

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

October 23, 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, who declares Your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity; Mercifully grant to us such a measure of Your grace, that we, running the way of Your commandments, may obtain Your gracious promises, and be made partakers of Your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."**

Welcome and Announcements

\*The Call to Worship

Psalm 27:4,8

*Leader:* One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple.

*All:* **When You said, "Seek My face," my heart said to You, "Your face, Lord, I will seek."**

*Leader:* Let us worship God!

The Lord's Praise

\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Elder Whitney

\*Hymn #168: *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art* Toulon

Confession of Sin from the *Book of Offices, 1914*

**All: We confess to Thee, O God the Father Almighty, that we have sinned against Thee in thought, word, and deed, by our own fault – our own grievous fault. We repent of these our transgressions, and we beseech Thee to grant us forgiveness for the past, and grace to amend our lives in time to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon Isaiah 1:18

*Leader:* "Come now, and let us reason together," says the Lord,

"Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow;

Though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

*All:* **Amen.**

Confession of Faith: *The Apostles' Creed* Back of Hymnal

The Lord's Gifts

Offertory Prayer

Elder Whitney

\*The Doxology

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\*Hymn #699:

*Like a River Glorious*

Wye Valley

The Lord's Word

Pastoral Prayer

Elder Whitney

Scripture

1 Peter 1:1-2

Sermon: *God at Work!*

Mr. Bebo Elkin

Our Commitment

\*Hymn of the Month:

*Speak O Lord*

Words in Bulletin

\*Benediction

Mr. Elkin

Postlude

\**Congregation Standing*

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**Morning Worship Sermon Notes**

Text: 1 Peter 1:1-2

Title: God at Work!

*Evening Worship*

6:00 PM

Prelude

\*Call to Worship

Mr. Gil Smith

\*Invocation

\*Hymn #662: *As the Hart Longs for Flowing Streams* As the Hart

Evening Prayer

\*Hymn #629: *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* What a Friend

Scripture Reading: II Corinthians 5:17

Dr. Mike Ahlberg

Sermon: *A New Creation*

Closing Prayer

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**Evening Worship Sermon Outline**

Text: II Corinthians 5:17

Title: A New Creation

A. To be in Christ is to be a new creation.

1. To be in Christ is to be saved.

2. To be in Christ is to be a part of God's greater plan.

B. To be in Christ is to be united with Christ.

1. Being united with Christ makes us different.

2. Being united with Christ does not make us sinless.

C. To be in Christ is to have access to the power of Christ.

1. Our strength is in the Lord.

2. We must seek God to receive His power.

3. There is victory in Jesus.

## Today and this week

Sunday	9:45	Education Hour
	10:55	Morning Worship
	6:00	Evening Worship
Monday	6:30	Ping Pong

## Upcoming Events

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

**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes Due**, November 6

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**Westminster Shorter Catechism #9:** *What is creation?* Creation is God's making everything out of nothing by His powerful word in six days—and all very good.

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### *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 power 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.*

**Our flowers are given to the glory of God by Martha Leese in memory of Pastor John Allen.**

**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.

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

**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes** are available. The cost to ship each box is \$10. Shoeboxes are due back at the church on Sunday, November 6. Make checks payable to Samaritan's Purse with a note on the memo line that the donation is for Operation Christmas Child.

**This morning we welcome** Mr. Bebo Elkin to the Westminster Pulpit. Bebo was born in Kosciusko and grew up in Yazoo City. He is married to Jan, and they have 3 children and 5 grandchildren. He worked with RUF for several decades and is now the Executive Director of Consulting Services Foundation.

**We welcome Dr. Mike Ahlberg** this evening. Mike and his wife Robin are from Colorado. Mike graduated from RTS, Jackson, in 1982, where he later received a Dr. of Divinity Degree. He has served as a PCA pastor for the last 40 years, mostly in MS, and now preaches regularly in various PCA churches. Mike is looking for a call. Mike and Robin both lost their first spouses a number of years ago and married each other in 2005. Both have two children from their first marriages, and are now raising a 13-year-old grandson, Flint.

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Homebound  
Communion:

Pray for those with birthdays: Maisy Walker, 27

Bible Readings: Jer 42:1-Lam 2:19; II Tim 2:1-Phi 1:25; Ps 92:1-101:8; Prov 26:3-20

Jackie LaBarre  
November 6

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