



# WESTMINSTER WEEKLY

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Nashville, Tennessee

FEBRUARY 22, 2008

*Fostering a caring, diverse & deeply spiritual community*

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### Third Sunday in Lent

**Sunday, February 24**

Exodus 17:1-7;

Psalms 95; Romans 5:1-11;

John 4:5-42

#### Homily

K.C. Ptomey, Jr.

Assisting: Tracy Moor

#### Anthems

"Thy Perfect Love"

- K. Lee Scott

8:30 AM Laudate Youth

"Like As a Hart"

- Herbert Howells

"Come, Let Us Sing"

- Lindh

11:00 AM Westminster Choir,

Gloria & Jubilate Choirs

#### Hymns

464 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*  
Joined Together As One Body  
281 *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

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## MONROE HARDING CELEBRATES 115 ANNIVERSARY WITH REUNION

The nonprofit organization is finalizing plans for the Coming Home reunion of residents, staff, volunteers, board members and supporters. To be added to the Monroe Harding mailing list to receive an invitation to the events, call 298-5573 or send an email to [development@monroeharding.org](mailto:development@monroeharding.org).

Activities for the weekend include campus tours, a brunch, a luncheon for former staff, activities for the families, a worship service and a community dinner. Most events are free of charge and the community is invited to help celebrate along with the former residents, staff and board.

**Friday, April 25, 2008 - Volunteer Recognition Luncheon** to be held at Hillwood Country Club. Each year, Monroe Harding recognizes the tremendous effect community and corporate volunteers have on the organization. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM. Tickets are \$45.00

**Friday, April 25, 2008 - Welcome Reception.** The welcome reception will be held at Monroe Harding from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM. This will allow guests to check-in, receive tickets, schedules and to browse through old photos and archives. No Charge.

**Saturday, April 26, 2008 - Brunch.** There will be a brunch at Monroe Harding from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM. The brunch is free of charge and will include campus tours and opportunities to reunite with others from Monroe Harding's 115 years.

**Saturday, April 26, 2008 - Staff Lunch.** The former staff is invited to stay on campus for lunch and hear from current staff members about changes that have taken place over the years. The lunch will be held from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM. and there will be a \$10 charge.

**Saturday, April 26, 2008 - Free Time.** From 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM there will be organized free time. Event attendees will have opportunities to visit local tourist stops, help with campus improvements or enjoy crafts, games or other activities on site. Reservations for off-site activities must be made in advance.

**Saturday, April 26, 2008 - Dinner.** From 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Monroe Harding will host a dinner for all event attendees and the community. Guest speakers will include former Monroe Harding residents sharing stories of change throughout the years. Cost of dinner is \$10.

**Sunday, April 27, 2008 - Worship service** will be held on campus at 11:00 AM. The service is free of charge and will be preceded by a coffee time.

For more information, please contact Melissa Houck at 298-5573 ext. 121 or [melissahouck@monroeharding.org](mailto:melissahouck@monroeharding.org).

## MEN'S RETREAT

Friday, February 22 - 6:00 PM

Location: Horseshoe Bend Clubhouse

Tex-Mex, Camaraderie, Inspiration

Discussion of the movie: "No Country for Old Men"

Call the church for reservations 292-5526

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## SESSION

<i>Class of 2008</i>	Mike Koban
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Karen Miller	Lynne Trost
Beth Moore	<i>Class of 2010</i>
Haworth Parks, Jr.	Bob Cooper
Steve Staggs	Sondra Cruickshanks
Phil Stuart	Sydney DeWitt
Mark Wallace	Ben Folk
Tom Wilson	Lane Harvey
Lisa Wooley	Betsy Hunt
<i>Class of 2009</i>	Jim Jenkins
Doug Berry	Linda Koon
Carole Bucy	Bob Parker
Ashby Burks	Billy Worsham
Nancy Falls	Tom Wylly
Jim Hartman	Mandy Young
Jeanne Jackson	

## VISION STATEMENT FOR 2006 - 2008

With God's help, we dedicate ourselves to small group fellowship, spiritual nurture and mission/outreach.

## MISSION STATEMENT

With God's help, Westminster Presbyterian Church fosters a caring, diverse, and deeply spiritual community that nurtures lives of faith, hope, and love. Through prayer – and with thanksgiving for God's grace – we seek to grow in the spirit of Jesus Christ, joyfully committing ourselves to worship, study, and service in the local community and the world.

*If you have an article for the newsletter, please send it to Jennifer Dutton Communications Coordinator at: jdutton@nashvillewpc.org. The deadline is 4:00 pm on Thursday the week before you want the article to be included.*

# CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

## PRAY FOR:

### Week of February 24

The Presbyteries of Seattle and Yukon.

Pond Presbyterian Church  
Dickson, Tennessee  
Pastor: John Paul Picard

## TO THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Buddy Ray  
Hickory, North Carolina  
February 4, 2008  
Father of Layne Bryant  
Father-in-Law of Derek  
and Grandfather of Eleanor  
and Caroline

Phyllis Payne  
Owensboro, Kentucky  
February 15, 2008  
Mother-in-law of Caroline Payne

**"I Am The Resurrection  
And The Life"**

## HOSPITAL

Fred McCormack      Centennial

## ROOM IN THE INN

February 27, 2008

**Overnight Hosts:** Scott Carey, Mark Beveridge\* and Confirmants: Henry Beveridge, and Myles Anderson.

**Meal:** Disciple 3B Bible Study

**Sack Lunches:** Amy Dennison

*\*Insured to drive the church van.*

## WESTMINSTER WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS:

For reservations, call the church office, 292-5526 on Monday before noon, or complete a blue card found in the pew racks.

## VIDEO VOLUNTEERS

Westminster Video History Committee needs videographers!

Are you a history buff who loves to capture the moment for future generations???

We need your technical expertise to video all kinds of Westminster moments – special events, services, Sunday School, youth activities, individuals at worship, mission and play – anything that tells our story in pictures.

If you are willing to be a volunteer videographer for the the Westminster Video History project, please contact Barbara Hallum at bhallum@nashvillewpc.org or Carson Salyer at csalyer@nashvillewpc.org.

Your talent is needed and greatly appreciated!

## WEBSITE UPDATES

Perhaps you've noticed a few changes on the website. The sermon format is just one example. The sermons can now be found on the second menu button on the website. This exciting new format will provide Westminster members with the capability to listen to their favorite sermon via an iPod or MP3 player. The written sermons can be found to the immediate right of the audio sermon icon. Below are the instructions for downloading your favorite sermons.

### What is podcasting?

Podcasting is a way of getting your favorite audio content (such as sermons, radio shows, or music) automatically. Once you've subscribed to a site's podcast, your computer will automatically check for updates and download them when your computer is idle. You can also choose to pre-load these programs onto your iPod or music player. This means that if you subscribe to several podcasts that you like, then leave your computer and iPod connected overnight, you can pick the iPod up on the way out of the door in the



# ADULT EDUCATION

All classes meet at 9:45 AM unless otherwise specified.

*Throughout the Adult Education program we work to cultivate an environment in which diversity is valued and different opinions are respectfully engaged. Our Sunday morning classes are designed to be communities where members and visitors are invited to join the journey growing deeper in faith and fellowship. Some classes are geared more for "age and stage" of life, while others are intentionally intergenerational. During the year, special classes and speakers are arranged for the whole church to experience learning together. All are welcomed to become part of what God is doing through the education ministry at Westminster. We seek to nurture our members at all stages of their faith journey in ways that strengthen Biblical, spiritual, and moral foundations and affirm what we believe as Reformed Christians.*

## WINTER SUNDAY SCHOOL CONTINUES

### Adult Bible Study (Intergenerational)

FH. Dr. A.-J. Levine will be teaching on Sunday mornings for a combined Adult Education class in Fellowship Hall during February.

### Choir Class

FH. Dr. A.-J. Levine will be teaching on Sunday mornings for a combined Adult Education class in Fellowship Hall during February.

### Connections Class (Empty Nesters)

FH. Dr. A.-J. Levine will be teaching on Sunday mornings for a combined Adult Education class in Fellowship Hall during February.

### Covenant (Parents of Teens)

FH. Dr. A.-J. Levine will be teaching on Sunday mornings for a combined Adult Education class in Fellowship Hall during February.

### Good Samaritans (Older Adults)

Goodpasture Hall. The winter class will be a study of Luke: God's Call to the Christian Community. Led by Jim Hoyal, Westminster member.

### Journey (Intergenerational)

FH. Dr. A.-J. Levine will be teaching on Sunday mornings for a combined Adult Education class in Fellowship Hall during February.

### Murdoch MacLeods

#### (Men's Bible Study)

Room M-305. Led by Wilford Fuqua, Westminster member "Profiles of Biblical Characters" Class begins at 9:30 AM

### New Member Class

M-308. K.C. Ptomey will be presenting a discussion on worship. The members will have the opportunity to join the church at the 11:00 AM worship service this day.

### Search (Intergenerational)

Room M-311. "Boundries: When to Say Yes, When to Say No."

### Tweeners

FH. Dr. A.-J. Levine will be teaching on Sunday mornings for a combined Adult Education class in Fellowship Hall during February.

### Young Adults

Room M-310. Shreyas Patel will lead a discussion on "Being Christian in a Hindu Family."

### Young Families

FH. Dr. A.-J. Levine will be teaching on Sunday mornings for a combined Adult Education class in Fellowship Hall during February.



A.-J. LEVINE  
TO  
TEACH IN  
FEBRUARY

To help prepare us for our Lenten journey,

Dr. A.-J. Levine, E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Professor of New Testament Studies will be teaching on Sunday mornings for a combined Adult Education class in Fellowship Hall during February. As a New Testament scholar, her teaching will focus on the Gospel texts for each of the mornings:

2/24 Jesus in Samaria (John 4:5-42).

Class will begin at 9:50 AM and end at 10:40 AM with time for questions afterwards.

## UPCOMING SUNDAY SCHOOL TOPICS FOR MARCH

In March a number of our own members will be teaching in various classes. John Bailey will be teaching on the Psalms to the Connections Class early in the month, and Bill Klein will offer a class, March 16th, on the Living Waters mission work he has become involved with. For the Adult Bible Class, Beth Harwell will lead a study of II Corinthians, "Unlikely Ambassadors: Clay Jar Christians in God's Service." The Choir Class will begin their study of Parker Palmer's, "The Active Life" and Guy Griffith will be teaching the Young Families Class.

## CONVENANT CLASS CORRECTION

The Community Hymn Sing date is **Sunday, April 13 at 7:00 PM.**

We need immediate responses in order to get block ticket rates. Consult the Symphony website, [www.nashvillesymphony.org](http://www.nashvillesymphony.org), for program details. Contact Carol Ann Graham at [cag138@comcast.net](mailto:cag138@comcast.net) for questions and reservations.

## WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY

Tuesday, February 26

Begin gathering at 9:30 AM, and the meeting will start at 10:00 AM, in FH 175. Our guest speaker Carson Salyer, Associate Pastor, will be discussing the novel, "Thirteen Moons" by Charles Fraizer.

Bring your lunch, beverages will be provided. Interested women are welcome. For more information contact Kay Hall, 269-4253.





# MUSIC

(Website Updates from page one)

the morning and each day you'll have fresh new material to listen to.

## How do I subscribe?

Our browser includes built in feed readers. You'll simply need to find the option within that program to subscribe to a feed, and enter, <http://www.nashvillewpc.org/podcast.csm>, as the address. In Itunes, select "subscribe to podcast" under the "Advanced" menu. What sermons come in the podcast? You'll receive one new sermon each week from our Sunday morning worship service.

## Do I need an iPod?

No. Although podcasting gets its name from the iPod, you do not need one to enjoy podcasts. The sermons will download to your computer, and you can listen to them at your leisure from your computer.

## Where do I get this podcast?

If you have itunes installed, you can click on this podcast link to subscribe directly using Itunes. If you do not have Itunes, or prefer to use an alternate feed reader, the podcast address is <http://www.nashvillewpc.org/podcast.csm>. It's best to highlight the address, copy it, and paste it into Itunes or your RSS feed reader.

*If you have further questions please direct them to Jennifer Dutton Communications Coordinator at [jdutton@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:jdutton@nashvillewpc.org). Instructions used with permission from Hillvue Heights Church, Bowling Green, Kentucky.*

## THE "MUSICAL MILLERS" TO PERFORM

Austria had the famous Von Trapp family but Westminster has the fabulous "Musical Millers"! And who are they - you want to know? They are Dr. Jack and Jimmy Miller and their two sisters, Berenice Miller Denton and Jean Ann Miller McNally. They are the adult children of the long time Westminster members, the late Dr. Cleo and Kathryn Miller. They will present a musical program featuring songs from the late 1800's to the early 1950's. Also, there will be a "sing along". This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for you to hear the "Musical Millers." They will be in Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, February 27 at 11:30 AM with lunch to follow. Call the church office by Monday, February 25 to make your reservations. Let's fill Fellowship Hall as we enjoy this talented group and remember Dr. and Mrs. Miller! Sponsored by Changing Gears.

## LOST AND FOUND

Have you forgotten where you've last seen your Bible, or Sunday school material? Try Westminster's office.

Please stop by the office and pick up your lost items or call the office, 292-5526 for any assistance in your search.

Thanks,

Westminster Office Staff

## WESTMINSTER WEEK

### Sunday, February 24

8:30	Worship
7:45	Laudate Choir
9:45	Sunday School
10:15	Westminster Choir
11:00	Worship
12:00 PM	Wholeness Service
4:00	Jubilate Choir
5:00	Chiming Children
5:00	Laudate Choir
5:00	Disciple I
6:15	Tintinnabulation

### Monday, February 25

8:30 AM	Ladies Exercise Class
9:30	Disciple III A&B
9:30	Morning Prayer
1:00 PM	Jack Miller Rehearsal

### Tuesday, February 26

6:30 AM	Men's Morning Bible Study
9:00	Harvard Handbells
9:30	PW Book Study
6:30 PM	Al Anon
5:30	Communications
7:00	Muscular Dystrophy
7:00	Worship Committee

### Wednesday, February 27

7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
8:00	Companions in Christ
8:30	Ladies Exercise Class
9:30	Disciple I & II
9:30	Changing Gears Handbells
11:00	Changing Gears Luncheon
5:00 PM	Alleluia & Gloria Choir
5:45	Westminster Dinner
7:00	Westminster Choir
7:30	Room in the Inn

### Thursday, February 28

9:30 AM	Bible Study
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### Friday, February 29

7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
8:30	Ladies Exercise Class

### Saturday, March 1

11:30 AM	AA Meeting
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# MEANING OF LENT

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LENT: The word "Lent" is derived from the Old English word "lecten," meaning "Spring," which in turn derives from the Old High German lenzin, referring to "the lengthening of days." The season we know as Spring was originally called Lent. Lent gradually adhered strictly to church practice, and Spring came to designate the season following Winter. Lent lasts for forty weekdays plus Sundays, a number richly grounded in Biblical tradition. In the Bible there are one hundred-twenty references to the number forty. Among them: the days of Noah's deluge; the days that Moses spent on the mountain; the years Israel wandered in the wilderness; the days of Elijah's journey to the cave of the "still, small voice;" and Jesus' forty-day wilderness sojourn in which he was tempted by Satan. Lent has traditionally been a time in which Christians have engaged in self-reflection, fasting, prayer, confession and repentance in anticipation of the celebration of the Resurrection of Christ. At Westminster, in order to emphasize the meaning of Lent, we adopt a more penitential posture in worship. There are no flowers; no festive

choir processional; no Act of Praise, following the Confession and Pardon; and at several points in the service we incorporate the ancient and plaintive supplication from Psalm 51: "Create in me a clean heart, O God." choir processional; no Act of Praise, following the Confession and Pardon; and at several points in the service we incorporate the ancient and plaintive supplication from Psalm 51: "Create in me a clean heart, O God."

COLORS AND SYMBOLS OF LENT: The color used in the sanctuary for most of Lent is purple. This color symbolizes both the pain and suffering leading up to the crucifixion of Jesus as well as the suffering of humanity and the world under sin. But purple is also the color of royalty, and so anticipates through the suffering and death of Jesus, the coming resurrection and hope of newness that will be celebrated in the Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

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## EASTER LILIES

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### MEMORIALS AND HONORARIA

Arrangements of white lilies will beautify our Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, March 23, 2008. Donations in the amount of \$10 are now being accepted if you would like to provide a lily in memory of or in honor of loved ones. Please call Danna Brooks in the church office (292-5526, ext. 222) to give her the personal information for the bulletin or you may e-mail it to her at [dbrooks@nashvillewpc.org](mailto:dbrooks@nashvillewpc.org). Checks should be made payable to "Westminster Presbyterian Church" and designated for the "Flower Fund." **The deadline for inclusion in this year's bulletin is Friday, March 14, 2008.**

Donor Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ Easter lilies (\$10 each)

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_, payable to Westminster Presbyterian Church; designated "Flower Fund." Return form and payment by **Friday, March 14, 2008**, to Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3900 West End Avenue, Nashville, TN 37205.

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In September of this year Westminster will be joining Nashville Area Habitat for Humanity to build our 12th Habitat House. This is my second year with this mission and once again I'm very excited to be a part of it. I'm a little daunted by the task in front of us. This year we have to raise \$57,000 to complete our house. However, with your help I know that we will reach our goal.

Last year Westminster assisted in the final phase that completed Providence Park, a neighborhood built in partnership with 450 hard working families and 35,000 volunteers. Over the years we have built several homes in that neighborhood and it was wonderful to see it brought to completion. As noted on the Nashville Area Habitat website, Providence Park is a testament "to the positive impact homeownership and the establishment of a community can have on individuals, families, neighborhoods and cities."

Now we are moving on to a new neighborhood, Timberwood and are asking that you join us in this life changing mission. Imagine knowing for the first time in your life that you have a home to come to at the end of the day in a safe neighborhood for your children. Imagine being a part of helping someone to achieve that for themselves. Once again we need your time, your talents and your tithes to make this mission possible.

Please save the dates September 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, and 27-28 if you are planning on helping with the build; we'll need all levels of assistance and of course we will need help feeding all of our volunteers. Most of all, however, we need your financial assistance to reach our goal of \$57,000 to build this house and make a Home possible for our Habitat family.

Checks can also be mailed to Westminster with "Habitat House" noted in the memo section.  
Many thanks,

Michelle Lazalier



*Blessed  
to be a  
blessing*

Thank you for your generous response to this year's stewardship campaign. There have been 632 members that have pledged a total of \$2,615,962. This reflects a 6.7% increase in dollars pledged and an 8.8% increase in the number of pledging units.

Westminster Presbyterian Church is a very healthy and active congregation and financially strong.

Blessings,

Tom and Jane McDow"