

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Lord's Day

July 28, 2019

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Lord God, day by day you guide us. Every breath we take is a gift of your mercy. You strengthen our knees to serve you. You lift our hands to give you all praise. We come before you in the company of brothers and sisters to give you the worship due your wonderful name. May our words be worthy of the trust you place in us and our meditations mindful of your benevolent care.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Lighting the Christ Candles

Call to Worship:

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: **By the great mercy of God we have been born to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.**

First Peter 1:3

Leader: O Come, let us sing to the Lord,

People: **And shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!**

Leader: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving,

People: **Singing joyful songs of praise.**

Psalms 95:1-2

*Hymn: ***O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!***

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*Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

God of Endless Mercy, we have often been swallowed up by our greed and selfishness, desiring that which we do not have, filling our lives with things that do not save us. We have often been swept away by the floods of our own making, forgetting your call to serve others; we live for our own pleasures. Lord, have mercy, for we have sinned and fallen short of your glory. Christ, have mercy, for we are broken and need your salvation. Lord, have mercy upon us and hear us as we pray in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Time for Personal Confession

Response: ***Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us***

Dvořák

Lord, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy; Christ, have mercy;

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Lord, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us, upon us.

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles.

People: **The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.**

Psalms 34:17-18

Leader: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end;

People: **They are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness.**

Lamentations 3:22-23

Leader: Friends, this is the good news of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

People: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*Gloria Patri:

Glory Be to the Father

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**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, amen.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings:

Offertory

*Doxology: **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

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Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayer for Illumination:

Living God, help us to hear your holy Word that we may truly understand; that, understanding, we may believe, and, believing, we may follow in all faithfulness and obedience, seeking your honor and glory in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Psalter:

Psalm 1

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;

People: **But their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night.**

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

People: **The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.**

Leader: Therefore, the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

People: **For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.**

Scripture Reading:

Romans 12:9-21

Duet:

Sound the Trumpet

Henry Purcell

Brianna Glaze, mezzo-soprano

Jacob Rivas, baritone

Time for Young Disciples

Preschool children may return to their pew or gather at the piano door where today's shepherd will lead them in a time of special activities.

*Hymn:

Fairest Lord Jesus

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Scripture Reading:

Matthew 5:38-42

Sermon:

An Eye for an Eye

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be 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.

*Affirmation of Faith:

from the Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Hymn:

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

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*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Ushers: Al Hejl Dee Allums
 Lois Hejl Charles Gavin
Shepherd: Terri Moehring
Liturgist: Diana Walker
Reader: Adam Peck

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, July 28

5:30 pm Youth

Tuesday, July 30

1:00 pm Sanctuary Guild

Thursday, August 1

8:00 am Men's Breakfast

Sunday, August 4

11:00 am Worship Service

TODAY'S FLOWERS

The beautiful flowers have been placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God by Lynnae Perdue and Shellene Kestner in loving memory of their mother Dorinne Rosson.

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(PCUSA)**

Westminster Presbyterian Church exists to declare God's love for all through Jesus Christ, to nurture and encourage spiritual growth, to maintain the integrity of divine worship, and to share the love and joy found in Christ by giving ourselves to our community and to the world.

THE INVITATION TO MEMBERSHIP at Westminster Church is always open to persons who wish to join us in witness and service to Jesus Christ. If you are interested in church membership or desire more information about this congregation, please indicate on the Friendship Pad or speak to the pastor or one of the elders following the service.

THE SESSION

Class of 2019

Bruce McNellie
Robin Moore
Ray Taylor
Patricia Thompson
Betsy Tucker

Class of 2020

Ken Deppisch
Bennie Kitchens
Terry Kline
Terri Moehring
Barbara Stump

Class of 2021

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Charles Gavin
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Michele Peck
Lynnae Perdue

MINISTERS:

All the Members of the Congregation

CHURCH STAFF:

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³⁸“You have heard that it was said, ‘Eye for eye, and tooth for tooth.’ ³⁹But I tell you, do not resist an evil person. If anyone slaps you on the right cheek, turn to them the other cheek also. ⁴⁰And if anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, hand over your coat as well. ⁴¹If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles. ⁴²Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.

~ Matthew 5:38-42