

The Lord's Service

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

MAY 08, 2022



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

*Prelude on "St. Cuthbert"
Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire*

HEALEY WILLAN
FRANKLIN D. ASHDOWN

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 QUESTION 33:

Q. What is justification?

A. Justification is an act of God's free grace, wherein He pardons all our sins, and accepts us as righteous in His sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us, and received by faith alone.

⊗ CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 62:11-12A

Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this:
**that power belongs to God,
and that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love.**

⊗ PRAYER OF THE DAY

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life, and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil, in the strength of the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

⊗ HYMN OF PRAISE

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

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CONFESSION OF SINS

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

THE KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

☒ THE PEACE

☒ GLORIA PATRI 735

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 *I Know That My Redeemer Lives* (690)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON PSALM 33:1-9 *p. 546*

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 2 CORINTHIANS 12:1-10 *p. 1152*

☒ PSALM OF RESPONSE: PSALM 33 *You Righteous, in the Lord Rejoice* 43

⊗ GOSPEL LESSON

MATTHEW 26:57-68

p. 990

⊗ RESPONSE

The Word of the Lord
Praise be to God.

SERMON

Perfect in Power

⊗ THE APOSTLES' CREED

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I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

Prelude on "EVAN"

GORDON YOUNG

⊗ DOXOLOGY

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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.

⊗ HYMN OF DEPARTURE *How Great Thou Art* 44

⊗ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Exaltation* ROBERT J. HUGHES

MINISTER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot
WORSHIP LEADER: Bob Maucher
ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson

Perfect in Power

PS. 33; 2 COR. 12; MT. 26

Can God make a rock so big that he cannot move it? ____.

There are numerous things God c_____ do.

1. Omnipotence Defined

Everything that is said about God can be said of his _____.

God ___ his power. Jesus calls God _____ in the gospel lesson.

Omnipotence is God's p_____ over c_____.

The angel to Mary: For nothing will be _____ for God.

Nothing is too hard for God because nothing is _____ for God.

God does not e_____ e_____ when he acts.

A key scriptural term for omnipotence is _____.

One Almighty is greater all m_____.

2. Omnipotence Displayed

We see it first and foremost in the act of c_____.

I believe in God the Father _____, _____ of.....

Jeremiah: It is he who made the _____ by his _____.

Psalm ___ shows his Word is ef_____ effective.

The Son upholds the universe by his _____ w_____.

In Christ, all things hold _____.

Should God stop _____ of us we would cease to ____.

Psalm 121: in _____, un_____ alertness.

In Christ, omnipotence comes in the form of w_____.

Cross and resurrection o_____ for us in this ____.

Weakness is the l_____ of power.

Resurrection power is a _____ at w_____ in us.

Omnipotence e_____ us.

Missions Work Highlight

MYCHOICE PREGNANCY CENTER

New Windsor, NY

MyChoice provides free medical services and nonjudgmental support to women facing an unplanned pregnancy. We also provide education and referrals to help women meet medical, legal, financial and housing needs, as well as local transportation to one of our centers. We inform women of the facts and labor in prayer for them and the child in their womb.

The following case is a typical example of women who visit MyChoice: She came to the clinic to see how far along she was in her pregnancy. She has a seven year old child and the father of this pregnancy is encouraging her to have an abortion. She is also under financial strain because she no longer works as a full-time nurse. We pray for God to show her His plan for the life inside her.

We thank you for sharing in our mission to educate and support women. Your partnership over the years has engendered gratefulness. We are thankful to God for your prayers and support.

Announcements

There will be no Evening Service or Luncheon today. The next luncheon will be a barbecue on June 12, following the Sunday School closing program.

At the upcoming congregational meeting, on Wednesday 5/18 at 7:00PM, the following candidates will stand for election: Deacon: Ed Timberger and Bill Cooke; Elder: Robert David.

Pastor Chiarot is holding Sunday School class for inquirers or those interested in becoming members. The class will meet in the overflow room.

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	10:00AM
Sunday School (<i>Sept–June</i>)	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).

Senior Minister

The Reverend Kevin Chiarot, Ph.D.

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