



# Westminster PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

APRIL 6, 2025 AT 11AM | 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

*An open and welcoming Christian community in service to God and neighbor*

*We Come Into God's Presence with Joy*

Life of the Church

Prelude

\* Call to Worship

Ralph Lange, liturgist

(congregation please read bold type)

*We come to worship because we long for mercy.*

**We long for community.**

**We long for God.**

*We come to worship because we need a good word.*

**We need connection.**

**We need moral reminders.**

*We come to worship because we are in between:*

**hope and grief, faith and doubt,**

**joy and longing, curiosity and conviction.**

*So, we come to worship and God meets us here.*

**Surely, we are not alone.**

**Thanks be to God for meeting us in the middle! Amen.**

*from A Sanctified Art*

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\* *You are invited to stand as you are able.*

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God,  
When we fail to be righteous, show us mercy.  
When we fail to be merciful, show us what is right.  
Again and again, bring us closer to you.  
Again and again, show us the way. Amen.**

*from A Sanctified Art*

*Silent prayers of confession.*

Song of Response #576

*Lord, Have Mercy*

**Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy on us.**

Assurance of Grace

*Family of faith, hear and believe this good news:*

*When we fail to be righteous,*

**God is merciful.**

*When we fail to be merciful,*

**God invites us to try again.**

*Again and again,*

**God moves closer to us.**

*Again and again,*

**God shows us the way.**

*Thanks be to God for this unending love.*

**Amen.**

\* Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

\* Song of Response #814

*In God Alone*

**In God alone my soul can find rest and peace,  
in God my peace and joy.**

**Only in God my soul can find its rest,  
find its rest and peace.**

*We Hear God's Word*

First Reading of The Word

**Micah 6:6-8**

Anthem

*Give Me Jesus*

Douglas E. Wagner

Westminster Choir

I heard a mourner say, I heard a mourner say,  
I heard a mourner say: "Give me Jesus.  
Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus,  
You may have all this world, Give me Jesus."

O, when I come to die, O, when I come to die,  
O, when I come to die, Give me Jesus.  
Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus.  
You may have all this world, Give me Jesus.

Dark midnight was my cry, Dark midnight was my cry,  
Dark midnight was my cry, Give me Jesus.  
Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus.  
You may have all this world, Give me Jesus.

In the morning when I rise, In the morning when I rise,  
In the morning when I rise, Give me Jesus.  
Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus.  
You may have all this world, Give me Jesus.

Second Reading of the Word Luke 19:1-10

Sermon

*Righteousness  
and Mercy*

Rev. Hannah Lundberg

*We Respond to God's Word*

\* Song of Response #466 *Come and Fill Our Hearts*

† **Come and fill our hearts with your peace.**

**You alone, O Lord, are holy.**

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace.**

**You alone, O Lord, we worship.**

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

The Great Thanksgiving

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Lift up your hearts.*

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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† *You are welcome to sign as you are comfortable and able.*

*We continue this practice as a way to engage our whole selves in worship.*

*...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:*

Song of Response #552      *Holy, Holy, Holy*  
**Holy, holy, holy, Lord. God of power and might**  
**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**  
**Hosanna in the highest!**  
**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**  
**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

*...Great is the mystery of faith:*

Song of Response #553      *Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen*  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

### 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.**

### Words of Institution

### Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Unison Prayer after Communion

**Gracious God, we thank you for meeting us at this table, where grace is freely given. As we leave this sacred space, help us to walk in the balance of righteousness and mercy, reflecting your love in all that we do. Go with us now, guiding our steps with compassion and wisdom, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

\* Song of Response #606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\* Prayer of Dedication

\* Closing Song

*Righteous Mercy*

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*from A Sanctified Art*

*We Go Forth to Serve*

\* Benediction and Dismissal

*And let all God's people say:*  
**Go with us, God**

Postlude

## *This Week's News*

**Holy Week Service:** We will hold our special Holy Week Service on Thursday, April 17, from 6-8pm. This evening combines the liturgy and traditions of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday on the same day and will include a simple meal together. We are also looking for people to help with bringing food, setting up tables, and cleaning up after the meal and service. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board near the library. For more information, contact Lynda Berg ([lrwberg@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lrwberg@sbcglobal.net)).

**Kid's Easter Party!** On Saturday, April 19, we will host our annual Kid's Easter Party. Come by Westminster 10am-11:30am to enjoy a small-animal petting farm, crafts, story time, and of course, an Easter Egg Hunt! Bring your kids and grandkids, invite your neighbors, and join the fun!

**Easter Morning Coffee Hour:** Join us for a time of fellowship on Easter morning! On Sunday, April 20, there will be some extra treats to enjoy from 10-11am by the coffee bar. Let's celebrate the joy of the Risen Lord together!

**Approved minutes** and ministry team reports from the 2/18/25 Session meeting are available on the bookshelf across from the elevator.

**Habitat House of Faith:** Westminster's next work day with Habitat House of Faith is on **Friday, 5/9**. This long-standing partnership helps revitalize homes for folks in need throughout our community. We are looking for 4 volunteers each service date. No experience necessary, and all tools will be provided! Visit our website for more information and to sign up, or contact Ron Fairchild with questions ([ron@thefairchilds.net](mailto:ron@thefairchilds.net)).

**Quarterly contribution statements** are available for pickup on the coffee bar.

## *Grow in Faith and Friendship*

**Reading Through the Bible Group** meets Sundays at 9:30am. Please contact Marcia Anderson (hilden.anderson@gmail.com; 734-757-4305) for more info.

**Sunday Morning Adult Ed** meets in the fellowship hall at 9:30am.

**Monday Conversations** are weekly at 1pm online. The Zoom invitation is in the Friday *Good Things* and Sunday podcast emails.

**Mary Martha Group** meets the first and third Mondays at 7pm via Zoom. Please contact Margaret Klammer (mklammer@comcast.net) for more information.

**Matthew 25 Study Group** meets at 7pm on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. For meeting information please contact Elizabeth Tidd (lizbeth0405@yahoo.com) or Carol Hufnagel (carol.hufnagel@tetrattech.com).

**Thursday Book Club** meets weekly at 1pm at Westminster and over Zoom. Please contact Linda Harnisch for more information (rlharnisch@gmail.com).

### **We pray for our Westminster family**

**Current needs:** Elke Kramer's aunt, Marion Himmelsbach

**Condolences** to Cathy Daniels and family on the March 27 death of Cathy's father, Harold Hayes.

**Condolences** to April Wright and family on the March 28 death of April's sister, Linda Jo Nehring.

Please email prayer requests to Janet Eaton (jmfeaton@umich.edu) for listing here and in the *Friday Good Things Are Happening* email; or contact Jill Fairchild, prayer chain coordinator (jill@thefairchilds.net or 734-417-0816). You can join our email prayer chain by contacting Jill. To keep us current, please share updates on those for whom we are praying.

## *Welcome to Westminster*

**Our Values:** Love, Compassion, Connection, Inclusion, Earth-Care, Service

**Our Mission:** Show the love of Jesus Christ by welcoming everyone, without exception, into the full life of the church; participating in the joyful worship of God; engaging in regular study, reflection, prayer and sharing of our faith; committing ourselves and our resources to the spiritual and physical needs of our church family and neighbors near and far; seeking to be a good neighbor in our neighborhood.

**Sunday worship podcasts** are at [bit.ly/westpres\\_online](http://bit.ly/westpres_online).

**For deacon care**, please contact Janet Eaton ([jmfeaton@umich.edu](mailto:jmfeaton@umich.edu)).

**Thank you for continuing to fulfill your pledges** and financial commitments in support of the mission and ministry of Westminster Presbyterian Church.

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