

# Westminster Presbyterian Church

THE LORD'S DAY OF WORSHIP —20 April 2025

## **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 (I Peter 1:3-5)**

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ESV*

## **Welcome + Announcements**

# God Calls Us to Worship Him

## Call to Worship:

Leader: This is the good news—  
the grave is empty;  
Christ is risen.  
Hallelujah!

People: This is the good news—  
the light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness can never put it out.  
Hallelujah!

Leader: This is the good news—  
once we were no people;  
now we are God's people.  
Hallelujah!

People: Christ is our peace,  
the indestructible peace  
we now share with each other.  
Hallelujah!

All: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!  
The Lord is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

## Prayer of Invocation + Adoration

## Hymns of Praise + Adoration

### Christ the Lord is Risen Today (Hymn #277)

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### It Was Finished Upon That Cross (Songbook #85)

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# God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

## Corporate Confession of Sin:

Leader: *The LORD is in His holy temple; the LORD is on His heavenly throne. He observes everyone on earth; His eyes examine them. (Psalm 11:4).*

Let us then confess our sins saying ...

People: O God of all glory, cursed was Your Son who paid our debt. Pierced was He for our transgressions. Smitten was He for our iniquities. All we like sheep have gone astray, each has turned to his own way, but You, Oh Lord, have laid on Him the iniquity of us all. Yet we know that our Redeemer lives.

Precious Redeemer, You who were lifted up upon a cross, are now ascended to highest heaven. You who were crowned with thorns, are now crowned with glory. You are the victory of eternal life. Your death is our life, Your resurrection is our peace, Your ascension is our hope of glory.

Silent Confession & Reflection

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

Leader: *There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus (Romans 8:1).*

People: Amen!

## Hymn of Renewal

### In Christ Alone (Songbook #79)

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# God Calls Us to Make Offerings

## Tithes + Offerings:

The Offering of the Prayers of the People: Paul McDonald

Missionaries: Titus & Crystal Bagby, Jay Jasti

Ministry: RUF1 - A&M

WPC Ministry: Worship - Adult & Youth Choirs

All: 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.

If you give 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 as a physical token of your offering to the LORD. (This is also a great way to teach children and others about sacrificial giving.) If you would like to participate with your giving in real time, visit [wpcbryan.org](http://wpcbryan.org) to give online, and navigate to the Giving + Membership tab. You may give online using a credit card or bank draft through our ChurchTrac portal. If you prefer to set up text giving, text the number of an amount to 844-987-4483 and you'll be guided through setup.

## Offertory

## The Presentation of our Tithes + Offerings

## Prayer of Dedication

## Dismissal for Worship Kidz

# God Gives Us His Word

*Resurrection Life*

Luke 24:1-12

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## Hymn of Response:

### Crown Him with Many Crowns (Hymn #295)

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## God Feeds Us His Covenant Meal

## The Lord's Supper:

### Preparation for Communion

### Mystery of the faith:

Leader: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith...

Unison: Christ has died.  
Christ has risen.  
Christ will come again!!

Leader: Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed!

People: *Therefore, let us keep the feast!* (I Corinthians 5: 7-8)

Leader: The gifts of God for the people of God! Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving!

### 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:

### Man of Sorrows (Songbook #109)

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### Taking Together the Bread and Cup

# Confession of Faith

## Heidelberg Catechism #1

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of His own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil...

...that He protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven, not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation.

Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

## 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!**

## Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flows (Songbook#50a)

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## Passing of the Peace

Leader: 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."