

Westminster Presbyterian Church

THE LORD'S DAY OF WORSHIP — 29 March 2026

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 (Matthew 21:1-17)

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

*"Say to the daughter of Zion,
'Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'"*

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you make it a den of robbers."

And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them. But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant, and they said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read,

"Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise'?"

And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there. ESV

Welcome + Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship Him (Psalm 133:1-4)

Call to Worship:

Leader: Praise the Lord!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

People: Great are the works of the Lord,
studied by all who delight in them.

Leader: Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

All: He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
the Lord is gracious and merciful.

Prayer of Invocation + Adoration

Hymn of Praise + Adoration

Only a Holy God (Songbook #123)

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All Glory, Laud, and Honor (Hymn #235)

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God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

Corporate Confession of Sin:

Leader: *The Prophet Daniel declared, "I prayed to the Lord my God and made confession saying, 'O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules.'" (Daniel 9:4-5)*

Let us then confess our sins, saying ...

All: Almighty God, we come to You as Your children, grateful for the redemption that is ours in Jesus Christ, and yet aware of our continuing need of Your grace. We confess that we have sinned against You; we have broken Your commandments; we have fallen short of Your glory. We have not loved You with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength; and we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We acknowledge our guilt and the judgment we deserve. Have mercy on us; forgive us for the guilt of sin; and deliver us from the power of sin.

Give us assurance that through faith in Christ, our sins are removed from us as far as the east is from the west. For the forgiveness of sin and the grace You lavish on us, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior, we pray....

Silent Confession & Reflection

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

Leader: I declare this sure promise: *Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. (Romans 5:1)*

All: Amen!

Hymn of Renewal

Psalm 130 (From Depths of Woe) (Songbook #139)

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God Calls Us to Make Offerings

Tithes + Offerings:

The Offering of the Prayers of the People: Tree Triolo

Missionaries & Tim and Cheri Hoke (African Bible Colleges)

Mission: H3 Ministry

WPC Ministry: Grow - Women's Ministry [Leadership Team]

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.

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Offertory

The Presentation of our Tithes + Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

Dismissal for Worship Kidz

God Gives Us His Word

The Hope of Judgment

Rev. 15

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Hymn of Response:

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder (Songbook #104)

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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:

It Was Finished Upon That Cross (Songbook #85)

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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?

All: 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, 28

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. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

People: **AMEN!**

Benediction (vs. 2) (Songbook #30)

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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."

Postlude