

The Lord's Service

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OCTOBER 20, 2019



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

*Prelude in A flat
Berceuse*

CURSCHMANN
A. IJINSKY

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

Q14. What is sin?

Sin is any want of conformity unto, or transgression of, the law of God.

⊗ CALL TO WORSHIP

HEBREWS 12:1-2

Let us lay aside every weight

and the sin that clings so closely,

and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,

looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,

who for the joy set before him endured the cross,

despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

⊗ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, Almighty God, to rule and direct us according to your will, to comfort us in all our temptations and afflictions, to defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth; that we, being steadfast in the faith, may increase in love and in all good works, and in the end obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

⊗ HYMN OF PRAISE

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus!

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CONFESSION OF SINS

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life 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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

✠ THE PEACE

✠ GLORIA PATRI 735
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 God,
by your Spirit tell us what we need to hear,
and show us what we ought to do,
to obey Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING 1 SAMUEL 13:1-15

NEW TESTAMENT READING HEBREWS 5:1-10

⊗ HYMN OF PREPARATION *Though Troubles Assail Us* 95

⊗ GOSPEL READING LUKE 18:1-8

⊗ RESPONSE
The Word of the Lord
Praise be to God.

SERMON *Almost Obedience*

⊗ THE APOSTLES' CREED 845

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Daniel James Elmendorf

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

Elegy

GIAMANCO



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

Approach, My Soul, the Mercy Seat

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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Processional March

R. KRENTZLIN

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot

WORSHIP LEADER: Mike Bonagura

ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson

Announcements

Greeters

This Week: The D'Agostino Family

Next Week: Libby Woodcock

Nursery Workers

This Week: R. Bonagura/ J. Chiarot

Next Week: S. David / D. Menhart

Service Assistants

This Week: E. Weber, J. Schlegel,

E. Timberger, M. Kniffin

Next Week: S. David, T. Elmendorf, E.

Timberger, M. Kniffin

Deacon of the Month

J. Schlegel

Weekly Sunday Morning Prayer: 9:20AM in the library. Join us to pray for the worship and work of WPC.

Proclaim – On the First Sunday of every month the beginning of both Sunday School classes will be dedicated to praying for outreach opportunities. All are encouraged to join us.

10/20 It is our joy to baptize Daniel James Elmendorf, son of Tim and Abbey Elmendorf.

Pastor Chiarot's sermons may be heard on Redeemer Broadcasting at 11:00AM and 5:00PM every Sunday on frequencies 90.3 FM and 102.5 FM. They are also available on iTunes and on our website.

If you would like to meet with Pastor Chiarot, please connect with him in person or contact the church office.

Evening Service 6:00PM

10/26 – Youth Group Game Night at 6:00-8:00PM

11/03 – Int'l Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church.

See the world map of persecuted nations in the main hallway.

11/10 – Fellowship Luncheon

Operation Christmas Child - Shoeboxes available in Narthex. Collection 11/17. Items being collected to pack shoeboxes in bins in Narthex. Also accepting donations to defray shipping costs. Checks can be made out to Westminster Church with notation "Operation Christmas Child".

MYCHOICE PREGNANCY CARE CENTER

NEW WINDSOR CENTER- 388 ROUTE 94 / PORT JERVIS CENTER- 15 EAST MAIN STREET

Practical help for today and confidence in a bright future. The best choice for safe, confidential care.

MyChoice provides caring, safe and non-judgmental support to women and girls who are faced with pregnancy. At MyChoice, patients receive confidential medical care and compassionate pregnancy guidance to fully inform them about their pregnancy and health choices. Information and referrals to help women meet other medical, legal, financial and housing needs is also provided. MyChoice is a very active ministry presently implementing new outreach programs in order to serve the community better.

Westminster will soon hold a "Baby Bottle Fund Raiser for MyChoice. Please consider your involvement.

Almost Obedience

1 SAMUEL 13:1-15

Saul gains power in ___ stages, loses power due to ___ sins.

1. The Nation Threatened (verses 1-7a)

Saul is finally dealing with the P_____.

G_____ is where Samuel told Saul to wait.

Israel is un_____ and virtually de_____.

The people _____ in caves and _____ across the Jordan.

2. The kingdom Lost (verses 7b-15)

Saul remains with his t_____. He waited ___ days.

The troops dwindled in number from _____ to _____.

Finally, Saul offers the _____ offering.

Saul is questioned like God questioned _____.

Like Adam, Saul makes _____.

It is hard not to s_____ with Saul.

Samuel has the pr_____ role, not Saul.

Obedience to the Word is an _____ or _____ affair.

Almost _____ is dis_____.

Obedience will often look f_____ or i_____.

The place of the k_____ in G_____ heart, not vice versa.

Ultimately, the man according to God's heart is _____.

We should see the full glory of our Lord's _____.

Jesus refuses to im_____ find a way out.

Unlike Saul, he was _____ to offer the sacrifice.

We often forget the _____ set _____ us.

Jesus: tempted in every way as we are, yet he did _____.

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

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| Worship | 10:00 AM |
| Sunday School | 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

Session (Ruling Elders)

Mike Bonagura, Ron Bonagura, Robert David,
Steve Flewelling, James Phillips, Dave Reiss
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