

Westminster Presbyterian Church

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 22, 2022

10:30 A.M.



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WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Prelude Sonatina from BWV 106

J.S. Bach, arr. Alexandre Guilmant

✠Call to Worship

(Psalm 67, adapted)

One: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make God's face to shine upon us,

All: Let your way may be known upon earth; your saving power among all nations.

One: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

All: Let all the peoples praise you.

One: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

**All: for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.**

One: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

All: Let all the peoples praise you.

One: The earth has yielded its increase;

All: The Lord, our God, has blessed us.

One: May God continue to bless us;

All: Let all the ends of the earth revere the Lord.

✠Please stand as you are able.

✠Hymn 619 Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA



1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; glad of heart your
 2 Praise God for the grace and fa - vor shown our fore-bears
 3 Like a lov - ing par - ent car - ing, God knows well our
 4 An - gels, teach us ad - o - ra - tion; you be - hold God



car - ols raise; ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,
 in dis - tress; God is still the same for - ev - er,
 fee - ble frame, glad - ly all our bur - dens bear - ing,
 face to face. Sun and moon and all cre - a - tion,



who, like me, should sing God's praise? Al - le - lu - ia!
 slow to chide, and swift to bless. Al - le - lu - ia!
 still to count-less years the same. Al - le - lu - ia!
 dwell - ers all in time and space: Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the Mak - er all your days!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing our Mak - er's faith - ful - ness!
 Al - le - lu - ia! All with - in me, praise God's name!
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace!

✠Opening Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God,
 in your gracious presence
 we confess our sin and the sin of this world.
 Although Christ is among us as our peace,
 we are a people divided against ourselves
 as we cling to the values of a broken world.
 The profit and pleasures we pursue
 lay waste the land and pollute the seas.
 The fears and jealousies that we harbor
 set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation.
 We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom,
 of intellect and reason,
 and have turned them into bonds of oppression.
 Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us.
 Set us free to serve you in the world
 as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

(time for 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 Be Not Afraid (hymn 243)

BE NOT AFRAID

Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

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GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Isaiah 60:1, 11-22

One: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Revelation 21:10, 21:22-22:5

One: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Message

Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

✠Hymn 774 There Is Now a New Creation

STUTT GART

- 1 There is now a new cre - a - tion through the grace of Je - sus Christ,
- 2 Call the lost and found to - geth - er; tell the news to ev - ery - one:
- 3 Wrap the prod - i - gal in wel - come; run to greet the way - ward child.
- 4 Come and join the cel - e - bra - tion; come and join this hap - py feast;
- 5 There is now a new cre - a - tion through the grace of Je - sus Christ.



peace and rec - on - cil - i - a - tion with the God of end - less life.
 now the past is gone for - ev - er and a new life has be - gun.
 All is fin - ished and for - giv - en; let us now be rec - on - ciled.
 Je - sus makes an in - vi - ta - tion to the great - est and the least.
 Sing, with thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, to the God of end - less life!

Affirmation of Faith

John 14:25-27

Jesus said:

I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

Opportunities for Mission and Ministry

Offering Our Gifts to God

Give through Venmo @West-

Presby

Offertory Anthem

Since By Man Came Death, Messiah

G.F. Handel

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers 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 852 When the Lord Redeems the Very Least

I'LL FLY AWAY



1 When the Lord re - deems the ver - y least,
 2 When the Lord re - stores the sick and weak, we will re -
 3 When the Lord re - vives the world from death, we will re-joyce, will re -
 4 When the Lord re - turns in vic - to - ry,



joyce.
 joyce, will re-joyce. When the hun - gry gath - er for the feast,
 When the earth is giv - en to the meek,
 When the word of God fills ev - ery breath,
 When we live in glo - rious lib - er - ty,

Refrain

we will re-joyce. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce, will re-joyce. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce with glad-ness. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce with glad-ness. All our days we'll sing to God in praise. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce, will re-joyce!

✘Benediction

✘Sung Response Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow OLD HUNDREDTH
 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
 Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Postlude Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing arr. by Gilbert M. Martin

When our worship is over, our service begins

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP LEADERS

Guest Preacher:	Rev. Alex Lee- Cornell	Sound Technician:	Bill Vilbig
Worship Leader:	Sharon Wright	Livestream:	Leiza McArter
Music Director/Organist:	Seth Luna		Dexter Colorado

WELCOME VISITORS

We welcome you to our family of faith! After worship, join us in Fellowship Hall for friendship and conversation. We'd like to get to know you, whether you are just visiting or looking for a church home.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY

Following worship, there will be a congregational meeting to receive a report from the 2022 officer nominating committee and to elect elders to be installed on Session for the class of 2025. There will also be an opportunity to review and respond to the recently completed full Mission Study.

REV. DICK SELBY PREACHING NEXT WEEK

Beginning this afternoon, pastor Alex will be out of the office taking a week of continuing education to write an article for the PC(USA) Call to Worship journal. In the event of a pastoral emergency, he can be reached on his cell phone, 972-998-3740. Rev. Dick Selby will join us to preach and lead worship on Sunday May 29.

MISSION STUDY AVAILABLE!

Last June, the Mission Study team completed most of their work and released the conclusions of their study, with an online link to the rest of the data. The full form of the study, as a single, published document, is now available and has been approved by Session and sent to Grace presbytery (it is 110 pages long total, with appendix, or 47 pages excluding the appendix). It can be sent to you via email, or you can request a printed copy from the church office. Thank you to our Mission Study Team! Sharon Wright, Jody Clarke, Cheryl Bradford, Ann McCullough, Dexter Colorado, and Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell, with help from Will Frazier and Walter Cowger!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us for Adult Sunday School at 9:15 in the new classroom or to join by Zoom:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81600004372?pwd=ajlvNWFGMG0zR3Q5YWZtdzZWLzlrUT09>

MISSION PARTNER "FIELD TRIPS"

Before Pastor Alex finishes his work at Westminster on July 31, he is scheduling group visits to our local mission partners to learn more about their work and its impact. If you are interested in being part of a visit to any of our mission partners (Austin Street, The Stewpot, The Bridge, Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services, City Square, North Dallas Shared Ministries, Austin Street Center, or the Visiting Nurses Association), please contact the church office.

PEDALHEADS – FOR NEW BIKE RIDERS

Throughout the summer, Westminster will host Pedalheads summer day camp in the southwest parking lot. Pedalheads is a learn-to-ride bike program for kids ages 3-10 best known for helping kids get off training wheels and safely ride on the road. Kids get lots of time on their bikes learning and playing games, navigating obstacle courses, and challenging themselves with a variety of activities in a safe environment. We use only positive reinforcement with our kids to promote their health, well-being, and development. Kids who experience our program report feeling "braver and gooder at biking" and say they like us more than candy, school, and story time! To find out more or register, please visit us at: <https://www.pedalheads.com/>

ADULT CAREGIVERS' DAY OUT – NEW MINISTRY FORMING

In partnership with our neighbors in Devonshire, Westminster is beginning initial plans to launch a "Caregivers Day Out" program at the church. The program's goal is twofold: first, to provide adults with early-stage Alzheimer's or related dementias a regular opportunity for socialization, exercise, music, and other brain-stimulating activities in a safe and comfortable environment; and second, to offer their caregivers much-needed time to attend to their own needs with the assurance that their loved one is safe and cared for. The program will launch this Spring on Thursdays—more details to come. If you or a loved one is interested in participating or serving as a volunteer, please contact the church office!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 23-29 - Alex out on continuing education
- May 26 - May Session Meeting - 12pm-1pm, Zoom
- May 29 - Guest preacher, Rev. Dick Selby (pastor Alex out for continuing education)
- May 30 - Memorial Day; church offices closed
- May 31 - Pedalheads Summer Camp begins (8:30a-3:30pm, M-F, through Aug. 12)
- June 5 - Pentecost worship with communion
- July 10 - Pastor Alex on vacation; guest preacher
- July 17 - Pastor Alex on vacation; guest preacher TBD
- July 31 - Pastor Alex's last Sunday at WPC.

DOG PARK COFFEE

Every 2nd and 4th Saturday, WPC serves coffee in the Westminster Dog Park from 9-10:30 am. It's a great way to welcome guests to our campus. To volunteer, contact Mike Stanley (mike@colbystanley.com).

MUSIC MINISTRY

The Westminster Choir is back to its normal schedule. Rehearsals are held most Wednesday at 7 pm. Need help learning how to sing? We will teach you. Contact Seth Luna at sethl@wpcd.org.

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, (last 4 digits 5290). Please note, 2021 pledges must be postmarked by December 31, 2021. If you have questions or need help, contact Dan Stoyak in the business office 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 10:30am every Sunday morning. To access the livestream, 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 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>

SESSION

<i>Class of 2022</i>	<i>Class of 2023</i>	<i>Class of 2024</i>	Sharon Wright, Clerk
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