

The Lord's Service

The Resurrection of the Lord

APRIL 17, 2022



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

*From Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee
My Spirit Be Joyful
Up From the Grave He Arose*

ARR. MENDELSSOHN
ARR. ALLEN
ARR. FROST

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 38:

Q. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

A. At the resurrection, believers, being raised up to glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

⊗ CALL TO WORSHIP

SEE LUKE 24:34

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

⊗ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Brightness of God's glory and exact image of God's person, whom death could not conquer, nor the tomb imprison, as you have shared our frailty in human flesh, grant us to share your immortality in the Spirit. Let no shadow of the grave terrify us, and no fear of darkness turn our hearts from you. Reveal yourself to us this day and all our days, as the first and the last, the Living One, our immortal Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

⊗ HYMN OF PRAISE

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

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CONFESSION OF SINS

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We fail to proclaim the gospel in word and deed, we ignore your call to discipleship. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn. Forgive us, God of mercy! Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant, given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. 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

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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.

INTERLUDE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of life, your Spirit raised Jesus from the dead. Your Spirit inspired the prophets and writers of Scripture. Send your Spirit now to give us light, encouragement, faith, and hope through the proclamation of the everlasting gospel. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 25:6-9 *p. 696*

NEW TESTAMENT READING

REVELATION 1:9-18 *p. 1218*

☒ PSALM OF RESPONSE: PSALM 22

The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear

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☒ GOSPEL READING

LUKE 24:1-12 *p. 1051*

☒ RESPONSE

The Word of the Lord
Praise be to God.

SERMON

Alive Forevermore!

☒ 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

☒ 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 *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* 277

⊗ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Gloria* HAYDN/ARR. BARNES

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot
WORSHIP LEADER: Johnson Chang Fong
ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson
BRASS QUINTET: Pete Van de Water, *trumpet*; Jake Hoover, *trumpet*;
Megan Decker, *horn*; Vic Izzo, *trombone*; Adam Kuliszewski, *tuba*

Alive Forevermore!

REVELATION 1:9-18

Overall effect was to make John fall down as t_____ .

1. He Lives

Jesus is saying: I am the Lord _____, the A_____.

Jesus is the God of _____, the God who simply _____.

Resurrection could _____ possibly have _____ happened.

It was impossible for _____ to hold him.

He has now, in his body, _____ life.

2. He is Radiant

This life ir_____ and transfigures the _____ of Jesus.

The _____ was a foretaste of what John sees.

He is raised in b_____, t_____ splendor.

3. He Reigns

The Lord's Day means _____ not the E_____ reigns.

This is Lion of the Tribe of Judah _____ roaring.

John draws on the _____ figure of D_____.

Under his _____ his enemies shall be s_____.

His reign shall be u_____ acknowledged.

His reign is not t_____ or m_____.

4. He Speaks

Look in the Scriptures to _____ Jesus _____k.

The root of this scene: a _____ addresses John.

In the voice of Jesus Christ, the God of _____ t_____.

5. He Comforts

He walks in the _____ of the l_____.

His t_____ beauty makes all t_____ flee.

The first post-Easter word is F_____!

Missions Work Highlight

RICHARD AND ROBYN CRANE
with Mission to the World in Latin America

After pastoring, church planting, and founding a Christian counseling and training center (PEPP) in Chile, Richard and Robyn moved to Miami to work with Spanish speaking organizations connected to Mission to the World. Today, they conduct leadership training in pastoral psychology using the Internet, printed material, and intensive courses in the country of Cuba.

“We want to thank you for your prayers and generous support. The support for our brothers and sisters in Cuba has made an enormous impact not only on their personal lives, but also on the extension of God’s love and Kingdom in that land. The joy with which they love and serve God and their neighbors in the midst of much hardship is always an encouragement to us, as we hope it is to you. Please continue to pray for God’s regular provision of their “daily bread” and the resilience to continue on in the midst of the day-to-day difficulties that they face”.

Announcements

There will be an Easter Sunday brunch today following the worship service.

Starting 4/24 Pastor Chiarot will start a five-week Sunday School class for inquirers or those interested in becoming members. If you are a visitor and would like to learn more about Westminster, we encourage you to take this class. Please pick up a copy of the (green) book entitled Presbytopia in the narthex if you’d like to attend. The class will meet in the overflow room.

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.

Walk for Housing- Habitat for Humanity 4/24. Registration 12:00PM, walk begins at 1:00PM.

The assistive listening system is working now. Anyone who would like to take advantage of this device can speak with a Deacon before coming into the sanctuary.

Compassion International serves children in poverty through 1 on 1 sponsorship. April 24th Janis Berg and Joe Hall will be available with sponsorship materials and to answer any questions you may have. By sponsoring a child you and your family will have an opportunity to answer God’s call to care for the poor and to be involved directly in mission work.

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.

Session (Ruling Elders, with Class Year)

Ron Bonagura (2022), Steve Flewelling (2022),
Bob Maucher (2023), Johnson Chang-Fong (2024),
Adam Kuliszewski (2024)
Elder Emeritus: Neil Fick

Board of Deacons (with Class Year)

Joe Schlegel (2022), Tim Elmendorf (2022),
Paul Mowat (Chair: 2023),
Jim Rutigliano (2023), Joe Hall (2024)

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