to be found.

May there be mercy and protection for those who are most vulnerable: Immigrants and refugees; the LBGTQIA+ community; those standing up against injustice in all its forms.

We pray for those who stand up for justice in communities throughout the world. May they be wise, safe and courageous.

May God's love and grace be the guiding force in our lives, our homes and our communities in the days ahead.

We pray for those in need for health and wholeness:

May those who are struggling receive God's love and encouragement including: Yvonne Smith who has been recovering from a fall; George Dewey, who is receiving treatment for AFib; Nancy Murray, former Westminster member, who is recovering from surgery; Sage, Nancy and George Dewey's granddaughter, who is in her final month of pregnancy; Ashley Aronson and for her parents Craig and Nicole who are providing care and support; Abbey Downing's father Jack Neller, who is recovering from a bilateral lung transplant; Callie Boone's Aunt Cyndi; Liz Grabber's mother Barbara; David MacMeekin; Bob and Carol Rentz; Mike McElroy's wife Jane; Doug Levine, friend of Marilyn Pikor; Susie Scoville's brother Jon; Jane Sebolt; Joan and Jim Lin; Bob Gillis; Becky Kimberly's father John; Barbara Aronson; Karen Wagner's friend Rich; Ross Ludeman; Muriel Sherman and Betty Stokes.

We ask God to comfort those who grieve:

The friends and family of Richard Stafford, who died on April 26. A service in celebration of Richard's life will be held on **Friday, June 12 at 2:00 p.m.** [Click here](#) to read his obituary.

We continue to lift to God all those who are grieving the loss of loved ones in recent months: the family of Jamison Clegg, Eina Reiger's cousin; the family of Camden Siegal; the family of Ginger Ludeman, wife of former Westminster pastor Rev. Ross Ludeman; the loved ones of Renee Good and Alex Pretti, and the community in Minneapolis-St.Paul; Janet Wade-Utay and Art Utay upon the death of Art's aunt and Janet Wade-Utay and her sister-in-law, Jen, upon the death of Janet's brother George.

We celebrate with:

Sarah and Alex Helberg on the birth of their son, Theodore Alexander, on May 19. Both mother and baby are healthy and doing well.

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