

Westminster Presbyterian Church

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 20, 2022

10:30 A.M.

WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Prelude Herr Christ, der einig Gottes Sohn

J.S. Bach

*Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God
... He is the morning star,
who makes his radiance shine far
beyond all other stars*

✠ Call to Worship

You are invited to rise in body or in spirit and join in the Call to Worship.

One: On this Christ the King Sunday, we give thanks to God for the righteous reign of Jesus.

All: **May all that is within us give thanks and praise to our Lord and Savior, Jesus, the Christ of God.**

One: Lord Jesus, be with us in the power of your Holy Spirit as we come to worship. Remind us that your goodness never fails us, and that we lack nothing when our hearts are open to your never-ending love and grace.

All: **Your streams of living water flow in us as we worship you, O God. Feed us with the spiritual food that comes through your Son, Jesus, the Lord and King of our lives, this day and forever. AMEN.**

✠ Hymn "Crown Him with Many Crowns" # 268

✠ Opening Prayer

Let us pray: Open our hearts to your Lordship, O God. Remind us that you are the Potter and that we are the clay. Give us courage to bend our hearts and minds to your best for our lives. We are your children. Your Son, Jesus, is our good and grace-filled Lord and King. With all that is within us, we give you all honor and glory. AMEN.

Call to Confession

It is God's love and grace that calls us to confess our sin and human brokenness. Trusting in God's promise to forgive us and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness, let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

✠ Please stand as you are able

Prayer of Confession

All: Most Holy and Righteous God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we come with humble hearts into your presence to confess our sin and human brokenness. We have not loved you with our whole heart; neither have we loved our neighbors in the same way we have loved ourselves. Teach us the new way of Jesus' love and grace. Forgive us, and set our hearts on your Kingdom and righteousness. You alone are our God. Pour your Holy Spirit upon us that we might walk in the ways of Jesus, our Lord and our King, now and forever. AMEN.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

One: Friends, hear and believe the good news, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God. 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.

Hymn of Preparation "Prepare the Way of the Lord" #95

Time with Our Children and Youth

GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

Let us ask God to open our hearts and minds to Word of God that we find in the scriptures of the Old and the New Testaments. Let us pray: Pour your Holy Spirit upon us, O God, as we open your Word. May your Word be a light unto our paths and a light unto our feet. May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord, our strength, and our Redeemer. AMEN.

Responsive Reading from Luke 1:67-79

One: Then his father Zechariah was filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke this prophecy:
"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for God has looked favorably on his people and has redeemed them.

All: God has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David, as he said from the prophets long ago, to save us from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us.

One: Thus, God has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant, the oath that God swore to our ancestor Abraham, to rescue us from the hand of our enemies, and to enable us to serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness all our days."

All: And you, my child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; you will go before the Lord to prepare the way for him, to give his people the knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins because of the tender mercy of God.

One: In the same way that the sun rises from the heavens in the morning sky,

All: So, God will shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Old Testament Prophetic Reading Jeremiah 23:5-6

New Testament Epistle Reading Colossians 1:11-20

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Message "God Prepares the Way for the Coming King"

Rev. Dr. John Blacklock

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

✠Hymn "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" # 81

✠Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed (page 35 - Glory to God Hymnal)

Opportunities for Mission and Ministry

Offering Our Gifts to God - You may place your offering in the box in the narthex or at the front of the church, or give through Venmo @West-Presby

Anthem Jubilate Deo in B flat (Psalm 100)

Charles V. Stanford

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 "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" # 265

✠Benediction

✠Doxology

Postlude Fanfare

William Matthais

When our worship is over, our service begins

WORSHIP LEADERS

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

Cantors: Kalli Hansen, Anna Peeples, Da'On Boulanger-Chatman, Stephen Bolduc

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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WELCOME VISITORS

We welcome you to our family of faith! Let us know of your attendance by filling out one of our Visitor's cards found at the end of each pew. After worship, please join us in Fellowship Hall for coffee and conversation. We'd like to get to know you, whether you are just visiting or looking for a church home.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 20 Hanging of the Greens – after church service today (volunteers needed)

Nov 24/25 Church Office closed for Thanksgiving

Dec 1 Caregiver's Day Out

Dec 3 Serving breakfast at The Bridge (volunteers needed)

Dec 4 Pet photos with Santa at 6 PM in Fellowship Hall

Dec 17 Preparing and serving dinner at Austin Street Shelter (volunteers needed)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Pastor John is leading our Bible class in the study of I John at a new time. Class will be from **9:30 am to 10:15.**

YOUR SESSION

Beside our monthly (hybrid) stated Session meeting on the 4th Tuesday of every month, in August the Session began meeting every Friday at noon via Zoom for one hour. In the absence of a full-time minister, this allows us to address all issues as needed.

WESTMINSTER CHOIR

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

SERVE AT AUSTIN STREET CENTER

Help prepare and serve dinner for 400+ homeless people on Saturday, December 17th. Volunteers, age 10 and over, are needed to serve. Those wishing to serve and/or donate bananas or cookies (to be delivered to WPC by 12/17/22 at 4:30PM), can contact Mike Stanley at (817)267-6822 or mike@colbystanley.com. The meal will be served from 5:30 to 6:30 PM.

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 at 7:00 AM. Mike Stanley sends out a reminder via email. If you have any questions and/or wish to volunteer, please contact him at 817-724-7430.

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

ST. PATRICK ANGLICAN CHURCH

WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME THE YOUNG AND GROWING CONGREGATION OF ST. PATRICK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH TO OUR WPC CAMPUS. THEY WILL BE USING THE FORMER CHAPEL, TWO CLASSROOMS, AND THE NURSERY ON SUNDAY MORNINGS.

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 10:30 am 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/UC2YYEjyOBjYTxy_zSzEwiTw

SESSION

<i>Class of 2023</i>	<i>Class of 2024</i>	<i>Class of 2025</i>	Sharon Wright, Clerk
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