



Westminster Presbyterian Church

September 27, 2026

Choir Processional

Welcome, Announcements, & Silent Prayer (10:25)

*A warm welcome to those new to Westminster!
Please fill out the Welcome Card in the pew in front of you
and drop it in the offering plate so we can get to know you. Thank you!*

Prelude: *Use this time to prepare your hearts and minds for worship.*

*Call to Worship: Psalm 46:1-5; 10-11 (Responsively)

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.

Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!

The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Salutation: Isaiah 45:22-23; 2 Peter 1:2

Turn to Me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.
By Myself I have sworn; from My mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall
not return: To Me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance.

May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

Invocation Prayer: from Psalm 27:7-9; Exodus 15:13

Hear, O LORD, when we cry aloud; be gracious to us and answer us! You have said, “Seek My face.” The hearts of Your people say to You, “Your face, LORD, do we seek.” Immanuel, be near us today that we might adore You. O LORD, You have led in Your steadfast love Your redeemed people; You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode. Lead us today to Your presence, that we may worship Your holiness. Amen.

Hymn of Worship: *Shout to the LORD, All Earth (Psalm 100)

Shout to the LORD, all earth, and make a joyful noise!
With gladness serve the LORD your God; before Him lift your voice!
Now know the LORD is God. He made us, we are His –
His people and His sheep, who safely in His pasture graze.

Enter His gates with thanks, and fill His courts with praise.
Give thanks to Him, and bless His name; to God your voices raise.
Because the LORD is good, His steadfast love endures;
From age to age, forevermore, His faithfulness is sure.

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Confession of Faith: modified from our Membership Vows (*Unison*)

We acknowledge ourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope except in His sovereign mercy.

We believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and we receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel.

We resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that we will endeavor to live as the followers of Christ.

We promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of our ability.

We submit ourselves to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to study its purity and peace. **AMEN.**

Confession of Sin: Psalm 130:3-4

If You, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O LORD, who could stand? But with You there is forgiveness, that You may be feared.

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 103:8-12 (*Responsively*)

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always chide, nor will He keep His anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.
**For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His
steadfast love toward those who fear Him;**

as far as the east is from the west, so far does He remove our transgressions from us.
AMEN.

***Hymn # 341:** *The Church's One Foundation (Stanzas 1, 2, 4)*

Offering/ Prayer: Psalm 54:6

With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to You; I will give thanks to Your name,
O LORD, for it is good.

Offertory

***Doxology: Hymn # 731** *Psalm 150:6*

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Choir Anthem: *The Gospel Is True*

1. We have a hope that is living
And love that never will end
We have a God who's forgiven us
While we were yet in sin

2. We have a grace that's amazing
A free gift to know Him by faith
To live for His praise
And long for the day
When we see Him face to face

Chorus

Thank You Jesus
O how we worship You
Thank You Jesus
Hallelujah the Gospel is true

3. We have been crucified with Him
Buried and risen to life
Now justified soon glorified
We shall be made like Christ

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Prayer for Congregation

***Scripture Reading: John 19:12-16** *(pg. 851 pew Bible)*

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Choose Your Friends Carefully by Pastor Mark Scholten

***Hymn of Response # 648:** *My Jesus, I Love Thee (Stanzas 1, 2, 4)*

Communion – *Please retain the elements and we will partake together.*

***Closing Song:** *There Is a Redeemer*

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.
Thank you, oh my Father, for giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain.
Thank you, oh my Father, for giving us Your Son,

And leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

When I stand in Glory, I will see His face,
There I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.
Thank you, oh my Father, for giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit 'til the work on earth is done.

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***Benediction: Hebrews 13:6 ; 1 Thessalonians 5:28**

The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

*Indicates standing if you are able.

Please join us tonight at 6:00 pm for a **church-wide Missions-focused Prayer Meeting & Fellowship** led by Gene Striker in the Fellowship Hall.

Diaconate House Duty for September: Colby McKnight/ **for October:** Randy Moore

Ushers for September: Gene Striker, Jim Finlay, Bobby Martin, Andy King
Ushers for October: Randy Waters, Matt Scholten, Allen Miller, Dan Dunham

Celebrating Communion Together

All professing believers may partake of the Lord's Supper with us. After an explanation and invitation, the ushers direct us to approach the table to receive the elements. *Gluten-free wafers are available on paper circles on the bread trays.* All then return to their seats. There may be an Elder available near the Lord's Table to pray for families with children and any individuals who desire it. If you cannot come forward, an Elder will bring the elements to you. We partake together at the direction of the pastor. Elders are also available for prayer near the pulpit after the service.

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