

The Lord's Service

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEPTEMBER 22, 2019



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

*Southwell
Pastorale on "Manoah"*

HEALEY WILLAN
ROBERT J. HUGHES

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

Q7. What are the decrees of God?

The decrees of God are, his eternal purpose, according to the counsel of his will, whereby, for his own glory, he has foreordained whatsoever comes to pass.

⊗ CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 96:2-3

Sing, and bless God's name!

Tell the glad news of salvation from day to day!

Proclaim God's glory to the nations!

God's marvelous deeds to all peoples!

⊗ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, you have called us to be the church of Jesus Christ. Keep us one in faith and service, devoted to prayer, and proclaiming the good news to the world, that all may believe you are love, turn to your ways, and live in the light of your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

⊗ HYMN OF PRAISE

O Zion, Haste, Your Mission High Fulfilling

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CONFESSION OF SINS

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.



STANDING IF COMFORTABLE

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: *spoken, sung*

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen.**

FIRST READINGS 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-3; ACTS 8:1-4

SECOND READINGS COLOSSIANS 4:2-6; JAMES 1:27

☒ HYMN OF PREPARATION *God, in the Gospel of His Son* 141

☒ GOSPEL READING MATTHEW 28:16-20

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



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

Worship

G. H. RICHOLSON



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 *O God of Mercy, God of Might* 433

☒ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *The Heavens Declare His Glory* BEETHOVEN

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot

WORSHIP LEADER: Robert David

ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson

Announcements

Greeters

This Week: The Reiss Family

Next Week: Art Luse

Nursery Workers

This Week: The Reiss Family

Next Week: S. David / D. Menhart

Service Assistants

This Week: J. Grammer, S. David,

E. Weber, T. Elmendorf

Next Week: J. Grammer, M. Kniffin,

E. Weber, J. Schlegel

Deacon of the Month

S. David

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. The frequencies are 90.3 FM and 102.5 FM.

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

Evening Service will be at 6:00PM.

Today – Congregational Meeting for adults during Sunday School time.

10/13 – Save the Date: Appreciation Luncheon. More information to follow.

LYDIA: A BEATING HEART

CENTER FOR COUNSELING AND ASSISTANCE TO WOMEN

"I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live." Deuteronomy 30:19

Lydia's goal is to promote and support a moral life, the right of a woman to choose to give birth to a child, and the right of a child to be born. Abortion is not an option. We focus on key needs of the society including prevention, education, family life, raising and educating children etc. PRAY for the lives of the unborn, so precious in God's sight for increased cultural acceptance of adoption, and for special protection over the marriages of those who work in life-affirming ministry all across the globe.

Proclaim the Gospel

COLOSSIANS 4:2-6

1. Prayer

Devotion to God without devotion to prayer is a f_____.

We are sort of like w_____ mo_____.

Prayer is a form of what prayer a_____ for.

Prayer is largely about the coming _____ of God.

No pr_____ pro_____.

Prayer po_____ proclamation.

2. Proclamation

What: The m_____ of the g_____.

We get the core of the gospel in 1 _____ 15.

Who: Key text: Acts chapter ____.

Proclamation requires full p_____.

Where: E_____.

We seek to support missions at _____ and ab_____.

When: Every _____ that God provides.

Salted speech: in _____ & st_____.

How: Word _____ d_____.

Proclamation includes a_____.

Deeds of mercy are de_____ to Jesus himself.

Jas. 1:27 defines pure and _____ re_____.

Priests: access for p_____ and a royal message to d_____.

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).

Senior Minister

The Reverend Kevin Chiarot, Ph.D.

Assistant Minister

The Reverend Mark D. Diedrich

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