May 26, 2024

Worship Service

8 AM & 11 AM

As you enter, begin to worship quietly. Please silence your phone.

FOR REFLECTION: "We need to realize that the gospel is not only the door into the Christian life but also the living room of the Christian life. Justification is not a spark plug that ignites the Christian life but an engine that powers it all along the way...and so we must constantly hold the gospel before our eyes" (Dane Ortlund).

PRELUDE

Holy, Holy, Holy (Hymn 100) arr. F. M. Hubbell
If Thou Be Near J. S. Bach/H. Voxman
Eternal Father, Strong to Save (Hymn 630) arr. W. Fritchie
Flute Quartet

TIDINGS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Walker

CALL TO WORSHIP: * I Chronicles 16:8–10

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples! Sing to him; sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

SILENT PRAYER/INVOCATION

(8:00) Dr. Cureton, (11:00) Dr. Kieffer

Holy, Holy, Holy! #100

- 1. Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
- 2. Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
- 3. Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4. Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

CONFESSION OF SIN* Responsive Reading from Psalm 32:1–7

Leader: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

People: For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

Leader: I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

People: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Leader: Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

People: You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE: * Romans 8:1-4

Pastor: This is the grace of God for our salvation.

People: Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF FAITH: * Heidelberg Catechism, Questions 29, 32 & 34

29. Q. Why is the Son of God called Jesus, that is, Savior?

A. Because he saves us from all our sins, and because salvation is not to be sought or found in anyone else.

32. Q. Why are you called a Christian?

A. Because I am a member of Christ by faith and thus share in his anointing, so that I may as prophet confess his name, as priest present myself a living sacrifice of thankfulness to him, and as king fight with a free and good conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and hereafter reign with him eternally over all creatures.

34. Q. Why do you call him our Lord?

A. Because he has ransomed us, body and soul, from all our sins, not with silver or gold but with his precious blood, and has freed us from all the power of the devil to make us his own possession.

SONG OF PRAISE * Nothing but the Blood, Hymn 307, stanza 4

This is all my hope and peace—nothing but the blood of Jesus; this is all my righteousness—nothing but the blood of Jesus. O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

COVENANT BAPTISMS (8:00)

Oliver Gabriel Eyster, born February 17, 2023, and **Noah Christopher Eyster**, born February 20, 2020, sons of Chris & Joelle Eyster.

INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(8:00) Ben Barrall, (11:00) Lee Brooks

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

Be Still, My Soul (Hymn 689, stanzas 1, 3 & 4) Vocal Ensemble Beth Peazzoni, piano

Arise, My Soul, Arise #305

- 1. Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears; the bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears; before the throne my Surety stands, before the throne my Surety stands, my name is written on his hands.
- 2. He ever lives above, for me to intercede, his all-redeeming love, his precious blood to plead; his blood atoned for ev'ry race, his blood atoned for ev'ry race, and sprinkles now the throne of grace.

OVER

arr. L. Larson

- 3. Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary; they pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me, "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "nor let that ransomed sinner die!"
- 4. My God is reconciled; his pard'ning voice I hear, he owns me for his child, I can no longer fear, with confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh, and "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Galatians 5:1–12 (Pew Bible Pages 974–975)

SERMON For Freedom Dr. Chris Walker #14 in a Series on Galatians—Redeemed by Christ to Walk in the Spirit

All I Have Is Christ

- 1. I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way; the sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave. I had no hope that you would own a rebel to your will, and if you had not loved me first, I would refuse you still.
- 2. But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost, you looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross. And I beheld God's love displayed: you suffered in my place. You bore the wrath reserved for me; now all I know is grace.

Hallelujah, all I have is Christ! Hallelujah, Jesus is my life!

3. Now Lord, I would be Yours alone, and live so all might see the strength to follow your commands could never come from me. O Father, use my ransomed life in any way you choose, and let my song forever be: "My only boast is You!"

Hallelujah, all I have is Christ! Hallelujah, Jesus is my life.

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POSTLUDE

The Emperor's Fanfare

arr. A. Soler/E. P. Biggs

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At the Morning Worship Service:

Organist: Jonathan Humbert

Flute Quartet: Lynn Rohal, Jill Trimbath, Marcia Blome, Amy Sears

Vocal Ensemble: Sherry Haverstick, Elissa Morgan, Kris Kroll, Paula Smith, Mark Bleecker, Joel

Yeager, Jaden Espenshade, Mark Espenshade

Today is Trinity Sunday in the Church Year. Occurring on the first Sunday after Pentecost, Trinity Sunday celebrates the doctrine of the Trinity, the three persons of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This doctrine is proclaimed in the last line of our opening hymn, Holy Holy: "God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!"

Visitors

Welcome visitors: Please complete the Connect Card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate. You will receive an informational, one-time mailing.

Connections class is held the first and second Sunday of each month. This monthly, two-week informal session is offered for visitors and those who desire an informative introduction to the life and ministry of Westminster Church—without obligation. Connections is located in the lower level, room LL5 (on the right side and past the library), 9:30–10:30 AM.

Everyone

Help us minister to you; complete a Connect Card each week you worship with us.

Hearing devices to use in the Sanctuary are available from the ushers.

Sanctuary flowers are contributed in memory of Pvt. 1st Class Robert J. Borchardt, killed near Saint Lo, France, on July 14, 1944, in World War II, presented by his niece, Betsy Graver. And by Cheryl Spittle in loving memory of her husband, Fred, whose birthday was June 1, and who died April 4, 2021; and also for her son, Collin, who died May 29, 2008.

If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary in *memory* of a loved one or in *honor* of a 50th, 55th, or 60th wedding anniversary, contact James L. Adams (610.406.3229 or flowers4505@aol.com). The cost is \$35.

There is availability on the following dates: June 30; July 21, 28; August 25; September 8.

Child of the Covenant

The rosebud announces our newest Child of the Covenant: **Timothy Daniel Frey,** son of Bethany & Peter Frey, born May 18, 2024.

At Home With the Lord

Westminster member Margery M. Scanlin passed into glory on Monday, May 20, 2024. Service details pending.

Please keep the Scanlin family in your prayers as they go through this difficult time.

- Ministry Highlights -

- The summer Sunday school quarter begins on June 2. For detailed information on the classes and to register, go to westpca.com/sunday-school or look for the elective sheet on the Information Counter. Register by TODAY.
- **Registration for Kingdom Builders is due TODAY**. Students who completed grades 6–8 may participate. Space is limited for this short-term missions opportunity. For information and an application, visit westpca.com/outreach/stm.
- Students completing grade 6 are invited to a welcome party at the Collins house on Thursday, May 30, 5:30 PM. Come for food, fun, and games! Email Jillian with questions (jillian@westpca.com).
- Ladies, join us this summer for an hour of prayer on Tuesdays, 10–11 AM, June 4–August 6, room 126. We will not meet the week of VBS (Tuesday July 23).
- **Senior High Retreat** for students completing grades 9–12 will be held at New Beginnings Loft, June 14–15. For more information and to register (by Sunday, June 2), visit westpca.com/events/senior-high-retreat.

Please note the current church office summer hours:

Monday-Thursday, 8 AM-4 PM Friday, 8 AM-noon

Upcoming Worship Services:

There will be no evening service tonight due to the holiday.

Communion will be observed at both morning worship services next Sunday, June 2.

There will be a joint worship service on Sunday, June 9, with our Congolese and Burmese friends at the 11 AM service in the Sanctuary.

Also on Sunday, June 9, Rev. Steven Light begins his new role as our Associate Pastor for Congregational Care. An installation service will be held at the 6 PM service that day. Be in prayer for the Light family as they make this transition!

Pastoral Staff

Dr. Christopher Walker Senior Pastor

Dr. Barry Cureton
Associate Pastor/Counseling

Dr. Tucker York
Executive Pastor/Missions

Rev. Scott Johnston Assistant Pastor/Visitation

Dr. Michael Rogers
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Dr. David Kieffer Associate Pastor/Discipleship & Outreach

> Rev. Matthew Collins Associate Pastor/Youth



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