Westminster Presbyterian Church

THE LORD'S DAY OF WORSHIP — 07 March 2021

Meditation: Preparing our Hearts for Worship

Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in His flesh the dividing wall of hostility... Ephesians 2:11-14

Welcome + Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Psalm 24:1-5

Leader: The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof,

the world and those who dwell therein,

for He has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

People: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?

And who shall stand in His holy place?

Leader: He who has clean hands and a pure heart,

who does not lift up his soul to what is false

and does not swear deceitfully.

All: He will receive blessing from the LORD

and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

Prayer of Invocation + Adoration

Hymns of Praise + Adoration

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty God in three Persons, blessed Trinity

Holy, Holy, all the saints adore thee Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be

Holy, Holy, Holy, though the darkness hide thee Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee Perfect in power, in love, and purity

Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth and sky and sea Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty God in three Persons, blessed Trinity

Mighty to Save

Ev'ryone needs compassion Love that's never failing Let mercy fall on me Ev'ryone needs forgiveness The kindness of a Saviour The hope of nations

> Saviour He can move the mountains My God is mighty to save He is mighty to save Forever Author of salvation He rose and conquered the grave Jesus conquered the grave

So take me as You find me All my fears and failures Fill my life again I give my life to follow Ev'rything I believe in Now I surrender

Shine your light and let the whole world see We're singing
For the glory of the risen King, Jesus!
Shine your light and let the whole world see We're singing
For the glory of the risen King

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God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

Corporate Confession of Sin:

Leader: Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are

like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. (Isaiah 1:18) Let us then confess

our sins saying ...

People: Merciful God, You made us in Your image, with a mind to know You,

a heart to love You, and a will to serve You. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love inconstant, our obedience incomplete. Day by day, we fail to grow into Your likeness. In Your tender love, forgive us

through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Silent Confession & Reflection

The Words of the Gospel for those who repent and believe:

Leader: I declare this sure promise: Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel;

for you are my servant; I formed you; you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me. I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

(Isaiah 44:21-22)

People: Amen!

Hymn of Renewal:

Help My Unbelief

I know the Lord is nigh, And would but cannot pray, For Satan meets me when I try, And frights my soul away. And frights my soul away.

I would but can't repent,
Though I endeavor oft;
This stony heart can ne'er relent
Till Jesus makes it soft.
Till Jesus make it soft.

Help my unbelief. Help my unbelief. Help my unbelief. My help must come from Thee.

I would but cannot love,
Though wooed by love divine;
No arguments have power to move
A soul as base as mine.
A soul so base as mine.

I would but cannot rest, In God's most holy will; I know what He appoints is best, And murmur at it still. I murmur at it still.

God Calls Us to Make Offerings

Tithes + Offerings:

The Offering of the Prayers of the People: Paul McDonald

Missionaries: Titus & Crystal Bagby ~ RUF International @ Texas A & M University Ben & Beth Hailey ~ Redeemer Presbyterian Church, College Station

People: 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 Collection of our Tithes + Offerings

Although we won't be passing the offering plate today, we invite you to take this time to reflect on what you give to the Lord. Romans 12:1: I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

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Special Music: "In His Love"

Ben Richardson, Claire Franklin, Micayah Wilson, Cara Beth Coleman

Morning Lesson

Handling Misinformation

Acts 21:17-36

REV. WADE COLEMAN

Hymn of Response:

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did ever such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small: Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

God Feeds Us His Covenant Meal

The Lord's Supper:

A Word about Communion at Westminster

This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, Communion (also called the Lord's Supper or The Eucharist, which means 'thanksgiving') is a time to meet with their Savior by fith, to be strengthened and renewed by Him as they eat bread and drink wine. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to an evangelical church that embraces the gospel, are at peace with their fellow neighbor, and seek strength and grace to live more faithfully to Christ, are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer and to consider more deeply your relationship to Jesus Christ. We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ refrain from partaking until doing so.

Preparation for Communion

Words of Institution: I Corinthians 11:23-26

Invitation + Warning
Prayer + Setting Apart the Bread and Wine

Holy Communion

Westminster uses wine and grape juice in serving the Lord's Supper. You will find presealed cups with bread and grape juice or bread and wine on the communion table. Each person may take the element according to his or her conscience.

We offer an alternate bread wafer for those with gluten and dairy allergies (also soy and egg free).

Prayers for Those Not Communing:

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who You are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of You that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that You promise. Amen. Prayer of Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through You, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank You for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that You have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive You as my savior. Amen. **Prayer of Believing on Jesus**

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in You the fulfillment of all my needs and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me and run with perseverance the race that You have set before me, looking only to You, the pioneer and champion of my faith. Amen. Prayer of Struggling Against Sin

Communion Element: Taking Together: The Bread

Taking Together: The Cup

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand And cast a wishful eye To Canaan's fair and happy land Where my possessions lie

All o'er those wide extended plains Shines one eternal day There God the Son forever reigns And scatters night away

I am bound (I am bound) I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for the promised land
I am bound (I am bound) I am bound (I am bound)
I am bound for the promised land

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath Can reach that healthful shore Sickness and sorrow pain and death Are felt and feared no more

When shall I reach that happy place And be forever blessed When shall I see my Father's face And in His bosom rest

Filled with delight my raptured soul Would here no longer stay Though Jordan's waves around me roll Fearless I'd launch away

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Benediction: Jude 24-25

Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

People: AMEN!

Praise to God the Father Sing

Praise to God the Father sing Praise to God the Son our King Praise to God the Spirit be Ever and eternally

Passing of the Peace

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

GREET ONE ANOTHER WITH A SIGN OF FRIENDSHIP SUCH AS: "THE PEACE OF CHRIST BE WITH YOU" & "AND ALSO WITH YOU."