

# The Lord's Service

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*The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

NOVEMBER 05, 2023



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

*Meditation  
Pie Jesus from "Requiem"*

EVERETT E. TRUETTE  
GABRIEL FAURE / ARR. M. SETCHELL

*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

LUKE 2:30-32

Our eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

**a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.**

☒ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

☒ HYMN OF PRAISE

*The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear*

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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.**

THE KYRIE ELEISON

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON



By the mercies of God, present your bodies as a living sacrifice,

**Holy and acceptable to God, which is our fitting service.**

Do not be conformed to this age,

**But be transformed by the renewal of your mind.**

That by testing you may discern what is the will of God,

**What is good and acceptable and mature.**

Let no one think of himself more highly than he ought.

**But think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith God has provided.**

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil;

**Hold fast to what is good.**

Love one another with brotherly affection.

**Outdo one another in showing honor.**

Do not be slothful in zeal,

**Be fervent in the Spirit, serving the Lord.**

Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation,

**Be constant in prayer.**

Contribute to the needs of the saints,

**And seek to show hospitality.**

Bless those who persecute you.

**Bless and do not curse them.**

Rejoice with those who rejoice,

**Weep with those who weep.**

Live in harmony with one another;  
Do not be haughty,

**But associate with the lowly and never be conceited.**

Repay no one evil for evil,

**But give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all.**

Beloved, never avenge yourselves,

**But give place to the wrath of God.**

For it stands written:

**“Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord”**

To the contrary, “if your enemy is hungry, feed him;

**If he is thirsty, give him something to drink.**

For by doing so you will heap burning coals on his head.”

**Do not be conquered by evil, but conquer evil with good.**

⊗ THE PEACE

⊗ GLORIA PATRI

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INTERLUDE

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

JS BACH



## OFFERTORY

*Sanctus*

FRANZ SCHUBERT / ARR. J. A. DASH

*Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord. Holy, Holy, Holy, Ev'rywhere adored!  
 He without beginning, Blessed Trinity; Ever is and ruleth Thru eternity.  
 Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord. Holy, Holy, Holy, Ev'rywhere adored!  
 Glory, love and wonder, Circling 'round His throne; Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord of Life alone.*



## DOXOLOGY

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## 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

*Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless*

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*Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless  
 your chosen pilgrim flock  
 with manna in the wilderness,  
 with water from the rock.*

*Hungry and thirsty, faint and weak,  
 as you when here below,  
 our souls the joys celestial seek  
 which from thy sorrows flow.*

*We would not live by bread alone,  
 but by your word of grace,*

*in strength of which we travel on  
 to our abiding place.*

*Be known to us in breaking bread,  
 but do not then depart;  
 Savior, abide with us, and spread  
 your table in our heart.*

*There sup with us in love divine;  
 your body and your blood,  
 that living bread, that heav'nly wine,  
 be our immortal food.*



## HYMN OF DEPARTURE

*How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place*

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## CHARGE AND BENEDICTION



## POSTLUDE

*Finale in B Flat*

REGINALD W. MARTIN

MINISTER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot

WORSHIP LEADER: Johnson Chang-Fong

ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson, D.M.A.

WESTMINSTER QUARTET: Anne Faudree, Lori Steinberger, Robert Sokoloski, James Phillips

## To the Ends of the Earth

ACTS 13:42-52

### 1. Jews (vv. 42-45)

The immediate reaction is quite f\_\_\_\_\_.

The apostolic advice: \_\_\_\_\_ in the g\_\_\_\_\_ of God.

Faith comes by \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

The reviling probably means b\_\_\_\_\_y.

Receptivity and o\_\_\_\_\_ are the order of the day.

### 2. Gentiles (vv. 46-49)

Redemptive historical p\_\_\_\_\_ belongs to Israel.

The elect g\_\_\_\_\_ the Word, they \_\_\_\_\_ it aside.

Eternal life means e\_\_\_\_\_ life.

Paul is gathering the \_\_\_\_\_ Gentiles from among the nations.

Isaiah \_\_\_\_: The \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.

We are taken up into the work of the M\_\_\_\_\_.

They b\_\_\_\_\_ because they were a\_\_\_\_\_.

Paul is serving the decree of e\_\_\_\_\_ in his ministry.

### 3. Expulsion (vv. 50-52)

The success of the Word does not eliminate p\_\_\_\_\_.

John in Revelation: The kingdom comes with t\_\_\_\_\_.

Shaking off the dust is a sign of j\_\_\_\_\_.

Ex\_\_\_\_\_ and spreading the Word are both causes for \_\_\_\_\_.

## Missions Work Highlight

### REDEEMER BROADCASTING

*In the Newburgh-Beacon Area, Heard on 102.5FM and 90.3FM*

Redeemer Broadcasting is an evangelically reformed radio ministry which began in the Hudson Valley in 2004. We play calm Christian music and teaching that emphasizes the historic Christian faith. Westminster's full church service is heard each Sunday. Our board of directors and some of our advisors came from this church.

Digital listening options include computer streaming, internet radio, and the "Redeemer Broadcasting" smart phone app. The Lord has blessed us with growth into a small network of stations covering the Mid-Hudson Valley, Northern New Jersey, and Southern Maryland. Listeners contact us daily with testimonials. During the pandemic, many received encouragement and companionship during the unusual times of isolation. Dan and Deb Elmendorf would like to express their sincerest thanks for the sacrificial and generous role our Westminster church family has played in helping them carry on this kingdom work.

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## Announcements

The monthly Fellowship Luncheon will be held next Sunday, 11/12, following Sunday School. The congregation is asked to bring main dishes, casseroles, salads, side dishes and desserts. Beverages will be provided.

Christmas Shoeboxes are on the way and will be made available in the Narthex and by the downstairs entry area. Filled shoeboxes will be collected on November 19th.

As a reminder to the congregation, the Stephen Ministries has been established here at Westminster. This is a Christ centered ministry designed to bring the Lord's love and compassion to anyone bearing a spiritual and emotional burden and who wants a brother or sister in Christ to help carry and release it. Everything is kept in strictest confidence. If you would like to know how a Stephen minister can help you please ask or email Jim Rutigliano (jim153r@gmail.com), or Deborah Watson (erutira@gmail.com).

Today is the international day of prayer for the persecuted church. Pray for our Christian brothers and sisters who are willing to pay any price. Pray for our Christian brothers and sisters now and on November 5th who are willing to pay any price to see Buddhists set free by the power of the gospel. See the story of the young boy Sejun of Nepal in the downstairs foyer who found Christ after life in a Buddhist monastery.

# 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!

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## 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	11:00 AM
Sunday School	12:30 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).

## Senior Minister

The Reverend Kevin Chiarot, Ph.D.

## Session (Ruling Elders, with Class Year)

Johnson Chang-Fong (2024), Adam Kuliszewski (2024), Robert David (2025), Mike Bonagura (2026), James Phillips (2026)

## Board of Deacons (with Class Year)

Joe Hall (Chair: 2024), Bill Cooke (2025), Ed Timberger (2025), David Babick (2026), Noah Watson (2026)

## Board of Trustees

Robert David (Chairman)  
Adam Kuliszewski (Vice-Chairman)

## Staff

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