

Westminster Presbyterian Church

MAY 21, 2023 10:30 A.M.

WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prelude

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Introit

“Enter His Presence”

C. O. Bek

✠Call to Worship

One: We come with unity of heart, soul, and spirit to worship the Risen and Glorified Jesus, the Son of God, the Son of Man.

All: With all that is within us, let us give praise to Jesus, the Risen Lord.

One: What is the chief purpose of every human being?

All: The chief purpose of every human being is to glorify God and to enjoy the presence of God forever. May all that is within us sing praise to our good and grace-filled God. AMEN.

✠Hymn

“At the Name of Jesus

#264

✠Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Let us pray: Holy and most merciful God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we come with humble hearts into your throne of grace. We know that we have sinned and fallen short of your glory. We have not loved you with our whole hearts, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Our prayer is that with the help of your Holy Spirit, you would give us the courage to turn our lives around and to follow in the footsteps of Jesus, your Son. Show us how to live as your disciples in a broken world. 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.

✠The 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

"Majesty"

Jack Hayford (See Insert)

Time with Children and Youth

GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

A Responsive Reading of Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35

One: Let God rise up! Let the enemies of God be scattered.

All: Let those who hate God flee from God's presence.

One: As smoke is driven away, so drive the wicked away from God's presence. As the wax melts before the fire, let the wicked perish before God.

All: But let the righteous be joyful; let them exult before God; let them be jubilant with joy.

One: Sing to God, sing praises to God's name. Lift up a song to God who rides upon the clouds, for God's name is Yahweh. Let us be exultant before God.

All: In God’s holy habitation, God is the Father of orphans and protector of widows. God gives the desolate a home to live in; God leads the prisoners to prosperity, but the rebellious live in a parched land.

One: O God, when you went out before your people when you marched through the wilderness, the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

All: Rain abundance, O God, you showered abroad. You restored your heritage when it languished. Your flock found a dwelling in it. In your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.

One: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the LORD, O rider in the heavens. Listen! God sends out his voice, God’s mighty voice.

All: Ascribe power to God whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies. Awesome is God in God’s sanctuary, the God of Israel. God gives power and strength to God’s people. Blessed be God!

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

New Testament Gospel Reading John 17:1-19

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

The Message

Rev. Dr. John Blacklock

“Jesus is Glorified – We Have Been Given a Mission”

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

✠Hymn “We Are One in the Spirit” #300

✠Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed (p. 35 in the Glory to God Hymnal)

✠The Doxology #606

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 “Veni Sancte Spiritus” Taize

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 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” #12

✠Benediction

✠Choral Blessing “Go Rejoicing” C. O. Bek

Postlude

When our worship is over, our service begins!

Preacher: Rev. Dr. John Blacklock
Worship Leader: Steve Coffin
Music Director/Organist: Duilio Dobrin
Sound Technician: Bill Vilbig
Livestream: Leiza McArter
Cantors: Kalli Hansen, Anna Peebles, 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 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

May 21 Congregational Meeting following the worship service

May 23 Book Club meets on the 4th Tuesday in the Parlor (10:30 AM–Noon). All are welcome! The book we'll be discussing in May is "Curing the Blues with a New Pair of Shoes" by Dixie Cash.

May 23 Session Meeting at 5:30 PM in the Media Room

UPDATE ON PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

There will be a short congregational meeting after worship today to ask for the congregation's approval to dissolve the Pastor Nominating Committee. The WPC Session has voted to pursue a 3-year Part Time Stated Supply Pastor.

SPECIAL OFFERING

The Pentecost Offering helps guide young people in Christian formation from their earliest years to young adulthood. With our gifts, we are here to help build these youngest members of the body of Christ into the people God would have them become. Please consider giving generously to help change the lives of young people and provide opportunities for them to grow and share in their faith in Christ . . . for if we all do a little, it adds up to a lot. (See bulletin insert for additional details.)

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 10:30 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. Even if you are not a registered Facebook “user”, you should be able to access the live stream by clicking the 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/@WestminsterPresbyterianDallas>

SESSION

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