



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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March 19, 2023

Worship Service

8 AM & 11 AM

As you enter, begin to worship quietly. Please silence your phone.

FOR REFLECTION: “[The] question of authority was a point of contention throughout Jesus’ ministry. He said, ‘I have not spoken on my own authority; but the Father who sent me gave me a command, what I should say and what I should speak’ (John 12:40)...Of course, this was not just a question for first-century scribes and Pharisees. It is the supreme question...today. Perhaps you are one who has not yet submitted to Christ...you are thinking in your heart, ‘Who is Jesus to tell me what to do?’ Simply put, he is the eternal Son of God, and he speaks and acts by the authority that has been given to him by God the Father” (R. C. Sproul).

PRELUDE

Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring

arr. E. A. Del Borgo

Bist Du Bei Mir, BWV 508

arr. G. Bricault

Allegretto

M. Giuliani, arr. L. Conley

Shepherd Medley (Hymns 605, 599, 600)

arr. A. Fields

Clarinet Choir

TIDINGS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Walker

CHORAL INTROIT

(8:00) *Worship Him*

D. Wood

(11:00) *Come Before His Presence with a Song*

A. Whitworth

SILENT PRAYER/INVOCATION

(8:00) Dr. Cureton, (11:00) Rev. Collins

HYMN 298*

The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns

ST. MAGNUS

CONFESSION OF SIN * From *The Valley of Vision*

Blessed Redeemer, no human mind could invent your amazing gospel. Acting in eternal grace we see Christ as its messenger and its message. He brought divine life to bear upon insult, injury and death—that I may be redeemed and free!

Triune God, impress the power of the gospel on my soul, until its righteousness fills my every faculty. Let my heart submit to your command. May my affections and understanding be molded by your Spirit in me.

I praise you for the patience that has borne with me so long. Unite me to yourself by inseparable bonds, that nothing will ever remove me from you, my God and Savior. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE: * 1 John 3:1-2

Pastor: This is the grace of God for our salvation.

People: Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF FAITH: * *The Apostles' Creed*

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

**The word catholic means universal*

SONG OF PRAISE: * *Rejoice the Lord Is King*, Hymn 310, stanza 1

**Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks,
and sing, and triumph evermore. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!**

ANTHEM (11:00)

The Lord Is My Shepherd

arr. H. Smart

The Lord is my Shepherd, I never shall want, for lack of his mercies, my soul shall not pant; in pleasant green pastures I daily abide, He leads me the peaceful still waters beside. My soul he restoreth, and for his name's sake, the path of true righteousness bid me, bids me to take; yea, though I pass through death's dark shade, I will not by evil be ever dismay'd. The Lord is my Shepherd, I never shall want! For thou art my Shepherd and with me alway, Thy rod and Thy staff are my comfort and stay; my table Thou spreadest in presence of foes, my head Thou anointest, my cup overflows; Thy goodness and mercy shall follow me still, while life's earnest duties I daily fulfil; till joyous my spirit shall claim its reward, and dwell evermore in the house of the Lord, and dwell evermore in the house of the Lord! The Lord is my Shepherd, I never shall want!

Rebecca Forbes & Elissa Morgan, sopranos

INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(8:00) Michael Mante, (11:00) Andrew Soule

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.
Your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY (8:00) *All the Day Long* K. Lee Scott

Show me your ways; teach me your paths; guide me in truth; instruct my heart. You are my God and Savior strong; for you my soul waits all the day long. Remember, O LORD, your loving kindness and tender mercies, for they are ever of old, for they are ever of old. Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions; according to your mercy, Lord, remember me (based on Psalm 25:4–8).

Matins Choir

OFFERTORY (11:00) *The Dream Isaiah Saw* G. L. Rudolph

Lions and oxen will sleep in the hay, leopards will join with the lambs as they play, wolves will be pastured with cows in the glade, blood will not darken the earth that God made. *Little child whose bed is straw, take new lodgings in my heart. Bring the dream Isaiah saw: life redeemed from fang and claw.* Peace will pervade more than forest and field: God will transfigure the Violence concealed deep in the heart and in systems of gain, ripe for the judgement the Lord will ordain. Nature reordered to match God's intent, nations obeying the call to repent, all of creation completely restored, filled with the knowledge and love of the Lord. *Little child whose bed is straw, take new lodgings in my heart. Bring the dream Isaiah saw: knowledge, wisdom, worship, awe.*

Sanctuary Choir

Beth Peazzoni, piano Corbin Walter & Wesley Rogers, percussion

HYMN 159 * *O Savior, Precious Savior* MEIRIONYDD

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Mark 11:1–11, 15–19, 27–33 (Pew Bible Pages 847–848)

SERMON ***The King Comes to His Temple*** Dr. Chris Walker

#31 in a Series on Mark—*Take Up Your Cross: Jesus' Sacrifice, Our Calling*

HYMN 163 * *At the Name of Jesus* KING'S WESTON

BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE *

(8:00) *Amen*

T. Dubois

(11:00) *Let the Words of My Mouth*

A. Whitworth

POSTLUDE (8:00) *Hark! the Voice of Love and Mercy* (Hymn 259) arr. P. Manz

(11:00) *The Head That Once Was Crowned* (Hymn 298) arr. R. A. Hobby

*Worshippers, please stand if physically able.

At the Morning Worship Service:

8 AM Organist: Jonathan Humbert

11 AM Organist: Frank Dodd

Choral Director: Floyd Rawleigh

Clarinet Choir: Mallory Brennan, Cindy Field, Laura Henry, Joel Mumma

Visitors

Welcome visitors: Please complete the Connect Card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate. You will receive an informational, one-time mailing.

Connections class is held the first and second Sunday of each month. This monthly, two-week informal session is offered for visitors and those who desire an informative introduction to the life and ministry of Westminster Church—without obligation. *Connections* is located in the library (located across the Gathering Space), 9:30–10:30 AM.

Everyone

Help us minister to you; complete a Connect Card each week you worship with us.

Hearing devices to use in the Sanctuary are available from the ushers.

Sanctuary flowers are contributed in loving memory of Dan Brensinger by his wife, Marian, and family; and by Inge Koenig in loving memory of Elinor Rogers, who went to be with the Lord on March 31, 2020.

Evening Service: 6 PM

Come support our Youth Ministry and be blessed this evening as our youth lead the worship service. Hear testimonies of how God has worked in their lives and a message from God's Word from youth group member Justus Rogers. There will be an opportunity to sign up as a prayer partner for a student. Prelude music by a variety of youth musicians begins at 5:50 PM.

Child of the Covenant

The rosebud announces our newest Child of the Covenant:

Daniel Joseph, son of Stephanie & Aaron Magaro, born March 8, 2023.

Holy Week

Holy Thursday Communion service is Thursday, April 6, at 7 PM. Dr. Chris Walker will be preaching on Psalm 22.

Good Friday Tenebrae Service: April 7, 7 PM. Our Sanctuary Choir, instrumentalists, and readers will lead us through this moving account of the Passion of Christ.

Easter Sunday, April 9:

6:30 AM Sunrise Service in the cemetery (indoors if bad weather; Dr. York)

8 AM & 11 AM Worship Services (Dr. Walker)

This year's Easter breakfast is at 7 AM, as supplies last, in the gym, immediately following our Sunrise Service. Donation is \$5/adult and \$2/child (3–10 years old), max. \$15/family. No registration necessary.

Session has designated this year's Easter offering be split equally between Sacred Road Ministries' general fund and Bruce and Anne McDowell's one-time transition expenses to the Dominican Republic. Sacred Road (PCA) in Washington state is a church planting ministry serving among our "first neighbors" on the Yakama and Warm Springs reservations. Bruce McDowell is president of Santiago Theological Seminary in the Dominican Republic, where he and his family will relocate this summer.

Ministry Highlights

- **This week's Wednesday dinner entrée is pizza.** Dinner is available 5–6:30 PM. Tell us on your Connect Card or RSVP online by noon on Monday (westpca.com/wednesday) if you plan to attend. Cost is \$5 per person, age 6 and older, maximum \$15 per household.
- **Join us for the 2023 Lenten Series**, *Shadows of the Cross*, Wednesdays through March 29, 6:45–7:30 PM. Look for a flyer at the Information Desk, in the kiosks, online at westpca.com/lent or on the WPC App.
- **Join us THIS SATURDAY, March 25 at 7 PM, to hear the Cedarville University Concert Chorale.** The 50 undergraduate singers hail from Cedarville University in southwest Ohio. Their varied repertoire includes masterworks, sacred anthems, spirituals, and contemporary praise selections. Under the direction of Dr. Lyle Anderson, they have performed on eleven international tours. We still need families to host students overnight Saturday; if you are willing, please contact Nancy at kuch@westpca.com.
- **WPC college students!** If you love kids, love Jesus, and want a rewarding ministry experience, then the VBS internship may be for you! This position is part time and averages 10–12 hours a week from mid-May through July. Applications are available in the Children's Ministry office or on the church website and **are due NEXT Sunday, March 26**. Contact Mary Jo Rizzo (rizzo@westpca.com) to apply or go to westpca.com/children.
- **Were you moved to be more engaged** in missions following our missions conference? If so, Great Commission would love to know of your interest. Visit westpca.com/outreach/mc/ to complete a digital response card.
- **Session will begin** to approach men to serve as elders and deacons and women to serve as deaconesses beginning in 2024. We desire and take seriously any nominations that come from the congregation. Please consider using the officer recommendation form found online at westpca.com/about/officers to submit names for consideration by **Sunday, April 16**.

Get more information on these and other announcements in any of the following ways: our Westminster Announcements sheet, online at westpca.com/bulletin, in the weekly update sent via email, or on the WPC App. **To be added to the email update or to get more information on the WPC App, visit the Information Counter or contact the church office (717.569.2151).**

Pastoral Staff

Dr. Christopher Walker
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Worship: 8 AM & 11 AM, 6 PM Sunday School: 9:30 AM

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Church Office Hours:

Monday–Friday, 8 AM–4 PM

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