

The Order of Worship

April 10, 2022 9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

PALM SUNDAY

THE CHURCH GATHERS...

Welcome to Westminster Church! We are a family of Christians gathered from many traditions and neighborhoods, worshiping here with the goal of connecting faith and life. If you are a visitor, we pray you will feel welcome and blessed by our worship. We invite you to consider making Westminster your church home. Please let us have your contact information so we may be in touch.

When the prelude begins let us quietly prepare for the worship of almighty God.

PRELUDE O Mensch, bewein dein Sünde groß, BWV 622

J. S. Bach

O Man, Bewail Thy Grievous Sins (from the Orgelbüchlein)

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

INTROIT (11:00) Prepare Ye the Way from *Godspell*

Stephen Schwartz

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Humble and riding on a donkey,

People: We greet you;

Leader: Acclaimed by crowds and caroled by children,

People: We cheer you;

Leader: Moving from the peace of the countryside to the corridors of power,

People: We salute you: Christ our Lord.

Leader: You are giving the beast of burden

People: A new dignity;

Leader: You are giving majesty

People: A new face;

Leader: You are giving those who long for redemption

People: A new song to sing.

Leader: With them, with heart and voice, we shout:

All: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

*HYMN NO. 196 (Glory to God hymnal) All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Valet will ich dir geben

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Linda Judge-McRae

Children age 4 through 4^{nd} grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Sunday School.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER FOR CONFESSION

O Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you: we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, that our faith is often more show than substance, that our hearts are in need of cleansing. Have mercy on us, son of David, Savior of our lives. Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken, to welcome our praises, and to receive us as your own

*KYRIE ELEISON John L. Bell

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE Of the Father's Love Begotten Divinum mysterium

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ..

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 19:28-40

*CANTICLE (11:00) To My Humble Supplication

Mon Dieu, prête-moi l'oreille

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 2:5-11

SERMON "Rocks and Roles"

Rev. Gradye Parsons

*HYMN NO. 215 (Glory to God hymnal) What Wondrous Love Is This

Wondrous Love

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

We believe in the God who is the pillar of fire and the pillar of cloud. We trust in our Holy Parent who judges and shows mercy. We hope in our Creator who is faithful to all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in the Jesus who rode in triumph into Jerusalem. We trust in the Messiah who was crucified, died, and was buried. We hope in the living Christ who walked out of the tomb.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, giver of faith and formation. We trust in the Breath of Life who stirs, sustains, and sanctifies. We hope in our Advocate who brings to us, and through, us the gift of God's peace.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ... The Lord's Prayer

During the Prayers of the People there will be a time of silence. You are invited to use this time for personal reflection, confession, thanksgiving, and prayer.

THE OFFERING

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle. Though many of us contribute online or by a check in the mail, your holding and passing the offering plate is an act of blessing and dedication to our life together in Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Ave verum Corpus

W. A. Mozart

Ave verum Corpus natum de Maria Virgine: Vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine: Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit et sanguine: Esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, Who has truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for mortals, Whose side was pierced, whence flowed water and blood: Be for us a foretaste [of heaven] during our final examining.

trans. Ron Jeffers

*AT THE PRESENTATION Doxology No. 608 (*Glory to God* hymnal) *Tallis' Canon* (Sung to the tune of Hymn No. 748 (*Glory to God* hymnal))

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

*HYMN NO. 203 (Glory to God hymnal) (11:00) Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

Chereponi

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE The Lord Bless You and Keep You Peter C. Lutkin The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord lift His countenance upon you and give you peace. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. Amen.

Numbers 6:24-26

*POSTLUDE Variation XI

J. S. Bach

(from the chorale partita on *Sei gegrüßet, Jesu gütig,* BWV 768) *Hail, Kind Jesus*

*Indicates standing.

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NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR APRIL: Kathy Shilling
PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Gloria Borum and William Milam

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES: (11:00) Sarah Salsbery and Grace Salsbery **GREETERS:** (11:00) Penny Tschantz and Sue Byerly

LITURGIST: Barbara Adamcik

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Chancel Choir SHEPHERD'S TEAM: William Gibbons SENIOR USHER: Linda Van Beke

USHERS:

(9:00) Jeff Bendy and Dan Berry

(11:00) Kathy Shilling, Judy Jorden, Darlen Milam, Charlie and Alice Mercer

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given by Marty Pryor in memory of Bob Murrian.

THIS MORNING'S PRELUDE comes from Johann Sebastian Bach's *Orgelbüchlein* (Little Organ Book), a collection of chorale preludes intended to cover the entire liturgical year. Though not completed, it contains a number of his most well-known and beloved works, among them *O Mensch*, *bewein*. This chorale prelude features the chorale melody in a highly ornamented and florid style (played this morning with a registration our organbuilders describe as "crying") accompanied by extremely expressive supporting harmonies. In the closing measures one can almost sense the last footsteps of Christ and his intense suffering, and even a glimpse of our salvation to come.

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT is April 12 at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Staff will provide refreshments and meetings will begin at 7:00.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE FOR UKRAINE: As we pray for an end to this violence, we ask the U.S. Government and our European allies to make a commitment to the Ukrainian people for a peaceful solution. We don't know how long it will take, but we know that they will need help with the rebuilding of their country so that those who are fleeing now may one day return home safely. To support our response, designate gifts to DR000156 or text PDAUKR to 41444.

<u>A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING</u> has been called for Sunday, April 24 after the 11:00 a.m. worship service to elect 5 elders (class of 2025), 1 youth elder (class of 2023), and 1 trustee (class of 2025).

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

All classes meet at 10:00 am

<u>Feasting on the Word</u>, a lectionary-based study, meets in person in the Fellowship Hall. The class looks at scriptures that are from the lectionary readings for each week.

<u>Adult Bible Study</u> class chooses books of the Bible for in-depth study each Sunday. The class meets in person in the McKinnon Room AND on Zoom.

The Wired Word class receives an email with the week's current events topic that is discussed with an eye and ear toward scripture. The discussion is always lively. Jump in! The class is meeting in the library to allow for more distancing. If you don't already receive emails and would like to, let Mary know.

CHILDREN'S OFFERINGS ON SUNDAYS: There are so many ways for children to be involved on Sunday mornings!

- 9:00 Worship: Children 0-5 are welcome in the Nursery. Children 6+ remain in Worship
- **10:00 Hour:** Children 0-3 are welcome in the Nursery. Children 4-10 are invited to Fellowship Time downstairs.
- 11:00 Worship: Children 0-3 are welcome in the Nursery.

 Children age 3-4th grade remain in Worship until Time with the Children, then are walked downstairs for Primary and Intermediate Sunday school.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE

Thursday, April 14 8:00 pm WPC Sanctuary

EVERYONE IS INVITED to an ecumenical *GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE* at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 12:00 on April 15. Rev. Gradye Parsons along with other clergy from the community are providing meditations.

EASTER FLOWERS

Please help the Flower Guild as they adorn the sanctuary in celebration of Easter. Donations of any amount are welcome and can be made payable to Westminster Flower Guild in honor or memory of loved ones. These names will be included in both the Easter Sunday bulletin and *Abbey* on April 20. The deadline to make the donation is **April 12, 2022.** Thank you for supporting this annual tradition.



\$ In memory of/honor of (circle one):				
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TODAY IS THE DAY!

We are excited to announce that our awesome Westminster Players are going to be presenting a concert version of Godspell TODAY at 3 p.m. in the Westminster sanctuary. A nursery will be provided for children 0-5 years old. Our friend and music director, Jake Cannon, is HERE from NYC to conduct and accompany the performance!! The afternoon will be extra special and so uplifting, and the audience will have a chance to join in the fun too!

Westminster's Connect Team will be hosting a Mediterranean feast after the concert. Bless the Lord My Soul, rest assured that Day By Day we will Learn Our Lessons Well and Prepare Ye the best concert possible using All Good Gifts we have to offer!! We will not be charging admission, but will be receiving a love offering which will be sent to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance fund to aid people in the Ukraine.

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9:00	Worship
10:00	Easter Breakfast in the Schilling Gallery. We need
	volunteers! If you can bring a dish, email Allie at
	allie_wpc@comcast.net.
10:40	Easter Egg Hunt: Children up to age 7 are invited to
	participate in our Egg Hunt in the courtyard. There will
	be a special area for kids 0-2 years old, and kids 8+ can
	meet with Allie for a special treat! Bring your basket or
	use a provided paper bag.
11:00	Worship