

The Lord's Service

Third Sunday in Lent

MARCH 08, 2026



Westminster Presbyterian Church

POST TENEBRAS LUX

PRELUDE

*O Love How Deep, How Broad, How High
Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts*

ARR., DAVID N. JOHNSON
SETTING BY GORDON YOUNG

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

☒ CALL TO WORSHIP JOEL 1:1A; 2:28

The word of the Lord that came to Joel: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh;
**your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.**

☒ PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, who in smoke and fire upon Mount Sinai gave the law to Moses, and who revealed the new covenant in the fire of the Spirit: Grant, we pray, that kindled by that same Spirit which you wondrously poured forth upon your apostles, we may receive and deploy with joy your manifold gifts. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

☒ HYMN OF PRAISE *All Praise to God Who Reigns Above* 4

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.

THE KYRIE ELEISON

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

☒ RESPONSIVE READING OF THE LAW FROM THE EPISTLES

You shall have no other gods before me.

For from him and through him and to are all things.

You shall not make for yourself a graven image.

In Christ we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

Let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work; but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land which the LORD your God gives you.

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

You shall not kill.

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

You shall not commit adultery.

You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

You shall not steal.

Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his hands, so that he may be able to give to those in need.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house, or anything that is your neighbor's.

Take heed, and beware of all covetousness; for a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.

☒ THE PEACE

☒ GLORIA PATRI

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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

Deo Gracias

THE AGINCOURT HYMN

⌘ 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, 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 WITH 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.

THE COMMUNION

(Outer ring alone is grape juice)

COMMUNION HYMN

At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

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*At the lamb's high feast we sing
praise to our victorious King,
who hath washed us in the tide
flowing from his pierced side;
praise we him whose love divine
gives his sacred blood for wine,
gives his body for the feast,
Christ the victim, Christ the priest.*

*Praise we Christ, whose blood was
shed; paschal victim, paschal bread;
with sincerity and love
eat we manna from above.*

*Where the paschal blood is poured,
death's dark angel sheathes his sword;
Israel's hosts triumphant go
through the wave that drowns the foe.*

*Mighty victim from the sky,
pow'rs of hell beneath thee lie;
death is conquered in the fight,
thou hast brought us life and light:
hymns of glory and of praise,
risen Lord, to thee we raise;
holy Father praise to thee,
with the Spirit, ever be.*

⌘ HYMN OF DEPARTURE

Jesus Shall Reign

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⌘ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

⌘ POSTLUDE

Allegro Maestoso

GEORGE FRIEDRICH HANDEL

PREACHER: Rev. Steve Froehlich
WORSHIP LEADER: Robert David
ORGANIST: Elaine H. Simpson, D.M.A.
GUITAR: Joe Hall

Missions Work Highlight

ADAM GORDON – ALL 4 JESUS MINISTRIES, NEW YORK

Adam Gordon is the leader of All 4 Jesus Ministries, Inc., whose mission is “to fulfill the Great Commission and to ignite a passion in others to do the same”. This mission entails one-on-one witnessing in the public arena and college campuses, teaching and preaching God’s Word at strategic seminars and partnering with the local church to equip and encourage believers for the work of evangelism.

Website: www.all4jesusministries.com

Prayer Requests

Saints/Families of the Month

Coleman family, Cooke family, Linda Croce, Galen Crusan

Weekly Prayer & Praise Focus

Rich Family, Pulpit Search Committee, Esther Riffard, Kameron Riffard (Esther’s grandson), Mary McCorvey, Alice Watson (Chaz Watson’s mother), Barbara Booth (John Grammer’s mother), Janis Berg’s aunt Marilyn, Liz Berg (with child; Berg’s daughter-in-law), Linda Dennis, Brandy Diedrich, Stanley Osiecki (Ed Norris’ nephew), Sarah Bermudez (with child)

Announcements

We are blessed to welcome back our interim pastor, the Rev. Steve Froehlich, retired from New Life PCA in Ithaca, NY, to minister Word and Sacrament to us this morning.

There will be a Fellowship luncheon today following Sunday School. Everyone is invited to attend.

Second Service to follow fellowship luncheon.

The next midweek services during this Lenten season will be on Maundy Thursday (4/2) and Good Friday (4/3).

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 (<i>Sept–June</i>)	11:45 AM
Sunday Evening Service	6:00 PM

Christ's Church of the Hudson Valley

Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday School	12:00 PM

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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 Pastor

Vacant

Assistant Pastor

Rev. Justin Chiarot

Session (Ruling Elders, with Class Year)

Mike Bonagura (2026), Robert David (2026), James Phillips (2026), Gary Berg (2027), Ron Bonagura (2027), Bob Maucher (2027), Adam Kuliszewski (2028)

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