

Westminster By-The-Sea Presbyterian Church
The Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Sumner
May 29, 2022
Memorial Sunday

Gathering

Permission for today's liturgy is from
Growing Faith Resources; Honor God's Diversity

Today's service encourages us to think about God and others in new and welcoming ways.

PRELUDE "God of Grace" Hobby

ANNOUNCEMENTS Dr. Sumner

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

One: Rejoice and be glad:

ALL: **for the ground on which we stand is holy ground.**

One: Come from all walks of life to gather here:

ALL: **Lord, prepare me for this time of worship.**

Adapted from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, C1. P. 123

HYMN 701 "Lord, Prepare Me" (Sing twice) Sanctuary

"Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you."

CALL TO PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Loving God, through Jesus Christ you taught us, "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Yet we continue to put our faith in earthly treasures, hoarding possessions that moths will eat or rust will destroy. Set us free from our possessions, O God of Heaven and Earth. Teach us to trust in you alone, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI 581

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.

The Word

MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE FIRST LESSON – Leviticus 6: 1-7

ANTHEM

“Come Ye Sinner, Poor and Needy”

THE SECOND LESSON – Luke 19: 1-10

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Addressing Inequality”

Dr. Sumner

HYMN 744

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

Festal Song

Arise, your light is come! The Spirit’s call obey;
show forth the glory of your God, which shines on you today.

Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door;
proclaim the captives’ liberty, good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born,
bind up the brokenhearted ones and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light is come! The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing; God’s power will make us strong.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of people long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace....With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

From the PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith

Thanksgiving

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

RECEPTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

This congregation continues to need offerings to support the staff and missions we have. Please consider your offering at this time. Checks may be mailed or put in the offering plates if in person. Credit card and PayPal contributions: www.wbts.org.

OFFERTORY

“A Hymn of Glory, Let Us Sing”

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DOXOLOGY 606

“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.”

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending

HYMN 337 “My Country ‘Tis of Thee”
My country, 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty,
of thee I sing: land where my fathers died,
land of the pilgrims' pride, from every mountainside
let freedom ring!

America

My native country, thee, land of the noble free,
thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills,
thy woods and templed hills; my heart with rapture thrills
like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees
sweet freedom's song: let mortal tongues awake,
let all that breathe partake; let rocks their silence break,
the sound prolong.

Our Father's God, to thee, author of liberty, to thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright with freedom's holy light;
protect us by thy might, great God our king.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Allegro”

Marcello

Announcements

WE STILL HAVE SPACE for children for our Food Trucks VBS June 6-10!

Register a child at: westminsterbytheseapresbyterian.mycokesburyvbs.com/register-child

We have also learned that some adults can just be here part of the week. Speak with Ashley about volunteering for our special week!

THIS CONCLUDES our online services for now. Thank you to those who have joined us week after week. In-person services June, July, and August will be at 10:00 a.m. on Sundays.

FLOWERS HAVE BEEN GIVEN BY:

Shelly & Lee, in celebration and thanks for Norma Freije's birthday.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP: If you would like to know more about membership and affiliate membership at Westminster, please call the church office and Rev. Sumner will call you.

LITURGIST: Janet Lindfors