

# LARGE PRINT BULLETIN

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Knowing Christ....Making Christ Known

November 17, 2019

9:45 A.M. Traditional



## GATHERING THOUGHT

Amidst the chaos and evil of the world  
you bring something different.  
You are not tainted by the world's fear and hatred.  
You bear love to the world.  
To nations in warlike frenzy, or to neighbors afraid  
or to families upset and struggling, you bring peace.  
You bring trust in God.  
Their resentment and resistance is your opportunity to love.  
Their craziness is deadly.  
Hold steadfast to love; that's how you stay alive.  
"By your endurance you will gain true life."

Steve Garnaas-Holmes

# ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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**PRELUDE**

*Two American Hymns*

Martin

**WELCOME** *(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad in your pew.)*

**CHORAL INTROIT**

*I Will Joyfully Sing*

Youth Choir

*I will joyfully sing in the morning. I will joyfully sing all the day.  
I'll sing praises to thee in the morning, for the Lord is the strength  
of my day. I will lift up my eyes in the morning, for the Lord will  
not turn me away. I'll sing praises to thee in the morning, for the  
Lord is the strength of my day.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Isaiah 12)

*Leader: Sing praises to the LORD, for God has done gloriously!*

**People: Let us sing God's praise throughout all the earth.**

*Leader: Shout aloud and sing for joy, from the highest peaks, to  
the deepest caverns.*

**People: Shout aloud and sing for joy, from the tiniest  
creatures to the greatest herds.**

*Leader: Shout aloud and sing for joy, in the midst of our joys and  
our sorrows.*

**People: Shout aloud and sing for joy, as we come to worship  
the God of all creation!**

**HYMN #39***Great Is Thy Faithfulness**(please stand if able)*

1 \*Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.  
sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.  
join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

## UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of peace we confess we are a people of fear. We have let anxiety rule our days and worry our nights. We have been distracted by nerves and focused on tension. We confess we have ignored Your command not to be afraid. Forgive us, O God. Calm our hearts; settle our spirits; and renew in us an ability to find all our comfort, hope and strength in You.....(*time for us to offer silent prayers of confession*).

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Pastor: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.*

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## GLORIA PATRI *(please stand if able)*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen, Amen.

## APOSTLES' CREED *(please stand if able)*

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.

## **THOUGHT FOR CHILDREN**

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**      *A Joyful Song to the Lord*

*Let ev'ry creature great and small proclaim God's holy name.*

*The mountains sing and the rocks cry out a jubilant refrain.*

*Refrain: Sing to the Lord, sing allelu, sing to the Lord, sing allelu.*

*All of creation join and sing unto the Lord. Sing to the Lord, sing allelu, sing to the Lord, sing allelu. All of creation join and sing to the Lord.*

*I sing the mighty pow'r of God that fills the earth and skies. With heart and soul lift up your voice and let your praise arise! (Refrain)*

*O sing the mighty, sing the mighty, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord, sing to the Lord!*

## **CONGREGATIONAL GREETING – “The Peace of Christ”**

### **PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

.....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.

### **OFFERTORY**      *Once To Every Man and Nation*      York

*Once to ev'ry Man and Nation comes the moment to decide, in the strife of Truth with Falsehood for the good or evil side. By the light of burning martyrs, Jesus' bleeding feet I track, toiling up new Calvaries ever with the cross that turns not back.*

*Though the cause of evil prosper, yet 'tis truth alone is strong.  
Truth forever on the scaffold, wrong forever on the throne. Yet  
the scaffold sways the future, and behind the dim unknown,  
standeth God within the shadow, keeping watch above His own.  
Amen.*

**DOXOLOGY** *(please stand if able)*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all  
creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

**UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION** *(from Feasting on the Word)*

For the gifts offered this day and every day, we give thanks, O  
God. Make us good stewards of all You have entrusted to our  
care. May these gifts be used to serve Your beloved creation, to  
sustain Your children in all they say and do, and to build up Your  
kingdom throughout the earth, in Jesus' name, AMEN. *(please  
be seated)*

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**      Luke 21: 5-19      (pew Bible pg. 856)

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned  
with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, "As for  
these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone  
will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked  
him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this  
is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led  
astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and,  
'The time is near!' Do not go after them. "When you hear of wars

and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.”

Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. “But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify.

So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.

*Pastor: The Word of the Lord.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

*“Apocalypse Now?”*

Don Lincoln

**HYMN #69**

*Here I Am, Lord*

*(please stand if able)*



1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.



All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who  
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est



made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.  
break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.



Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

*Refrain*



Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you



call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you



lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*Hymn To Joy*

arr. Ellsasser

**Thanks for worshipping with us today.**