

# Westminster Presbyterian Church

THE LORD'S DAY OF WORSHIP — 28 April 2024

## The Sanctuary: A House of Prayer and Preparation

Welcome to Westminster! We offer a short time for meditation at 9:40, before the service starts. Join us to prepare your heart for worship, and we will begin our time of announcements and the call to worship at 9:45.

## Offering Stones

If you give financially to Westminster online or by mail, please take a stone as you enter the sanctuary. You may place your stone in the offering plate as it comes your way during the offertory as a physical token of your offering to the LORD. (This is also a great way to teach children and others about sacrificial giving.)

## Meditation: Preparing our Hearts for Worship

(Colossians 3:15-17, 23-25)

*And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

*Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ. For the wrongdoer will be paid back for the wrong he has done, and there is no partiality.*  
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## Welcome + Announcements

# God Calls Us to Worship Him (Psalm 100:1-5)

## Call to Worship:

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness!  
Come into his presence with singing!

Leader: Know that the Lord, he is God!  
It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

All: For the Lord is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

## Prayer of Invocation + Adoration

## Hymns of Praise + Adoration

### O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing (Hymn#164)

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### My Heart Is Filled (Songbook #110)

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# God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

## Corporate Confession of Sin:

Leader: *And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, (Ephesians 2:1) The Prophet Isaiah declared, Seek the Lord while He may be found; call on Him while He is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that He may have compassion on him, and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon (Isaiah 55:6-7).*

Therefore, let us confess our sins saying ...

People: Most holy and gracious Father, we acknowledge and confess before You that our sinful natures are prone to evil and slow to do good. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, and in forgetting Your love. We are ashamed and sorry of all the ways in which we have displeased You.

Merciful Lord, teach us to hate our errors. Cleanse us from our wandering ways and forgive our sins through Jesus Christ our Savior. Grant us Your power that we might live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray

## Silent Confession & Reflection

The Words of the Gospel for those who repent and believe I declare this sure promise:

Leader: *For God so loved the world that, He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him (John 3:16-17).*

People: Amen!

## Hymn of Renewal

### Jesus, I Come (Songbook #80)

Words by William True Sleeper, Music by Greg Thompson @ Greg Thompson Music. CCLI #1148879.

# God Calls Us to Make Offerings

## Tithes + Offerings:

The Offering of the Prayers of the People: Council Mills

Missionaries: NoNo & Kate Beal, Reynosa, Mexico  
Ministry: Isaiah 55 Ministries  
WPC Ministry Teams: Local & Global Serve Team Members

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

While there are many ways to contribute financially to God's Kingdom, the church is the primary means by which that kingdom is established on earth. Thus, God calls us first and foremost to be faithful in the regular, ongoing support of one's local church body through tithes and offerings. If you haven't made tithing a practice, please consider adopting tithing or generous giving as a spiritual practice—that you might grow in faith and that together we might increase Westminster's capacity to be the body of Christ in Bryan & College Station for the world.

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## Offertory

## The Presentation of our Tithes + Offerings

## Prayer of Dedication

# God Gives Us His Word

## Morning Lesson

*Big Thanks*

Luke 17:11-19

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Hymn of Response:

How Sweet and Awesome is the Place (Hymn #469)

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## God Feeds Us His Covenant Meal

The Lord's Supper:

Preparation for Communion

Words of Institution: I Corinthians 11:23-26

Invitation + Warning

Prayer + Setting Apart the Bread and Wine

Holy Communion

Distribution of Communion Elements

Communion Hymn:

His Mercy Is More (Songbook#61)

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Taking Together the Bread and Cup

## Confession of Faith

Romans 12:2; 1 John 2:15; 1 John 5:19; Philippians 3:20

Unison: Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. We know that we are from God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one. Our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

## God Blesses Us and Sends Us Forth

**Benediction:**

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Leader: *Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.*

People: **AMEN!**

**Benediction vs. 1 (Songbook #26)**

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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."