The Lord's Service

The Third Sunday of Easter APRIL 26, 2020



Westminster Presbyterian Church post tenebras lux

PRELUDE Reflection Please use the prelude as a time of silent preparation for the worship of the Triune God.

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM Q67. Which is the sixth commandment? **The sixth commandment is, Thou shalt not kill.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE	O Father, You are Sovereign	75

CONFESSION OF SINS

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We fail to proclaim the gospel in word and deed, we ignore your call to discipleship. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn. Forgive us, God of mercy! Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant, given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

1 PETER 1:3

THE KYRIE ELEISON Lord, have mercy upon us Christ, have mercy upon us Lord, have mercy upon us

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI 735 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.

INTERLUDE

SERMON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of life, your Spirit raised Jesus from the dead. Your Spirit inspired the prophets and writers of Scripture. Send your Spirit now to give us light, encouragement, faith, and hope through the proclamation of the everlasting gospel. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING	NUMBERS 34:1-12
NEW TESTAMENT READING	1 PETER 1:3-9
HYMN OF PREPARATION	O Rejoice in the Lord 132
GOSPEL READING	MATTHEW 6:25-34
RESPONSE The Word of the Lord Praise be to God.	

Praise for Great Mercy

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

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.

HYMN OF DEPARTURE	O Savior, Precious Savior	159
CHARGE AND BENEDICTION		

Chromatic Fugue

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot WORSHIP LEADER: Steve Flewelling ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson PIANIST: Diane Pedrosa

POSTLUDE

PACHELBEL

Praise for Great Mercy 1 Peter 1:3-9

1. Inheritance (verses 3-4)

The whole passage is a b______. The attribute that is front and center is ______. Our rebirth is caused by Jesus' r______. Our inheritance is k_____ in ______ for us. The gospel speaks of a hope ______ up in heaven for us. Our vision has been b______ d_____. People with a d_____ p_____ groan for the house.

2. Trials (verses 5-7)

This vision s______ the church in her di_____.

The inheritance is kept in heaven, and we are _____ for it.

Salvation is in the f_____ tense in 1 Peter.

"Revealed" points to the s_____ c____.

We draw _____ from the future into the _____.

Here, now, the church suffers g_____ and all kinds of t_____.

Heart of the book: the conjunction of ______ and hope.

No esc_____ vision, no ea_____ resilience.

We _____ on courageously to the _____ day.

3. Joy (verse 8 and 9)

Jesus being revealed, means _____ him face to face.

Love without yearning for his appearance is f_____.

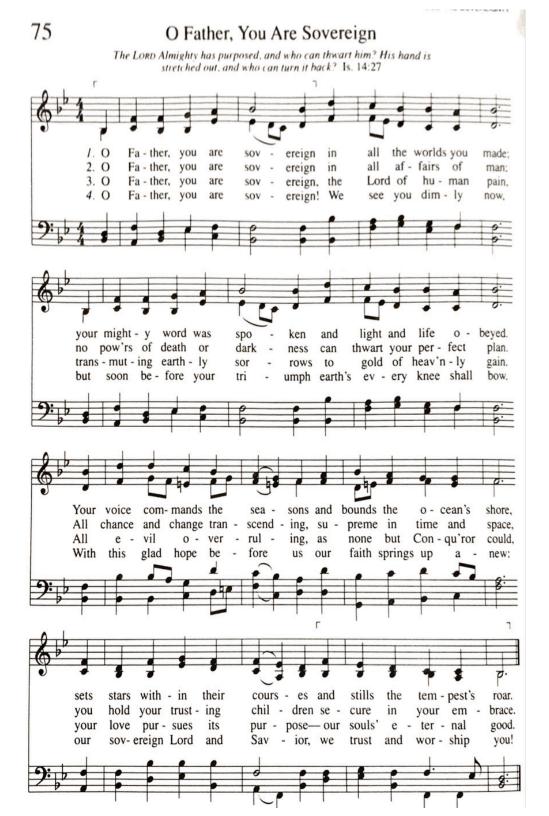
Already, by f_____, we lay hold of this coming _____.

Westminster Presbyterian Church Missions Work Highlight

TIM & THERESE GALAGE WITH MISSION TO THE WORLD IN SOUTH AFRICA

October 2019 was the 8th anniversary of the Galage's arrival in Cape Town, South Africa. Tim recently accepted the additional role of MTW Regional Director for South Africa. He will continue to teach at the Bible Institute of South Africa (BISA) but will devote time to strategic planning of new opportunities for church planting, theological education, and college ministry. His appointment as chairman of Sub-Saharan Africa Reformed Mission (SSARM) earlier is closely related to the new responsibilities.

"Just as it took much support, prayer, and encouragement to get us on the field eight years ago, it takes all that to keep us here as well. Thanks for being part of our support team. Your friendship and investment in our lives means so much!"





O Savior, Precious Savior

Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy. 1 Pet. 1:8



Frances R. Havergal, 1870

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