

Westminster Presbyterian Church

THE LORD'S DAY OF WORSHIP — 09 Aug 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 (Romans 12:9-18)

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ESV

Welcome + Announcements

God Calls Us to Worship Him (Psalm 84:1-4)

Call to Worship:

Leader: How lovely is Your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!

People: My soul longs, yes, faints
for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and flesh sing for joy
to the living God.

Leader: Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts,
my King and my God.

All: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house,
ever singing your praise! *Selah*

Prayer of Invocation + Adoration

Hymns of Praise + Adoration

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (Hymn #457)

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Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery (Songbook #43)

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God Graciously Renews Us in Christ

Corporate Confession of Sin:

Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! (Psalm 51:1-2)

Let us then confess our sins saying ...

People: O Father, thank You for Your Word that is a lamp unto my feet,
and a light unto my path.
It shows me the way of Your Kingdom
and reminds that all true pleasures are found at Your right hand.
Your Word also exposes my shortcomings—
my hidden tendency toward selfishness and greed,
envy and lust, bitterness and anger.
It shows me how impatient I am
with difficult people and trying circumstances.
Again and again it proves me to be a weak and needy creature,
vulnerable before You to whom we must all give account.
Thank You, though, that in my frailty,
Your Word takes me to the Lord of the Word,
My blessed and gracious Savior, Jesus.
May He who obeyed Your Word perfectly for me
now be my love and joy, mercy and peace,
hope and freedom, both now and forevermore.

Silent Confession & Reflection

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

Leader: And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the LORD,
are being transformed into the same image from one degree of
glory to another. For this comes from the LORD who is the Spirit.
(2 Corinthians 3:18).

Hymn of Renewal

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

God Calls Us to Make Offerings

Tithes + Offerings:

The Offering of the Prayers of the People: Greg Williamson

Missionaries RUF - A&M: Grant & Anne Michal Carter

Ministries: w/Student Leadership Team

WPC Ministry: Worship - A/V 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

Praying for Joy

1 Thessalonians 3:6-13

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Hymn of Response:

Jesus with Thy Church Abide (Songbook #99)

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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:

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)(Songbook #16)

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Taking Together the Bread and Cup

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

1 **The Apostles' Creed** is an ancient creed (or statement of faith) of the Church and historically has been widely used and cherished by believers. Although it was not written by the Apostles, we believe it to be a concise summary of their teachings. It may have originated as a baptismal formula around the 2nd century and developed into its present form by the 6th or 7th century.

2 **Jesus' descent into hell** consisted in His priestly act of offering Himself up as a sacrifice for sins, undergoing the wrath of God on the Cross, and remaining under the power of death for three days before being vindicated in His resurrection.

3 The term "**catholic**" means "**universal**" and hence does not refer to one particular church, but to Christ's universal Church, wherever she may be found gathering in Christ's name.

God Blesses Us and Sends Us Forth

Benediction:

Numbers 6:24-26

Leader: *The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.*

People: **AMEN!**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (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.

Postlude