

The Lord's Service

The First Sunday in Lent

MARCH 01, 2020



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

Please use the prelude as a time of silent preparation for the worship of the Triune God.

GREETING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

☒ WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

Q45. Which is the first commandment?

The first commandment is, Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

☒ CALL TO WORSHIP

1 CORINTHIANS 1:30-31

By God's doing you are in Christ Jesus,

who became for us wisdom from God,

righteousness and sanctification and redemption,

so that, as it is written:” Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

☒ PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. So guide us, that, following our Savior, we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

☒ HYMN OF PRAISE

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

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CONFESSION OF SINS

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

THE KYRIE ELEISON

*Lord, have mercy upon us
Christ, have mercy upon us
Lord, have mercy upon us*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

⊗ RESPONSIVE READING OF THE LAW

You shall have no other gods before me.
It is written, You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.

You shall not make for yourself a graven image.
God is a spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth.

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool... Let what you say be simply Yes or No; anything more than this comes from evil.

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath; so the Son of man is Lord even of the Sabbath.

Honor your father and your mother.
For God commanded, he who speaks evil of father or mother, let him surely die.

You shall not kill.
Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven.

You shall not commit adultery.
Everyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

You shall not steal.
For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery...theft...These are what defile a man.

You shall not bear false witness.
For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.

You shall not covet.
Take heed, and beware of all covetousness; for a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.

⊗ THE PEACE

⊗ GLORIA PATRI

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

INTERLUDE

Praise the Lord, the Almighty

ARR. BILL INGRAM

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 SAMUEL 22:1-23

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 CORINTHIANS 1:26-31

☒ HYMN OF PREPARATION *God Is Our Strength and Refuge* 89

☒ GOSPEL READING MATTHEW 9:9-13

☒ RESPONSE
The Word of the Lord
Praise be to God.

SERMON *The Christ and the Anti-Christ*

☒ THE NICENE CREED 846

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY *I Will Pour Out My Spirit (Acts 2:15)* JAMES DENTON

☒ DOXOLOGY 731
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

☒ SURSUM CORDA
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

☒ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

⊗ THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

COMMUNION

Only outside ring of Communion tray contains grape juice.

COMMUNION HYMN

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

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At the lamb's high feast we sing
praise to our victorious King,
who hath washed us in the tide
flowing from his pierced side;
praise we him whose love divine
gives his sacred blood for wine,
gives his body for the feast,
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured,
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
through the wave that drowns the foe.

Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed,
paschal victim, paschal bread;
with sincerity and love
eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from the sky,
pow'rs of hell beneath thee lie;
death is conquered in the fight,
thou hast bought us life and light:
hymns of glory and of praise,
risen Lord, to thee we raise;
holy Father praise to thee,
with the Spirit, ever be.

⊗ HYMN OF DEPARTURE

How Firm a Foundation

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⊗ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot
WORSHIP LEADER: Robert David
ORGANIST: Neil Fick
HANDBELL DIRECTOR: Elaine H. Simpson

Announcements

Greeters

This Week: L. Dennis/ E. Riffard

Next Week: J. Rutigliano

Nursery Workers

This Week: C. Humes

Next Week: Karin Bonagura/ M. Kniffin

Service Assistants

This Week: J. Grammer, S. David,

J. Schlegel, E. Weber

Next Week: M. Kniffin, S. David,

J. Grammer, E. Timberger

Deacon of the Month

Tim Elmendorf

Proclaim – On the First Sunday of every month the beginning of both Sunday School classes will be dedicated to praying for outreach opportunities. All are encouraged to join us.

Weekly Sunday Morning Prayer: 9:20AM in the library. Join us to pray for the worship and work of WPC.

Pastor Chiarot's sermons may be heard on Redeemer Broadcasting at 11:00AM and 5:00PM every Sunday on frequencies 90.3 FM and 102.5 FM. They are also available on iTunes and on our website.

If you would like to meet with Pastor Chiarot, please connect with him in person or contact the church office.

3/4 – Lenten Service 7:00PM

3/8 – Daylight Saving Resumes (Set clocks 1 hour ahead on 3/7)

March Fellowship Luncheon moved to 3/22 followed by the performance of the Genesis Chorale in place of the second service.

JEREMIAH & JULIE DIEDRICH WITH WYCLIFFE BIBLE TRANSLATORS

Almost two years after undergoing helicopter training, as well as the required Brazilian demand for a commercial helicopter rating, Jeremiah and a US instructor pilot were able to bring the chopper to Cruzeiro do Sol. Along the way from Anapolis to the destination, they landed in several village locations.

PRAY for Jeremiah during this initial phase of flying for the missionaries and developing the best ways of supporting their ministries. Also for the family adapting to life in town, for Miriam and Nehemiah in developing friendships, and for Hadassa and Simeon to get a good handle on the Portuguese language.

"We feel very loved and upheld by the body of Christ through your prayers and partnership"

The Christ and the Anti-Christ

1 Samuel 22:1-23

The apostolic i_____ of the transfiguration.

1. The Christ (verses 1-5, 20-23)

Christ here means David, the a_____ one.

David's f_____ fears reprisal from S_____.

Bright l_____ attract big _____s.

This is the _____ of the _____ Israel.

Through _____, David had access to God's Word.

According to the prophecy, Ab_____ escapes.

2. The Anti-Christ (verses 6-19)

Saul's spear is like a child's t_____ b_____.

He is f_____ and p_____.

Paranoia disintegrates into c_____.

He uses the language of judgment from chapter _____.

Doeg deceitfully, leaves out David's c_____ s_____.

The power of the _____ is a vo_____ power.

Doeg has no bond of brotherly s_____ w/ the priests.

The response is dis_____.

Saul now executes holy war against Y_____.

Text on the NT remnant is from 1 _____ ch. 1.

God makes even the _____ of _____ to praise him.

David has a _____ in the w_____.

The Christ (Jesus) is p_____, p_____, and _____.

F_____ to _____!

WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER

Westminster Church is both a place and a people. We gather in this sacred space to worship, to learn, and to serve God as he meets us in Christ. To this end we dedicate our time, our talent, and our resources. Here the Gospel of Christ is freely proclaimed: *We are weaker and more sinful than we ever dared admit, but through Christ we are more loved and accepted than we ever dared hope.* As a community of Christians, we are building a bridge to the future through faith and friendship. To this end, we pray God will give us strength, vision, and wisdom. We are thankful that you could join with us today. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Welcome to Westminster!

Westminster Stated Services

Worship	10:00 AM
Sunday School	11:45 AM
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 PM

Westminster Kingston

Sunday School	10:00 AM
Worship	11:00 AM

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Cover

The Celtic cross reminds us, as Presbyterians, of our historical roots in the British Isles dating back at least to the fifth century. *Post Tenebras Lux* is a Latin slogan from the 16th-century Protestant Reformation meaning *After Darkness, Light*. The cross and the slogan combine to express our desire to be rooted in the ancient faith and to embrace the attainments of the Protestant Reformation.

Westminster was organized in 1854 and is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

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The Reverend Kevin Chiarot, Ph.D.

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The Reverend Mark D. Diedrich

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