

# Westminster Presbyterian Church

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 29, 2022

10:30 A.M.

## WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Prelude Diapason Movement

John Keeble, 18C

### ✠Call to Worship

From Psalm 96, NRSV

One: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

All: **Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.**

One: Let us worship God.

### ✠Hymn 268 Crown Him With Many Crowns

DIADEMATA



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;  
2 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,  
3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scep - ter sways  
4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time;



hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!  
rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:  
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.  
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,  
His reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet  
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
but down - ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
fair flowers of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.  
thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

### ✠Opening Prayer

From the *Book of Common Worship*

✠Please stand as you are able.

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, the trouble with us—but you already know this—is that we put other concerns before our relationship to you. Work comes first. Family comes first. We come first. Even unimportant things in our lives come before you. But you are gracious and ready to forgive us. Lord, have mercy on us, for not putting you first. Forgive our sin. Restore us to a right relationship with you. We pray through Christ our Lord.

*(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

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

From the *Book of Common Worship*

First Reading

Acts 16:16-34

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

Second Reading

John 17:20-26

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

Message Unity: A Gift to Behold

Rev. Dr. Richard W. Selby

## 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

Based on Philippians 2

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

Opportunities for Mission and Ministry

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Anthem      Lo, I Am With You

Give through Venmo @West-Presby

John L. Bell

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 260 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

HYFRYDOL



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter, his the  
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in sor - row  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of an - gels, here on earth our food, our  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o - tent we



throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to -  
now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be - lies nor  
stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to you from  
own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your foot - stool,



ry a - lone! Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on  
ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him,  
day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners,  
heaven your throne. As with - in the veil you en - tered,



thun - der like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of  
when the for - ty days were o'er, shall our hearts for -  
earth's re - deem - er, hear our plea where the songs of  
robed in flesh, our great high priest; here on earth both



ev - ery na - tion has re - deemed us by his blood."  
get his prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
priest and vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

✠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 Postlude on "Joyful, Joyful"

arr. by Brenda Portman

*When our worship is over, our service begins*

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Guest Preacher:	Rev. Dr. Richard W. Selby	Sound Technician:	Bill Vilbig
Worship Leader:	Bill Tiffany	Livestream:	Leiza McArter
Music Director/Organist:	Seth Luna		Dexter Colorado

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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.

### REV. DICK SELBY PREACHING TODAY

Today we welcome Rev. Dr. Richard Selby as our guest preacher. Dick is a minister member of Grace Presbytery, Honorably Retired. He most recently served churches in Lancaster and Farmers Branch. These days, Dick is a regular volunteer in the food pantry at Metrocrest Services. He is married to Beverly. Welcome Dick!

### MEMORIAL DAY

In celebration of the Memorial Day, the church will be closed Monday, May 30. Have a safe and happy holiday.

### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – JUNE 5

A Congregational meeting will be held after worship (at 11:35) on Sunday, June 5th for the purpose of electing our Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC). The purpose of the PNC is to find an Installed Pastor for us. Our Office Nominating Committee (Bob Knothe, Dave McAllister and Cheryl Bradford) will nominate five members of the congregation for this task. We will also hear nominations from the floor. There will also be ample opportunity to answer any questions about the Mission Study Report and our plans for filling the pulpit after Alex's departure and before our new minister can be installed.

### GUITAR SOCIETY CONCERT SERIES

Westminster is excited to partner with The Allegro Guitar Society to host four classical guitar concerts this Spring. The next concert will feature Bach, Brazil, and The Beatles – Christopher McGuire and Friends, and is scheduled for 2:30pm Saturday, June 4. Please visit [www.guitarsociety.org](http://www.guitarsociety.org) for more information!

### 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, has been approved by Session and sent to Grace Presbytery. 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=ajlvNWFGMG0zR3Q5YWZtdzZWZlZrUT09>

### 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.

### 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](mailto:sethl@wpcd.org).

## 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!

## DOG PARK COFFEE

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:mike@colbystanley.com)).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 31 - Pedalheads Summer Camp begins (8:30a-3:30pm, M-F, through Aug. 12)
- June 5 - Congregational Meeting, Pentecost worship with communion
- July 10 - Pastor Alex on vacation; guest preacher TBD
- July 17 - Pastor Alex on vacation; guest preacher TBD
- July 31 - Pastor Alex's last Sunday at WPC

## 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](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 10:30am every Sunday morning. To access the livestream, be sure to "Like" the Westminster Presbyterian Church - Dallas Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas](https://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/UC2YYEjyOBjYTxy\\_zSzEwiTw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2YYEjyOBjYTxy_zSzEwiTw)

### SESSION

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