

# Westminster Presbyterian Church

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 3, 2022

10:30 A.M.



Early Christian portrayal of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the fiery furnace.  
From the Catacombs of Priscilla, Rome, Italy. Late 3rd century / Early 4th century.  
[https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Fiery\\_furnace\\_01.jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Fiery_furnace_01.jpg)

## WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Prelude Allegretto Cantabile, No. 50 *Sixty Short Pieces*

Flor Peeters

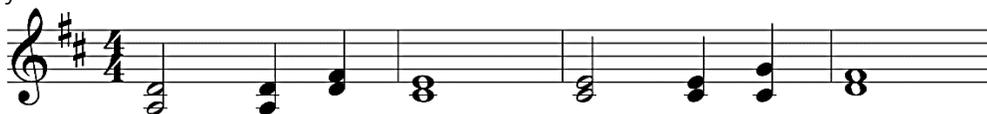
✠ Call to Worship

(Psalm 34)

One: Bless the Lord at all times;  
All: **Let us continually sing God's praise.**  
One: Magnify the Lord, our God;  
All: **Let us exalt God's name together.**  
One: Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
All: **Happy are all whose refuge is God.**

✠ Hymn 658 God Is So Good

GOD IS SO GOOD



1	God	is	so	good;	God	is	so	good;
2	God	cares	for	me;	God	cares	for	me;
3	God	loves	me	so;	God	loves	me	so;
4	God	is	so	good;	God	is	so	good;



God is so good; God's so good to me.  
God cares for me; God's so good to me.  
God loves me so; God's so good to me.  
God is so good; God's so good to me.

### Opening Prayer

### Prayer of Confession

Holy and merciful God, In your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know the ways in which we have fallen short, wandered from your ways, wasted your gifts, and forgotten your love. By your mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

*(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 Open the Eyes of My Heart (Hymn 452)

OPEN THE EYES



O-pen the eyes of my heart, Lord. O-pen the eyes of my heart;



I want to see you; I want to see you;



to see you high and lift - ed up,



shin-ing in the light of your glo - ry. Pour out your



pow-er and love as we sing "Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly."

# GOD'S WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Daniel 3:1-30

One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word

All: Thanks be to God.

Message

Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

✠Hymn 340 This Is My Song

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1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,  
2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,  
3 This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king - doms:



a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.  
and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.  
thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.



This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;  
But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,  
Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,



here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;  
and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.  
and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.



but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing  
So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,  
So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions:



with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.  
a song of peace for their land and for mine.  
my - self I give thee; let thy will be done.

✠Affirmation of Faith

PCUSA Brief Statement of Faith, lines 1-6

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

Opportunities for Mission and Ministry

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving and Intercessions

One: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise**

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.

Time for Communion, Prayer, and Offering

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Music During Communion Feed Us, Lord (Hymn 501)

Feed Us

Prayer After Communion

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE BEAR GOD’S WORD INTO THE WORLD

✠Hymn 8 Eternal Father, Strong to Save

MELITA



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the  
2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -  
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who did brood up - on the cha - os  
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and power, all trav - elers guard in



rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its  
mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and  
wild and rude, and bade its an - gry tu - mult cease, and  
dan - ger’s hour; from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we  
 calm a - mid its rage did sleep: O hear us when we  
 gave, for fierce con - fu - sion, peace: O hear us when we  
 tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
 cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.  
 rise to thee glad praise from air and land and sea.

✠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 Toccata Flor Peeters

*When our worship is over, our service begins*

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Preacher:	Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell	Sound Technician:	Bill Vilbig
Worship Leader:	Audrey Weynand	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.

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

In celebration of Independence Day and a belated Juneteenth Holiday, the church office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday July 4-5. Have a safe and happy holiday!

**SERMON SERIES**

This summer, pastor Alex will be leading us in worship as we explore "Provocative Texts from the Hebrew Bible". Each week the sermon will present passages and stories from the Old Testament that are often strange, entertaining, and morally ambiguous, which pastor Alex will help us explore for the sake of humor, historical, and cultural significance, and eventually, God's presence and grace. See you in the sanctuary at 10:30am!

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**

The Adult Sunday School Class now meets in the new Parlor at 9:30am, where we are set up to hear disks from "The Learning Source". Various selections relate to different books in the New Testament. This week's topic will be Paul's letter to the Galatians. No zoom link will be available until class resumes in September. Come join us this summer for air conditioning and coffee.

## **ADULT CAREGIVERS' DAY OUT**

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 happen roughly once a month on Thursdays, beginning June 30, from 9:30am-12:30pm. If you or a loved one is interested in participating or serving as a volunteer, please contact the church office!

## **NORTH DALLAS SHARED MINISTRIES**

NDSM is in need of travel size mosquito spray. If you would like to donate to those in need, you may drop them in the collection box in the front of the office doors or put them on the stage. All donations will be delivered weekly. Questions? Call the office 214-351-3251. Thank you!

## **CHURCH WORKDAY**

Join us for a workday Saturday, July 9 from 8am-12pm. Tasks include cleaning closets, arranging shelves and hanging artwork. Many indoor tasks to stay out of the heat! Thanks for your help!

## **MUSIC MINISTRY**

The Westminster Choir is back to its normal schedule. Rehearsals are held most Wednesday at 7:00pm. Need help learning how to sing? We will teach you. Contact Seth Luna at [sethl@wpcd.org](mailto:sethl@wpcd.org).

## **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.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

July 4-5 - Church Office Closed

July 9 - Church Work Day

July 17 - Pastor Alex on vacation; guest preacher Neil Moseley, Church Cartographers

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/UC2YYEjyOBjYTxzSzEwiTw>

**SESSION**

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