# The Lord's Service

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
JULY 19, 2020



Westminster Presbyterian Church

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

Q98. What is prayer?

Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, for things agreeable to his will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.

CALL TO WORSHIP

ISAIAH 8:12-13

Do not fear what they fear, and do not dread it.

The Lord Almighty is the one you are to regard as holy, he is the one you are to fear, he is the one you are to dread.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you pour out the spirit of grace and supplication on all who desire it. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

**EXECUTE** HYMN OF PRAISE

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Holy, Holy, Holy!

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#### **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.

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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

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 8:11-15

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 PETER 3:13-17

🕅 GOSPEL READING

**MATTHEW 5:1-12** 

The Word of the Lord

Praise be to God.

SERMON

An Exchange of Fears

#### 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

**OFFERING** 

(not collected, brought up by deacons)

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.

#### 22 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.

- 22 PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
- 22 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.

- **22** HYMN OF DEPARTURE Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire 597 (vv. 1.3)
- 22 CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- 2 **POSTLUDE** Suite no 1 for trumpet G. P. TELEMANN

PREACHER: Rev. Kevin Chiarot

WORSHIP LEADER: Steve Flewelling (9:00AM)

Ron Bonagura (11:00AM)

ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson TRUMPETER: Nathaniel Phillips

REV. KEVIN CHIAROT JULY 12, 2020

# An Exchange of Fears

1 PETER 3:13-17

1. Fear (verses 13-14, 17)
Moral does not always dis the wicked.
Central theme: s for what is r
Righteous suffering receives the of Christ.
Who is going to harm you? o
Paul: when I am
"Do not fear their threats" is from chapter
The exchange of fears is indicated in the word r
Fears need to be with a greater
Fear of drives out the fear of
Psalm 56: what can mere do to me?
2. Revere (verses 15-16)
Fearing the Lord God Almighty = re Christ as Lord. The text
establishes the d of Christ.
The exchange of fears: en for C
This fear is the prerequisite for a
The Greek word for "answer" is ""
This is a task for believers.
If someone you : Don't throw p before s
The questioning is focused on the of the gospel.
The NT breathes an air of e
Christ, in his r g, is our hope.
We are called to m, sa speech.
Peter's concern is with the ch of the apologist.
Fruits of the exchange of fears: b & g

# Missions Work Highlight

# DR. JODY COLLINGE WITH GLOBAL CHE NETWORK

During the latter part of 2019, Jody and other CHE members traveled to Uganda to provide training. The refugee settlements visited contained about 800,000 refugees. Many of the families they met were hungry to know Christ and wanted to improve their lives using the health and life skills that CHE teaches, such as sanitation, preventing malaria, and recovery from trauma.

Jody had successful cataract surgery performed on both eyes, thank God, and her mother(93 years of age)finished her radiation therapy and is doing well.

Plans for other trips were cancelled due to the Covid-19 scare, forcing her to stay at HQ near Dallas where she has been busy writing training materials that are being used in many countries.

### Announcements

The annual congregational meeting will be Wednesday August 12th at 7PM in the sanctuary.

- Bob Van Gent and Bob Maucher will stand for election as ruling elders.
- Eric Moller and Paul Mowat will stand for election as deacons.

### **Scripture Texts**

#### ISAIAH 8:11-15

- <sup>11</sup> This is what the Lord says to me with his strong hand upon me, warning me not to follow the way of this people:
- <sup>12</sup> "Do not call conspiracy everything this people calls a conspiracy; do not fear what they fear, and do not dread it.
- <sup>13</sup> The Lord Almighty is the one you are to regard as holy, he is the one you are to fear, he is the one you are to dread.
- <sup>14</sup> He will be a holy place; for both Israel and Judah he will be a stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall. And for the people of Jerusalem he will be a trap and a snare.
- <sup>15</sup>Many of them will stumble; they will fall and be broken, they will be snared and captured."

#### 1 PETER 3:13-17

- $^{13}$  Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good?
- <sup>14</sup> But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear their threats[a]; do not be frightened."
- <sup>15</sup> But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,
- <sup>16</sup> keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander.
- <sup>17</sup> For it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.

# Scripture Texts, continued

#### MATTHEW 5:1-12

- <sup>1</sup> Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him,
- <sup>2</sup> and he began to teach them.
- <sup>3</sup> He said: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- <sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- <sup>5</sup> Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- <sup>6</sup> Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- <sup>7</sup> Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
- <sup>8</sup> Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- <sup>9</sup> Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- <sup>10</sup> Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- <sup>11</sup> "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.
- <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come." Rev. 4:8



If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. 1 Cor. 13:1



#### 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	10:00 AM	The Reverend Kevin Chiarot, Ph.D.
Sunday School	11:45 AM	
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 PM	Assistant Minister
		The Reverend Mark D. Diedrich
Westminster Kingston		
Sunday School	10:00 AM	Session (Ruling Elders)
Worship	11:00 AM	Mike Bonagura, Ron Bonagura, Robert David,
		Steve Flewelling, James Phillips, Dave Reiss
Church & Office Location		Elder Emeritus: Neil Fick

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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).

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