



Service for the Lord's Day

24th Sunday after Pentecost
November 15th, 2020

Westminster Presbyterian Church
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Preparing to Hear God's Word

Prelude	<i>Sonata on Our God, Our Help</i>	Piet Rippen
Welcome		Dorothy Piatt
Opening Hymn	Holy God, We Praise Your Name (verses 1-3)	GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Forgiveness

God's Word to Us

Psalter	Psalm 94:16-22	
Epistle Lesson	1 Thess. 5:1-10	
Sermon	It's Always Darkest Before the Dawn	Ken Henry
Anthem	<i>Teach Me Your Way, O Lord</i> Dana Patek, soprano; Steve Patek, tenor	Mark Sedio

Sending Us Out

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Charge and Benediction

Postlude	<i>Fugue in F Major</i>	J. G. Walther
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4 Holy God, We Praise Your Name

1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
 3 All a - pos - tles join the strain as your sa - cred
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it:

bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim;
 above are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name they hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 three we name you, while in es - sence on - ly one;

all in heaven a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
 in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heavens with
 and the bless - ed mar - tyrs fol - low, and from morn to
 un - di - vid - ed God we claim you, and a - dor - ing,

vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
 sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
 set of sun, through the church the song goes on.
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

Based on an 18th-century German metrical version of a celebrated 5th-century Latin hymn, *Te Deum laudamus*, this abbreviated 19th-century English paraphrase is sung by both Protestants and Roman Catholics. It is set here to the tune composed and named for the German version.

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL

Blessing

This is the blessing
that writes itself
in your sleeping.

This is the blessing
that inscribes itself
in your waking.

This is the blessing
that twines through
your heart
with every beat,
that lays itself
across your brow
in every moment,
that breathes with you
in every breath

so that even
in your resting
you know
and even
in your slumber
you are aware
and even
in your dreaming
your heart keeps time
with the voice that calls
to you

awake
awake
awake.

— *Jan Richardson*

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