

 WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE of
HOLY WORSHIP

*A severe test of a man's essential
nature is how he appears to the
members of his own family.*

- Maldwyn Edwards

The Lord's Day
October 25th, 2015

Welcome to Westminster Presbyterian Church. We are thankful that you have joined us today as we offer worship to God through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. There may be some elements of our worship today that are unfamiliar to you, but please don't worry about that, you will catch on soon enough. If you have any questions about our church, or about the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the pastor, elders or deacons would be happy to help you find answers.

A FEW WORDS ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

Standing and raising hands

Because we are whole people with bodies as well as souls, we use our bodies in worship, as the Bible commands. We raise our hands to look to God for help and bless God (Ps. 28:2, 63:3), and we stand to hear the Word out of reverence for God (Neh. 8:5).

The Lord's Supper

The Sacrament of communion is a rite of fellowship between Christ and His people. We invite all who have been initiated into the family of God by baptism, and admitted to table fellowship by the leadership of this or some other church, to join in the communion service by faith. If you are unbaptized, or not a church member, please speak with the pastor or elders before the service if you would like to come to join in the Holy Supper.

Liturgical response

Please note that when the congregation is to read, the type will be **boldfaced and indented:**

The Lord be with you! [*Leader*]

And also with you! [*Congregation*]

Children

You will notice many children in our service today. Jesus welcomed little children to Himself, and so we welcome them in our worship service! We believe that children naturally love those whom their parents love, and so the best way to help children grow in their love for the Lord Jesus is to have families worship together.

We understand that this means baby noises and wiggly children, and we're fine with that. If your child is fussy or needs a little time to quiet down, we have a mother's nursery in the back room. If your children have never been in worship before, don't worry at all. We realize this is unusual for many people, and we would be happy to offer you help, tips and encouragement.

PRELUDE

Please be seated, silence electronic devices, and prepare your hearts for worship.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 149:1-4

Praise the Lord!

Sing to the Lord a new song,

his praise in the assembly of the godly!

Let Israel be glad in his Maker;

let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!

Let them praise his name with dancing,

making melody to him with tambourine and lyre!

For the Lord takes pleasure in his people;

he adorns the humble with salvation.

*GLORIA PATRI

N^o. 734

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.

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*PSALM OF PRAISE

Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim N^o. 12

* *Please stand as you are able*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Hebrews 10:21-22

Since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN from the *Book of Common Prayer*, (1662)

Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your Holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared to us in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of Your Holy name.

Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Galatians 4:4-7

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

DECLARATION OF ABSOLUTION

HYMN OF SALVATION

Jesus, My Great High Priest, N^o. 306

PRAYER FOR TITHE AND OFFERINGS

GIVING OF TITHE AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

N^o. 73 I

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

*OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Judges 4

Now Heber the Kenite had separated from the Kenites, the descendants of Hobab the father-in-law of Moses, and had pitched his tent as far away as the oak in Zaanannim, which is near Kedesh.

12 When Sisera was told that Barak the son of Abinoam had gone up to Mount Tabor, 13 Sisera called out all his chariots, 900 chariots of iron, and all the men who were with him, from Harosheth-hagoyim to the river Kishon. 14 And Deborah said to Barak, "Up! For this is the day in which the Lord has given Sisera into your hand. Does not the Lord go out before you?" So Barak went down from Mount Tabor with 10,000 men following him. 15 And the Lord routed Sisera and all his chariots and all his army before Barak by the edge of the sword. And Sisera got down from his chariot and fled away on foot. 16 And Barak pursued the chariots and the army to Harosheth-hagoyim, and all the army of Sisera fell by the edge of the sword; not a man was left.

17 But Sisera fled away on foot to the tent of Jael, the wife of Heber the Kenite, for there was peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite. 18 And Jael came out to meet Sisera and said to him, "Turn aside, my lord; turn aside to me; do not be afraid." So he turned aside to her into the tent, and she covered him with a rug. 19 And he said to her, "Please give me a little water to drink, for I am thirsty." So she opened a skin of milk and gave him a drink and covered him. 20 And he said to her, "Stand at the opening of the tent, and if any man comes and asks you, 'Is anyone here?' say, 'No.'" 21 But Jael the wife of Heber took a tent peg, and took a hammer in her hand. Then she went

softly to him and drove the peg into his temple until it went down into the ground while he was lying fast asleep from weariness. So he died. 22 And behold, as Barak was pursuing Sisera, Jael went out to meet him and said to him, "Come, and I will show you the man whom you are seeking." So he went in to her tent, and there lay Sisera dead, with the tent peg in his temple.

23 So on that day God subdued Jabin the king of Canaan before the people of Israel. 24 And the hand of the people of Israel pressed harder and harder against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Symbol of Chalcedon, (A.D. 451)

**We, then, following the holy fathers, all with one consent, teach men to confess one and the same Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, the same perfect in Godhead and also perfect in manhood;
truly God and truly man, of a reasonable soul and body;
consubstantial with the Father according to the Godhead, and consubstantial with us according to the Manhood;
in all things like unto us, without sin;
begotten before all ages according to the Godhead, and in these latter days, for us and for our salvation, born of the Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, according to the Manhood;
one and the same Christ, Son, Lord, Only-begotten, to be acknowledged in two natures;
inconfusedly, unchangeably, indivisibly, inseparably;**

the distinction of natures being by no means taken away by the union, but rather the property of each nature being preserved, and concurring in one Person and one Subsistence, not parted or divided into two persons, but one and the Son, and only begotten, God the Word, the Lord Jesus Christ, as the prophets from the beginning have declared concerning him, and the Lord Jesus Christ himself has taught us, and the Creed of the holy Fathers has handed down to us.

Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

*RESPONSIVE READING *The King Will Desire Your Beauty*, Psalm 45

TO THE CHOIRMASTER: ACCORDING TO LILIES.

A MASKIL OF THE SONS OF KORAH; A LOVE SONG.

My heart overflows with a pleasing theme;

I address my verses to the king;

my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe.

You are the most handsome of the sons of men;

grace is poured upon your lips;

therefore God has blessed you forever.

Gird your sword on your thigh, O mighty one,

in your splendor and majesty!

In your majesty ride out victoriously

for the cause of truth and meekness and righteousness;

let your right hand teach you awesome deeds!

Your arrows are sharp

in the heart of the king's enemies;

the peoples fall under you.

Your throne, O God, is forever and ever.
 The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness;
you have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.
 Therefore God, your God, has anointed you
 with the oil of gladness beyond your companions;
your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.
 From ivory palaces stringed instruments make you glad;
 daughters of kings are among your ladies of honor;
at your right hand stands the queen in gold of Ophir.
 Hear, O daughter, and consider, and incline your ear:
 forget your people and your father's house,
 and the king will desire your beauty.
Since he is your lord, bow to him.
 The people of Tyre will seek your favor with gifts,
the richest of the people.
 All glorious is the princess in her chamber,
with robes interwoven with gold.
 In many-colored robes she is led to the king,
with her virgin companions following behind her.
 With joy and gladness they are led along
as they enter the palace of the king.
 In place of your fathers shall be your sons;
you will make them princes in all the earth.
 I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations;
therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.

*PSALM OF RESPONSE

My Heart Does Overflow, N^o. 169

*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 5:13-16

“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

14 “You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

*SERMON LESSON

1 Peter 3:1-6

Likewise, wives, be subject to your own husbands, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives, 2 when they see your respectful and pure conduct. 3 Do not let your adorning be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear— 4 but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God’s sight is very precious. 5 For this is how the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves, by submitting to their own husbands, 6 as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord. And you are her children, if you do good and do not fear anything that is frightening.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

*PRAYER FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

SERMON

A Beautiful and Terrible Strength, Rev. Jerid Krulish

*COMMUNION HYMN *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness*, N^o. 520

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

You are welcome to partake in the Lord's Supper if you are a baptized Christian who has been admitted to the Lord's Table. Our communion elements are wine and bread. If you are unable to take regular bread and wine, please signal one of the elders (with the trays), and we can provide you with gluten-free bread; non-alcoholic grape juice is found in the innermost ring of the communion trays for those who need to abstain from alcohol.

*HYMN OF COMMISSIONING *Be Thou My Vision*, N^o. 642

*BENEDICTION & THREEFOLD AMEN #740



WEEKLY CATECHISM MEMORY

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 39. What is the duty which God requireth of man?

A. The duty which God requireth of man is obedience to his revealed will.

[Children's] A: Obedience to his revealed will.

WEEKLY BIBLE READING

Psalm 78:40-84:12; 1 Chronicles 12-22; Matthew 16:13-21:46

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR

- *Sunday School*: Join us (almost) every Sunday as we explore the “History of the Old Testament.” If you have ever been confused about “Bible that Jesus read,” (and who hasn’t?) please join us Sunday mornings at 9:30. All ages welcome.
- *Oct. 26: Young Women’s Study*. Aria Krulish leads prayer and discussion of Jerry Bridge’s *The Discipline of Grace*. 7pm at the Krulish’s.
- *Nov. 1: Diaconal Ordination, Installation and offering*. Our new deacon-elects will be ordained to the diaconate, and will receive an offering to meet tangible needs among our church and community. This has great benefit to our fellow members, and provides opportunity for evangelistic witness. Please plan to contribute.
- *Nov. 5th: Baby Shower*. Welcome baby Sturtevant into the world with a shower to bless Sarah Sturtevant at the Mark & Cherie Sturtevant home, 7:00PM.
- *Nov. 1*: Did you notice how this particular announcement is out of place? You will also be out of place if you don’t set your clocks back for Daylight Savings, which starts Nov. 1.
- *Nov. 8: Late worship service, no Sunday School*. **Worship starts at NOON on Sunday due to an annual event held at the Square Dance Center. Setup team, please be ready for noon only.**

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