

The Lord's Service

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

AUGUST 13, 2023



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

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 99:

Q. What rule has God given for our direction in prayer?

A. The whole Word of God is of use to direct us in prayer, but the special rule of direction is that form of prayer which Christ taught His disciples, commonly called, The Lord's Prayer.

⌘ CALL TO WORSHIP

BASED ON PSALM 51

May your love and mercy be upon us today, O Lord.

Cleanse us from every transgression.

Let your joy and gladness dawn in our spirits,

and the recreating power of your Spirit make us new.

Have mercy upon us O God,

and let your Spirit lead us in truth and righteousness.

⌘ PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires, known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

⌘ HYMN OF PRAISE

God, Be Merciful to Me

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CONFESSION OF SINS

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. 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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INTERLUDE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

LAMENTATIONS 1:1-22

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

ROMANS 1:18-32

☒ PSALM OF RESPONSE: PSALM 116

What Shall I Render to My God

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☒ GOSPEL READING

LUKE 19:41-48

☒ RESPONSE

The Word of the Lord.

Praise be to God.

SERMON

How Lonely Lies the City

☒ THE APOSTLES' CREED

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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☒ 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

☒ HYMN OF DEPARTURE

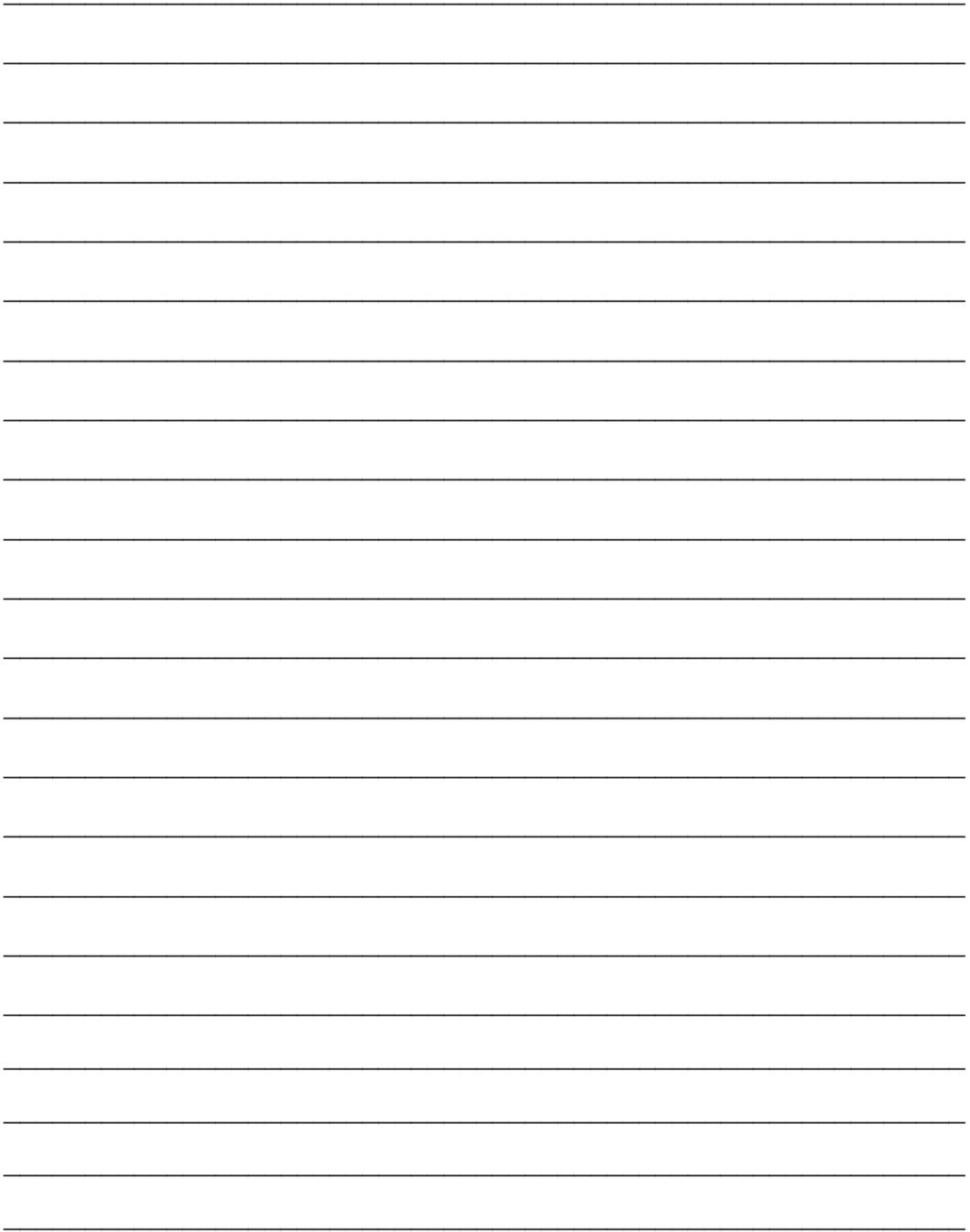
O Sacred Head Now Wounded

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☒ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

☒ POSTLUDE

MINISTER: Mr. Justin Chiarot
WORSHIP LEADER: Adam Kuliszewski
ORGANIST: Wilma DeJager



Missions Work Highlight

BRIAN AND CARIN ROBERG

Brian and Carin work with the Christian campus ministry called DiscipleMakers based in Pennsylvania, a ministry with the goal of raising up the next generation of leaders for the Church by training college students in Bible study, gospel-driven discipleship, and evangelism. They “both joined DiscipleMakers because the Lord worked deeply in our lives through DiscipleMakers when we were in college,” they explain on their webpage. They continue: “We count it a privilege to have seen Him continue to work in the lives of many others as we have served in the DM Headquarters and on campus at Penn State.” Please keep Brian and Carin in your basket of interest, prayer before the LORD and your support.

Discover DiscipleMakers at: <https://www.dm.org/>

Announcements

The MyChoice baby bottles must be returned with the donations or pledges to the Church office today.

The Conklin Meal Train is in need of sign ups. If interested, please contact Michelle Watson at mawatson913@gmail.com.

The next Fellowship Luncheon barbecue will be hosted after the Sunday School kickoff on September 10th.

We are updating the WPC directory. Please see Robert David after Worship to have your picture and information added to the directory.

We are in need of nursery helpers for the month of August. Please look for the sign-up sheets in the nursery. We appreciate your help!

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

Christ's Church of the Hudson Valley

Worship	11:00 AM
Sunday School	12:30 PM

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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.

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Johnson Chang-Fong (2024), Adam Kuliszewski (2024), Robert David (2025), Mike Bonagura (2026), James Phillips (2026)

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