



# Westminster PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JANUARY 26, 2025 AT 11AM | 3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

*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

Margaret Klammer, liturgist

(congregation please read bold type)

*In the midst of a world aching in pain,*

**We gather together to remember the good news.**

*The spirit of the living God still moves among us today!*

**When truth breaks through the lies of evil,**

*When the oppressed rise up,*

**When the complicit awaken,**

*When the hungry, thirsty, and weary are tended with care,*

**When we recognize each other as beloved,**

*God takes on flesh among us, in ways great and small.*

**Thanks be to God, who brings us life.**

\* Hymn #39

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

FAITHFULNESS

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

## Call to Confession

### Unison Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we confess that we have wandered from your light. We follow paths of self-indulgence instead of focusing on our need of you. We passively accept the suffering of the world, expecting others to stand up and work for the change we would like to see. Lord, in your strength, renew us and compel us by your invitation, that we may work to pursue your justice and mercy for all people, sharing your love in ways great and small.**

*Silent prayers of confession.*

### Assurance of Grace

#### \* Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

#### \* Song of Response #609 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

† **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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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.*

# *We Hear God's Word*

First Reading of The Word

**Psalm 19**

Anthem

***O Great God***

**by Bob Kauflin**

**Westminster Choir**

O great God of highest heaven, occupy my lowly heart.  
Own it all, and reign supreme, conquer every rebel power.  
Let no vice or sin remain that resists Your holy war.  
You have loved and purchased me; Yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice;  
Did not know Your love within, had no taste of heaven's joys.  
Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your Word to me,  
Through the Gospel of Your Son, gave me endless hope and peace,  
Hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on Your grace.  
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face.  
You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed.  
O great God of highest heaven, glorify Your name through me.  
You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed.  
O great God of highest heaven, glorify Your Name through me.  
Glorify Your Name through me.

Second Reading of the Word **Luke 4:14-21**

Sermon

***Grounded in Change***

**Rev. Hannah Lundberg**

## *We Respond to God's Word*

\* Song of Response #288 *Spirit of the Living God*

† **Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

Prayers of the People and 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.**

Offering and Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

\* Song of Response #716 *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending, v.1*

**God, whose giving knows no ending,  
from your rich and endless store,  
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom,  
costly cross, grave's shattered door:  
gifted by you, we turn to you,  
offering up ourselves in praise;  
thankful song shall rise forever,  
gracious donor of our days.**

\* Prayer of Dedication

\* Hymn #772

*Live into Hope*

TRURO

*We Go Forth to Serve*

\* Benediction and Dismissal

*And let all God's people say:*

**Alleluia! Amen!**

Postlude

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## *This Week's News*

**Communion is served next Sunday, February 2.** You're invited to bring a loaf of fresh-baked bread to worship, which we'll deliver the following Wednesday to guests at Riverside Community Gathering, as a way of sharing the grace of the Lord's table with them.

**Coffee Hour Hosts:** A signup sheet for coffee hour is posted on the bulletin board. We welcome all to support this item of hospitality to our members and guests. Instructions and training are available for folks who are new to this activity. We are also looking for people to provide snacks. Contact Carol Hufnagel for more info ([carol.hufnagel@tetrattech.com](mailto:carol.hufnagel@tetrattech.com)).

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

**Game Night!** The next game night is coming up on Friday, 2/7. 7pm in the fellowship hall. Bring a friend and join the fun!

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

**Ongoing needs:** Cara Doane, Anne Gensheimer, Donna Greyerbiehl

Please email prayer requests to Janet Eaton ([jmfeaton@umich.edu](mailto: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](mailto: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.

## *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. Our current study is based on Brian McLaren's book, *We Make the Road by Walking*.

**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).

## *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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