

Welcome to  
**Westminster  
Presbyterian Church**

*Sunday, May 3, 2026 † 10:55 AM*



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**Bold** indicates the congregation reads aloud

\*Indicates those able may stand

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## The Lord Calls Us

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\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 67:3–5

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

**let all the peoples praise you!**

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity

**and guide the nations upon earth. Selah**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

**let all the peoples praise you!**

\*PSALM OF PRAISE

“Psalm 67”

1. 'O God, show mer - cy to us, and bless us with your grace;  
2. For you will judge the peo - ples with per - fect eq - ui - ty;

and cause to shine up - on us the bright - ness of your face;  
to na - tions of the whole earth a gov - er - nor you'll be.

The musical score is written for a piano accompaniment in 3/4 time, featuring a treble and bass clef. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The score includes two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.



<sup>2</sup>so that the whole world o - ver may tru - ly know your way,  
<sup>5</sup>O God, let peo - ples praise you; let all the peo - ples praise.



and so that your sal - va - tion all na - tions see dis - played.  
<sup>6</sup>The earth has brought its boun - ty through - out its har - vest days



<sup>3</sup>O God, let peo - ples praise you; let all the peo - ples praise.  
 since God, our God, will bless us. <sup>7</sup>Yes, God will bless - ing send,



<sup>4</sup>Let na - tions come re - joic - ing and songs of glad - ness raise.  
 that all the earth may fear him to its re - mot - est end.

**...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

The 10 Commandments

You shall have no other gods before me.

**For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever!**

You shall not make for yourself an idol.

**In Christ we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.**

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

**Let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that confess his name.**

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God.

**Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.**

Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

**Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.**

You shall not murder.

**Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.**

You shall not commit adultery.

**You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.**

You shall not steal.

**Those who have been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their hands, so that they may have something to share with those in need.**

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

**Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.**

You shall not covet your neighbor's house or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances.**

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## The Lord Cleanses Us

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CONFESSION OF SIN

Confession for the First Commandment

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to You, confessing our faults, confiding in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ Your Son. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 2:1-5

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the flesh and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved.

**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 catholic<sup>1</sup> church;**

**the communion of saints;**

**the forgiveness of sins;**

**the resurrection of the body;**

**and the life everlasting. Amen.**

<sup>1</sup>THE WORD “CATHOLIC” REFERS TO THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH.

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## The Lord Feeds Us

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OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

\*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 “Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery”

1. Come, be-hold the won-drous mys-t'ry, in the dawn-ing of the King.  
 2. Come, be-hold the won-drous mys-t'ry, he the per-fect Son of Man.  
 3. Come, be-hold the won-drous mys-t'ry, Christ the Lord up-on the tree.  
 4. Come, be-hold the won-drous mys-t'ry, slain by death the God of life.

He, the theme of heav-en's prais-es, robed in frail hu-man-i-ty.  
 In his liv-ing, in his suf-f'ring, nev-er trace nor stain of sin.  
 In the stead of ru-ined sin-ners hangs the Lamb in vic-tor-y.  
 But no grave could e'er re-strain him; praise the Lord; he is a-live!

In our long-ing, in our dark-ness, now the light of life has come!  
 See the true and bet-ter Ad-am, come to save the hell-bound man.  
 See the price of our re-demp-tion, see the Fa-ther's plan un-fold.  
 What a fore-taste of de-liv-'rance, how un-wav-er-ing our hope:

Look to Christ who con-de-scend-ed, took on flesh to ran-som us.  
 Christ, the great and sure ful-fill-ment of the law; in him we stand.  
 Bring-ing man-y sons to glo-ry, grace un-meas-ured, love un-told.  
 Christ in pow-er res-ur-rect-ed as we will be when he comes.

- O Lord, God of my salvation,  
I cry out day and night before you.
- 2 Let my prayer come before you;  
incline your ear to my cry!
- 3 For my soul is full of troubles,  
and my life draws near to Sheol.
- 4 I am counted among those who go down to the pit;  
I am a man who has no strength,
- 5 like one set loose among the dead,  
like the slain that lie in the grave,  
like those whom you remember no more,  
for they are cut off from your hand.
- 6 You have put me in the depths of the pit,  
in the regions dark and deep.
- 7 Your wrath lies heavy upon me,  
and you overwhelm me with all your waves. Selah
- 8 You have caused my companions to shun me;  
you have made me a horror to them.  
I am shut in so that I cannot escape;
- 9 my eye grows dim through sorrow.  
Every day I call upon you, O Lord;  
I spread out my hands to you.
- 10 Do you work wonders for the dead?  
Do the departed rise up to praise you? Selah
- 11 Is your steadfast love declared in the grave,  
or your faithfulness in Abaddon?
- 12 Are your wonders known in the darkness,  
or your righteousness in the land of forgetfulness?
- 13 But I, O Lord, cry to you;  
in the morning my prayer comes before you.
- 14 O Lord, why do you cast my soul away?  
Why do you hide your face from me?



\*COMMUNION HYMN

“We Will Feast In The House Of Zion”

**CHORUS**

♩ = 71      F      Dm7      B♭      F      Dm      C      B♭      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♭      F      Dm      C      B♭      C      F

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

**VERSE**

10      B♭      Dm      B♭      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♭      Dm      B♭      C

God. We are not con - sumed by the flood; up - held, pro - tect - ed,  
 afraid. 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.

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## The Lord Sends Us

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\*COMMUNION HYMN

“We Will Feast In The House Of Zion” (Chorus Only)

\*BENEDICTION

Philippians 4:19

May God supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

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.

**Join us for Wednesday at Westminster** from 5:30-7:00 for dinner at 5:30, followed by children’s classes, youth group, and an adult study. Dinner is \$5/person (max of \$20/family) and can be paid by cash or check. The menu for this week is pizza, and dessert. Sign up for the meal on the bulletin board in the Education Wing or contact the church office by noon Tuesday.

**Ladies, you are invited** to a flower arranging workshop at Westminster hosted by Corley Woodson this Saturday, May 9, from 10:00-12 noon. All supplies will be provided. Please RSVP by May 5<sup>th</sup> so we’ll know what supplies are needed. RSVP to Corley at 662-590-3889 or Jennifer Sluis at 601-630-7383.

**The Reiber’s will have a guest presenter**, Nicholas Reiber, give a presentation on a Christian view of finances at the Tuesday night Bible Study this week. They want to invite anyone who wants to come. There will be dinner at 6:30 PM followed by the presentation. Please RSVP to Gwen Reiber at 601-415-4308 so she can make plans for food.

**We need volunteers** to provide flowers in the Sanctuary for the Morning Worship Services. The sign-up sheet is on the Women’s Ministry bulletin board. Please contact the church office if you want to provide a dedication for the flowers in the bulletin. Flowers can be arrangements from a florist, your own arrangements, or potted plants. Please contact Lexine Cool or Laura Wells with any questions.

**Online giving is available** at [www.wpcvicksburg.com](http://www.wpcvicksburg.com) by clicking on the Online Giving link.

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### Today and this week

Sun	9:45	Sunday School
	10:55	Morning Worship
Mon	6:30	Ping Pong
Tues	6:30	20s/30s Bible Study
Wed	5:30	Wednesday at Westminster
Thurs	10:30	Hannah Circle
Sat	10:00	Flower Arranging Workshop

### Upcoming Events

**VBS**, June 29-July 2, 9:00-11:30 AM

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**Pray for those with birthdays:** Bob LaBarre, Ada Woodson, 4; Brian LaBarre, Philip LaBarre, 5; Wes Allison, 8; Kayleigh Karel, 9

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**Nursery Workers:** Today – Kelsey Stamper and Tatum Sherwin  
Next Week – Amy Warren and Gayle Neihaus