

The Lord's Service

The Day of Pentecost

MAY 31, 2020



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

One Bread, One Body

JOHN B. FOLEY

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

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

Q82. Is any man able perfectly to keep the commandments of God?

No mere man since the fall is able in this life perfectly to keep the commandments of God, but doth daily break them in thought, word and deed.

CALL TO WORSHIP

ACTS 1:8; ROM. 5:5

You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be my witnesses to the ends of the earth.

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, at the feast of Pentecost you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel; empower us with that same Spirit, to worship and be witnesses to your redeeming love, that all men would be drawn to Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

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CONFESSION OF SINS

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



THE KYRIE ELEISON

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Blessed are you, Lord God, King of all creation! You have taught us by your Word. Open our hearts to your Spirit and lead us in the paths of Christ, your Son, and our Savior. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

ACTS 2:1-21

SECOND READING

1 PETER 2:4-10

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Holy Ghost, Dispel Our Sadness

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GOSPEL READING

JOHN 20:19-23

RESPONSE

The Word of the Lord
Praise be to God.

SERMON

Spiritual House, Spiritual Sacrifices

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I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds: God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, The Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

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 *Our God Is Mighty, Worthy of All Praising* 454

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Lead Me, Lord, Lead Me in Thy Righteousness* SAMUEL S. WESLEY

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot
WORSHIP LEADER: Steve Flewelling
PIANIST: Diane Pedrosa



Spiritual House, Spiritual Sacrifices

1 Peter 2:4-10

1. The Spiritual House

The Word of the Lord brings us to the _____ of the _____.

Christ: A living stone because he has been r_____.

Like Christ, we can expect r_____.

Precious means _____ or highly _____.

We share Jesus' dual fate: rejected, yet e_____.

This stone determines the d_____ of all men.

Peter has a bi_____ architecture.

Spiritual means a cr_____ of the _____ Spirit.

Out of the _____, God gathers a _____ nation.

2. The Spiritual Sacrifices

We are not only the temple, but the _____ in the temple.

The Holy Spirit creates a holy pr_____.

The whole Christian life is priestly and s_____.

The sacrifices are v_____ and h_____.

Our sacrifices are a_____ to God through Christ.

Spirit summons us out of _____ into God's _____.

We celebrate God in his b_____ and God in his d_____.

We must d_____ God's glory among the _____.

Indicative: You are a spiritual _____.

Imperative: offer up spiritual _____.

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Missions Work Highlight

JANE BRINKERHOFF
WITH MISSION TO THE WORLD IN JAPAN

In the Japanese city where I am, there aren't many Coronavirus cases. A different scenario from Tokyo. Most people go to work as usual, although large gatherings are discouraged and social distancing is encouraged.

My downtown weekly Bible study continues to meet in a doctor's office. Bible studies with individuals, small group prayer meetings, and the hymn sings are also continuing. The "mercy ministries" at the Senior Home and handicapped home have halted due to their being closed to visitors. Instead, letters, cards, and copies of sermons are sent.

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Rom. 5:8

1. And can it be that I should gain an in - t'rest
 2. 'Tis mys - t'ry all! Th'Im - mor - tal dies: who can ex -
 3. He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove (so free, so
 4. Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay fast bound in
 5. No con - dem - na - tion now I dread; Je - sus, and

in the Sav - ior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his
 • plore his strange de - sign? In vain the first - born ser - aph
 • in - fi - nite his grace!), hum - bled him - self (so great his
 • sin and na - ture's night; thine eye dif - fused a quick - ning
 all in him, is mine! A - live in him, my liv - ing

pain? For me, who him to death pur - sued? A - maz - ing love!
 • tries to sound the depths of love di - vine. 'Tis mer - cy all!
 • love!), and bled for all his cho - sen race. 'Tis mer - cy all,
 ray: I woke, the dun - geon flamed with light; my chains fell off,
 Head, and clothed in rich - teous - ness di - vine, I ap - proach

How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst
 • Let earth a - dore, let an - gel minds in -
 • im - mense and free; for, O my God, it
 my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and
 th'e - ter - nal throne, and claim the crown, through

REFRAIN
 die for me? A - maz - ing love! How can it
 • quire no more. A - maz - ing love! How
 • found out me. A - maz - ing love! How
 fol - lowed thee. A - maz - ing love! How
 Christ, my own.

be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
 • can it be that thou, my God,

Holy Ghost, Dispel Our Sadness

The kingdom of God is ... righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Rom. 14:17

1. Ho - ly Ghost, dis - pel our sad - ness, pierce the clouds of sin - ful night;
 2. From that height which knows no mea - sure, as a gra - cious show'r de - scend;
 3. Come, O best of all do - na - tions God can give or we im - plore;

come, O source of sweet - est glad - ness, breathe your life and spread your light.
 bring - ing down the rich - est trea - sure man can wish or God can send.
 hav - ing your sweet con - so - la - tions we need wish for noth - ing more.

Lov - ing Spir - it, God of peace, great dis - trib - u - tor of grace,
 Heav'n - ly Glo - ry, shin - ing down from the Fa - ther and the Son,
 Come with unc - tion and with pow'r, on our souls your grac - es show'r;

rest up - on this con - gre - ga - tion; hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion.
 grant us your il - lu - mi - na - tion; rest up - on this con - gre - ga - tion.
 au - thor of the new cre - a - tion, make our hearts your hab - i - ta - tion.

Declare his glory among the nations. Ps. 96:3

Unison

1. Our God is might - y, wor - thy of all prais - ing;
 2. Our God is gra - cious, in - fi - nite in mer - cy;
 3. Our God is faith - ful; he will work with - in us,
 4. Our God is sov - 'reign o - ver all cre - a - tion,

sing un - to him a glad, tri - um - phant song;
 he bridged the hope - less gulf our sin had made;
 ful - fill - ing all the pur - pose he has planned,
 and soon his earth shall hear his might - y voice:

he is the Lord, su - preme in earth and heav - en;
 he gave his Son to pur - chase our sal - va - tion—
 cleans - ing our hearts and fill - ing with his Spir - it,
 with shout of joy the King shall come in splen - dor—

to him all strength and maj - es - ty be - long,
 in Je - sus Christ we meet God un - a - fraid!
 mak - ing us strong to keep his last com - mand,
 lift up your hearts, con - fess him, and re - joice!

REFRAIN *Faster*

De - clare his glo - ry a - mong the na - tions;

through all cre - a - tion his tri - umph sing,

till all earth's peo - ples bow in ad - o - ra - tion

and Je - sus Christ be ev - er - last - ing King.