

# Service for the Lord's Day

Youth Sunday

May 14, 2023

Westminster Presbyterian Church  
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**W**elcome visitors, newcomers, and friends worshipping with us today! If you're interested in joining our church community, please speak to a pastor after worship or contact the church office, 434-293-3133. We hope you will worship with us again, whenever possible.

## Preparing to Hear God's Word

Prelude

*Concerto in G minor: Largo*

Antonio Vivaldi

Welcome

### ◆ Call to Worship

Based on Psalm 66

*Come and celebrate!*

*Shout joyfully to the Lord and glorify God with your praise!*

**We sing God's praises and shout the Lord's name in joyful songs.**

*Come and see what our God has done,*

*what awesome things God has done for us!*

**Let the whole world bless God and sing God's praise.**

*For our lives are in holy hands,*

*and the Lord keeps our feet from stumbling.*

**Come, let us praise the Most High.**

### ◆ Hymn 388

**Come All You People/Uyai Mose**

UYAI MOSE

Call to Confession

*Jesus taught us mercy by praying for the forgiveness of those who killed him. This miraculous grace assures us that no matter what we have done, no matter the words we have left unsaid, we can come to Christ with our honest confession. Let us pray.*

Prayer of Confession

Written by Middle and High School youth

**Loving God,**

**We fail to keep your commandments.**

**We hold grudges and do not get along with others.**

**We do not speak kindly or act bravely.**

**We do not love our neighbors as ourselves.**

**Forgive us and help us to live in the way you want us to live.**

Silent Prayers

Sung Response

Glory to God hymnal 576

**Lord, have mercy.**

**Christ, have mercy.**

**Lord, have mercy on us.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Created from poems written by youth

*The Prince of Peace urges us onward with authority and endless light. Hear the good news: the light of God is mighty and those who follow with love and faith are given hope forevermore.*

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

◆ Hymn 582

**Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines on Me**

◆ Passing of the Peace

*May the peace of Christ be with you.*

**And also with you.**

## God's Word to Us

A Time with Children and Youth

Sung Prayer for Illumination

*Listen to the word that God has spoken; listen to the One who is close at hand; listen to the voice that began creation; listen even if you don't understand.*

First Reading

John 14:15-21

NT p. 103

Lydia Brawley-Magee

Reflection

Paul Schakel

Second Reading

John 15:1-17

NT p. 103

Anthem

*The Fruit of the Vine*

Mark Patterson

Christ is the vine and we are the branches; through him we can do anything.

Christ is the strength, the source and the blessing;

when we serve him we behold the fruit of the vine.

Just as the Lord has loved us so let us love one another.

For this is God's command, that our joy may be full.

Reflections

Aaron Heflin and Tatiana Bird

## Responding to God's Word

◆ Hymn HS 41

**Be Thou My Vision**

SLANE

## The Offering

### Offertory

*Walk in the Light*

Karen Marroli

And we shall study war no more.  
Come, O people, O come and walk in the Light of the Lord.  
And we shall walk the paths of peace,  
Come, O people, O come and walk in the Light of the Lord.  
The night is far spent; the day is at hand.  
So let us cast off the works of night so we may wear a Shield of Day.  
Evermore and evermore.

### ◆ Presentation of the Offering

GTG 607

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below;  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

Rite-13 Liturgy (see insert)

### ◆ Hymn 157

**I Danced in the Morning**

LORD OF THE DANCE

### ◆ Charge and Benediction

Postlude

*Cello Suite No. 1: Minuets 1 & 2*

J. S. Bach

### ◆ Please stand, as you are able.

*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given by Kate Hamilton,  
in memory of Nancy Ratcliff Allen, beloved mother and grandmother.*

*The rose on the table is in celebration of the birth of Irvine Walker Hochstetler, born May 4, to Ben and  
Lindsay Hochstetler, and grandparents Beth and Will Hochstetler.*

**Worship Leaders and Participants:** Tatiana Bird, Lydia Brawley-Magee, El Garth, Vee Garth, Aaron Heflin, Lila Peck, Will Peck, Paul Schakel, Laura Schlipper, Andrew Stetkevych, Robert Stetkevych, Katherine Ham, Mia Wade

**Instrumentalists:** Lydia Brawley-Magee, Paul Schakel, Laura Schlipper, Dorothy Piatt-Esguerra

**Singers:** Shawn Bailey, Elizabeth Latta Brother, Margaret Anne Doran, Judy Dunscomb, Vee Garth, Nadine Roddy, Paul Schakel, Laura Schlipper, Andrew Stetkevych, Robert Stetkevych, Ellie Weikle

# What's Happening

at Westminster

## Sunday, May 14

*Youth Sunday*

9:30 a.m. Last Day of Church School

11 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary with a Congregational Meeting after Worship

## Monday, May 15

6:30 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry in the Lower Lounge

## Wednesday, May 17

7 p.m. 20/30/40 CreW Wind-Down Wednesday (off-site)

## Thursday, May 18

7:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room

## Friday, May 19

6 p.m. Westminster Softball Game at Darden Towe Park 1

7 p.m. Westminster Softball Game at Darden Towe Park 1

## Sunday, May 21

8:30 a.m. Only: Worship in the Sanctuary (no livestream)

10 a.m. Deacons Meeting via Zoom

## Sunday, May 28

*Day of Pentecost*

10 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

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### **Charge to the Congregation (Nadine Roddy)**

*People of Westminster Church, you are gathered here as the living body of Christ are empowered by the Holy Spirit to do God's work in the world. Will you, as a community of faith which spans the generations, share your knowledge, experience, and love with these young people as they begin their journey to adulthood?*

All who are gathered: **We will.**

### **Charge to Other Young People of Westminster**

*Dear friends of these young people, as they move beyond the circle of their families, they will need loyal friends. As their peers, you will be able to reach them at times no one else can. Will you stand by them, knowing that there may be times when your support means more than any other?*

Young people: **We will.**

Anthem *Child of God* Mark Miller

No matter what people say, or think about me, I am a child of God.

No matter what people say, or think about you, you are a child of God.

No matter what the world says, or thinks about me, I am a child of God.

No matter what the church says, decisions, pronouncements on you, you are a child of God.

And there is nothing or no one who can separate you from the truth that you're someone, you are family, you are meant to be, a child of God.

(The candidates kneel. The parents come forward and lay their hands on the candidates' shoulders.)

**Blessing:** *You have been blessed by God with imagination, strength, and creative power. Cherish these gifts as you grow into the full stature of Christ.*

*May Almighty God fill you with courage, wisdom, and joy.*

*May Jesus Christ make you strong in faith  
and defend you on every side.*

*May the indwelling Holy Spirit guide you in truth and peace,  
and remain with you always. Amen.*

## **The Rite-13 Liturgy Westminster Presbyterian Church May 14, 2023**

### **Presentation of the Candidates (Rite 13 Teachers)**

*Those who come before you today have grown beyond childhood and are now prepared to begin the journey to adulthood. We present to you today:*

Vee Garth

Lila Peck

Will Peck

Andrew Stetkyvetch

Mia Wade

### **Charge to the Candidates**

*Candidates, by the grace of God, you have lived through the pains and joys of childhood and have increased in wisdom and stature. It is given to you to share in the power of God's creation. You are blessed with the ability to create new ideas, new thoughts, new hopes for the world, and indeed to create new life. Because we are made in God's image, we are uniquely able to choose how to use our creative power—not only to create new life, but also to shape the world according to God's purpose. God calls us to use this gift to build up God's kingdom.*

*Are you aware of God's gift to you and of the responsibility to use it wisely? If so, please say, I am.*

Candidates: **I am.**

## **The Psalm**

*Let us join together in reading from Psalm 139.*

**God, you have searched me out and known me;  
you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you know my thoughts from afar.  
You trace my journeys and my resting places  
and are acquainted with all my ways.  
Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,  
but you, O God, know it altogether.  
You press upon me behind and before  
and lay your hand upon me.  
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain it.  
Where can I go then from your Spirit?  
Where can I flee from your presence?  
If I climb up to heaven, you are there;  
if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.  
If I take the wings of the morning  
and dwell in the uttermost part of the sea,  
even there your hand will lead me  
and your right hand hold me fast.  
Search me out, O God, and know my heart;  
try me and know my restless thoughts.  
Look well whether there be any wickedness in me  
and lead me in the way that is everlasting.**

## **Prayer for the Parents**

*Parents, you will recall that when Mary and Joseph searched for Jesus and found him in the temple, talking with the elders, they realized that Jesus was no longer a child. This is such a moment. We rejoice with you as we recognize your children as young adults. We stand with you to support you as they begin their journey to adulthood.*

**God of mercy and love,  
enfold these parents with your grace.  
Fill them with the joy of your presence.  
Rejoice with them as their children grow and mature.  
Strengthen them that they may support  
their children as they begin the journey toward adulthood.**

**Uphold them by your Spirit, that they may comfort them,  
although they can neither walk their road for them  
nor shield them from pain.  
Carry parents and children together  
safely through this journey,  
so that one day they may stand side by side  
as adults and friends,  
a joy and a comfort to each other  
all the days of their lives. Amen.**

Parents address their children in unison:

We now recognize your passage into adulthood.  
We thank God for the gift of your lives.  
As you begin to carve out the life that will be your own,  
we will stand with you and support you.  
May we be patient and understanding,  
ready to guide and forgive,  
that in our love for you, you may know the love of God.  
You are holy and wonderful and blessed,  
and we will not look away from you.  
We are your parents, and we support you on this journey.

## **Prayers for the Congregation and the Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
Hallowed by 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.**

## Come All You People

*Uyai mose*

*Leader*

U - ya - i mo - se, ti - na -  
Come all you peo - ple, come and

U - ya - i mo - se, ti - na - ma - te  
Come all you peo - ple, come and praise your

Ahom

Ahom

ma - te Mwa - ri; u - ya - i mo - se,  
praise your Mak - er; come all you peo - ple,

Mwa - ri; u - ya - i mo - se,  
Mak - er; come all you peo - ple,

Ahom

ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri; u -  
come and praise your Mak - er; come

ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri; u - ya - i  
come and praise your Mak - er; come all you

Ahom

Ahom

This short gathering song (based on a text adapted from Psalm 95:6) is a great favorite among children in Zimbabwe, and it is frequently used as a processional song for worship. The choir enters singing, the congregation picks up their excitement, and soon all are singing.

GATHERING

ya - i mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;  
 all you peo - ple, come and praise your Mak - er;

mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;  
 peo - ple, come and praise your Mak - er;

Ahom

u - ya - i mo - se zvi - no. Ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri, no.  
 come now and wor - ship the Lord. Come and praise your Mak - er, Lord.

u - ya - i mo - se zvi - no. no.  
 come now and wor-ship the Lord. Lord.

Ahom

Ahom

Ahom

Ahom



# 582

## Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)  
 B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
 2 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)  
 F B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)  
 C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.  
 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)  
 Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

# Be Thou My Vision

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Irish, ca. 8th century, tr. Mary Elizabeth Byrne, 1905

versified Eleanor H. Hull, 1912; alt.

SLANE, 10.10.10.10

Irish traditional melody

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O joy of my heart;  
2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true word,  
3. Rich - es I heed not, nor vain emp - ty praise,  
4. Great God of heav - en, thy vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me save that thou art,  
I ev - er with thee, and thou with me, Lord;  
thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
my I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
thou lov - ing par - ent, thy child may I be,  
thou and thou on - ly, the first in my heart,  
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.  
great God of hea - ven, my trea - sure thou art.  
still be my vis - ion, O rul - er of all.

# 157 I Danced in the Morning

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm)  
 F Dm Am Dm

1 I danced in the morn-ing when the world was be-gun, and I  
 2 I danced for the scribe and the Phar - i - see, but  
 3 I danced on the Sab-bath and I cured the lame. The  
 4 I danced on a Fri - day when the sky turned black. It's  
 5 They cut me down and I leapt up high. †

(Em) (A)  
 Gm C

danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I  
 they would not dance and they would not foll - ow me. I  
 ho - ly peo - ple said it was a shame. They  
 hard to dance with the dev - il on your back. They  
 I am the life that will nev - er, nev - er die. I'll

(D) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm)  
 F Dm Am Dm

came down from heav - en and I danced on the earth. At  
 danced for the fish - er - men, for James and John. They  
 whipped and they stripped and they hung me high, and  
 bur - ied my bod - y and they thought I'd gone, but  
 live in you if you'll live in me, †

(Em) (A7) (G) (D)  
 Gm C7 Bb F

Beth - le - hem I had my birth.  
 came with me and the dance went on.  
 left me there on a cross to die.  
 I am the dance and I still go on.  
 I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

This 20th-century ballad-like retelling of the life of Christ, though written for this Shaker tune, has many similarities with the pre-Reformation carol "Tomorrow shall be my dancing day." Such narrative carols were common both at Christmas and as part of medieval mystery plays.

*Refrain* (F#m) (Bm) (F#m) (Bm) (D) (Bm)  
Am Dm Am Dm F Dm

Dance, then, wher-ev - er you may be; I am the Lord of the

(Em) (A) (D) (Bm) (D) (A7) (D)  
Gm C F Dm F C7 F

Dance, said he, and I'll lead you all, wher - ev - er you may be,

(Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)  
Gm C7 F Bb F

and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.