

Westminster Presbyterian Church
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 29, 2021
11:00 A.M.



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WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Westminster Chimes

Words of Welcome

Prelude Nun lob, mein Seel, den Herren (*Praise Now, My Soul, the Lord*) Georg Friedrich Kauffmann
Shea Kells-Murphy, *Horn*

✠Call to Worship

One: Look to the mountains; look to the hills!

All: **Love comes to us with joy!**

One: The world is filled with beauty.

All: **Flowers appear on the earth; birdsong brightens the day.**

One: Crops yield their produce in abundance; the air is filled with sweetness.

All: **The summer of God's love is with us.**

One: Let the oil of gladness anoint your souls.

All: **Arise and sing for joy!**

✠Please stand as you are able.

✠Hymn 37 Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE



1 Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks-giv - ing
2 By law God en - forc - es, the stars in their cours - es,



to God our Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise;
the sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine;



who fash - ioned and made us, pro - tect - ed and stayed us,
the hills and the moun - tains, the riv - ers and foun - tains,



by guid - ing us on to the end of our days.
the depths of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine.



God's ban - ners are o'er us; pure light goes be - fore us,
We too should be voic - ing our love and re - joic - ing;



a pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night:
with glad ad - o - ra - tion, a song let us raise,



till shad - ows have van - ished, all fear - ful - ness ban - ished,
till all things now liv - ing u - nite in thanks - giv - ing:



as for - ward we trav - el from light in - to light.
to God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise!

✠Prayer of the Day

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Message Sermon Content NSFW (Not Safe For Worship)

Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

✠Hymn 27 Sacred the Body

TENDERNESS



1 Sa - cred the bod - y God has cre - at - ed,
 2 Bod - ies are var - ied, made in all siz - es,
 3 Love re - spects per - sons, bod - ies and bound - aries.
 4 Ho - ly of ho - lies, God ev - er lov - ing,

(C) (D7) (G) (Am7) (Dsus) (D)
 Eb F7 Bb Cm7 Fsus F



tem - ple of Spir - it that dwells deep in - side.
 pale, full of col - or; both frag - ile and strong.
 Love does not bat - ter, ne - glect, or a - buse.
 make us your tem - ples; in - dwell all we do.

(G) (Dsus) (D) (Em) (Bsus) (Bm)
 Bb Fsus F Gm Dsus Dm



Cher - ish each per - son; nur - ture re - la - tion.
 Ho - ly the dif - ference, gift of the Mak - er,
 Love touch - es gent - ly, nev - er co - erc - ing.
 May we be care - ful, ten - der and car - ing,

(C) (G) (Em) (Am7) (D) (G) (G)
 Eb Bb Gm Cm7 F Bb Bb



Treat flesh as ho - ly, that love may a - bide.
 so let us hon - or each sto - ry and song.
 Love leaves the oth - er with pow - er to choose.
 so may our bod - ies give hon - or to you.

✘Affirmation of Faith

*Pornography: Far from the Song of Songs** (1989), Sect. I, Introduction

We affirm:

that God is the source of human dignity; the created goodness of the human body;
 the inherent goodness of naked flesh in all of its infinite forms, colors and conditions;
 that human beings were created with the possibility for ultimate acts of celebration
 and joy in sexuality;
 that God calls human beings to positive expressions of mutual affirmation and commitment,
 especially as typified in the calling to faithful, respectful marital and family relationships;
 that the historic pattern of dominance and subjugation in human relationships is a
 distortion of God's intended creation;
 that images and portrayals of sexual behavior are not in themselves evil or offensive;
 that God's gift of sexual pleasure is fulfilled in acts of human love and mutual respect;
 that God demands sexual responsibility, balancing love for the self and love for the other;
 that God calls us to promote the dignity of all persons and to confront the circumstances
 in society that negate the integrity of human life;
 the Christian calling to love across all the boundaries of human limitation, modeling our
 relationships after God's covenant with us and the example of Jesus Christ;

Opportunities for Mission and Ministry

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Offering Our Gifts to God

Give through Venmo @West-Presby

Offertory Anthem

Schmucke dich, o liebe Seele (*Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness*)

J.S. Bach

Abigail Hawthorne, Oboe

✘Doxology

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.

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

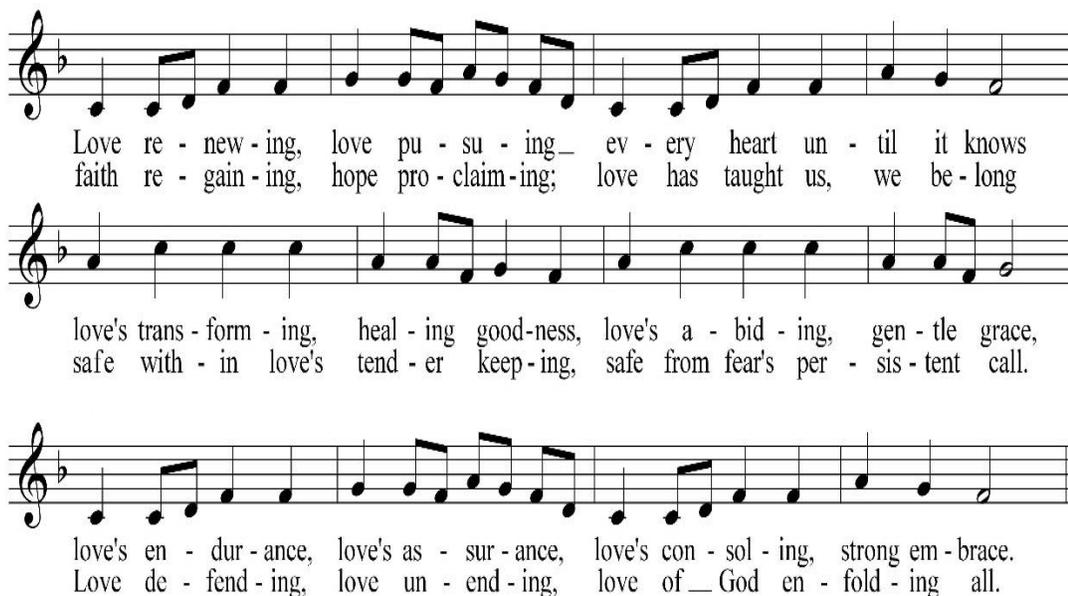
✘Hymn

Love Astounding, Love Confounding

HOLY MANA



Love a - stoun-ding, love con - found-ing lim - its__ fear - ful minds im - pose.
 Love re - ceiv - ing, love be - liev - ing, we re - joice with thanks and song,



Love re - new - ing, love pu - su - ing, ev - ery heart un - til it knows
 faith re - gain - ing, hope pro - claim - ing; love has taught us, we be - long

love's trans - form - ing, heal - ing good - ness, love's a - bid - ing, gen - tle grace,
 safe with - in love's tend - er keep - ing, safe from fear's per - sis - tent call.

love's en - dur - ance, love's as - sur - ance, love's con - sol - ing, strong em - brace.
 Love de - fend - ing, love un - end - ing, love of God en - fold - ing all.

✠Benediction

Postlude Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan (*What God Ordains Is Always Good*)
 Abigail Hawthorne, Oboe

J.S. Bach

**This morning's Affirmation of Faith is adapted from the introduction of a study report on pornography that was prepared by the Council on Women and the Church and adopted by the 1988 Presbyterian Church (USA) General Assembly. The full report is available at www.presbyterianmission.org/wp-content/uploads/6-pornography-far-from-song-of-songs-1988.pdf.*

When our worship is over, our service begins

WORSHIP LEADERS

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

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

WELCOME VISITORS

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

HYMNS TODAY

During the summer months, our full chancel choir takes a break. Individual choir members and cantors take turns leading hymns in worship. Thank you, Shea Kells-Murphy and Abigail Hawthorne for being our guest instrumentalists.

WORSHIP UNDER THE OAKS RETURNS! SEPT. 12, 10:00AM WITH BLESSING OF BACKPACKS, RENOVATION SNEAK PEAK

On September 12 we will have our first outdoor worship service for the fall. Worship will begin at **10:00am**. This will be a very special service as we honor the incoming WPPK Kindergartners and present them with their bibles at the *beginning* of their semester! Worship will also include "Blessing of the Backpacks" for all students and teachers and recognition of the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks. Finally, after worship, the south wing will be open for a "sneak peak," as the renovation will be *mostly* complete!

ALL CHURCH WORKDAY – SEPTEMBER 11

We hope everyone will join us for an all-church workday on Saturday, September 11, beginning at 8am and ending in the early afternoon. McCaslin Hill anticipates being done with their work in the south wing by September 10. The purpose of this workday will be to unpack the storage unit, move in furniture and other materials for both the church and school, and prepare for outdoor worship the following day. Food will be provided!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Sunday school is on a brief hiatus until the fall. This Sunday Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell and Music Director Seth Luna will lead "Worship 101" in the sanctuary beginning at 10:30am. This will include information, discussion, and Q&A about the scripture, worship elements, themes, and music for that day's service, so we can all gain a deeper understanding for *why* we worship the way we do! See you at 10:30am in the sanctuary!

WHAT'S YOUR MASK POLICY?

In accordance with the guidance of the CDC and our local leaders, and in line with Christ's concern for the most vulnerable, we kindly ask *everyone*, regardless of vaccination status, to wear a face covering over the nose and mouth while in common areas of the church (sanctuary, hallways, fellowship hall, meeting rooms). Remember, all services are streamed live on Facebook (see below) as an alternative to coming in-person.

SUPPORT OUR MISSION PROJECTS

Westminster has long been generous supporters of North Dallas Shared Ministries (non-perishables) and Austin Street Center (hygiene items). These donations can be left in the fellowship hall with a label to direct them to the proper agency, or you are also encouraged to bring donations to worship to place on the communion table during the time for offering. After worship, we will make sure they are delivered.

RENOVATION UPDATE

The final form of the south wing is beginning to take shape! Progress last week includes the following: painting throughout the south wing, installation of cabinetry; lighting; the cable drops have been completed. This week, flooring is being installed, along with more finishing touches with cabinetry and paint. We also have a projected end date: the project should be completed by September 10!

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). 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 11am 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>

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