The Lord's Service

The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time SEPTEMBER 08, 2019



Westminster Presbyterian Church Post tenebras Lux PRELUDE 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

Q1. What is the chief end of man? Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

CALL TO WORSHIP PSALM
 Oh come, let us sing to the Lord!
 Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
 Shout for joy to God, all the earth!
 Sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

8 HYMN OF PRAISE The God of Abraham Praise 34

CONFESSION OF SINS

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light, and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

PSALM 95:1; 66:1-2

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

THE PEACE

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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 Holy God, We Praise Your Name

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, as we turn to your Word for us, may the Spirit of God rest upon us. Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our speaking, in our believing, and in our living, through Christ our risen and transfigured Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READINGS	1 JOHN 1:8-10; HEBREWS 4:12-13; 2 TIMOTHY 4:1-2
SECOND READINGS	1 TIMOTHY 2:1-4; HEBREWS 12:18-29
HYMN OF PREPARATION	Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder 172
GOSPEL READINGS	JOHN 20:21-23; MATTHEW 26:26-29
RESPONSE The Word of the Lord Praise be to God.	

Glorify: Covenant Renewal Worship

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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.

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PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE
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OFFERTORY	Lift Thine Eye (from "Elijah)	Mendelssohn			
DOXOLOGY		731			
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	S.				

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.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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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 DEPARTUREThe Church's One Foundation347CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

PREACHER: Rev. Christopher Diebold WORSHIP LEADER: Steve Flewelling ORGANIST: Neil Fick QUARTET: S. David, L. Steinberger, A. Rich, R. Sokoloski

Announcements

Greeters

This Week: S. Volk Next Week: M. McCorvey

Nursery Workers

This Week: J. Reiss / E. Felts Next Week: R. Bonagura / J. Chiarot

Service Assistants

This Week: E. Weber, S. David, J. Schlegel, J. Grammer Next Week: M. Kniffin, E. Timberger, J. Schlegel, T. Elmendorf

Deacon of the Month

S. David

Weekly Sunday Morning Prayer: 9:20AM in the library. Join us to pray for the worship and work of WPC.

Officer Nominations 2020 – Please prayerfully consider those who can serve in the coming year. Give sheets to an elder or Jo-Anne Weber.

It is our joy to receive the Gill Family (Nathan, Madeline, and Emma) into membership today!

Pastor Chiarot's sermons may be heard on Redeemer Broadcasting at 11:00AM and 5:00PM every Sunday. The frequencies are 90.3 FM and 102.5 FM.

If you would like to meet with Pastor Chiarot, please connect with him in person or contact the church office.

Beginning Today, Pastor Chiarot will be teaching the Westminster Shorter Catechism in the evening service, 2:00PM. This is a wonderful opportunity for children and adults to learn the Reformed faith.

Today – Sunday School Opening followed by Fellowship BBQ. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided. Children should report to the Sanctuary at 11:30 and sit with their class for the opening.

9/22 – Congregational Meeting during the adult Sunday School to discuss our new vision statement and strategic initiatives. Other Sunday School classes will be held as normal.

10/13 – Save the Date: Appreciation Luncheon. More information to follow.

LYDIA: A BEATING HEART

CENTER FOR COUNSELING AND ASSISTANCE TO WOMEN

"I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live." Deuteronomy 30:19

Lydia's goal is to promote and support a moral life, the right of a woman to choose to give birth to a child, and the right of a child to be born. Abortion is not an option. We focus on key needs of the society including prevention, education, family life, raising and educating children etc. PRAY for the lives of the unborn, so precious in God's sight for increased cultural acceptance of adoption, and for special protection over the marriages of those who work in life-affirming ministry all across the globe.

Glorify: Covenant Renewal Worship HEBREWS 12:18-29 The Vision: G_____. N____. P_____. Our pattern of worship: c_____r__. The worship service: a____, not s_____. Introduction: Context

 a) P______and Co_____.

 b) H______.

 c) E______.

 The city d______at the end of the age.

 God will remove all c______things.

 d) Ca_____or Un____.

We reflect this by using the an_____ cr___s. e) C_____l.

Jesus: the m_____ of the n_____ c_____.

f) Sa______ and Pr_____.

This ______ means we have not come to the t_____ of Sinai.

1. Call

Two Psalms used as calls in the service: _____ and _____.

2. Cleansing

John ____: Ministers given authority of the _____.

3. Consecration

Heb. 4: The Word cu____ us, making living sa_____.

God s_____ to us from h_____.

4. Communion

Goal: R_____ communion with God and the _____.

5. Commissioning

The blood allows a g_____ to be spoken over us.

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, Pl	h.D.
Sunday School	11:45 AM		
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 PM	Assistant Minister	
		The Reverend Mark D. Diedrich	h
Westminster Kingston			
Sunday School	10:00 AM	Session (Ruling Elders)	
Worship	11:00 AM	Mike Bonagura, Ron Bonagura	, Robert David,
		Steve Flewelling, James Phillips	s, Dave Reiss
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The Celtic cross reminds us, as Pr	esbyterians, of	Staff	
our historical roots in the British Isles dating back		Administrative Secretary	Jo-Anne Weber
at least to the fifth century. Post Te	<i>nebras Lux</i> is a	Christian Education	Betty Rossetter
Latin slogan from the 16th-cent	ury Protestant	Choir Director	Elaine H. Simpson
Reformation meaning After Darkn	ess, Light. The	Evangelism	Dave Reiss
cross and the slogan combine to exp	oress our desire	Fellowship	JoAnn Maucher
to be rooted in the ancient faith and	to embrace the	Financial Recording Secretary	Esther Rifflard
attainments of the Protestant Reformation.			k, Elaine H. Simpson
		Sexton	Rachel McDuffie

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