

Welcome to

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 23, 2025 † 10:55 AM



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*****Indicates those able may stand

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord Calls Us

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Deuteronomy 4:39; Revelation 14:7

Know therefore today, and lay it to your heart, that the LORD is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other.

Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.

***INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Matthew 6:9–13

...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.

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear

shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com -
 stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in
 pres - ence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright

pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 man - i - fold wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 hope for to - mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by

morn - ing new mer - cies I see: all I have need - ed thy

hand hath pro - vid - ed — Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!

READING OF THE LAW

Ephesians 4:21-25

You heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus.
You were taught, with regard to your former way of life,

to put off your old self,

which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds;

and to put on the new self,

created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

**Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor,
for we are all members of one body.**

The Lord Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Service of Word and Table

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved You with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done Your will,

we have broken Your law,

we have rebelled against Your love,

we have not loved our neighbors,

and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“The Gloria Patri”

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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.**

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Belgic Confession

Article XXV

**We believe that the ceremonies and symbols of the law ceased at the coming of Christ,
and that all the shadows are accomplished; so that the use of them must be abolished
among Christians; yet the truth and substance of them remain with us in Jesus Christ,**

in whom they have their completion. In the meantime we still use the testimonies taken out of the law and the prophets to confirm us in the doctrine of the gospel, and to regulate our life in all honorableness to the glory of God, according to His will.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

“Before the Throne of God Above”

$\text{♩} = 72$

1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove, I have a strong and per - fect
 2. When Sa - tan tempts me to des - pair, and tells me of the guilt with -
 3. Be - hold him there, the ri - sen Lamb! My per - fect spot - less right - eous -

plea: a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ev - er lives and pleads for
 in, up - ward I look and see Him there, who made an end of all my
 ness, the great un - change - a - ble I AM, the King of Glor - y and of

me. My name is grav - en on His hands. My name is
 sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died my sin - ful
 Grace. One with Him - self, I can - not die; my soul is

writ - ten on His heart. I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can
 soul is count - ed free. For God, the Just, is sat - is - fied to look on
 pur - chased by His blood. My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my

bid me thence de - part; no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
 Him and par - don me; to look on Him and par - don me.
 Sav - ior and my God; with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 3/4 time. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 72. The score consists of eight systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. Chord symbols are provided above the piano line for each measure. The lyrics are arranged in three columns, corresponding to the three vocal parts. The score concludes with a final chord in D major.

**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

The Lord Feeds Us

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM & RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*PSALM OF PREPARATION

“Psalm 100”



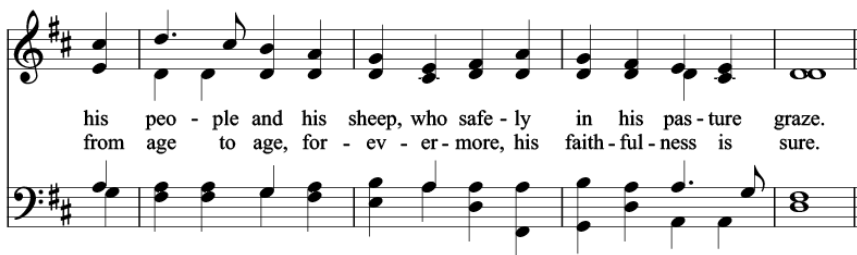
1. 'Shout to the LORD, all earth, and make a joy - ful noise!
2. 'En - ter his gates with thanks, and fill his courts with praise.



²With glad - ness serve the LORD your God; be - fore him lift your voice!
Give thanks to him, and bless his name; to God your voic - es raise.



³Now know the LORD is God. He made us, we are his—
⁵Be - cause the LORD is good, his stead - fast love en - dures;



his peo - ple and his sheep, who safe - ly in his pas - ture graze.
from age to age, for - ev - er - more, his faith - ful - ness is sure.

On the eighth day Moses called Aaron and his sons and the elders of Israel, 2 and he said to Aaron, “Take for yourself a bull calf for a sin offering and a ram for a burnt offering, both without blemish, and offer them before the LORD. 3 And say to the people of Israel, “Take a male goat for a sin offering, and a calf and a lamb, both a year old without blemish, for a burnt offering, 4 and an ox and a ram for peace offerings, to sacrifice before the LORD, and a grain offering mixed with oil, for today the LORD will appear to you.”

5 And they brought what Moses commanded in front of the tent of meeting, and all the congregation drew near and stood before the LORD. 6 And Moses said, “This is the thing that the LORD commanded you to do, that the glory of the LORD may appear to you.” 7 Then Moses said to Aaron, “Draw near to the altar and offer your sin offering and your burnt offering and make atonement for yourself and for the people, and bring the offering of the people and make atonement for them, as the LORD has commanded.”

8 So Aaron drew near to the altar and killed the calf of the sin offering, which was for himself. 9 And the sons of Aaron presented the blood to him, and he dipped his finger in the blood and put it on the horns of the altar and poured out the blood at the base of the altar. 10 But the fat and the kidneys and the long lobe of the liver from the sin offering he burned on the altar, as the LORD commanded Moses. 11 The flesh and the skin he burned up with fire outside the camp.

12 Then he killed the burnt offering, and Aaron’s sons handed him the blood, and he threw it against the sides of the altar. 13 And they handed the burnt offering to him, piece by piece, and the head, and he burned them on the altar. 14 And he washed the entrails and the legs and burned them with the burnt offering on the altar.

15 Then he presented the people’s offering and took the goat of the sin offering that was for the people and killed it and offered it as a sin offering, like the first one. 16 And he presented the burnt offering and offered it

according to the rule. 17 And he presented the grain offering, took a handful of it, and burned it on the altar, besides the burnt offering of the morning.

18 Then he killed the ox and the ram, the sacrifice of peace offerings for the people. And Aaron's sons handed him the blood, and he threw it against the sides of the altar. 19 But the fat pieces of the ox and of the ram, the fat tail and that which covers the entrails and the kidneys and the long lobe of the liver— 20 they put the fat pieces on the breasts, and he burned the fat pieces on the altar, 21 but the breasts and the right thigh Aaron waved for a wave offering before the LORD, as Moses commanded.

22 Then Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people and blessed them, and he came down from offering the sin offering and the burnt offering and the peace offerings. 23 And Moses and Aaron went into the tent of meeting, and when they came out they blessed the people, and the glory of the LORD appeared to all the people. 24 And fire came out from before the LORD and consumed the burnt offering and the pieces of fat on the altar, and when all the people saw it, they shouted and fell on their faces.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Themes: Sin, Atonement, Forgiveness, God’s Presence, Worship

Summary: “Leviticus begins by identifying how these offerings were to be presented (Lev. 1–7) and then describes the ordination of the priests who would present them on the Israelites’ behalf (Lev. 8). Now that the priests are ordained, the Israelites could begin their public worship of the Lord (Lev. 9).” – Jay Sklar

1. The Goal of Worship

2. The Means of Worship

3. The Gift of Worship

The Lord Sends Us

*HYMN OF THE MONTH

“On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand”

1. On Jor - dan's storm - y banks I stand, and cast a
2. All o'er those wide ex - tend - ed plains shines one e -
3. No chill - ing winds nor poi-son-ous breath can reach that
4. When shall I reach that hap - py place, and be for -

The first system of the hymn features a treble and bass staff in E major (three sharps) and 4/4 time. The treble staff includes four whole notes with lyrics above them, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. Chord symbols E, A, E, and E are placed above the first four measures of the treble staff.

wish - ful eye to Ca-naan's fair and hap - py land, where
ter - nal day. There God the Son for - ev - er reigns, and
health-ful shore; there sick-ness, sor - row, pain, and death are
ev - er blest? When shall I see my Fa - ther's face, and

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff has four whole notes with lyrics above them. The bass staff continues the harmonic support. Chord symbols B, E, A, and E are placed above the first four measures of the treble staff.

my pos - ses - sions lie.
scat - ters night a - way. I am bound, I am bound,
felt and feared no more.
in his bos - om rest?

The third system concludes the hymn. The treble staff has four whole notes with lyrics above them. The bass staff continues the harmonic support. Chord symbols E/B, Bsus, E, E, and B are placed above the first five measures of the treble staff.

A B E E

I am bound for Prom-ised Land. I am bound,

B A B E

I am bound, I am bound for Prom-ised Land.

*BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24–26

The Lord bless you and keep you;

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

POSTLUDE

Thanksgiving Worship Service

Sunday, November 23, 2025 † 6:00 PM

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*INVOCATION

*HYMN

“We Gather Together”



1. We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;
2. Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,
3. We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - um - phant,

he chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known;
or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine;
and pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.

the wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing;
so from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning;
Let thy con - gre - ga - tion en - dure through tri - bu - la - tion:

sing prais - es to his name; he for - gets not his own.
thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glo - ry be thine!
thy name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

PUBLIC TESTIMONIES OF GOD'S GOODNESS

EVENING PRAYER

*HYMN

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

1. For the beau - ty of the earth, for the glo - ry of the skies,
2. For the beau - ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de - light,
4. For the joy of hu - man love, broth - er, sis - ter, par - ent, child,
5. For thy - self, best gift di - vine, to our race so free - ly giv'n,

for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies,
hill and vale, and tree and flow'r, sun and moon and stars of light,
• for the mys - tic har - mo - ny link - ing sense to sound and sight,
friends on earth and friends a - bove, for all gen - tle thoughts and mild,
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heav'n.

Refrain
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate - ful praise.

Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1864; alt.

DIX 7.7.7.7.7.
Conrad Kocher, 1838
Arr. William H. Monk, 1861

SCRIPTURE READING

DEVOTION

“O God Beyond All Praising”

Unison Eb F Bb/D Eb F Gm

1. O God be - yond all prais - ing, we wor - ship you to - day
 2. The flow'r of earth - ly splen - dor in time must sure - ly die,
 3. Then hear, O gra - cious Sav - ior, ac - cept the love we bring,

and sing the love a - maz - ing that songs can - not re - pay;
 its frag - ile bloom sur - ren - der to you, the Lord Most High;
 that we who know your fa - vor may serve you as our King;

Bb/D F Gm F/A Bb/D F Bb Eb

for we can on - ly won - der at ev - 'ry gift you send,
 but hid - den from all na - ture th'e - ter - nal seed is sown—
 and wheth - er our to - mor - rows be filled with good or ill,

Gm Eb Bb/D Cm7 Bb F/A

at bless - ings with - out num - ber and mer - cies with - out end;
 though small in mor - tal stat - ure, to heav - en's gar - den grown:
 we'll tri - umph through our sor - rows and rise to bless you still:

Bb Eb F Bb/D Eb Gm

we lift our hearts be - fore you and wait up - on your word,
 for Christ, your gift from heav - en, from death has set us free,
 to mar - vel at your beau - ty and glo - ry in your ways,

Eb F Bb/D Eb Bb

we hon - or and a - dore you, our great and might - y Lord.
 and we through him are giv - en the fi - nal vic - to - ry.
 and make a joy - ful du - ty our sac - ri - fice of praise.

BENEDICTION

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. 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.

Our flowers are given to the glory of God by Gil and Kendall Smith in thanksgiving for their daughter Morgan.

Westminster’s Thanksgiving Worship Service is this evening at 6:00. There will be a time of Public Testimonies to the Goodness of the Lord for anyone who would like to share what they are thankful for.

Poinsettia Orders are due next Sunday. There are order forms at both doors to the Sanctuary.

The Westminster Session has called a congregational meeting for December 14, immediately after the morning worship service for the purposes of receiving the report of the 2026 Westminster Budgets and for the election of Elders and Deacons from the slate of nominee candidates approved by the Session.

Pastor Stamper will be teaching a Communicant’s Class for the next rotation of Sunday School.

The Women of Westminster are invited to a Christmas Gathering/Cookie & Candy Swap on Thursday, December 4th, at 6:00 pm! Invitations with more information are available at both doors to the Sanctuary. Please call or text Amy Warren by Sunday, November 30, if you plan to come. The cookie & candy swap is optional! Please feel free to come and fellowship!

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

Today and this week

Sun	9:45	Sunday School
	10:55	Morning Worship
	6:00	Thanksgiving Service
Mon	6:30	Ping Pong

Upcoming Events

Christmas Cookie & Candy Swap, Dec. 4, 6:00 PM
Hanging of the Greens, Dec. 5
Christmas Family Night Supper, Dec. 10, 6:30 PM
Congregational Meeting, Dec. 14, 12:00 PM

Pray for those with birthdays: Cooper Orman, 24

Nursery Workers: Today – Frances Warren and Kinsey Karel
Next Week – Kelsey Stamper and Tatum Sherwin