

Westminster Presbyterian Church

14TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

10:30 A.M.

WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Prelude Reflection on "The Valley of Peace"

arr. Albin C. Whitworth

✕Please stand as you are able

✕Call to Worship

One: We come with praise in our hearts to worship you, O God of all creation.

All: With JOY we are thankful for the love and grace which you have lavished upon us through the gift of Jesus, your Son, who has shown us love by dying on the cross for our sin.

One: Thanks and praise be to you, O God. We have come with thankful hearts to worship you in Jesus' Name

All: Thanks be to God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. May all that is within us worship God's Holy Name. AMEN.

✕Hymn # 620 "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

✕Opening Prayer

Prayer of Confession:

All: Our hearts are open to you, O Lord. With reverence we come into your presence knowing that we have sinned against you, ourselves, and our neighbors. Rather than love you with our whole heart we have listened with eagerness to the voices of culture. In the same way, we have been content with half-hearted attempts at loving others in the same way you have loved us. Have mercy on us for the sake of your Son, Jesus. Give us courage to turn from our sin. Pour your Holy Spirit upon us that we might journey with renewed commitment to your Kingdom and righteousness. We ask these things in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

One: God is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and mercy. In the Name of Jesus, we are a forgiven people. Thanks be to God.

All: You have loved and forgiven us Almighty God. With all our hearts and minds, we give you thanks and praise. We are a forgiven people. Hallelujah! AMEN!

✠ Congregational Response

GLORIA PATRI

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.

✠ Passing of the Peace

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you

Please pass the peace to each other, greeting one another in Christ's name and being mindful of social distance.

Hymn of Preparation



GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

A Responsive Reading from Psalm 51:1-17

One: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

All: **Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.**

One: Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment.

All: **Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.**

One: You desire truth in the inward being, therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

All: **Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities.**

One: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and sustain in me a willing spirit.

All: **Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you. Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.**

One: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. For you have no delight in sacrifice. If I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased.

All: **The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Gospel Reading Luke 15:1-10

New Testament Epistle Reading I Timothy 1:1-10

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Message "Turning Back to God"

Rev. Dr. John Blacklock

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

✘Hymn # 649 Amazing Grace

✘The Brief Statement of Faith PC(USA) See Insert

Opportunities for Mission and Ministry

Offering Our Gifts to God

Give through Venmo @West-Presby

Anthem Study War No More - trad. spiritual arr. Robert De Cormier

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Seth Luna

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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.

WE BEAR GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

✘Hymn # 688 "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

✘Benediction

✘Choral Blessing

Postlude Praise Him with the Sound of the Trumpet (Psalm 150:3)

Carl Simone

When our worship is over, our service begins

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Dr. Rev. John Blacklock
Worship Leader: Nikki Smith
Music Director/Organist: Seth Luna
Sound Technician: Bill Vilbig
Livestream: Leiza McArter

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WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ANNOUNCEMENTS
SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

WELCOME VISITORS

We welcome you to our family of faith! After worship, join us in Fellowship Hall for friendship and conversation. We'd like to get to know you, whether you are just visiting or looking for a church home.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep 13 - Taco Tuesday

Sep 24 - Four Hands/Four Feet Organ and Piano Concert: 7 pm in the Sanctuary

Sep 24 - All Church Workday

Sep 27 - Book Club, Parlor at 10:30 * Session Meeting in the evening

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Adult Sunday School Class now meets in the new Parlor at 9:30am, where we are set up to hear disks from "The Learning Source". Various selections relate to different books in the New Testament.

Beginning in October, Pastor John will lead a Bible class in the parlor. We will study I John. Class will be from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. on Sunday's.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month (except Nov and Dec).

The group gathers at 10:30 am for fellowship. Book discussion begins at 11:00 am. All are invited to attend.

For September the book is *Damascus Station* by David McCloskey.

For October the book is a happy book *The Christmas Train* by David Baldacci

MUSIC MINISTRY

WESTMINSTER CHOIR

Rehearsals are held Wednesdays at 7:00pm and Sunday mornings at 9:30am. Need help learning how to sing? We will teach you. Contact Seth Luna at sethl@wpcd.org

FALL CONCERT

The Fall Concert "Four Hands, Four Feet," a concert of double keyboard music is scheduled for September 24 at 7 pm in the Sanctuary. More details to come.

SCHUBERT MASS IN G

The combined choirs of Westminster and Northridge Presbyterian, together with strings, will perform Schubert's Mass in G for morning worship at Northridge on October 23rd and at Westminster on November 13th. Come hear this seminal work performed how it was intended, for worship.

MISSION MINISTRY

THE BRIDGE

Westminster provides volunteers to serve breakfast at the Stewpot's Second Chance Café at the Bridge in Downtown Dallas on the first Saturday of each month. Mike Stanley sends out a reminder via email. If you have any questions, please contact him at 817-724-7430.

TACO TUESDAY

Mike Stanley serves Tacos out in front of the church on the Second Tuesday of each month from 7:30 am - 8:30 am.

ADULT CAREGIVERS' DAY OUT

In partnership with our neighbors in Devonshire, Westminster has launched a "Caregivers Day Out" program at the church. The program's goal is to provide adults with early-stage Alzheimer's or related dementias a regular opportunity for socialization, exercise, music, and other brain-stimulating activities; and to offer their caregivers much-needed time to attend to their own needs with the assurance that their loved one is safe and cared for. The program will happen on the first and third Thursdays of the month from 9:30am-12:30pm. If you or a loved one is interested in participating or serving as a volunteer, please contact Ann Rosenzweig at annrosenzweig@aol.com

OTHER GROUPS

MAHJONG - Devonshire Mahjong Players - every Wednesday from 1:00 - 4:00 pm in the parlor

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE

Westminster welcomes your continued support. Checks can be sent to Westminster Presbyterian Church, 8200 Devonshire Dr, Dallas, TX 75209 or give online through Venmo (our username is West-Presby, last 4 digits 5290).

If you have questions or need help, contact Dan Stoyak in the business office dans@wpcd.org or 214-351-3251.



ONLINE WORSHIP INFORMATION

Worship at Westminster is broadcast live on Facebook directly from the WPC sanctuary beginning at 10:30am every Sunday morning. To access the livestream, be sure to "Like" the Westminster Presbyterian Church - Dallas Facebook page at www.facebook.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas. Even if you are not a registered Facebook "user," you should be able to access the live stream by clicking that above link. You can see previously broadcast full worship services and sermons by clicking the "Videos" tab on the Facebook page. Videos of services, sermons, and choral anthems are also available on our YouTube channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2YYEjyOBjYTxzSzEwiTw>

SESSION

<i>Class of 2022</i>	<i>Class of 2023</i>	<i>Class of 2024</i>	Sharon Wright, Clerk
George Edwards	Jody Clarke	Niklas James	George Edwards, Treasurer
Ann McCullough	David McAllister	Mike Stanley	

TRUSTEES

<i>Class of 2022</i>	<i>Class of 2023</i>
Susan Edwards	Cheryl Bradford
Carol Powers	Danielle Tsai

FOUNDATION BOARD

<i>Class of 2022</i>	<i>Class of 2023</i>	<i>Class of 2024</i>
Bob Knothe	Ann McCullough	Will Frazier
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✠The Brief Statement of Faith PC(USA)

In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit
who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.
In a broken and fearful world
the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

