

The Lord's Service

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

MARCH 10, 2024



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

*From Depth of Woe, I cry out to You
O Lamb of God Have Mercy
God So Loved the World*

MAX RAGER
JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH
SIR JOHN STAINER

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

☒ CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 121:1-2

I lift up my eyes to the hills—
from where will my help come?

**My help comes from the Lord
who made heaven and earth.**

☒ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Creator God, you have filled the world with beauty. Open our eyes to behold your gracious hand in all your works; that, rejoicing in your whole creation, we may learn to serve you with gladness; for the sake of him by whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our risen Lord, the Judge of all, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

☒ HYMN OF PRAISE

God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory

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CONFESSION OF SINS

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit. 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 FROM THE EPISTLES

You shall have no other gods before me.
For from him and through him and to him are all things.

You shall not make for yourself a graven image.
In Christ we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.
Let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work; but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God.
Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land which the Lord your God gives you.
Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

You shall not kill.
Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

You shall not commit adultery.
You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

You shall not steal.
Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his hands, so that he may be able to give to those in need.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house, or anything that is your neighbor's.
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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INTERLUDE

Sin's Wage is Death

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH

⊗	DOXOLOGY		731
⊗	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		
	THE COMMUNION		
	COMMUNION HYMN	<i>Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless</i>	424
	<i>Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless your chosen pilgrim flock with manna in the wilderness, with water from the rock.</i>	<i>in strength of which we travel on to our abiding place.</i>	
	<i>Hungry and thirsty, faint and weak, as you when here below, our souls the joys celestial seek which from thy sorrows flow.</i>	<i>Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart; Savior, abide with us, and spread your table in our heart.</i>	
	<i>We would not live by bread alone, but by your word of grace,</i>	<i>There sup with us in love divine; your body and your blood, that living bread, that heav'nly wine, be our immortal food.</i>	
⊗	HYMN OF DEPARTURE	<i>Day of Judgment, Day of Wonders</i>	319
⊗	CHARGE AND BENEDICTION		
⊗	POSTLUDE	<i>Chaconne</i>	LOUIS COUPERIN

MINISTER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot
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 VOCAL QUARTET: Sarah David, Lori Steinberger, Bob Sokoloski, James Phillips

Paul on Trial

ACTS 17:22-31

1. Athenian Religion

We bear witness, but we are _____ witnesses.

Calvin: All people have a sense of deity _____y

Paul proclaims _____ the true God to them.

Paul is never negligent _____.

2. Creation

Paul starts with God the Creator _____.

God gives life _____ and breath _____ to all.

3. Providence

From one man God made every nation _____ of men.

He determines their territory _____ and place _____.

Paul cites a number of pagan practices _____.

4. Repentance and Resurrection

God over _____ the times of ignorance.

God commands all people everywhere to repent _____.

God will judge _____ the world with justice.

The resurrection of Jesus proclaims _____ the final judgment.

Jerusalem, the center _____ of Athens.

Missions Work Highlight

JEREMIAH & JULIE DIEDRICH
Serving with JAARS

JAARS provides support in transportation, technology, media, and training to enable Bible translation and language development among unreached communities. The organization's helicopter service, located in Cruzeiro do Sul, Brazil, near the border with Peru, plays a pivotal role in facilitating missions to remote regions. Over the past year they have been based in North Carolina recruiting and training future pilots. The Diedrichs recently welcomed students from Liberty University School of Aeronautics, offering them a vision trip and fostering mentorship opportunities. Through shared meals, Bible studies, and late-night conversations around the fire, they aim to disciple the next generation of missionary aviators.

Jeremiah and Julie are immensely grateful for WPC's partnership, both materially and in prayer, as they continue their mission.

Announcements

If you desire to churchwide emails please sign and provide your email on the sheet in the narthex.

Our Lenten Wednesday evening services continue this week at 7PM. We are using the letters of the risen Christ to the churches in the Book of Revelation as a guide for the season.

Today there will be a Fellowship luncheon following Sunday School. The congregation is asked to bring main dishes, casseroles, salads, side dishes and desserts. Our second service will follow at 2 PM.

3/31/24 - Fellowship is hosting an Easter Brunch. There is a sign-up sheet in the kitchen for anyone wishing to contribute brunch-type food.

Starting on Monday, April 4th, Adam Kuliszewski will be leading an eight-week prayer and study group of Paul Miller's book, *The Praying Life*. We will meet for prayer and a short discussion from 7:00-8:00 PM in the Great Room. If you are interested, please contact Adam.

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

Christ's Church of the Hudson Valley

Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday School	12:00 PM

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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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