The Lord's Service

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
MAY 22, 2022



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above Herzliebster Jesu

MICHAEL PRAETORIUS

JOHANNES BRAHMS

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 35:

Q. What is sanctification?

A. Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

CALL TO WORSHIP

PSALM 145:9, 15-16

The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made. The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes all that is good, we praise you for your mercies, for your goodness that has created us, your grace that has sustained us, your discipline that has corrected us, your patience that has borne with us, and your love that has redeemed us. Help us to love you, and to be thankful for all your gifts by serving you and delighting to do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

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All People That on Earth Do Dwell

CONFESSION OF SINS

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

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Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE PEACE

& 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 O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing! (272)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, source of all light, by your Word you give light to the soul. Pour out upon us the spirit of wisdom and understanding that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture, our hearts and minds may be opened to know the things that pertain to life and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON PSALM 145:1-21 p. 621

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON TUTUS 3:1-8 p. 1185

Solution PSALM OF RESPONSE: PSALM 33 You Righteous, in the Lord Rejoice 43

 LUKE 6:27-36

p. 1025

RESPONSE

The Word of the Lord Praise be to God.

SERMON

The Goodness of God

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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.

ADMINISTRATION OF MEMBERSHIP VOWS

James and Michelle Watson

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Annabelle and Dean Watson

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

Beautiful Savior

MICHAEL BURKHARDT

DOXOLOGY

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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.

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.

HYMN OF DEPARTURE

God, My King, Thy Might Confessing

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& CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Ode to Joy

LUDWIG BEETHOVEN

MINISTER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot WORSHIP LEADER: Bob Maucher ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson REV. KEVIN CHIAROT MAY 22, 2022

The Goodness of God

LUKE 6; PS. 145; TITUS 3; VARIOUS

Charnock: Goodness of God is the attribute.
Psalm 119: God good and he good.
1. God's Goodness
Goodness is not a q God has; it is his e
The Summum Bonum: H or g good.
Goodness is m and a
God alone is e good.
All things are good by p in God's goodness.
No l good should be ardently
Exodus 33: God's is hisy.
2. Common Goodness
In creating, God's goodness o
1 Timothy 4: everything by God is
This goodness shown to all we call c g
God gives s and r to the evil and the good.
He gives to all mankind, life, and breath, and
Every l is a recipient of God's goodness.
3. Saving Goodness
Providence attends especially to the
For God's people, all things work together for
Goodness becomes in Jesus Christ.
This saving goodness e God's goodness in creation.
We are to do good toe.
Oh, give to the Lord, He good.

Missions Work Highlight

MYCHOICE PREGNANCY CENTER New Windsor. NY

MyChoice provides free medical services and nonjudgmental support to women facing an unplanned pregnancy. We also provide education and referrals to help women meet medical, legal, financial and housing needs, as well as local transportation to one of our centers. We inform women of the facts and labor in prayer for them and the child in their womb.

The following case is a typical example of women who visit MyChoice: She came to the clinic to see how far along she was in her pregnancy. She has a seven year old child and the father of this pregnancy is encouraging her to have an abortion. She is also under financial strain because she no longer works as a full-time nurse. We pray for God to show her His plan for the life inside her.

We thank you for sharing in our mission to educate and support women. Your partnership over the years has engendered gratefulness. We are thankful to God for your prayers and support.

Announcements

It is our joy to receive the Watson family into membership this morning (James, Michelle, Annabelle and Dean) and to celebrate the baptisms of Annabelle and Dean.

Today during the Sunday School time we will have a presentation from MyChoice Pregnancy Centers.

We are in need of nursery workers for June, July, and August. Please sign up in the nursery.

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		Senior Minister
Worship	10:00AM	The Reverend Kevin Chiarot, Ph.D.
Sunday School (Sept–June)	11:45 AM	
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 PM	Session (Ruling Elders, with Class Year)
Westminster Kingston Sunday School Worship	10:00 AM 11:00 AM	Bob Maucher (2023), Johnson Chang-Fong (2024), Adam Kuliszewski (2024), Robert David (2025) Board of Deacons (with Class Year)
Church & Office Location 614 Station Road Rock Tavern, NY 12575		Paul Mowat (Chair: 2023), Jim Rutigliano (2023), Joe Hall (2024), Bill Cooke (2025), Ed Timberger (2025)

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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.

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