

# Westminster Presbyterian Church

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 23, 2024 10:45 A.M.

## WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prelude

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Introit

“Shabbat Shalom”

D. Dobrin

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

One: Our good and grace-filled God has called us to worship in the Name of Jesus, God's Son, our Lord and Savior.

**All: We worship you, O Lord, with all our hearts and minds. May all that is within us praise your Holy Name.**

One: Let us worship God in the power of the Holy Spirit. May this time of worship and prayer give us courage to seek first the Kingdom and the righteousness of Almighty God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**All: We are your children, Lord God. Give us faith and courage to be your holy people each day of our lives, for Jesus' sake. AMEN.**

✠Hymn

“God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand”

#331

✠Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Holy and most merciful God, with humble hearts we come into your throne room of grace to confess our sin and human brokenness. In thought, word, and deed we have fallen short of your glory. Have mercy on us for the sake of Jesus your Son, and our Lord. Show us ways to grow in faith, hope, and love. Remind us that your Holy Spirit is available to help and guide us into a new way of living. Give us courage to forget what lies behind us and to walk with faith into the future. Our prayer is not only for ourselves, but also for our broken and divided world. Plant the seeds of your forgiving

love in the hearts of all the world's people. Teach us the way of Jesus' self-giving love and may the Peace of God that passes all human understanding grow in our hearts this day 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

**"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"**

(See Insert)

Time with Children and Youth

### GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

A Responsive Reading from Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32, 34-38, 43

One: O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good. God's steadfast love endures forever.

**All: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those God has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.**

One: Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the mighty waters. They saw the deeds of the LORD, God's wondrous works in the deep. For God commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea.

**All: The waves mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths. The sailors' courage melted away in their calamity. They reeled and staggered like drunkards and were at their wits' end.**

One: Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and God brought them out from their distress. God made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed. Then they were glad because they had quiet, and God brought them to their desired haven.

**All: Let them thank the LORD for God's steadfast love, for God's wonderful works to every human being. Let them extol the Lord in the congregation of the people, and praise God in the assembly of the elders.**

One: God turns a desert into pools of water, a parched land into springs of water. And there, God lets the hungry live and they establish a town to live in. The people sow fields and plant vineyards and get a fruitful yield. By God's blessing, they multiply greatly, and God does not let their cattle decrease.

**All: Let those who are wise give heed to these things and consider the steadfast love of the LORD.**

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

The Gospel Reading – Mark 5:21-43

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

The Message

“Biblical Stories of Faith”

Rev. Dr. John Blacklock

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

✠Affirmation of Faith

The Heidelberg Catechism

Question 1

One: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**All: That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death, to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. Jesus has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. Jesus watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven. In fact, all things work together for my salvation. Because I belong to God, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him. Thanks be to God! Amen!**

✠Doxology

#606

Announcements/Minute for Mission

## Offering Our Gifts to God

Anthem

“We Walk By Faith”

L. Larson

## 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

“I Love to Tell the Story”

# 462

✠Benediction (Worship is complete after the Benediction. You are free to exit or stay and enjoy the Postlude music.)

✠Choral Blessing

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

J. Rutter

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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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 23, 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 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

- June 25 10:30 AM Book Club Meets in Parlor – we are reading “A Year of Living Danishly” by Helen Russell. Anyone is welcome!**
- June 25 5:30 PM Session Meeting in Media Room**
- June 26 Family Night on the Lawn (hosted by St. Patrick's)**
- July 4 9:00 AM Devonshire Neighborhood Fourth of July Parade & Gathering**
- July 6 Serve breakfast at The Second Chance Café at The Bridge – meet at church at 7AM**

### FAMILY NIGHT ON THE LAWN

St. Patrick's is hosting a family night on the front lawn on June 26<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 PM. There will be lawn games, fun, fellowship, and a taco truck onsite to provide dinner! All are welcome!

### NORTH DALLAS SHARED MINISTRIES

To support North Dallas Shared Ministries (NDSM), a vital component of our charitable mission, we want to gather food. Food is an important resource NDSM provides to our community on our behalf; however, the demand for food has skyrocketed – NDSM now feeds an average of 133 households four days a week and 145 seniors on Fridays. To see if a lot of small sacrifices will make a difference, we'd like our congregation to join their Gleaning Initiative. (Glean – to collect gradually and bit by bit). There are collection boxes in the Narthex and in the Fellowship Hall where you can place non-perishable foods that you'd like to donate, and we will see that it gets delivered to the right place.

### 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).

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Adult Sunday School class meets at 9:30 on Sunday mornings in the Parlor. The topic for the next several months helps us deal with stress in a Biblical way. We are studying a book by June Hunt called "Handling Stress - A Bible Study." Please feel free to join us!

## 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

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