

November 1, 2026



Westminster

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Beauty of Creation by Rowan and Irene LeCompte

Worship With Us!

All Saints' Sunday

Scripture

Genesis 1:1-27

Sermon

A Generous Image

The Rev. Julie Emery

Bulletin

10:00 a.m. Sunday Hybrid Worship Link

Zoom Meeting ID: 822 3301 6989

Please note that our worship service is recorded and posted online.

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



*Don't forget to set your clocks back Saturday night and enjoy
that extra hour of sleep before church on Sunday morning!*



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

Westminster News and Events

- *New Member Class, This Sunday After Worship*
- *Community Conversation on Addiction, Saturday, November 7*
- *Stewardship Kick-off: "Let's Make Something Beautiful"*
- *Donate Food for Thanksgiving Meals*
- *Coffee Hour Hosts Needed!*
- *Photos from GHIAA Power Summit*
- *Our Front Porch Gathering, Sundays at 9:00 a.m.*

Prayers for Our Community and Our World

Westminster News and Events

**Join Us After Worship This Sunday
in the Smart Room!**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1
AFTER WORSHIP**

YOU'RE
INVITED TO

**NEW MEMBER
CLASS**

Rev. Julie Emery will hold a new member class on November 1, after worship. We will welcome new members to the church on November 8. If you are interested in joining or just want to learn more about Westminster, please join us! Any questions, contact Sandy Fry, Elder for Engage, at 860-951-6447 or psfry2016@comcast.net.

A community Conversation

Understanding Addiction

Causes, Concerns, & Solutions



Saturday, November 7, 2026

12:00 — 4:00 p.m.

2080 Boulevard, West Hartford, CT

Guest Speaker: Dr. Nii Addy

Yale School of Medicine

Light Lunch Provided



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[Click Here to Register](#)

Westminster is co-sponsoring this event with the West Hartford Prevention Partnership. For more information or to provide volunteer support, please contact Diane Smith at smithdiane2009@gmail.com



**LET'S MAKE
SOMETHING
BEAUTIFUL**

Westminster Launches Stewardship Campaign "Let's Make Something Beautiful"

Our pledge drive will be held throughout the month of November. Help us to plan for our upcoming year by letting us know your giving intentions.

Stewardship materials will be arriving in your mailbox later this week.

[Click here](#) to read Rev. Julie Emery's Stewardship message that was emailed this week.

[Click here](#) to take part in the 30-day beauty challenge.

Together, we can make something beautiful! Any questions about this year's campaign, please contact Sandy Fry, Engage Elder at psfry2016@comcast.net



Donate to Thanksgiving Baskets For Those in Need

Westminster will continue our partnership with Covenant to Care by collecting donations for Thanksgiving baskets for 10 families under the care of the Department of Children and Families. **Food donations and gift cards are needed no later than Sunday, November 22.** This gives us time to assemble these baskets after worship and have them ready for our social worker to deliver to families before Thanksgiving.

Please sign up by clicking the button below.

[Sign-up to Donate](#)

Donations can be dropped off at the church on Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. with Wednesdays and Thursdays opened until 8:30 p.m. If you need alternative drop off arrangements, please contact Becky Kimberly at [860-521-6240](tel:860-521-6240).

If you would like to donate money towards the purchase of Walmart gift cards (so the families can purchase a turkey or other needed items), please bring a check or cash to the church office, leave it in the collection basket or deposit it in the locked mailbox outside the office entrance. Include a note indicating that the donation is for the Thanksgiving baskets.

Need help or have questions? Contact Lesley Morrey at lpmorrey@gmail.com or text/call [860-778-5948](tel:860-778-5948).



Help Host Coffee Hour on Sunday

Do you love the chance to connect with church-goers after worship each Sunday? Can you bake or buy some muffins to share with friends occasionally? Can you mix lemonade and set out cups or clean up afterward? Please consider signing up to help on an upcoming Sunday so that we can continue this important ministry. Training will be provided! Email Linda Geisler with questions: Linda.Barron.Geisler@comcast.net.

Sign Up to Help with Coffee Hour

Westminster Shows Their Support at Greater Hartford Interfaith Action Alliance Power Summit!



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!

Like those chatting on a front porch, join us before worship for conversation and connection. No preparation or commitment is required.

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



Prayers for our Community and Our World

We invite you to hold our community in prayer throughout your week, to reach for God's grace, to watch for God's beauty, and to pray in thanksgiving in hope for ourselves and each other. We offer the prayers below for our community and our world:

We pray for those near and far:

We pray for all those impacted by gun violence; may God's justice prevail.

We pray for peace in Gaza, Iran, Sudan, Ukraine. May God's peace take root in the hearts of all people, and may those who are caught in between the powers and principalities be protected and comforted.

We pray for all people who, because of conflict and economic instability, have been forced into migration to seek safety and stability. We especially pray for the people of Venezuela, Colombia and Ecuador. May God's strength and presence be with migrants everywhere.

We pray for all of God's creation, and for people impacted by the repercussions of global warming. May we seek new ways to heal our planet and steward our resources.

We pray for the communities experiencing increased fear and terror due to the actions of ICE. We pray for the safety and dignity of those who have been detained, and for justice to be found.

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

We give thanks 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 be surrounded by God's healing and comfort. We especially pray for Jim Lin, who is in a rehab facility, and for his wife and caretaker Joan.

We continue to pray for: Cyndi Brown's friend Gayle; George Dewey; Jane Sebolt; Cyndi Robinson's friend Shelby Lippart; Nancy Murray; Ashley Aronson; Abbey Downing's father Jack Neller; Callie Boone's Aunt Cyndi; Liz Grabber's mother Barbara; Mike McElroy's wife Jane; Doug Levine, friend of Marilyn Pikor; Susie Scoville's brother Jon; Bob Gillis; Barbara Aronson; Karen Wagner's friend Rich; Muriel Sherman and Betty Stokes.

We ask God to comfort those who grieve:

May God's loving arms surround all those who are grieving the loss of loved ones in this season.

We pray God's comfort and peace upon:

The family and loved ones of: David MacMeekin; Bob Rentz; Ross and Ginger Ludeman; Paul Chabot; Mary Sand; Eugenia, Yvonne Smith, especially daughters Diane Smith and Aimee Hopkins; Marilyn Pikor's dear friends, Carol and Stan; Nancy Hoffman; Susan Plese, friend of Karen Wagner; Richard Stafford; Jamison Clegg, Eina Reiger's cousin; George Utay, Janet Wade-Utay's brother and Art Utay's aunt.

We trust that God walks with each of us in our struggles and sorrows, and rejoices in our celebrations.

If you have any prayer requests or pastoral concerns, please text or call Rev. Julie Emery at 603-748-1130.

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