

The Lord's Service

The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 02, 2020



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

Thanks Be To Thee

G. F. HANDEL

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

Q103. What do we pray for in the third petition?

In the third petition, which is, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven, we pray that God, by his grace, would make us able and willing to know, obey and submit to his will in all things, as the angels do in heaven.



CALL TO WORSHIP

ACTS 10:42-43

Christ commanded us to preach and to testify

that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead.

To him all the prophets bear witness

that all who believe receive forgiveness of sins in his name.



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the Word of his kingdom. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness and suffering sustain us by your true and living bread, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**



HYMN OF PRAISE

Lift High the Cross

263 (vv. 1, 3)

CONFESSION OF SINS

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

THE KYRIE ELEISON

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



STANDING IF COMFORTABLE

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: spoken, sung

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSIVE READING OF THE LAW

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.



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

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

PERFORMED BY
MICHAEL & LORI STEINBERGER

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from your mouth. Make us hungry for this heavenly food, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life; through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 53:1-12

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 PETER 4:1-6



GOSPEL READING

LUKE 16:19-31



RESPONSE

The Word of the Lord
Praise be to God.

SERMON

Arm Yourselves



THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one 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 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 is seated at 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 we 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 we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. 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.



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.

THE COMMUNION



HYMN OF DEPARTURE

Great God, What Do I See and Hear!

321 (vv. 1, 4)



CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot

WORSHIP LEADER: Steve Flewelling (9:00AM)
Ron Bonagura (11:00AM)

ORGANIST: Neil Fick

Arm Yourself

1 PETER 4:1-6

1. Suffering (verses 1 and 2)

In our weakness, we are joined to Christ the v_____.

Arm yourselves to r_____ s_____.

Christian triumph is conformity to Christ _____.

Like Christ, prepare to suffer for r_____.

Our suffering is a p_____ in Christ's sufferings.

The result is l_____. Sin is a tragic _____ of t_____.

2. Abuse (verses 3 and 4)

Peter prescribes fervent _____, s_____ hope, and w_____.

They are s_____ and they h_____ abuse.

Early church was a living a_____ in the ancient world.

3. Judgment (verses 5 and 6)

Peter does not expect v_____ in this life.

All preaching is done in light of the e_____.

2 Timothy 4 is used to _____ ministers at o_____.

Because of the coming j_____ the gospel is preached.

Peter has in mind the _____ dead.

Death does not invalidate the p_____ of the gospel.

Therefore, _____ one another with these _____.

Missions Work Highlight

BRIAN & CARIN ROBERG

DISCIPLE MAKERS: MISSIONARIES TO COLLEGE CAMPUSES IN PENNSYLVANIA

“When you reach the campus, you reach the world”

Brian serves as Communications Director and leads the Media Dep't. This is usually described as 1) Core activity of DM's ministry is face to face connection with students 2) Media team's purpose is to facilitate that core face to face connection by helping provide the layers of media-based communications surrounding the core. Since the Covid-19 pandemic, media-based communication has become even more central to the success of the ministry.

At DM we've found that 1 Peter 2:17 helps us to respond to the Covid-19 pandemic. We talk about it in 3 parts- Honor God, Honor governing authorities, Love our neighbors.

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

ISAIAH 53:1-12

- ¹ Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?
- ² He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.
- ³ He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem.
- ⁴ Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted.
- ⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.
- ⁶ We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.
- ⁷ He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.
- ⁸ By oppression and judgment he was taken away. Yet who of his generation protested? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was punished.
- ⁹ He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth.
- ¹⁰ Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes[c] his life an offering for sin, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand.
- ¹¹ After he has suffered, he will see the light of life and be satisfied[e]; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities.
- ¹² Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors. But he said, "Yes, you did laugh."

Scripture Texts, *continued*

1 PETER 4:1-6

- ¹ Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because whoever suffers in the body is done with sin.
- ² As a result, they do not live the rest of their earthly lives for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God.
- ³ For you have spent enough time in the past doing what pagans choose to do—living in debauchery, lust, drunkenness, orgies, carousing and detestable idolatry.
- ⁴ They are surprised that you do not join them in their reckless, wild living, and they heap abuse on you.
- ⁵ But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.
- ⁶ For this is the reason the gospel was preached even to those who are now dead, so that they might be judged according to human standards in regard to the body, but live according to God in regard to the spirit.

LUKE 16:19-31

- ¹⁹ “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day.
- ²⁰ At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores
- ²¹ and longing to eat what fell from the rich man’s table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.
- ²² “The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried.
- ²³ In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side.
- ²⁴ So he called to him, ‘Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.’
- ²⁵ “But Abraham replied, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony.
- ²⁶ And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.’
- ²⁷ “He answered, ‘Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my family,
- ²⁸ for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.’
- ²⁹ “Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.’
- ³⁰ “‘No, father Abraham,’ he said, ‘but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’
- ³¹ “He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

Lift High the Cross

I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself. John 12:32

Unison

(Ref.) Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim,

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till all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1. Come, brethren, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,
 2. Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
 3. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 4. Thy king - dom come, that earth's de - spair may cease
 5. For thy blest cross which doth for us a - tone,

D.C.

our King vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 the hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.
 • as thou hast prom - ised, draw men un - to thee.
 be - neath the shad - ow of its heal - ing peace.
 cre - a - tion's prais - es rise be - fore thy throne.

Great God, What Do I See and Hear!

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The Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God. 1 Thess. 4:16

1. Great God, what do I see and hear! The end of things cre -
 2. The dead in Christ shall first a - rise, at the last trum - pet's
 3. But sin - ners, filled with guilt - y fears, be - hold his wrath pre -
 4. Great God, what do I see and hear! The end of things cre -

at - ed! The Judge of man - kind doth ap - pear on clouds of
 sound - ing, caught up to meet him in the skies, with joy their
 vail - ing; for they shall rise, and find their tears and sighs are
 at - ed! The Judge of man - kind doth ap - pear on clouds of

glo - ry seat - ed! The trum - pet sounds; the graves re - store the
 Lord sur - round - ing; no gloom - y fears their souls dis - may; his
 un - a - vail - ing: the day of grace is past and gone; trem -
 glo - ry seat - ed! Be - neath his cross I view the day when

dead which they con - tained be - fore: pre - pare, my soul, to meet him.
 pres - ence sheds e - ter - nal day on those pre - pared to meet him.
 bling they stand be - fore the throne, all un - pre - pared to meet him.
 heav'n and earth shall pass a - way, and thus pre - pare to meet him.

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	9:00 AM, 11:00AM
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).

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