

# The Lord's Service

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*The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

AUGUST 04, 2024



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



### CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 57

I cry out to God Most High, to God who fulfills his purpose for me.

**He will send from heaven and save me; he will put to shame him who tramples on me.**

God will send out his steadfast love and his faithfulness!

**Be exalted, O God, above the heavens! Let your glory be over all the earth! Amen!**



### PRAYER OF THE DAY

O LORD God! the Fountain of all fullness, we, who are nothing but emptiness, come unto Thee for all supplies, nor shall we come in vain, since we bear with us a plea which is all prevalent. Since we come commanded by Thy Word, encouraged by Thy promise, and preceded by Christ Jesus, our great High Priest, we know that whatsoever we shall ask in prayer, believing, we shall receive. Only do Thou help us now to ask right things and may the utterances of our mouth be acceptable in Thy sight, O God our Strength and our Redeemer. Bless then this service of covenant renewal for Christ's sake. **Amen.**



### HYMN OF PRAISE

*Not What My Hands Have Done*

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## CONFESSION OF SINS

**Lord Jesus, I sin. Grant that I may never cease grieving because of it, never be content with myself, never think I can reach a point of perfection. Kill my envy, command my tongue, trample down self. Give me grace to be holy, kind, gentle, pure, peaceable, to live for You and not for self, to copy Your words, acts, spirit, to be transformed into Your likeness, to be consecrated wholly to You, to live entirely to Your glory. Deliver me from attachment to things unclean, from wrong associations, from the predominance of evil passions, from the sugar of sin as well as its gap; that with self-loathing, deep contrition, earnest heart searching I may come to You, cast myself on You, trust in You, cry to You, be delivered by You. Amen.**

## THE KYRIE ELEISON

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

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON



## RESPONSIVE READING OF THE LAW FROM THE EPISTLES

You shall have no other gods before me.  
**For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever!**

You shall not make for yourself an idol.  
**In Christ we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.**

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name  
**Let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise-- the fruit of lips that confess his name.**

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping 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 as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.**

Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

**Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.**

You shall not murder.  
**Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.**

You shall not commit adultery.  
**You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.**

You shall not steal.  
**He who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with his hands, so that he may have something to share with those in need.**

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.  
**Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.**

You shall not covet your neighbor's house or anything that belongs to your neighbor.  
**I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. Amen.**



## THE PEACE



## 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

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING

NUMBERS 18:8-24

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 PETER 2:1-12

⌘ PSALM OF RESPONSE: PSALM 24     *The Earth, with All That Dwell Therein*     68

⌘ GOSPEL READING     MARK 8:31-9:1

⌘ RESPONSE

The Word of the Lord.  
Praise be to God.

SERMON

*Jesus and Peter Feed the Sheep*

⌘ 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

OFFERTORY

⌘ DOXOLOGY     731

*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, 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

*(Outer ring alone is grape juice)*

COMMUNION HYMN

*At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*

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*At the lamb's high feast we sing  
praise to our victorious King,  
who hath washed us in the tide  
flowing from his pierced side;  
praise we him whose love divine  
gives his sacred blood for wine,  
gives his body for the feast,  
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.*

*Where the paschal blood is poured,  
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;  
Israel's hosts triumphant go  
through the wave that drowns the foe.*

*Praise we Christ, whose blood was  
shed; paschal victim, paschal bread;  
with sincerity and love  
eat we manna from above.*

*Mighty victim from the sky,  
pouers of hell beneath thee lie;  
death is conquered in the fight,  
thou hast bought us life and light:  
hymns of glory and of praise,  
risen Lord, to thee we raise;  
holy Father praise to thee,  
with the Spirit, ever be.*

☒ HYMN OF DEPARTURE

*Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken*

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☒ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

☒ POSTLUDE

MINISTER: Rev. Justin Chiarot



## Missions Work Highlight

BRIAN AND CARIN ROBERG

*DiscipleMakers, Pennsylvania*

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. Having had the Lord work deeply in their lives through this ministry as college students, they have joined in the efforts of DiscipleMakers at its headquarters and on campus at Penn State. Please keep Brian and Carin in your basket of interest, prayer before the LORD and your support.

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## Announcements

It is our joy to welcome back Rev. Justin Chiarot to minister the Word and Sacrament to us this morning. He brings with him the congregation of Christ's Church of the Hudson Valley to worship alongside us.

There will not be a Monthly Luncheon in 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!

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## 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	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

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