

Westminster Presbyterian Church
The Lord's Day Morning Worship

October 2, AD 2022

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 God, whose never-failing providence orders all things both in heaven and earth; We humbly beseech You to put away from us all hurtful things and to give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Welcome and Announcements

*The Call to Worship Psalm 103:1,8-10,13,14,20-22

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, bless His holy name! The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in mercy. He will not always strive with us, nor will he keep his anger forever. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor punished us according to our iniquities.

All: **As a father pities his children, so the Lord pities those who fear Him. For He knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust. Bless the Lord, you His angels, who excels in Strength, who do His word, heeding the voice of His word. Bless the Lord, all you His hosts, You ministers of His, who do His pleasure. Bless the Lord, all His works, in all places of His dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul!**

Leader: Let us worship God!

The Lord's Praise

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Elder Monroe

*Hymn #295: *Crown Him with Many Crowns* Diademata
Reading of the Law of God Front of the Hymnal
Confession of Sin from *John Knox Liturgy*

Leader: Make confession to God the Lord, and let everyone acknowledge with me his sin and iniquity.

All: **Almighty God, we are unworthy to come into Your presence, because of our many sins. We do not deserve any grace or mercy from You, if You dealt with us as we deserve. We have sinned against You, O Lord, and we have offended You. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge You to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to You. And so we humbly ask You, for the sake of Christ Your Son, to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses. Forgive the sins of our youth, and the sins of our old age. By Your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts, so**

that, not only the actions of our life, but also the words of our mouths, and the smallest thought of our minds, may be guided and governed by You. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Galatians 3:13

Leader: Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree").

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Gifts

Offertory Prayer Elder Monroe

*The Doxology p. 731

*Hymn of the Month: *Speak O Lord* Words in Bulletin

The Lord's Word

Pastoral Prayer Elder Monroe

Scripture Hosea 14:1-9

Sermon: *Welcome Home, Backsliders!* Dr. Bob Penny

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn #248: *Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended* (v.1-2) Jesu
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*Hymn #248: *Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended* (v.4-5) Jesu

*Benediction Dr. Penny

Postlude

**Congregation Standing*

Morning Worship Sermon Outline

Text: Hosea 14:1-9

Title: Welcome Home, Backsliders!

I. Classic Sin Causing Backsliding: Idolatry

II. Usual Punishment for Idolatry: Expulsion/Excommunication

III. Pathway for Return from Backsliding: Repentance

IV. God's Response to Repentance

Evening Worship

6:00 PM

Prelude

*Call to Worship Dr. Phil Kirk

*Invocation

*Hymn #404: *Sun of My Soul, Thou Savior Dear* (v.1-4) Hursley

Evening Prayer

*Hymn #398: *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* Lux Prima

Scripture Reading: Luke 5:1-11 Mr. Nick Gerken

Sermon: *What It Takes to Be a Disciple of Christ*

Closing Prayer

Evening Worship Sermon Outline

Text: Luke 5:1-11

Title: What It Takes to Be a Disciple of Christ

Main Idea: The first lesson of being a disciple of Christ, is that nothing we bring to the table is what qualifies us to be a disciple. Instead, we become disciples by humbling ourselves before Christ and receiving what he has to offer: an invitation to follow, his instruction, faith, and forgiveness.

1. Our simple belief is not enough to qualify, only receiving the invitation to follow.

2. Our reason is not enough to qualify, only faith in the word of Jesus Christ.

3. Our skills are not enough to qualify, only the instruction of the Son of God.

4. Our sin is not enough to disqualify, only rejection of forgiveness does.

We leave behind all that we bring so that we might be disciples of Jesus.

Today and this week

Sunday	9:45	Education Hour
	10:55	Morning Worship
	6:00	Evening Worship
Tuesday	6:00	Hannah Circle
	6:30	20s/30s Bible Study

Upcoming Events

Ladies' Prayer Group, October 20, 9:30 AM-10:30 AM

Church Picnic, October 30, 4:00 PM at the Neihaus' Home

Westminster Shorter Catechism #6: *How many persons are in the one God?* Three persons are in the one God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three are one God, the same in substance and equal in power and glory.

Speak O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your holy word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; Shape and fashion us in your likeness, that the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes, for Your glory.

Teach us Lord full obedience, holy reverence, true humility. Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity. Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority. Words of powr that can never fail; Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak O Lord, and renew our minds; Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on Your promises; And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glory.

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Announcements

Welcome to Westminster – *The Westminster family extends a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning and this evening. We pray that God's rich blessings in Christ may be yours. Please complete the Registry which is found at the end of each pew. We are delighted to have you with us this Lord's Day.*

Adult and Youth Education Opportunities – Make Sunday School a priority. The Adult class is using the video and discussion series *Luther and the Reformation* by R.C. Sproul.

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.

Donations for the local food pantries are due today. Boxes to collect food donations are in the foyer outside the door to the Sanctuary.

Hannah Circle will begin meeting again this Tuesday, October 4, at 6:00 PM. They will be using the book *Blessed* by Nancy Guthrie. Books are available in the church office for \$15. Please make checks payable to Judy Monroe.

There are sign-up sheets to host Family Night Supper and to put flowers in the Sanctuary on the Women's Ministry bulletin board.

This morning we welcome Dr. Bob Penny to the Westminster Pulpit. Dr. Penny was born in Baton Rouge. He is currently an Adjunct Professor at African Bible College. His wife Adrienne is a watercolor artist, and they have 2 daughters, 1 son, and 6 grandkids.

We welcome Mr. Nicholas Gerken to the Westminster Pulpit this evening. Nicholas is an RTS student in Jackson, MS studying for his Masters of Divinity. He is originally from the Chicagoland area in Illinois where the rest of his family lives.



Homebound

Jackie LaBarre

Communion:

Today

Pray for those with birthdays: Valerie Gatewood, 3; Susan Orman, 5; Paul Register, 6; Taylor Rouch, 8

Bible Readings: Isa 66:1-Jer 11:23; Phil 3:4b-4:18; Ps 74:1-78:72; Prov 24:15-29

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