The Lord's Service

The Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time JUNE 09, 2024



Westminster Presbyterian Church POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

O Word of God, Incarnate Communion

MENDELSSOHN / ARR. DANIEL E. GAWTHORP Alexander Guilmant / ed. R. L. Bedell

I PETER 1:15

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

Prepare your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God, you taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand. Keep us awake and alert, watching for your kingdom, and make us strong in faith, so that when Christ comes in glory to judge the earth, we may joyfully give him praise; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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CONFESSION OF SINS

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

THE KYRIE ELEISON

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSIVE READING FROM COLOSSIANS

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. **Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.**

On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. **But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.**

Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

	INTERLUDE	We Come, O Christ, to You	John Darwall
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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of mercy, amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises by living in faith and obedience; through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING	EZEKIEL 34:1-10	p. 857
NEW TESTAMENT READING	ACTS 20:17-38	р. 1105
PSALM OF RESPONSE: PSALM 84	O Lord of Hosts, How Lovely	371
GOSPEL READING	LUKE 12:32-40	p. 1036
RESPONSE		

The Word of the Lord. Praise be to God.

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SERMON Ephesian Farewell Part 2

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.

THE ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

Love Divine

John Zundal / arr. Ethel Smith

23 DOXOLOGY

23 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.

- 23 PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
- 22 THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN	Sheph	erd of Souls, Refresh and Bless	424
Shepherd of souls, refresh an your chosen pilgrim flock with manna in the wilderne with water from the rock. Hungry and thirsty, faint an as you when here below, our souls the joys celestial see which from thy sorrows flow We would not live by bread a but by your word of grace,	nd weak, k v.	in strength of which we travel on to our abiding place. Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart; Savior, abide with us, and spread your table in our heart. There sup with us in love divine; your body and your blood, that living bread, that heav'nly wine, be our immortal food.	
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83 HYMN OF DEPARTURE

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Amazing Grace!

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83 CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain JOHANN HORN/S

MINISTER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot WORSHIP LEADER: Robert David ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson, D.M.A. PIANIST: Arlene Sokoloski

Ephesian Farewell Part II

ACTS 20:28-38

1. The Charge (vv. 28-31)

Introspection does not have to be m_____. We are commanded to e______ ourselves at the S_____. Self-examination is at the very c_____ of Christian p_____. Pay ______ attention to yourselves. C.S. Lewis said: Be attentive to the inner ______. This is NOT self-a_____. Self-examination and t______ belong together. Bishops and Elders are the _____ office. The word "Overseer" means one who v_____ to in____. After Paul's departure there will come f_____w___. Be _____ to the state of your soul.

2. The Commendation (v. 32)

I commend you to God and to his _____el.

The law cannot t_____ or s____.

Inheritance is an e_____ word.

The living and dead, obtain the inheritance _____.

3. The Conclusion (vv. 33-38)

Jesus: It is more ______ to give than to receive.

Shun pr_____ as if it were p_____.

Missions Work Highlight

JANE BRINKERHOFF Mission to the World

Jane Brinkerhoff with Mission to the World (MTW), the mission sending agency of the Presbyterian Church of America, serves in the Nagoya Church Planting Team in the city of Nagoya, which is strategically located in central Japan between the major cities of Tokyo, Kyoto, and Osaka. Using evangelistic Bible studies, small groups, and mercy ministries, Jane has helped spread the gospel and start churches in unchurched towns in the greater Nagoya area. Although some of these churches are now self-supporting and under Japanese leadership, there are many other needy areas. Jane wants to minister in such areas with the goal of starting more churches in Japan that is still considered unreached. As you pray for Jane, pray also for more workers willing to serve in building Christ's kingdom in Japan, not only as missionaries, but also from within the Japanese church as well.

Announcements

Today it is our joy to ordain and install new officers at WPC!

- We will ordain and install Ethan Westlund as a Deacon and Gary Berg as a Ruling Elder.
- We will install Bob Maucher and Ron Bonagura as Ruling Elders, and Joe Hall and John Grammer as Deacons.

Today, after worship we have our Sunday School closing service.

There will be a Fellowship Barbecue today following the Sunday School Closing. All are welcome to attend. Our second service follows at 2 PM.

There will not be Monthly Luncheons during July and August. The next luncheon will be on September 8th, following the Sunday School opening.

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 (Sept–June)	11:45 AM
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 PM

Christ's Church of the Hudson Valley

Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday School	12:00 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 Pastor Rev. Kevin Chiarot, Ph.D.

Assistant Pastor Rev. Justin Chiarot

Session (Ruling Elders, with Class Year)

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

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