

# The Lord's Service

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*The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

JULY 26, 2020



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

*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

Q101. What do we pray for in the first petition?

**In the first petition, which is, Hallowed be thy name, we pray that God would enable us and others to glorify him in all that whereby he makes himself known; and that he would dispose all things to his own glory.**

⊗ CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 47:5-6

God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of the ram's-horn.  
**Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our Sovereign, sing praises**

⊗ PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of the covenant, as the forty days of deluge swept away the world's corruption and watered new beginnings of righteousness and life, so in the saving flood of Baptism we are washed clean and born again. Unseal within us the wellspring of your grace, cleanse our hearts of all that is not holy, and cause your gift of new life to flourish once again. Grant this through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

⊗ HYMN OF PRAISE

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

32 (vv. 1,3)

CONFESSION OF SINS

**Almighty God, you created us for life together, but we have turned from your will. We have not loved as you commanded. We have broken the promises we have made to you and to one another. We have taken much and given little. Forgive our disobedience, O God, and strengthen us in love, so that we may serve you as a faithful people, and live together in your joy through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE KYRIE ELEISON

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

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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

O Lord our God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, that we may be obedient to your will and live always for your glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

GENESIS 6:5-22

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 PETER 3:18-22

☒ GOSPEL READING

LUKE 17:20-37

RESPONSE

The Word of the Lord  
Praise be to God.

SERMON

*Victory Proclamation*

☒ 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

OFFERING

*(not collected, brought up by deacons)*

☒ 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.*



STANDING IF COMFORTABLE

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: **spoken, sung**



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     *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise*     290 (vv. 1,2)



CHARGE AND BENEDICTION



POSTLUDE

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot

WORSHIP LEADER: Steve Flewelling (9:00AM)  
James Phillips (11:00AM)

ORGANIST: Neil Fick

## Victory Proclamation

1 PETER 3:18-22

Some think this text teaches Christ's \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_.

### 1. The Victory (verses 18 and 22).

Peter begins by returning to the \_\_\_\_\_s.

Christ as substitute is seen in the little word \_\_\_\_\_.

Why did Christ die? To \_\_\_\_\_ us to \_\_\_\_\_.

Body and spirit are not two \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.

Peter mentions cross, the r\_\_\_\_\_, and the a\_\_\_\_\_.

Christ's v\_\_\_\_\_ is important for s\_\_\_\_\_ Christians.

His exaltation gives us c\_\_\_\_\_.

### 2. The Proclamation (verses 19 and 20).

When: at the time of his a\_\_\_\_\_.

Where: in the realm of the S\_\_\_\_\_.

To Whom: dis\_\_\_\_\_ spirits from N\_\_\_\_\_ day.

What: his v\_\_\_\_\_.

Christians live in a t\_\_\_\_\_ s\_\_\_\_\_ to Noah.

Doom of the s\_\_\_\_\_ means the v\_\_\_\_\_ of church.

### 3. Baptism (verse 21).

The flood water symbolizes b\_\_\_\_\_.

Either h\_\_\_\_\_ waters or a de\_\_\_\_\_ of j\_\_\_\_\_.

Baptism saves through a p\_\_\_\_\_ of a clear c\_\_\_\_\_.

Baptism is co\_\_\_\_\_ in the S\_\_\_\_\_.

Baptism saves by the r\_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.

We are joined to the Lord of g\_\_\_\_\_ and his v\_\_\_\_\_.

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## Missions Work Highlight

DR. JODY COLLINGE  
WITH GLOBAL CHE NETWORK

During the latter part of 2019, Jody and other CHE members traveled to Uganda to provide training. The refugee settlements visited contained about 800,000 refugees. Many of the families they met were hungry to know Christ and wanted to improve their lives using the health and life skills that CHE teaches, such as sanitation, preventing malaria, and recovery from trauma.

Jody had successful cataract surgery performed on both eyes, thank God, and her mother(93 years of age)finished her radiation therapy and is doing well.

Plans for other trips were cancelled due to the Covid-19 scare, forcing her to stay at HQ near Dallas where she has been busy writing training materials that are being used in many countries.

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## Announcements

The annual congregational meeting will be Wednesday August 12th at 7PM in the sanctuary.

- Bob Van Gent, Bob Maucher, and James Phillips will stand for election as ruling elders.
  - Eric Moller and Paul Mowat will stand for election as deacons.
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## Scripture Texts

GENESIS 6:5-22

- <sup>5</sup>The Lord saw how great the wickedness of the human race had become on the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of the human heart was only evil all the time.
- <sup>6</sup>The Lord regretted that he had made human beings on the earth, and his heart was deeply troubled.
- <sup>7</sup>So the Lord said, “I will wipe from the face of the earth the human race I have created—and with them the animals, the birds and the creatures that move along the ground—for I regret that I have made them.”
- <sup>8</sup>But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.
- <sup>9</sup>This is the account of Noah and his family. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked faithfully with God.
- <sup>10</sup>Noah had three sons: Shem, Ham and Japheth.
- <sup>11</sup>Now the earth was corrupt in God’s sight and was full of violence.
- <sup>12</sup>God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways.
- <sup>13</sup>So God said to Noah, “I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth.
- <sup>14</sup>So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out.
- <sup>15</sup>This is how you are to build it: The ark is to be three hundred cubits long, fifty cubits wide and thirty cubits high.
- <sup>16</sup>Make a roof for it, leaving below the roof an opening one cubit[c] high all around.[d] Put a door in the side of the ark and make lower, middle and upper decks.
- <sup>17</sup>I am going to bring floodwaters on the earth to destroy all life under the heavens, every creature that has the breath of life in it. Everything on earth will perish.
- <sup>18</sup>But I will establish my covenant with you, and you will enter the ark—you and your sons and your wife and your sons’ wives with you.
- <sup>19</sup>You are to bring into the ark two of all living creatures, male and female, to keep them alive with you.
- <sup>20</sup>Two of every kind of bird, of every kind of animal and of every kind of creature that moves along the ground will come to you to be kept alive.
- <sup>21</sup>You are to take every kind of food that is to be eaten and store it away as food for you and for them.”
- <sup>22</sup>Noah did everything just as God commanded him.

## Scripture Texts, *continued*

1 PETER 3:18-22

<sup>18</sup> For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.

<sup>19</sup> After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits—

<sup>20</sup> to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water,

<sup>21</sup> and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

<sup>22</sup> who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand—with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

LUKE 17:20-37

<sup>20</sup> Once, on being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, Jesus replied, "The coming of the kingdom of God is not something that can be observed,

<sup>21</sup> nor will people say, 'Here it is,' or 'There it is,' because the kingdom of God is in your midst."

<sup>22</sup> Then he said to his disciples, "The time is coming when you will long to see one of the days of the Son of Man, but you will not see it.

<sup>23</sup> People will tell you, 'There he is!' or 'Here he is!' Do not go running off after them.

<sup>24</sup> For the Son of Man in his day will be like the lightning, which flashes and lights up the sky from one end to the other.

<sup>25</sup> But first he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation.

<sup>26</sup> "Just as it was in the days of Noah, so also will it be in the days of the Son of Man.

<sup>27</sup> People were eating, drinking, marrying and being given in marriage up to the day Noah entered the ark. Then the flood came and destroyed them all.

<sup>28</sup> "It was the same in the days of Lot. People were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building.

<sup>29</sup> But the day Lot left Sodom, fire and sulfur rained down from heaven and destroyed them all.

<sup>30</sup> "It will be just like this on the day the Son of Man is revealed.

<sup>31</sup> On that day no one who is on the housetop, with possessions inside, should go down to get them. Likewise, no one in the field should go back for anything.

<sup>32</sup> Remember Lot's wife!

<sup>33</sup> Whoever tries to keep their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life will preserve it.

<sup>34</sup> I tell you, on that night two people will be in one bed; one will be taken and the other left.

<sup>35</sup> Two women will be grinding grain together; one will be taken and the other left."

<sup>37</sup> "Where, Lord?" they asked. He replied, "Where there is a dead body, there the vultures will gather."

## Great Is Thy Faithfulness

*Because of the LORD'S great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail.  
They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. Lam. 3:22, 23*

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1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no  
2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and  
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear

D A<sup>7</sup> D E B<sup>7</sup> E<sup>7</sup> A A<sup>7</sup> D

shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -  
stars in their cours - es a - bove, join with all na - ture in  
pres - ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright

Em D Gmaj<sup>7</sup> Em<sup>7</sup> Bdim D A<sup>7</sup> D

pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

REFRAIN  
A D B<sup>7</sup> Em A<sup>7</sup>

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by

D Bdim A E<sup>7</sup> A A<sup>7</sup> D Em D

morn - ing new mer - cies I see: all I have need - ed thy hand hath pro -

vid - ed — Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

# Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

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*Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Ps. 24:7*

1. Hail the day that sees him rise Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2. There for him high tri - umph waits; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3. See, he lifts his hands a - bove! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4. Lord, be - yond our mor - tal sight, Al - le - lu - ia!

to his throne a - bove the skies; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 lift your heads, e - ter - nal gates, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 See, he shows the prints of love! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 raise our hearts to reach thy height; Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ, the Lamb for sin - ners giv'n, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 he hath con - quered death and sin, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Hark! his gra - cious lips be - stow Al - le - lu - ia!  
 there thy face un - cloud - ed see, Al - le - lu - ia!

*Unison*

en - ters now the high - est heav'n. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 take the King of glo - ry in! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 bless - ings on his church be - low. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 find our heav'n of heav'ns in thee! Al - le - lu - ia!

## 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

|                                    |                  |
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| Worship                            | 9:00 AM, 11:00AM |
| Sunday School ( <i>Sept–June</i> ) | 11:45 AM         |
| Sunday Evening Service             | 6:00 PM          |

### Westminster Kingston

|               |          |
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| 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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