

Westminster Presbyterian Church

APRIL 21, 2024 10:45 A.M.

WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prelude

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Introit

“Gloria”

A. Ramirez

✠Call to Worship

One: Our good and grace-filled God has called us to worship in Name of Jesus.

All: Our hearts are open to you Lord Jesus. Fill us with your Holy Spirit as we worship and pray.

One: This is the day of God's wonder and grace.

All: May all that is within us bless God's Holy Name. We are your disciples, Lord Jesus. Be with us in the power of your Spirit as we worship. AMEN.

✠Hymn

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

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✠Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy and most merciful God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, give us courage to freely confess our sin and human brokenness. We know that we have fallen short of your glory. For this reason, we pray the ancient prayer “Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.” Give us courage to seek your best for our lives. Remind us that our human pride and arrogance is not enough. You desire truth in our inward being. For this reason, we pray without ceasing: “Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.” We are your children, Lord. Send your Holy Spirit into our lives that we may live for Jesus each day of our lives. 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

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

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Time with Children and Youth

GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

A Responsive Reading from Acts 4:5-13, 18-20

One: The next day the Jewish rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family.

All: When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?”

One: Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

All: “This Jesus is ‘the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.’ There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.”

One: Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and realized that they were uneducated and ordinary men, they were amazed and recognized them as companions of Jesus.

All: So, they called them and ordered them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered them, “Whether it is right in God’s sight to listen to you rather than to God, you must judge; for we cannot keep from speaking about what we have seen and heard.”

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading – I John 3:16-24

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

The Message

“Living Boldly for Jesus”

Rev. Dr. John Blacklock

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

☒Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles’ Creed

(p. 35 in the Hymnal)

☒Doxology

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Announcements

Offering Our Gifts to God

Anthem

“Boldly I Approach”

Rend Collective

Sharing 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 "Living for Jesus" (See Insert)

✠Benediction

✠Choral Blessing "May the Road Rise Up to Meet You" D. Dobrin

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

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SESSION

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 21, 2024

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 at the end of each pew. We'd like to get to know you, whether you are just visiting or looking for a church home.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 23 5:30 PM Session Meeting

Apr 27 10:00 AM Carnival hosted by WPPK Parents Group

Apr 29 12:30 PM Popsicles in the Park for WPPK 2024-25 new families

May 2 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM Making Memories meets in Fellowship Hall

May 4 Serve Breakfast at the Second Chance Café at the Bridge/Stewpot – contact Mike Stanley at (817) 724-7430 or mike@colbystanley.com and plan to meet at church at 7:00 AM.

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.

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 morning of each month. Volunteers usually meet at the church at 7:00 AM, and 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 or mike@colbystanley.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 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. 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>