# Westminster Presbyterian Church Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

FEBRUARY 16, 2025 10:45 A.M.



WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prelude

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Choral Introit "Hear (Here)" C. O. Beck

**★**Call to Worship: (Please rise if you are able and join in the Call to Worship)

One: Let us gather to worship Almighty God in the Name of Jesus.

All: Our help is found in the Name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and the earth.

One: May all that is within us worship you, O Lord. You alone are Holy. With all our heart, mind, and spirit we are bold to give you all honor and glory.

All: Let us worship the one true God: the God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us worship God in spirit and in truth. AMEN.

Hymn of Praise: "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!"

## **★**Opening Prayer

Living God's Best - The Law as found in Exodus 20:1-17

Call to Confession

## Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Most Holy and loving God, we come to you with humble hearts. We know that we have fallen short of your glory. In thought, word, and deed we have not been faithful to your Law as seen in the Ten Commandments. Give us courage to turn from our sinful ways and to seek first your Kingdom and righteousness. Our desire is to walk in the footsteps of Jesus' love and grace. Have mercy on us, Lord God. Forgive us for Jesus' sake, and give us courage to follow the leading of your Holy Spirit in all our human relationships. 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.

#### A Time With Our Children and Youth

GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

A Responsive Reading from Psalm 1

One: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers.

ALL: But their delight is in the Law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.

One: They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all they do, they prosper.

ALL: The wicked are not so but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

One: Therefore, the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

ALL: For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-10

Gospel Reading: Luke 6:17-26

The Message "The Blessing of the Gospel Has an Underside" Rev. Dr. John Blacklock

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

₩Hymn "Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me" #703

\*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed (Unison) p. 35 in the Hymnal

Announcements/Opportunities for Mission and Ministry

Offering Our Gifts to God

The Anthem "The Beatitudes" Malotte

**▼**Prayer of Dedication

₹The Doxology #606

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

One: Lord, in your mercy. All: Hear our prayer.

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 "O Zion Haste, Thy Mission High Fulfilling" (See Insert)

**★**Benediction

**♥**Choral Blessing "Go Forth in Peace" C. O. Beck

(Worship is complete after the Choral Blessing. You are free to exit or stay for the Postlude.)

**▶**Postlude

When our worship is over, our service begins!

#### WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor: Rev. Dr. John Blacklock

Worship Leader: Steve Coffin
Music Director/Organist: Duilio Dobrin
Sound Technician: Bill Vilbig
Livestream: Leiza McArter

Choir Members: Anna Ackerman, Stephen Bolduc, Da'On Boulanger-Chatman, Anna Clarkson, Kalli Hansen, Jeremy Hunter, Dani

McArter, Nancy Morton, and Bill Tiffany

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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

February 16, 2025

### WELCOME VISITORS

We welcome you to our family of faith! Let us know of your attendance by filling out one of our visitor cards found on the table in the narthex. We'd like to get to know you, whether you are just visiting or looking for a church home.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Feb 9 16 "Spread the Love" SoupMobile Peanut Butter Drive (ends today)
- Feb 17 President's Day WPPK school holiday
- Feb 18 19 Kindergarten 100 Day Museum at WPPK
- Feb 20 Making Memories/Caregiver's Day Out (9:30 12:30 in Fellowship Hall). The duet (piano and sax), Sentimental Journey, will be performing at 10:30 AM and all are invited.
- Feb 25 Book Club meets in Parlor at 10:30ish AM. The group will be reviewing "Leaving Time" by Jodi Picoult

### **MAKING MEMORIES**

Making Memories/Caregiver's Day Out is an outreach ministry of WPC that provides a meeting place for adults with early to mid-stage Alzheimer's disease or related dementias, while offering respite for their caregivers. Meetings are held on the first and third Thursdays of every month from 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM, and combine socialization, exercise, music, and other memory-stimulating activities in a safe and comfortable environment. If you or a loved one is interested in participating in or serving as a volunteer, please contact Ann Rosenzweig at <a href="mailto:info@makingmemoriesdallas.com">info@makingmemoriesdallas.com</a>.

#### NEWS FROM WESTMINSTER PRESBY PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

## With immense gratitude!

Our Parents Club provided an exceptional week of celebration for the entire staff; including Patricia and Officer Bautista! Thank you to Lauren Yerger, Hannah Schillaci and Nicole Griffith for developing each day of joy! We immensely enjoyed being lifted up by the personal notes of affirmation written by Mrs. Schillaci and appreciation notes written on cards from Westminster Presbyterian Church members and tucked into our new gift tote bags! Also, it was delightful to visit with Session members in line while making our delicious selections from muffins, cookies and cool beverages!

## 100 Day Museum is coming!

Save the dates of Feb. 18 & 19 for visiting the annual Kindergarten 100 Day MUSEUM! This very creative and personal museum collection is one of the many favorite highlights of the Kindergarten year!

Westminster playgrounds are currently closed for construction of a new playground! The large playground and the Interior Playground (where construction will be happening) will have locked gates and banners posted to convey *no accessibility* until construction is complete. Only the Toddler playground, for Toddler only age and size children, is open to the community. Thank you for following these safety measures while we are under construction.

#### ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE

Westminster welcomes your continued support. Checks can be sent to Westminster Presbyterian Church, 8200 Devonshire Dr, Dallas, TX 75209 or you may give online through Venmo (our username is West-Presby and the last four digits, if requested, are 5290). If you have questions or need help, contact Dan Stoyak in the business office at <a href="mailto:dans@wpcd.org">dans@wpcd.org</a> or 214-351-3251.



#### ONLINE WORSHIP INFORMATION

Worship at Westminster is broadcast live on Facebook directly from the WPC sanctuary beginning at 10:45 am every Sunday morning. To access the live stream, be sure to "Like" the Westminster Presbyterian Church – Dallas Facebook page at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas">www.facebook.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas</a>. 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 <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@WestminsterPresbyterianDallas">https://www.youtube.com/@WestminsterPresbyterianDallas</a>

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