

# WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## *Communion Sunday Morning Worship*

May 2, 2021

10:45 AM

### WE ARE GOD'S CHILDREN

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Greeting:

Announcements

Preparation for Worship (Silent Prayer)

Prelude: "Children of the Heavenly Father"

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#### Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!  
Serve the Lord with gladness!  
Come into his presence with singing!  
Know that the Lord, he is God!  
It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!  
Give thanks to him; bless his name!  
For the Lord is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.  
Psalm 100

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Prayer of Adoration and Invocation - Lord's Prayer

\*Gloria Patri (No. 734)

\*Hymn No. 77 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

Call to Confession Isaiah 55:6-7

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the evil man his thoughts; Let him turn to the Lord, that he may have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will freely pardon.

*Let us confess our sins*

Prayer of Confession (unison)

*Gracious God, we are a people formed by your Word in Christ; but we have wandered away from your truth, we have broken your commandments, we have distorted your teachings to serve our own ends, we have failed to trust your promises, we have refused your mercy. Ground us again, O Holy One, in the written wisdom of Scripture and in the living Word which is Christ Jesus. Nourish us on the bread of his teachings until we can taste your goodness. Renew us at the fountain of his wisdom, so we may find joy in obedience and freedom in giving ourselves to you.*  
Private Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness: Isaiah 53:4-6

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

\*Hymn No. 254 *Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed*

Offertory: "The Tender Love a Father Has"

\*The Doxology (No. 731) and Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer of Supplication and Intercession

\*Scripture Lesson: Galatians 6:1-6

Message: Rev. McIntyre

\*Hymn No. 355 (vv. 1-2) *We Are God's People*

\*Standing

\*Affirmation of Faith

**The Apostles' Creed**

*I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and  
buried;  
He descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of  
God the Father Almighty;  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic • church;  
The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen*

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## **The Communion Service**

*Institution* 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

*Examination* 1 Corinthians 11:27-29

### *Invitation*

All who trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, are baptized members in good standing of congregations that proclaim the gospel, are repentant of their sin and are at peace with their brothers and sisters in Christ are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper, feeding on the grace of God by faith. If you have not put your trust in Christ, please allow the elements to pass you by and take this opportunity to meditate on the meaning of the Gospel.

It is our belief that Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper using the elements of unleavened bread and wine. Therefore, following his example, the bread offered is unleavened and wine is offered in the outer ring of the tray. If, however, for reasons of conscience, you are not able to participate using wine, grape juice is provided in the center of the tray.

**(A Word to Parents:** Baptized children are invited to the table after they have made a profession of faith and have been received as communing members by the church to which their parents belong.)

### *Prayer*

#### *Communion*

\*Hymn No. 355 (vv. 3-4) *We Are God's People*

\*Benediction

\*Response: Threefold Amen

#### Postlude

\*Standing

**A CRY ROOM IS AVAILABLE JUST OFF THE VESTIBULE  
A NURSERY FOR PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN IS PROVIDED IN GRACE HALL**