

*Westminster Presbyterian Church
The Lord's Day Morning Worship*

October 4, AD 2020

10:55 AM

The Preparation for Worship

Prelude

Let us prepare ourselves for worship. Use this time for silent prayer and meditation on the Word. "O Lord, we beseech You, let Your continual pity cleanse and defend Your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without Your aid, preserve it evermore by Your help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Welcome and Announcements

*The Call to Worship

Romans 1:3

Minister: God's Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who was born of the seed of David according to the flesh,

All: **And declared to be the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.**

Minister: Let us worship God!

The Lord's Praise

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Pastor Reiber

*Hymn #277: *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* Easter Hymn

*"Christ the Lord is ris'n today," Alleluia!
sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!
raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
Sing ye heav'ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!*

*Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell; Alleluia!
death in vain forbids his rise; Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!*

*Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!
where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died, our souls to save; Alleluia!
where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!*

*Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia!
made like him, like him we rise: Alleluia!
ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!*

*Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n! Alleluia!
Praise to thee by both be giv'n; Alleluia!
thee we greet triumphant now; Alleluia!
hail, the Resurrection, thou! Alleluia!*

*Reading of the Law of God

God spake all these words, saying, I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

1. **Thou shalt have no other gods before me**
2. **Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image**
3. **Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain**
4. **Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy**
5. **Honor thy father and thy mother**
6. **Thou shalt not kill**
7. **Thou shall not commit adultery**
8. **Thou shall not steal**
9. **Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor**
10. **Thou shall not covet**

Hear also the words of our Lord Jesus, how He saith:

Thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: 'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Confession of Sin from *Book of Common Worship*, 1906
All: **Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature - prone to evil and slothful in good - and all our shortcomings and offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, send Your purifying grace into our hearts, we beseech You, that we may henceforth live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 2:13

Minister: But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

All: **Amen**

The Lord's Gifts

Offertory Prayer

Pastor Reiber

*The Doxology

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him,
all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'ly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*Hymn #266: *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain* St. Kevin
*Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought his Israel into joy from sadness;
loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters;
led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.*

*'Tis the spring of souls today; Christ hath burst his prison,
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath risen;
all the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying
from his light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.*

*Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor,
with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;
comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection
welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.*

*Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal,
nor the watchers, nor the seal hold thee as a mortal:
but today amidst thine own thou didst stand, bestowing
thine own peace, which evermore passeth human knowing.*

The Lord's Word

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Reiber

Scripture

Acts 2:22-33; Luke 24:1-8

Sermon *The Third Day He Rose Again from the Dead*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn #275: *The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done* (v.1,2) Palestrina
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*The strife is o'er, the battle done; The victory of life is won;
The song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!*

*The pow'rs of death have done their worst, But Christ their legions
hath dispersed: Let shouts of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!*

The Lord's Supper

*Hymn #275: *The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done* (v.3,4) Palestrina
The three sad days have quickly sped; He rises glorious from the dead: All glory to our risen Head! Alleluia!

He closed the yawning gates of hell; The bars from heav'n's high portals fell: Let hymns of praise his triumphs tell. Alleluia!

*Benediction Pastor Reiber

Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Morning Worship Sermon Outline

Text: Acts 2:22-33; Luke 24:1-8

Title: The Third Day He Rose Again from the Dead

Introduction

I. What is the history of the resurrection of Jesus Christ?

II. How did Christ rise?

III. What is the fruit of the resurrection of Christ?

- A. Christ's resurrection is the public testimony that He brings in everlasting righteousness.
- B. Christ's resurrection is life.
- C. Christ's resurrection is the assurance of our perseverance in faith and the full victory against sin and death.
- D. Christ's resurrection is the pledge, seal, and power that the body of believers shall be raised incorruptible and reunited with our souls to eternal life.

Announcements

Welcome to Westminster – *The Westminster family extends a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. We pray that God's rich blessings in Christ may be yours. We are delighted to have you with us this Lord's Day.*

The Lord's Supper at Westminster is for all those who have received Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, who do now repent, endeavor to live a holy life, and have publicly professed their faith through membership in an evangelical church. Children who have not publicly confessed Christ by being received by the Session into communicant Church membership should refrain from the Sacrament and learn by reverent observation; this, even though they may already have received Christ privately. Those without personal saving faith in Jesus Christ are to refrain from the Sacrament and are urged to repent and receive Him by faith.

If anyone wants to put flowers in the Sanctuary please call the church office at 601-636-4292.

Tithes and Offerings may be given at the collection points on either side of the front and rear of the sanctuary as offering plates will not be passed.

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Westminster Shorter Catechism #16: *Did all mankind fall in Adam's first disobedience?* Since the covenant was made not only for Adam but also for his natural descendants, all mankind sinned in him and fell with him in his first disobedience.



Homebound Jackie LaBarre
Pray for those with birthdays: Susan Orman, 5; Paul Register, 6;
Taylor Rouch, 8; Mary Mac Whitney, 9
Bible Readings: Jer 2:31-16:15; Col 1:1-1 Th 3:13; Ps 76:1-80:19; Prov 24:21-25:5

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