

Westminster Presbyterian Church

THE LORD'S DAY OF WORSHIP — 20 June 2021

Meditation: Preparing our Hearts for Worship

*Their idols are like scarecrows in a cucumber field,
and they cannot speak;
they have to be carried,
for they cannot walk.*

*Do not be afraid of them,
for they cannot do evil,
neither is it in them to do good."*

*There is none like You, O LORD;
You are great, and Your name is great in might.
Who would not fear You, O King of the nations?
For this is Your due;
for among all the wise ones of the nations
and in all their kingdoms
there is none like You.*

*They are both stupid and foolish;
the instruction of idols is but wood!
Beaten silver is brought from Tarshish,
and gold from Uphaz.*

*They are the work of the craftsman and of the hands of the goldsmith;
their clothing is violet and purple;
they are all the work of skilled men.*

*But the LORD is the true God;
He is the living God and the everlasting King.
At His wrath the earth quakes,
and the nations cannot endure His indignation.*

Jeremiah 10:5-10

Welcome + Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship Him

Leader: For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.
Splendor and majesty are before Him;
strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

People: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;
bring an offering, and come into His courts!

Unison: Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;
tremble before Him, all the earth! Psalm 96:5-9

Prayer of Invocation + Adoration

Hymns of Praise + Adoration

Come, Thou Almighty King

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God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

PREPARATION FOR CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: *Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry.*
(1 Corinthians 10:14)

The Heidelberg Catechism Question #96

Leader: What does God require in the second commandment?

People: We are not to make an image of God in any way, nor to worship Him in any other manner than He has commanded in His Word.

The Heidelberg Catechism Question #97

Leader: May we then not make any image at all?

People: God cannot and may not be visibly portrayed in any way. Creatures may be portrayed, but God forbids us to make or have any images of them in order to worship them or to serve God through them.

The Heidelberg Catechism Question #98

Leader: But may images not be tolerated in the churches as "books for the laity"?

People: No, for we should not be wiser than God. He wants His people to be taught not by means of dumb images but by the living preaching of His Word.

Silent Confession & Reflection

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

Leader: *All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods!
Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O Lord. For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods. (Psalm 97:7-9)*

People: Amen!

Hymn of Renewal:

Before the Throne of God Above

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God Calls Us to Make Offerings

Tithes + Offerings:

The Offering of the Prayers of the People: Darrell Stanley

Missionaries: Titus & Crystal Bagby ~ RUF International @ Texas A & M University
Hope Pregnancy Center

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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Song of Preparation:

Oh, How Good It Is

Ladies Ensemble

God Gives Us His Word

Morning Lesson

God's Tender Commandments: Worship Counts!

Exodus 20:4-6

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Hymn of Response:

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

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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 faith, 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 pre-sealed 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

Man of Sorrows

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Communion Element: Taking together the Cup

God Blesses Us and Sends Us Forth

Benediction: Numbers Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

People: Amen!

Benediction Song

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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."