

# WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 9, 2020

11:00 a.m.

### WE GATHER TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE *Symphonie Gothique: II. Andante sostenuto*

Charles-Marie Widor

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

#### ✠CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: As followers of Jesus Christ we have come to worship God in Jesus' name.

**People: With all our hearts we give praise to God, the Creator and the Redeemer of all the heavens and the earth.**

Leader: You have loved us Lord. You have loved us so much that you have sent Your Son Jesus to show us what self-giving love is all about. Reveal Your wisdom to us as we worship in spirit and in truth.

**People: May our hearts be open to the heart of God. May our eyes look with expectation for the presence of the Holy Spirit. May our ears be open to the Word of God as we gather for worship in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

✠HYMN *When Peace Like a River*

VILLE DU HAVRE

1 When peace like a riv - er at - tend - eth my way, when  
2 Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let  
3 He lives: O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought. My  
4 Lord, has - ten the day when our faith shall be sight, the

sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll, what - ev - er my lot, thou hast  
this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, that Christ hath re - gard - ed my  
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I  
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trum - pet shall sound and the

taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.  
 help - less es - tate, and hath shed his own blood for my soul.  
 bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
 Lord shall de - scend; e - ven so it is well with my soul.

*Refrain*

It is well with my soul;  
 It is well with my soul;

it is well; it is well with my soul.

✠OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Most merciful God,  
 we confess that we have fallen short of your glory  
 in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone.  
 We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
 We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
 have mercy on us and forgive us;  
 that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,  
 to the glory of your Holy Name.  
 Amen.**

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

1 Kings 19:9-18

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

#### GOSPEL READING

Matthew 14:22-23

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

#### SERMON

Hearing the Lord in the Storms of Life

Rev. John Blacklock

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

#### ANTHEM

Be Still My Soul  
Anna Peeples, Soprano

Ruth Elaine Schram

*God is our refuge, God is our strength;  
A help when our troubled hearts are in need.  
God is our refuge, God is our strength;  
so we will not be afraid.*

*Be still and know that I am God,  
through the mountains may fall to the heart of the sea;  
though the earth may give way,  
though its waters may roar, its mountains may quake,  
be still and know.*

*Nations may falter, kingdoms may fall,  
but Almighty God is our fortress.  
God is our refuge, God is our strength;  
so we will not be afraid.*

*Be still and know that I am God,  
though the mountains may fall to the heart of the sea;  
though the earth may give way,  
though its waters may roar, its mountains may quake,  
be still and know.*

*Come, see the works of the Lord!  
Be still and know that I am God,  
Though the mountains may fall to the heart of the sea;  
though the earth may give way,  
though the waters may roar, its mountains may quake,  
be still and know.*

—adapted from Psalm 46

TIME FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION, PRAYER, AND GIVING

Prayer Meditation There is a Longing in Our Hearts

LONGING

There is a long-ing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to re - veal your - self to us.---

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There is a long-ing in our hearts for love we on-ly find in you, our God.

17 *Verse*

For heal - ing, for whole - ness, for new life: hear our prayer.---

25 *to Refrain*

In sick - ness, in death: be near; hear our prayer, O God.

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 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM

*Leader or All*

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo-ple's pain.  
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who  
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will  
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin-est

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.  
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

*Refrain* *All* G C G D G C G D G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

✠BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Prelude in G-major, BWV 541.1

J. S. Bach

*When our worship is over, our service begins*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

Pastor:	Rev. John Blacklock	Cantor:	Anna Peeples
Reader:	Robin Bradford	Video Technician:	Leiza McArter
Organist:	Grady Coyle	Bulletin:	Emily Crump

**WELCOME TO THE PULPIT**

Today we welcome Rev. Dr. John Blacklock. Rev. Blacklock has been a Presbyterian Pastor since 1978 in Missouri and Texas. John attended UT Austin, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary and Fuller Seminary in Pasadena, CA. John has been married to his wife Helen for 40 years and have 6 children living in McKinney, Austin, Oregon and China.

## **TODAY WE WELCOME**

Our organist today is Grady E. Coyle, DMA, who was the Director of Music and Organist at Northridge Presbyterian Church, Dallas, for 36 years until his retirement in 2015. He served Westminster Presbyterian as an interim organist and choir director for three months in the fall of 2018. He is also currently the Director of the American Guild of Organists' National Young Artists Competition in Organ Performance.

## **GUEST PREACHERS**

Pastor Alex will be on vacation and out of town August 9-16. Today we welcome Rev. John Blacklock to the pulpit and on August 9, Rev. Deanna Hollas on August 16. Deanna Hollas will also be on-call for the week of August 9 in case any pastoral emergency should arrive.

## **PRAYER AND DEVOTION**

Pastor Alex will host a brief time of midday devotion and prayer on Facebook Live every weekday at noon. Please visit our Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas](http://www.facebook.com/westminsterpresbyteriandallas) at 12:00pm every Monday through Friday to participate in the prayer.

## **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 worship services by clicking the "Videos" tab on the facebook page. **Due to the increased public health risks of COVID-19, no worshipers will be allowed in the sanctuary while worship is being broadcast until further notice.** Don't like Facebook? Our YouTube channel, available at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2YYEjyOBjYTxzSzEwiTw> is updated every week with previously broadcast full worship services, sermons and anthems—no registration required!

## **AUSTIN STREET CENTER**

On Saturday, August 15, Westminster will provide a hot meal at the Austin Street Center to approximately 250 people. Food items should be delivered to Westminster by 12 noon on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Mike Stanley (817-724-7430 or [mike@colbystanley.com](mailto:mike@colbystanley.com)) if you are donating. You can drop off food items in the box behind the church next to the preschool entrance. Because of the COVID-19 restrictions, Austin Street is now serving as a 24/7 shelter for 250 clients instead of an overnight emergency shelter for 400. Volunteers are not allowed inside at this time. Items needed: bananas (20 per volunteer) and cookies (3 dozen per volunteer).

## **FACEBOOK PAGE AND GROUP**

Westminster has a Page and a Group on Facebook. They are different, although until this week, they both shared the same name. Now, to minimize confusion, the Group name has been changed to "WPCD Church Family Group," while the Page is still "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!

## **FOOD AND DIAPER DONATION BOX**

There is now a food drop off box for church members and neighbors to leave donations for the increasing number of vulnerable citizens in our city during the pandemic. On your regular trip to the grocery store, please consider getting a few extra items so you can prepare or provide any of the food items below.

- DIAPERS – are in high demand and frequently out of stock at stores
- Sandwiches – Peanut butter and jelly or lunch meat and cheese sandwiches. The meat and cheese sandwiches should include a slice of turkey or chicken lunch meat, a slice of cheese and a dollop of mustard. The sandwiches need to be individually placed in sandwich bags and then placed back into the loaf bag for transporting.
- Cookies – (store bought or homemade).
- Small bags of chips
- Energy/fruit/granola bars
- Bananas or fruit cups

Please wear gloves and a mask if you plan to make sandwiches or homemade cookies. Drop off the food in designated box underneath the porte-cochere behind the building next to the preschool entrance. Each day the food items will be taken inside the church and sorted and delivered to one or more of the shelters serving those experiencing homelessness or needing food. Thank you for caring for the well-being of others in these challenging times.

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