

Welcome to

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 2, 2026 † 10:55 AM



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Bold indicates the congregation reads aloud

*****Indicates those able may stand

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord Calls Us

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 117:1-2

Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

“Behold Our God”

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time. It features a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature of 4/4. The score is divided into two systems. The first system contains the first two verses of the hymn. The second system contains the third verse and the chorus. The lyrics are written below the vocal staves. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a clear melody and harmonic support. The lyrics are: 1. Who has held the oceans in his hands? Who has num-bered 2. Who has giv-en coun-sel to the Lord? Who can ques-tion 3. Who has felt the nails up-on his hands, bear-ing all the ev-'ry grain of sand? Kings and na-tions trem-ble at his voice; an-y of his words? Who can teach the One who knows all things? guilt of sin-ful man? God e-ter-nal, hum-bled to the grave; all cre-a-tion ris-es to re-joice! Who can fath-om all his won-drous deeds? Be-hold our Je-sus, Sav-ior, ris-en now to reign!

Chorus: all cre-a-tion ris-es to re-joice! Who can fath-om all his won-drous deeds? Be-hold our Je-sus, Sav-ior, ris-en now to reign!

Am F C G C

God, seat-ed on his throne: come, let us a - dore him! Be - hold

3rd time to Bridge
4th time End

G Am F C/G G C

our King! Noth-ing can com- pare; come, let us a - dore him!

Bridge
C F2

Let your glo - ry fill the earth,
You will reign for - ev - er,

C F2 Am

let your glo - ry fill the earth, let your
you will reign for - ev - er, you will reign for -

F2 Am F2 to Chorus

glo - ry fill the earth, let your glo - ry fill!
ev - er, you will reign for - ev - er!

*INVOCATION & THE 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.

READING OF THE LAW

John 15:9-12

As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

The Lord Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN

A prayer by Augustine

Cleanse me from my secret faults, O Lord, and forgive those offenses to your servant which he has caused in others. I contend not in judgement with you, who are truth; I fear to deceive myself, lest my sin should make me think that I am not sinful. Therefore I contend not in judgement with you; for if you, Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who shall abide it? Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalms 34:8

Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"The Gloria Patri"

#735

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.

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only-begotten 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty:

from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead

I believe in the Holy Spirit;

the holy catholic¹ church;

the communion of saints;

the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body;

and the life everlasting. Amen.

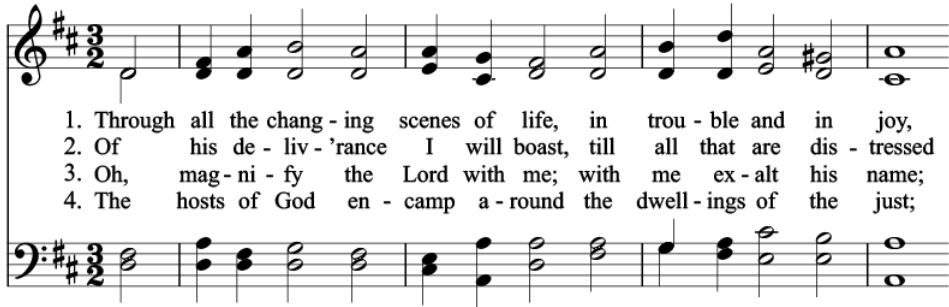
¹THE WORD "CATHOLIC" REFERS TO THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH.

The Lord Feeds Us

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

“Psalm 34” (v. 1-4)



1. Through all the chang - ing scenes of life, in trou - ble and in joy,
2. Of his de - liv - 'rance I will boast, till all that are dis - tressed
3. Oh, mag - ni - fy the Lord with me; with me ex - alt his name;
4. The hosts of God en - camp a - round the dwell - ings of the just;



the prais-es of my God shall still my heart and tongue em - ploy.
from my ex - am - ple com - fort take, and charm their griefs to rest.
when in dis - tress to him I called, he to my res - cue came.
de - liv - 'rance he af - fords to all who on his suc - cor trust.

5. Oh, make but trial of his love,
experience will decide
how blest they are, and only they,
who in his truth confide.

6. Fear him, ye saints, and you will then
have nothing else to fear;
make you his service your delight,
your wants shall be his care.

Paraphrase
Tate and Brady, *New Version*, 1696, 1698

DOWNES C.M.
Lowell Mason, 1832

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

“Doxology”

#731

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”

F Dm Bb F F/C C

1. Je - sus, keep me near the cross: there a pre - cious foun - tain,
 2. Near the cross, my trem - bling soul heard the Sa - vior call - ing;
 3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;
 4. Near the cross! My heart will stay, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,

F Dm Bb F/C C7 F

free to all, a heal - ing stream, flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
 there he died that I may know grace and peace a - bound - ing.
 help me walk from day to day with its shad - ow o'er me.
 till my eyes shall see the face of my bless - ed Sav - ior.

F Bb F F/C C

In the cross, in the cross, be my glo - ry ev - er,

F Dm Bb F/C C7 F

till my ran - somed soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!

²O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

³If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,

O Lord, who could stand?

⁴But with you there is forgiveness,

that you may be feared.

⁵I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

and in his word I hope;

⁶my soul waits for the Lord

more than watchmen for the morning,

more than watchmen for the morning.

⁷O Israel, hope in the Lord!

For with the Lord there is steadfast love,

and with him is plentiful redemption.

⁸And he will redeem Israel

from all his iniquities.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Depth of God’s Steadfast Love ”

SERMON NOTES

*COMMUNION HYMN

“We Will Feast in the House of Zion”

CHORUS

$\text{♩} = 71$ F Dm7 B $\flat$ F Dm C B $\flat$ Gm C

We will feast in the house of Zi - on. We will sing with our hearts re - stored. He has

5 F Dm7 B $\flat$ F Dm C B $\flat$ C F

done great things, we will say to - geth - er. We will feast and weep no more.

VERSE

10 B $\flat$ Dm B $\flat$ C

We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord, our
In the dark of night, be - fore the dawn, my soul, be not a -
Ev - 'ry vow we've bro - ken and be - trayed, You are the faith - ful

14 Dm B $\flat$ Dm B $\flat$ C

God. We are not con - sumed by the flood; up - held, pro - tect - ed,
fraid. For the prom - ised morn - ing, oh, how long? Oh, God of Ja - cob,
one. And from the gar - den to the grave, bind us to - geth - er,

18 Dm C/E

gath - - - ered up.
be my strength.
bring sha - - lom.

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INVITATION AND PRAYER

We do not presume to come to your Table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness but in your great mercies. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SACRAMENT

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Everliving God, thank you for feeding us with these holy mysteries— the spiritual food of the Body and Blood of your Son. Heavenly Father, please assist us with your grace, that we may continue in holy fellowship with you, and do all such good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Lord Sends Us

*COMMUNION HYMN

“We Will Feast in the House of Zion” (Chorus Only)

*BENEDICTION

2 Thessalonians 1:11-12

To this end we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by his power, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

POSTLUDE

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. Visitors, please complete the Guest Card which is found at the end of each pew. We are delighted to have you with us this Lord’s Day.

This morning we welcome Rev. Nathan Stevenson to the Westminster Pulpit. Nathan has been married to his wife Adrienne for 18 years, and they have two sons: Jaquan, 28, and Steven, 24. He graduated from Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS, with a Master of Divinity in 2023. Since then, he has transferred his licensure and ordination into the Presbytery of the Mississippi Valley and is now embarking on a new chapter of his life as the church planter for Sojourner Church in Jackson, MS. His vision for this church is to be a thriving, reformed, multiethnic, and multicultural community that will extend hope and support to all who need God’s Word—thereby fulfilling God’s great commission to advance the kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven.

Westminster is taking a break from Sunday School for the summer. We will be having a pre-service fellowship time in its place. Please join us for coffee and pastries at 10:15 AM every Sunday for the summer! Sunday School will resume August 9.

When Sunday School resumes on August 9, the Adult class will begin a 10-week video series and discussion based on the book “Gentle and Lowly, The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers.” One reviewer wrote of this short book “I have read no book that more carefully and tenderly displays Christ’s heart.” Please join us.

Soups, Salads, Sandwiches, and Sweets Lunch is next Sunday, August 9, following the Morning Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a dish and join us!

Online giving is available at www.wpcvicksburg.com by clicking on the Online Giving link.

Today and this week

Sun	10:15	Coffee/Pastries Fellowship
	10:55	Morning Worship
Mon	6:30	Ping Pong Fellowship

Upcoming Events

Soups, Salads, Sandwiches, and Sweets Lunch, August 9
Sunday School Resumes August 9

Pray for those with birthdays: April Walker, 2; Caden Orman, 5

Nursery Workers: Today – Frances Warren and Kinsey Karel
Next Week – Grace LaBarre and Tatum Sherwin