

Westminster Weekly Window

July 28, 2024

Today's Message

"The Bread of Life"

Scripture Readings

Today: 2 Sam. 11:1-15, Ps. 14; 2 Kings 4:42-44, Ps. 145:10-18; Eph 3:14-21; John 6:1-21

August 4, 2024: 2 Sam. 11:26-12:13a, Ps. 51:1-12; Ex. 16:2-4, 9-15, Ps. 78:23-29; Eph. 4:1-16; John 6:24-35

Serving This Morning

Usher – Alice Nash

Greeter – Alice Nash

Coffee Hour – Open

Serving Next Sunday - Aug. 4

Usher – Suellen Kirkwood

Greeter – Dick Helfrich

Coffee Hour – Open

Happening This Week - July 28 -August 4, 2024

July 28 - Coffee Fellowship 10:00a; Sunday Worship 10:30a – When you hear the chime, quietly and with a worshipful attitude, make your way to your seat.

July 29 - WestMark Food Pantry, 9-11a

July 29 - DCFS Foster Care School Supply Giveaway - Fellowship Hall, Noon – 4p

July 30 - DCFS Foster Care School Supply Giveaway - Fellowship Hall, Noon – 5p

July 31 - DCFS Foster Care School Supply Giveaway - Fellowship Hall, 2:30 – 8p

August 1 - DCFS Foster Care School Supply Giveaway - Fellowship Hall, 9:30a – 7p

July 29 - Steve Sager is out on vacation, returning on Wednesday, July 31

July 31 - Men's Coffee Group at Panera's at Westlake at 7:30a (**Wednesday of every week**)

August 4 - Coffee Fellowship 10:00a; Sunday Worship 10:30a – When you hear the chime, quietly and with a worshipful attitude, make your way to your seat.

Looking Ahead

August 7 - AGO Summer Concert Series, Sanctuary, Wednesday, 7:30-9p

August 12 - Greenway Monthly Meeting, Parlor, 7p

August 13 - Session meeting, via Zoom, 6:30p

August 14 - AGO Summer Concert Series, Sanctuary, Wednesday, 7:30-9p

August 29 - Foster Parent – Relative Caregiver Support, Fellowship Hall, from 6-8p

July Birthdays

6	Jill Bell	21	Peggy Carter	27	Amy Streibich
14	Donald Shay	22	Alan Willadsen	30	Dorothy Crozier
15	Caden Richmond	23	Kim Fisher		
19	John Grimes	24	Jessica Rumpfelt		

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What are the guidelines for the use of liturgical colors?

Liturgical colors can orient us to the season of the church year and help engage the sense of sight in worship. White and gold symbolize days and seasons of joy and mark pivotal events in Christ's life. Red symbolizes the work of the Holy Spirit and the sacrifices of martyrs. Purple (sometimes blue, in Advent) designates a season of repentance and preparation, such as Lent.

This was only sometimes the case. Little thought was given to liturgical color for the first thousand years of the church's history. White vestments were most common, with more elaborate garments and paraments (of whatever color) reserved for important festivals. The 12th through 16th centuries brought localized experiments with liturgical color. Still, no standard practices prevailed until 1570, when the Roman Catholic Church established a normative sequence of colors to accompany the church calendar. Calvinists in the sixteenth century eschewed these rubrics, however, preferring black vestments. The past two centuries have seen a resurgence in the use of liturgical colors, propelled by a new appreciation for the aesthetic dimensions of worship and the marketing efforts of church supply stores.

Here is a typical schedule for the use of liturgical colors:

- Advent: purple (representing both royalty and penitence) or blue (symbolizes hope)
- Christmas (12 days) to Epiphany (Jan. 6): white and gold (symbolize joy and festivities)
- Ordinary Time (Jan. 7 through the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday): green (represents growth), except Baptism of the Lord and Transfiguration of the Lord
- Ash Wednesday through the first five weeks of Lent: purple
- Palm / Passion Sunday: red and/or purple
- Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week: purple
- Maundy Thursday: purple (until the church is stripped bare)
- Good Friday: no color; church remains stripped bare
- Easter Season (including Ascension of the Lord): white (can also symbolize purity) and gold
- Day of Pentecost: red (symbolizes the color of fire to represent the Holy Spirit, blood, and martyrs)
- Ordinary Time (Monday after Pentecost through Saturday before the First Sunday of Advent): green, except for Trinity Sunday, All Saints' Day (or first Sunday in November), and Christ the King, all white
- Additionally, white is used for funerals. Red is sometimes used for ordinations, installations, church dedications, and anniversaries. Baptisms, communion services, and weddings should retain the color of the season.

