

Welcome to

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 30, 2025 † 10:55 AM



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*****Indicates those able may stand

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord Calls Us

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

based on Isaiah 40:3

A voice cries:

“In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.”

As we worship today, let us prepare to welcome God’s dramatic work in our midst, in our hearts, in our community, and in all of creation.

Let us worship God.

***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

“O Church Arise”

VERSE

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1. O Church, a - rise, and put your ar - mour on; Hear the call of Christ our Cap -
 2. Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul, but to rage a - gainst the cap -
 3. Come see the cross, where love and mer - cy meet, as the Son of God is strick -
 4. So Spir - it, come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride, give grace for ev - 'ry hur -

4 D A7sus D G/B A/C# D/F# G Asus A

tain. For now the weak can say that they are strong, in the strength that God has giv -
 tor; And with the sword that makes the wound - ed whole, we will fight with faith and val -
 en; Then see His foes lie crushed be - neath His feet, for the Con - quer - or has ris -
 dle; That we may run with faith, to win the prize of a serv - ant, good and faith -

8 D D/F# G D/F# A D/F# G D/F# Bm

en. With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand a - gainst the dev - il's
 our. When faced with trials on ev - 'ry side, we know the out - come is se -
 en. And as the stone is rolled a - way and Christ e - merg - es from the
 ful. As saints of old still line the way, re - tell - ing tri - umphs of His

12 A A7sus D G/B A/C# D/F# G Asus A

lies; An ar - my bold, whose bat - tle cry is Love, reach - ing out to those in dark -
 cure. And Christ will have the prize for which He died, an in - her - it - ance of na -
 grave, this vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues till the day ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see
 grace, we hear their calls, and hun - ger for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glo -

16 D Dsus D

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And God spoke all these words, saying,

I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

You shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

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

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

The Lord Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN

Ambrose

O Lord, you have mercy upon all - take away from us our sins, and mercifully kindle in us the fire of your Holy Spirit. Take away from us the heart of stone, and give us a heart of flesh, a heart to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you, to follow and to enjoy you, for Christ's sake. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

*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

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Question 39

What is the duty which God requires of man?

The duty which God requires of man, is obedience to his revealed will.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

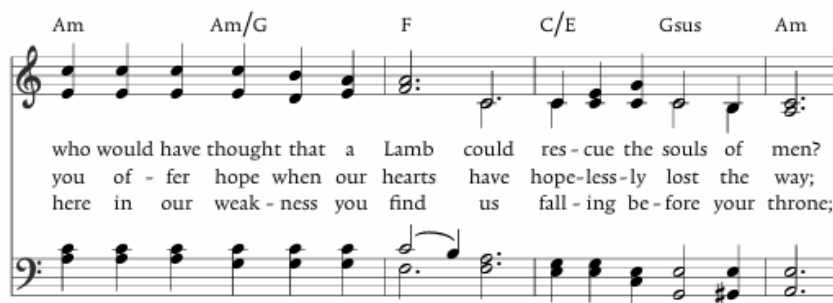
“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”

C F/C C C/E F Gsus G



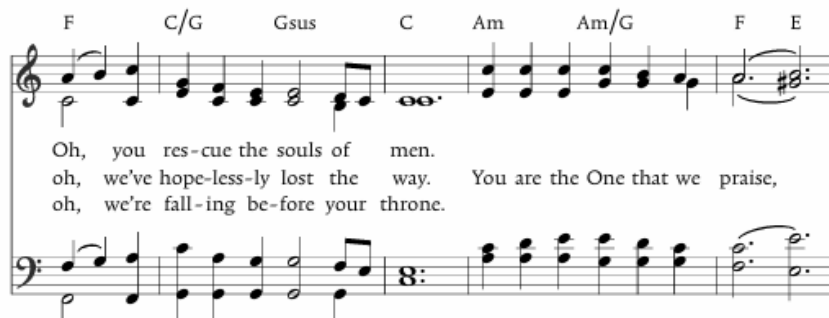
1. Won-der-ful, mer-ci-ful Sav-ior, pre-cious Re-deem-er and Friend;
2. Coun-se-lor, Com-fort-er, Keep-er, Spir-it we long to em-brace;
3. Al-might-y, in-fi-nite Fa-ther, faith-ful-ly lov-ing your own;

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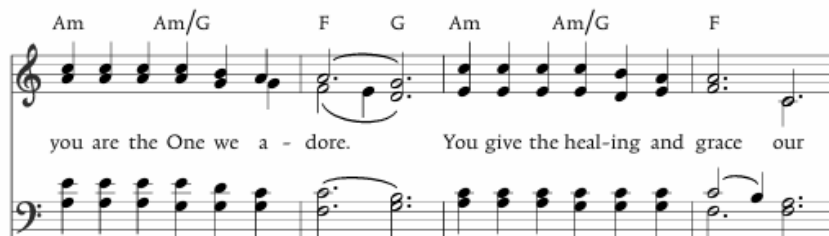
who would have thought that a Lamb could res-cue the souls of men?
you of-fer hope when our hearts have hope-less-ly lost the way;
here in our weak-ness you find us fall-ing be-fore your throne;

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Oh, you res-cue the souls of men.
oh, we've hope-less-ly lost the way. You are the One that we praise,
oh, we're fall-ing be-fore your throne.

Am Am/G F G Am Am/G F



you are the One we a-dore. You give the heal-ing and grace our

C/E Gsus Am F C/G Gsus C



hearts al-ways hun-ger for; oh, our hearts al-ways hun-ger for.

**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.**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord Feeds Us

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE The Prophecy Candle

*HYMN OF PREPARATION “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”



1. Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy peo - ple free;
 2. Joy to those who long to see thee, Day - spring from on high, ap - pear;
 3. Come to earth to taste our sad - ness, he whose glo - ries knew no end;
 4. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child and yet a king,

from our fears and sins re - lease us; let us find our rest in thee.
 come, thou prom - ised Rod of Jes - se, of thy birth we long to hear!
 by his life he brings us glad - ness, our Re - deem - er, Shep - herd, Friend.
 born to reign in us for - ev - er, now thy gra - cious king - dom bring.

Is - rael's strength and con - so - la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art,
 O'er the hills the an - gels sing - ing news, glad tid - ings of a birth:
 Leav - ing rich - es with - out num - ber, born with - in a cat - tle stall;
 By thine own e - ter - nal Spir - it rule in all our hearts a - lone;

dear De - sire of ev - 'ry na - tion, joy of ev - 'ry long - ing heart.
 “Go to him, your prais - es bring - ing; Christ the Lord has come to earth.”
 this the ev - er - last - ing won - der, Christ was born the Lord of all.
 by thine all - suf - fi - cient mer - it, raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

Now Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it and laid incense on it and offered unauthorized fire before the Lord, which he had not commanded them. ² And fire came out from before the Lord and consumed them, and they died before the Lord. ³ Then Moses said to Aaron, “This is what the Lord has said: ‘Among those who are near me I will be sanctified, and before all the people I will be glorified.’” And Aaron held his peace.

⁴ And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan, the sons of Uzziel the uncle of Aaron, and said to them, “Come near; carry your brothers away from the front of the sanctuary and out of the camp.” ⁵ So they came near and carried them in their coats out of the camp, as Moses had said. ⁶ And Moses said to Aaron and to Eleazar and Ithamar his sons, “Do not let the hair of your heads hang loose, and do not tear your clothes, lest you die, and wrath come upon all the congregation; but let your brothers, the whole house of Israel, bewail the burning that the Lord has kindled. ⁷ And do not go outside the entrance of the tent of meeting, lest you die, for the anointing oil of the Lord is upon you.” And they did according to the word of Moses.

⁸ And the Lord spoke to Aaron, saying, ⁹ “Drink no wine or strong drink, you or your sons with you, when you go into the tent of meeting, lest you die. It shall be a statute forever throughout your generations. ¹⁰ You are to distinguish between the holy and the common, and between the unclean and the clean, ¹¹ and you are to teach the people of Israel all the statutes that the Lord has spoken to them by Moses.”

¹² Moses spoke to Aaron and to Eleazar and Ithamar, his surviving sons: “Take the grain offering that is left of the Lord’s food offerings, and eat it unleavened beside the altar, for it is most holy. ¹³ You shall eat it in a holy place, because it is your due and your sons’ due, from the Lord’s food offerings, for so I am commanded. ¹⁴ But the breast that is waved and the thigh that is contributed you shall eat in a clean place, you and your sons and your daughters with you, for they are given as your due and your sons’ due from the sacrifices of the peace offerings of the people of Israel. ¹⁵ The thigh that is contributed and the breast that is waved they shall bring with

the food offerings of the fat pieces to wave for a wave offering before the Lord, and it shall be yours and your sons' with you as a due forever, as the Lord has commanded."

¹⁶Now Moses diligently inquired about the goat of the sin offering, and behold, it was burned up! And he was angry with Eleazar and Ithamar, the surviving sons of Aaron, saying, ¹⁷"Why have you not eaten the sin offering in the place of the sanctuary, since it is a thing most holy and has been given to you that you may bear the iniquity of the congregation, to make atonement for them before the Lord? ¹⁸Behold, its blood was not brought into the inner part of the sanctuary. You certainly ought to have eaten it in the sanctuary, as I commanded." ¹⁹And Aaron said to Moses, "Behold, today they have offered their sin offering and their burnt offering before the Lord, and yet such things as these have happened to me! If I had eaten the sin offering today, would the Lord have approved?" ²⁰And when Moses heard that, he approved.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Themes: Sin, False Worship, Ministry to Each Other

Summary: Leviticus began with the Lord detailing how he should be worshipped, followed by these priests leading the Israelites in public worship of the Lord, careful to follow God’s directions, which resulted in God’s presence being manifested as he consumed their offerings, and God’s people responded in loud joy. In an ironic twist, the priests carelessly offer worship that the Lord never commanded, which resulted in God’s presence consuming the priests, and the high priest responded in silent fear!

1. A Christian’s Duty to the Lord

2. A Christian’s Duty to Christians

The Lord Sends Us

*HYMN OF THE MONTH

“Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come”

1. Joy to the world! The Lord is come: let earth re - ceive her
2. Joy to the earth! The Sav - ior reigns: let men their songs em -
3. No more let sins and sor - rows grow, nor thorns in - fest the
4. He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the na - tions

King; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him room,
play; while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
ground; he comes to make his bless - ings flow
prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous - ness

and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
re - peat the sound - ing joy, re - peat the sound - ing
far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
and heav'n and na - ture sing,

sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
found, far as, far as the curse is found.
love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

heav'n and na - ture sing,

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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.

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

Hanging of the Greens is tomorrow, December 1, at 10:00 AM. Help is needed, men and women, to decorate the church for the Christmas season!

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! We will be setting up for the Cookie Swap on Wednesday, December 3, at 1:00 PM.

The Christmas Family Night Supper is Wednesday, December 10, at 6:30 PM. There is a sign-up sheet on the Women’s Ministry bulletin board for food needed. In addition to the food on the sign-up sheet, we also need sides and desserts. We will be setting up on Tuesday, December 9, at 11:00 AM.

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.

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
Mon	10:00	Hanging of the Greens
	6:30	Ping Pong
Wed	1:00	Cookie Swap Setup
Thurs	6:00	Cookie/Candy Swap

Upcoming Events

Christmas Family Night Supper, Dec. 10, 6:30 PM
Congregational Meeting, Dec. 14, 12:00 PM

Pray for those with birthdays: Tatum Sherwin, 30; Gayle Neihaus, 1; Lee Kirk, 3; Donnie Cool, 4; Trey Allison, 5

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