

Westminster Presbyterian Church

FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 21, 2021

11:00 a.m.



"Drawn to Love," by Hannah Garrity. Paper lace. Inspired by John 12:20-33.

WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prelude      O Sacred Head Now Wounded

Michael Burkhardt

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

✠Please stand as you are able.

✠Call to Worship

Leader: Every week is a new week; another chance to say:

People: "Here I am. Use me."

Leader: Every day is a new day; another chance to say:

People: "Thank you for yesterday. Thank you for tomorrow."

Leader: Every hour is a new hour; another chance to say,

People: "Again and again, make me new."

Leader: We do not come to this place to stay the same.

People: We come to this place to be changed.

Leader: So let us worship holy God, who created yesterday,  
will create tomorrow, and even now is creating something new.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

✠Hymn How Firm A Foundation

FOUNDATION



1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,  
3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
4 "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,



is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!  
for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;  
my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;  
I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;



What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,



to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

✠Opening Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, We want to see you.

We want to be known as the people who looked for Jesus;

But not only that, we want to be people who have your covenant written on our hearts.

Why do we feel so far away from that at times?

What went wrong? Where did we lose our way?

Could you, would you, once again, write on our fragile hearts?

We would be so grateful. Amen.

*(time for silent confession)*

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Children of God, believe the good news!  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

John 12:20-33

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

✠Anthem Cantate Domino

Pitoni-Greyson

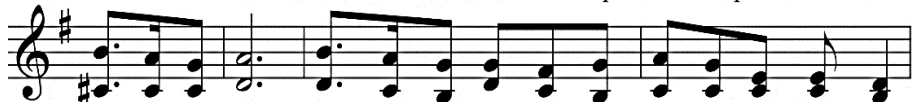
Time for Personal Reflection, Prayer, and Giving

Prayer Meditation Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

SOFTLY AND TENDERLY



1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for  
2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for  
3 O for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for



you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,  
you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,  
you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,



watch - ing for you and for me. *Retrain*  
mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!  
par - don for you and for me. "Come home, come home!



You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,



Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

✠Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

...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 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

IN BABILONE



1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness  
2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures



of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,  
of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal



which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's  
is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more



sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place  
faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -



where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

## ✠Benediction

### Postlude Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain

Brukhardt

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*When our worship is over, our service begins*

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**MARCH 21, 2020**

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Pastor:	Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell	Sound Technician:	Bill Vilbig
Worship Leader:	Mike Stanley	Livestream:	Leiza McArter
Interim Music Director:	Anna Peeples		Dexter Colorado
Interim Organist:	Seth Luna		

**SUNDAY SCHOOL – NEW ZOOM LINK!**

Sunday school has resumed on ZOOM using videos from <http://www.theacademy.com/>. Class is held every Sunday from 9:30-10:30am. If you would like to attend this class, you can join on zoom using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81600004372?pwd=ajlvNWFGMG0zR3O5YWZtdzZWLzlrUT09>. If you would like to join by phone, call 1-346-248-7799. The meeting ID is 816 0000 4372. The passcode is 387372.

**BUILDING RENOVATION PLANNING TASK FORCE**

The flood resulting from the burst pipe during the winter storm significantly damaged all the rooms in the south wing of the building (chapel, nursery, parlor, library, hallway, etc). At its meeting on February 23, the Session authorized the creation of a task force to plan a major renovation to re-imagine and transform this space. If you are interested in serving on this task force, please contact the church office (214-351-3251).

**STEWPOD - DONATION REQUEST**

The Stewpot, one of our local mission partners, is in need of new kids' underwear (sizes 2T - 7) and new kids' socks. You can drop off the items in the wood box by the church office at WPC. If you have difficulty finding the box, or have questions, please call or text Mike Stanley at 817-724-7430. Thank you for your support!

**BOOK CLUB**

Book Club will meet on Tuesday, March 23 in the Parlor to discuss *Clock Dance* by Anne Tyler. The group gathers at 10:45 am for fellowship. Book discussion begins at 11:00 am. Masks and social distancing required.

**LIBRARY BOOKS**

The water damage in the south wing required removing the carpet and books from the library. Many of the books will be given away to anyone who would enjoy them. If you would like to see what is available, please call the church office (214-351-3251). They will be in the sanctuary on Sunday before and after worship.

**ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE**

Westminster welcomes your continued support. Checks can be sent to Westminster Presbyterian Church, 8200 Devonshire Dr, Dallas, TX 75209 or give online through Venmo (our username is West-Presby). If you have questions or need help, contact Dan Stoyak in the business office [dans@wpcd.org](mailto:dans@wpcd.org) or 214-351-3251.

**OUTDOOR WORSHIP UNDER THE OAKS**

Mark your calendar for our next outdoor "Worship Under the Oaks", Easter Sunday, April 4 at 11:00am. Masking and social distancing required. Chairs will be provided, but you are also welcome to bring your own lawn chair or picnic blanket.

## ONLINE WORSHIP INFORMATION

Worship at Westminster is broadcast live on Facebook directly from the WPC sanctuary beginning at 11am every Sunday morning. To access the livestream, be sure to "Like" the Westminster Presbyterian Church - Dallas Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas](http://www.facebook.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas). Even if you are not a registered Facebook "user," you should be able to access the live stream by clicking that 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/channel/UC2YYEjyOBjYTxzSzEwiTw>.

## FACEBOOK PAGE AND GROUP

Westminster has a Page and a Group on Facebook. The Group name is "WPCD Church Family Group," while the Page is "Westminster Presbyterian Church - Dallas." The Page is public:

<https://www.facebook.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas/> This is where you can stream the worship service and get other important news and announcements. The Group is private, and you must request to be admitted: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/wpcdallas/> This is where we will share prayer requests, conversations about our church identity and mission, and other "private" matters. Join us today!

## SESSION

<i>Class of 2021</i>	<i>Class of 2022</i>	<i>Class of 2023</i>
Robin Bradford	Steve Coffin	Jody Clarke
Nancy Morton	George Edwards	David McAllister

Sharon Wright, Clerk  
George Edwards, Treasurer

## TRUSTEES

<i>Class of 2021</i>	<i>Class of 2022</i>	<i>Class of 2023</i>
Robert Cammack	Susan Edwards	Cheryl Bradford
Will Frazier	Carol Powers	Danielle Tsai

## FOUNDATION BOARD

<i>Class of 2021</i>	<i>Class of 2022</i>	<i>Class of 2023</i>
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