

# The Lord's Service

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*The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

SEPTEMBER 27, 2020



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

*Adagio*  
*To God Be The Glory*

A. THIELE  
ANDRAE CROUCH

*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

PSALM 100:1, 2, 5

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth!

**Worship the Lord with gladness!**

Come into God's presence with singing!

**Enter the courts of the Lord with praise!**



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you created the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land, and man in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**



HYMN OF PRAISE

*God Moves in a Mysterious Way*

128 (vv. 1, 3, 4)

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.**



STANDING IF COMFORTABLE

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: spoken, sung

THE KYRIE ELEISON

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON



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

*What Wondrous Love is This*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

JONAH 1:4-10

NEW TESTAMENT READING

HEBREWS 2:1-4



GOSPEL READING

MARK 4:35-41



RESPONSE

The Word of the Lord  
**Praise be to God.**

SERMON

*In the Same Boat*

**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.*

⌘ 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      *A Shelter in the Time of Storm*      619 (vv. 1, 4)

☒ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

☒ POSTLUDE

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot

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

ORGANIST: Neil Fick

CELLIST: Lori Steinberger

## In the Same Boat

JONAH 1:4-10

Jonah is the only m\_\_\_\_\_ prophet cited by C\_\_\_\_\_.

### 1. The Storm (verses 4-5a)

This is \_\_\_\_\_ masked as a violent \_\_\_\_\_.

Literally, the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ a great wind. Sin p\_\_\_\_\_ storms.

The sailors represent many \_\_\_\_\_, each with its own \_\_\_\_\_.

This type of experience is described in P\_\_\_\_\_.

Behind a \_\_\_\_\_ providence, he hides a \_\_\_\_\_ face.

### 2. The Sleeper (verses 5b-6)

This is the opposite of \_\_\_\_\_ sleeping in serenity.

Jonah flees his co\_\_\_\_\_ and h\_\_\_\_\_ contact.

The captain echoes the words of \_\_\_\_\_ to Jonah.

He shows a good bit of c\_\_\_\_\_ g\_\_\_\_\_.

Like Jonah and the sailors, we are all in the \_\_\_\_\_.

This is the \_\_\_\_\_ rebuking the \_\_\_\_\_.

The captain is more open to calling on God than \_\_\_\_\_ is.

Jonah is surrounded by the same \_\_\_\_\_ of people he \_\_\_\_\_.

### 3. The Sovereign (verses 7-10)

God is sovereign over the lot: Pr\_\_\_\_\_ chapter \_\_\_\_\_.

The sailors show Jonah p\_\_\_\_\_ and f\_\_\_\_\_.

They are asking Jonah about his i\_\_\_\_\_.

Jonah answers only the question about \_\_\_\_\_.

He forgets that he is a d\_\_\_\_\_ to m\_\_\_\_\_ alone.

Jonah's God: The Sovereign Lord of this ch\_\_\_\_\_ s\_\_\_\_\_.

They have more \_\_\_\_\_ of Jonah's God than Jonah does.

Covenant \_\_\_\_\_ does not compete w/ the c\_\_\_\_\_ good.

We must not, like ships, \_\_\_\_\_ from what we've h\_\_\_\_\_.

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## Missions Work Highlight

### LYDIA CENTER IN MACEDONIA

Lydia's goal is to promote a moral life, the right of a woman to choose to give birth to a child, and the right of a child to be born. Abortion is NOT an option. Lydia focuses on prevention, education, family life, raising and educating children. Our goal is to promote and develop moral and spiritual values based on the Bible.

Pray for the lives of the unborn, so precious in God's sight, for increased cultural acceptance of adoption, and for special protection over the marriages of those who work in life-affirming ministry all across the globe.

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## Announcements

We will be deferring Sunday School until January. Teachers are still needed. Please see Brenda Grammer if you are willing to serve.

The Fellowship Committee is requesting donations of boxed or wrapped cookies, crackers, cheeses, biscotti, muffins, granola bars, etc. for the Fellowship Coffee Times following each service. Nothing homemade at this time. Donations can be left in the kitchen.

On October 3rd, the Beacon of Light Pregnancy Support Center will be hosting a walkathon (in-person at Orange County Park and virtually). It will be a fundraiser for the My Choice Pregnancy Care Center and Faith House Maternity Home. There will be 3 walk times, 9am, 11am, and 1:00pm, with a 50 person max at each walk, so please sign up soon if you'd like to walk in person. For more information and To register on line for the walk or to be a sponsor, please go to <http://beaconoflightpsc.org/walk4Life/>. Even if you can't walk, please consider being a sponsor to help the cause. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Jennifer or Kevin Quirk.

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## Scripture Texts

JONAH 1:4-10

- <sup>4</sup> Then the Lord sent a great wind on the sea, and such a violent storm arose that the ship threatened to break up.
- <sup>5</sup> All the sailors were afraid and each cried out to his own god. And they threw the cargo into the sea to lighten the ship. But Jonah had gone below deck, where he lay down and fell into a deep sleep.
- <sup>6</sup> The captain went to him and said, “How can you sleep? Get up and call on your god! Maybe he will take notice of us so that we will not perish.”
- <sup>7</sup> Then the sailors said to each other, “Come, let us cast lots to find out who is responsible for this calamity.” They cast lots and the lot fell on Jonah.
- <sup>8</sup> So they asked him, “Tell us, who is responsible for making all this trouble for us? What kind of work do you do? Where do you come from? What is your country? From what people are you?”
- <sup>9</sup> He answered, “I am a Hebrew and I worship the Lord, the God of heaven, who made the sea and the dry land.”
- <sup>10</sup> This terrified them and they asked, “What have you done?” (They knew he was running away from the Lord, because he had already told them so.)

HEBREWS 2:1-4

- <sup>1</sup> We must pay the most careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away.
- <sup>2</sup> For since the message spoken through angels was binding, and every violation and disobedience received its just punishment,
- <sup>3</sup> how shall we escape if we ignore so great a salvation? This salvation, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard him.
- <sup>4</sup> God also testified to it by signs, wonders and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.



## Scripture Texts, *continued*

MARK 4:35-41

<sup>35</sup> That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side."

<sup>36</sup> Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him.

<sup>37</sup> A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped.

<sup>38</sup> Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

<sup>39</sup> He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

<sup>40</sup> He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

<sup>41</sup> They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"

## God Moves in a Mysterious Way

*I will turn the darkness into light before them and make the rough places smooth.*

Is. 42:16

1. God moves in a mys - te - rious way his won - ders to per - form;  
 2. Deep in un - fath - om - a - ble mines of nev - er - fail - ing skill  
 3. Ye fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; the clouds ye so much dread  
 4. Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, but trust him for his grace;

he plants his foot - steps in the sea, and rides up - on the storm.  
 he trea - sures up his bright de - signs, and works his sov - ereign will.  
 are big with mer - cy, and shall break in bless - ings on your head.  
 be - hind a frown - ing prov - i - dence he hides a smil - ing face.

5. His purposes will ripen fast,  
 unfolding ev'ry hour;  
 the bud may have a bitter taste,  
 but sweet will be the flow'r.

6. Blind unbelief is sure to err,  
 and scan his work in vain;  
 God is his own interpreter,  
 and he will make it plain.

## 619

## A Shelter in the Time of Storm

*The shadow of a great rock in a thirsty land. Is. 32:2*

1. The Lord's our rock, in him we hide, a shel - ter in the time of storm,  
 2. A shade by day, de - fense by night, a shel - ter in the time of storm;  
 3. The rag - ing storms may round us beat, a shel - ter in the time of storm;  
 4. O Rock di - vine, O Ref - uge dear, a shel - ter in the time of storm;

se - cure what - ev - er ill be - tide, a shel - ter in the time of storm.  
 no fears a - larm, no foes af - fright, a shel - ter in the time of storm.  
 we'll nev - er leave our safe re - treat, a shel - ter in the time of storm.  
 be thou our help - er ev - er near, a shel - ter in the time of storm.

REFRAIN

Oh, Je - sus is a rock in a wea - ry land, a wea - ry land, a wea - ry land;

oh, Je - sus is a rock in a wea - ry land, a shel - ter in the time of storm.

## 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	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).

### Senior Minister

The Reverend Kevin Chiarot, Ph.D.

### Assistant Minister

The Reverend Mark D. Diedrich

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