# The Lord's Service

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time FEBRUARY 20, 2022



## Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

 PRELUDE
 Allegretto from "L'Organiste"
 CESAR FRANCK

 Psalm 31
 VAN D. THOMPSON

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

GREETING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM QUESTION 23:**

Q. What offices doth Christ execute as our redeemer?

## A. Christ, as our redeemer, executeth the offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in His estate of humiliation and exaltation.

## & CALL TO WORSHIP

JOHN 4:23-24

The hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.

## 8 PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of grace, you have given us minds to know you, hearts to love you, and voices to sing your praise. Fill us with your Spirit, that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

83	HYMN OF PRAISE	The God of Abraham Praise	34

#### CONFESSION OF SINS

Almighty God, you created us for life together, but we have turned from your will. We have not loved as you commanded. We have broken the promises we have made to you and to one another. We have taken much and given little. Forgive our disobedience, O God, and strengthen us in love, so that we may serve you as a faithful people, and live together in your joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

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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

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of mercy, your faithfulness to your covenant frees us to live together in the security of your powerful love. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises by living in faith and obedience; through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

OLD TESTAMENT READING	EXODUS 33:17-23	p. 87
NEW TESTAMENT READING	ROMANS 1:18-23	р. 1116

PSALM OF RESPONSE: PSALM 90

8 GOSPEL READING

RESPONSE The Word of the Lord Praise be to God.

SERMON

God Is a Spirit

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

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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

OFFERTORY

Worship

Gertrude H. Richolson

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8 DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

8 SURSUM CORDA

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

83	HYMN OF DEPARTURE	Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise	38
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& CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Allegro Maestoso

John E. West

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot WORSHIP LEADER: Justin Chiarot ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson

## God is a Spirit JOHN 4:16-24

Catechism: What is God? God is a \_\_\_\_\_.

## 1. Incorporeal

God is without a \_\_\_\_\_. This is called the way of n\_\_\_\_\_\_. Such terms say not what God \_\_ but what he is \_\_\_\_\_. There are no b\_\_\_\_\_\_ to God's b\_\_\_\_\_. God is not \_\_\_\_ space – he t\_\_\_\_\_\_ it utterly. We cannot read n\_\_\_\_\_\_ when it says God has \_\_\_\_\_ parts.

## 2. Invisible

God has no \_\_\_\_\_\_ that can be accessed with our s\_\_\_\_\_. Creation points us to the invisible a\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God. Faith is a kind of \_\_\_\_\_\_ the invisible God. Moses is told "you \_\_\_\_\_\_ see my \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_." God is not a \_\_\_\_\_\_ like other human \_\_\_\_\_\_. Jesus makes the unseeable God k\_\_\_\_\_. All the m\_\_\_\_\_ of grace highlight the in\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God. We walk by \_\_\_\_\_ and not by \_\_\_\_\_. Baxter: think highly of the \_\_\_\_\_\_, and less of the visible. Look not to things that are seen but to the things u\_\_\_\_\_. Love and serve God \_\_\_\_\_\_ you be\_\_\_\_\_ him. The gift of the invisible Spirit links us to the now veiled \_\_\_\_\_. Jesus: we must worship God in \_\_\_\_\_ and in \_\_\_\_. Jesus came so that we might \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ God. The consummation: his s\_\_\_\_\_\_ will see his \_\_\_\_\_.

## Missions Work Highlight

## TIM AND THERESE GALAGE Cape Town, South Africa

Tim traveled to Malawi (a South African country) where he spoke at a men's retreat on the marks of godly character, which are important for anyone but vital for church leaders. Near the end of 2021, we were able to host an evening with the key families of the Presbyterian churches in Cape Town so they could all get better acquainted. It was a joy to get more connected with the small Presbytery here and assist in church planting efforts.

Tim also led the two day board meeting for Southern Africa Reformed Mission (SARM) over Zoom. The board enthusiastically endorsed the raising of \$100,000 to support a church plant in Johannesburg, South Africa as well as a church planting internship program.

Pray for Tim as he plans trips to the US in 2022 to promote SARM projects and recruit leaders to assist in equipping key national partners in Southern Africa. Pray for Therese as she sets up monthly Zoom events for Mission to the World women across Sub-Sahara Africa.

## Announcements

Adam Gordon will share about All 4 Jesus ministries nest Sunday, February 27th, during the Sunday School hour in the sanctuary. We will hear encouraging news about how Christ is being shared among college students on the Orange County Community College and SUNY New Paltz University campuses.

The Stephen Ministry is a church-based outreach to people in local communities who are burdened by difficulties such as grief, loneliness and illness. They equip members of a congregation to provide one on one care to those in need during these trials. Westminster is starting a Stephen Ministry. If you are interested, please contact Jim Rutigliano or Pastor Chiarot. Jim can be reached at 917.470.5477, or jim153r@gmail.com.

Westminster will be hosting our Ash Wednesday Soup Supper at 6:00PM on Wednesday, March 02. The supper will be followed by a Worship service at 7:00PM.

## WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER

Westminster Church is both a place and a people. We gather in this sacred space to worship, to learn, and to serve God as he meets us in Christ. To this end we dedicate our time, our talent, and our resources. Here the Gospel of Christ is freely proclaimed: *We are weaker and more sinful than we ever dared admit, but through Christ we are more loved and accepted than we ever dared hope*. As a community of Christians, we are building a bridge to the future through faith and friendship. To this end, we pray God will give us strength, vision, and wisdom. We are thankful that you could join with us today. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Welcome to Westminster!

#### Westminster Stated Services

Worship	10:00AM
Sunday School (Sept–June)	11:45 AM
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 PM

#### Westminster Kingston

Sunday School	$10:00 \mathrm{AM}$
Worship	11:00 AM

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## Cover

The Celtic cross reminds us, as Presbyterians, of our historical roots in the British Isles dating back at least to the fifth century. *Post Tenebras Lux* is a Latin slogan from the 16th-century Protestant Reformation meaning *After Darkness, Light.* The cross and the slogan combine to express our desire to be rooted in the ancient faith and to embrace the attainments of the Protestant Reformation.

Westminster was organized in 1854 and is affiliated with the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). Senior Minister The Reverend Kevin Chiarot, Ph.D.

#### Session (Ruling Elders, with Class Year)

Ron Bonagura (2022), Steve Flewelling (2022), Bob Maucher (2023), Johnson Chang-Fong (2024), Adam Kuliszewski (2024) *Elder Emeritus:* Neil Fick

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