

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Knowing Christ.....Making Christ Known

August 9, 2020
9:45 A.M. Traditional
Live-Stream Worship



GATHERING THOUGHT

"In the hour of the disciples' need, Jesus came to them. When the wind was contrary and life was a struggle, Jesus was there to help. No sooner had a need arisen than Jesus was there to help and to save. Jesus comes to us across the storms of life, with hand outstretched to save, and with his calm clear voice bidding us take heart and have no fear."

William Barclay
Daily Study Bible Commentary on Matthew

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

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PRELUDE

Two American Hymns

Martin

WELCOME *(Please fill out the guest book form online.)*

CALL TO WORSHIP: (from Psalm 89)

Leader: I will sing of Your steadfast love forever, O LORD; with my mouth I will proclaim Your faithfulness.

**People: Who in the skies can be compared to the LORD?
The One who rules the raging of the sea; and when the waves rise, You still them.**

Leader: The north and the south, You created them. The heavens are Yours, and the earth also.

People: You have a mighty hand, O LORD; and we gather to sing praise and glory to Your name!

HYMN #1

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,
3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of five systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are placed between the vocal and piano lines. The score ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of lakes and seas, we are far more adept at making waves than calming storms. In the tempests that come from without, as well as those within, we forget Your promised presence. When fear overtakes us; and anxiety rules; our tendency is to abandon ship; to leave all others behind, and fear only for ourselves. Have mercy on us, O great and gracious God. Grab hold of us firmly; keep us from drowning in whatever storms rage. Calm our hearts; forgive our lack of trust; and renew in us a confidence in Your power to save.....(*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.

RESPONSE #582 *Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

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.

MOMENT FOR CHILDREN AND PASSING THE PEACE

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

I'll Walk With God
Victoria Provost, soloist

Brodzky

I'll walk with God from this day on; His helping hand I'll lean upon. This is my prayer, my humble plea, may the Lord be ever with me. I'll walk with God from this day on; His helping hand I'll lean upon. This is my prayer, my humble plea, may the Lord be ever with me.

There is no death, though eyes grow dim. There is no fear when I'm near to Him. I'll lean on Him forever, and He'll forsake me never. He will not fail me as long as my faith is strong.

Whatever road I may walk along, I'll walk with God, I'll take His hand. I'll talk with God, He'll understand. I'll pray to Him, each day to Him, and He'll hear the words that I say. His hand will guide my throne and rod, and I'll never walk alone while I walk with God.

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

We give thanks to You, O Lord, for Your sustaining presence and abundant grace. Receive now these gifts we bring to You out of Your generous provision in our lives. May they be used to satisfy the hungry, relieve the oppressed, and proclaim everywhere the good news of Your Son, in whose name we pray, AMEN.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 14: 22-33

Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION

"Water Walking"

Don Lincoln

HYMN #353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Verses 1, 2, and 3

1 My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je-sus' blood and
2 When dark-ness seems to hide his face, I rest on his un -
3 His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the
4 When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

right - teous-ness; I dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but
chang - ing grace; in ev - ery high and storm - y gale, my
whelm-ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way, he
him be found, dressed in his right - teous - ness a - lone, fault -

Refrain

whol-ly lean on Je - sus' name.
an - chor holds with - in the veil. On Christ, the sol - id Rock, I stand; all
then is all my hope and stay. less to stand be - fore the throne.

oth-er ground is sink-ing sand; all oth-er ground is sink-ing sand.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Beethoven

A WARM THANK YOU to Victoria Provost for sharing her gifts with us while helping to lead worship

Thank you for worshipping with us today.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

July 2020

General Fund – Missions and Church Operations

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% vs. Budget</u>
YTD Tithes and Offering	\$1,358,577	\$1,388,192	-2%
YTD Expenses	\$1,307,161	\$1,457,529	-10%

We want to sincerely thank you for keeping your General Fund pledges up to date; as you can see, this month tithes and offering have fallen short of what we expected and budgeted. We encourage you to keep up consistent giving, so that we can achieve 100% of our pledged support. Please consider electronic giving. Setting up your giving is simple through the “Donate” button on the “Give” page on the church website, or contact the church office for an authorization form.

Thank you for your commitment to the mission and ministry of Westminster.

WORSHIP INFORMATION

WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Live Streaming – Sunday

- 9:45 a.m. - Traditional Worship
- 11:10 a.m. - Contemporary Worship
- 5:00 p.m. – Prayer Worship

Live Streaming – Wednesday

- 9:10 a.m. - Prayer and Communion Worship

TEXT GIVING is available. You can give via your phone; it's easy, secure and instant. Start a new text message to 610-616-2826. Enter the dollar amount of your gift as the text. Send. First time givers are prompted to a link to enter credit/debit card information.

PRAYER CHAIN members receive a weekly list of prayer requests via email and members include them in their conversations with God. To have a prayer request included in the Prayer Chain or to become a member, contact Jeanne Klaver at jeanneklaver@gmail.com or fill out the prayer request form at www.westminsterpc.org.

TRANSCRIPTS, VIDEO AND AUDIO OF PREVIOUS SERMONS are available online at www.westminsterpc.org.

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Pastors	Jennie Clark, Jon Frost, Ann Hatfield, Don Lincoln
Director of Music	Bob Morris
Associate Director of Music and Organist	Glenn Kinckner