

# Westminster Presbyterian Church

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT  
March 30, 2025 10:45 a.m.

## WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prelude

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Choral Introit

“Psalm 32”

S. Jarvis

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

One: God has called us together to worship and pray in the Name of Jesus, the Son of God.

**All: With all our hearts and minds we worship you, Lord of all creation. Be present with us in the power of your Spirit as we worship in Jesus' Name.**

One: May this time of worship be a time when we bless the Lord. May all that is within us praise our good and grace-filled God.

**All: Let us magnify the Lord together as the Body of Christ, the Church. Let us exult the Name of Jesus and give thanks for God's never-ending love and grace. Let us worship God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. AMEN.**

✠Hymn of Praise

“Open My Eyes That I May See”

# 451

✠Opening Prayer

Living God's Best – The Law as Found in II Corinthians 5

Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Most Holy and Merciful God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we come to you with humble hearts to confess our sin. We have heard your call to reach out in love to the people around us, but we have been hesitant to get involved in the lives of other people. We are afraid of saying the wrong thing or being rejected. We have listened too much to the negative voices of the people around us and in the process have hidden our hearts from the still small voice of the Holy Spirit. Forgive us, Lord God. Teach us a new way of living. Guide us by your Spirit to be your ambassadors in a broken world. Change our hearts, that we might be your messengers of Hope to the people you put in our lives, for Jesus' sake. 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 32

One: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

**ALL:** Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

One: While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

**ALL: Then I acknowledged by sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

One: Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them. You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

**ALL: I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**

One: Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle, else it will not stay near you.

**ALL: Many are the torments of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD. Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.**

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**ALL: Thanks be to God.**

New Testament Gospel Reading: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Message

“Seeing Others with the Eyes of God”

Rev. Dr. John Blacklock

### WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

✠Hymn

“Open the Eyes of My Heart”

# 452

✠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 Prodigal”

S. de Ford

✠Prayer of Dedication

✠Doxology

# 606

### Sharing Joys and Concerns

One: Lord, in your mercy.

All: Hear our prayer.

### 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

“Open Your Ears, O Faithful People”

# 453

✠Benediction

✠Choral Blessing “Make Me An Instrument of Thy Peace” from “*Celebrate Life*”

B. Red

(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, Jeremy Duncan, Kalli Hansen, Dani McArter, Nancy Morton, and Bill Tiffany

All lyrics and music notation not in the public domain is reprinted  
with permission under ONE LICENSE # 739076-A. All rights reserved.

8200 Devonshire Drive Dallas, TX | 75209

Office 214-351-3251 [www.wpcd.org](http://www.wpcd.org)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 30, 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

- Mar 31 Dallas Area Parkinson Society/Dance for PD Group at 12:30 PM in Fellowship Hall
- Apr 3 Making Memories - a Caregiver's Morning Out 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM in FH
- Apr 5 Serve breakfast at The Second Chance Café at The Bridge. Meet at church at 7 AM to carpool. Contact Mike Stanley at [mikeatcolbystanley@gmail.com](mailto:mikeatcolbystanley@gmail.com) or (817) 724-7430 if you are interested in volunteering and/or have any questions.
- Apr 6 After Church Fellowship to honor and welcome Tricia Morris as the newly appointed Director of WPPK. She follows Christine Connolly who will retire in May, after 30 years of dedicated service at Westminster!
- Apr 7 Dallas Area Parkinson Society/Dance for PD Group at 12:30 PM in Fellowship Hall
- Apr 17 Making Memories - a Caregiver's Morning Out 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM in FH
- Apr 19 Serve at Austin Street Shelter - Meet at church at 4:00 PM to help load and carpool.

### SERVE AT AUSTIN STREET CENTER

Help prepare and serve dinner for 400+ homeless people on Saturday, April 19. Volunteers, age 10 and above, are needed to serve. Are you able to donate 20 bananas or 3 dozen cookies (store-bought packages are fine), and deliver them to WPC on or before 4/19/25 by 4:00 PM? Those wishing to donate and/or serve can contact Mike Stanley at (817) 724-7430 or [mike@colbystanley.com](mailto:mike@colbystanley.com). We usually meet at the church between 4:00 and 4:30 PM to load up the food and supplies, and the meal is served at the shelter beginning at 6:00 PM.

### 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 [info@makingmemoriesdallas.com](mailto:info@makingmemoriesdallas.com).

## 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 [dans@wpcd.org](mailto: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 10:45 am every Sunday morning. To access the live stream, be sure to “Like” the Westminster Presbyterian Church – Dallas Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas](http://www.facebook.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas). 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/@WestminsterPresbyterianDallas>

### SESSION

*Class of 2025*

Sandra Gilbert

Steve Coffin

*Class of 2026*

Jody Clarke

Bill Tiffany

*Class of 2027*

Diana Maglott

Mike Stanley

Sharon Wright, Clerk

Bill Tiffany, Treasurer

8200 Devonshire Drive Dallas, TX | 75209

Office 214-351-3251 [www.wpcd.org](http://www.wpcd.org)