

WESTMINSTER  PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Service for the Lord's Day

January 24, 2021
Third Sunday after Epiphany

GATHERING

(Silence during the Prelude is requested in preparation for worship.)

PRELUDE

Dix

Charles Callahan

Pescador de Hombres

Michael Emmerich

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

From God comes our salvation.

For God alone our soul waits in silence.

God alone is our rock and my salvation.

God is our fortress; we shall never be shaken.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

The present form of this world is passing away.

**Therefore, help us to keep our focus on you, Lord,
for true power and steadfast love
belong to you. Amen.**

For the Beauty of the Earth 14

1 For the beau-ty of the earth, for the glo-ry of the skies,
 2 For the won-der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,
 4 For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,
 5 For thy-self, best gift di-vine to the world so free-ly given;

for the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies:
 hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light:
 for the mys-tic har-mo-ny link-ing sense to sound and sight:
 friends on earth, and friends a-bove, for all gen-tle thoughts and mild:
 for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven:

Refrain

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in the promise of grace,
 let us pour out our hearts before God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgiving God,
we repent of all the ways we turn from you.
You call, but we do not listen;
you show us your path,
but we prefer our own way.
Forgive us, heal us, and lead us back to you,
that we might show mercy to others.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

(Silent confession)

Kyrie *(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)* Hal H. Hopson

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(The liturgist pours water, which reminds us of our baptism.)

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*The Peace

Since God in Christ has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(Please exchange the peace with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you.")

*ACT OF PRAISE

Celtic Alleluia

O'Carroll/Walker

(The congregation sings with the choir.)

**The Word of the Lord lasts forever. What is the Word that is living?
It is Jesus Christ, who is risen from the dead.**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! **Our ears are open.**

Jonah 3:1-5

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Psalms 62:5-12 (Hymn 790)

MY SOUL THIRSTS

Mark 1:14-20

¹⁴Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, ¹⁵and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.” ¹⁶As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. ¹⁷And Jesus said to them, “Follow me and I will make you fish for people.” ¹⁸And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ¹⁹As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. ²⁰Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

SERMON

“Stuck?”

Donovan Drake

(A moment for meditation)

In Silence My Soul Thirsts 790

(Psalm 62)

Capo 3: (D) (Em7) (A) (D)
 F Gm7 C F

1 In si - lence my soul thirsts for God; for
 2 In still - ness I pour out my fears; the
 3 In qui - et - ness my Lord con - ferred two

(G) (A7) (D) (Em7) (A7) (Bm) (Em)
 B^b C7 F Gm7 C7 Dm Gm

God a - lone I wait. My en - e - mies may
 sol - i - tude builds trust. My ref - uge rests in
 truths I now de - clare: no great - er love than

(F#7) (Bm) (Em) (A) (Dsus) D (G)
 A7 Dm Gm C Fsus F B^b

chase me down; love shields me from their hate.
 God's great grace. My anx - ious thoughts are hushed.
 God's is known; no pow - er can com - pare.

Refrain (D) (Em7) (A) (D) (G)
 F Gm7 C F B^b

God is my rock; God is my strength; God is

(D) (Em) (D) (A7) (D) (Em)
 F Gm F C7 F Gm

my sal - va - tion, my ref - uge, my a -

(A) (D) (G) (D) (G) (A7) (D)
 C F B^b F B^b C7 F

bid - ing peace. I shall not be shak - en.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.
The same Spirit
who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed,
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.
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 peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

THANKSGIVING

OFFERING

Anthem

I Will Arise

American, arr. Alice Parker

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms,
In the arms of my dear Savior Oh, there are ten thousand charms.
Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming Love.
Come, thou fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace,
Streams of mercy, never ceasing call for songs, call for songs,
call for songs of loudest praise.

***DOXOLOGY**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

**Merciful God,
we are grateful for your goodness and loving kindness.
Give us such awareness of your mercies,
that our hearts may be thankful,
and that we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Prayed in unison*)

**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.**

SENDING

*HYMN 721

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore



1 Lord, you have come to the lake - shore look - ing
 2 You know so well my pos - ses - sions; my boat
 3 You need my hands, full of car - ing, through my
 4 You, who have fished oth - er o - ceans, ev - er



nei - ther for wealth - y nor wise ones; you on - ly
 car - ries no gold and no weap - ons; 7 you will
 la - bors to give oth - ers rest and con - stant
 longed for by souls who are wait - ing, my lov - ing



asked me to fol - low hum - bly.
 find there my nets and la - bor.
 love that keeps on lov - ing.
 friend, as thus you call me:

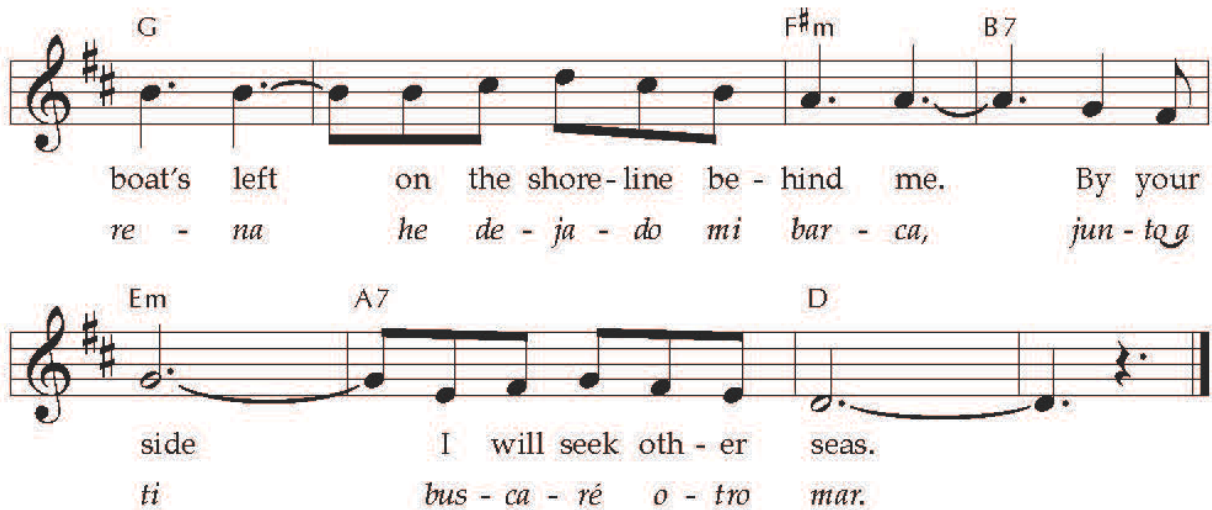
Refrain / Estribillo



O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me, and while
 Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos, son - ri -



smil - ing have spo - ken my name; now my
 en - do has di - cho mi nom - bre, en la g -



boat's left on the shore-line behind me. By your
 re - na he de - ja - do mi bar - ca, jun - to g

side I will seek other seas.
 ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Epilogue on Dix

William H. Harris

*(Those who are able may stand.)

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
 and in celebration of Anna Hinson Hulan on her 14th birthday,
 and in loving memory of her grandmother,
 Bernice Kephart Hinson Hampel,
 by Leesa Hinson and Hank Hulan.*

SERVICE NOTES

WORSHIP LEADERS: Liturgist: Guy D. Griffith, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Spiritual Nurture.

MUSICIANS: Colby White, Soloist; John W. Semingson, Director of Music Ministries; Polly Brecht, Organist.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES: For Sunday, January 24, 2020 the 8:30 a.m. worship service will be LIVE streamed. There will not be an outdoor worship service at 11:00 a.m. If you miss the service at 8:30 a.m., you can watch it later in the day or week. Go to nashvillewpc.org and in the Quick Links box, click on WPC Live Stream Services. The newest service may not yet be dated. Midweek services also will continue to be LIVE streamed on Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m.

WELCOME: Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. If you are interested in learning about membership, please contact Melissa Threatt (864.506.0267; melissa.threatt@gmail.com) or Rev. Heidi Hudnut-Beumler (615.292.5526; hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org).

SANCTUARY AND PARLOR FLOWERS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021:

Please note that beginning January 1, 2021, the cost of flower arrangements will increase to \$150 for Sanctuary flowers and \$75 for Parlor flowers. This increase will ensure continuation of the highest quality arrangements and supplies. If you would like to provide flowers for the Sanctuary or Parlor during 2021, please contact Terri Eckert by email at teckert@nashvillewpc.org to select your Sunday. As well, reservations for flowers do not carry over from year-to-year. Arranged by members of Westminster’s talented Flower Guild, this is a wonderful way to celebrate your loved ones or honor those who have died.

THE RED ROSE IN THE CHANCEL this morning gives glory and thanksgiving to God for the birth of a son, Gregory Smith, Jr., born on January 6, 2021 to Emily and Greg Gianis.

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WPC MONTHLY FINANCIAL OPERATING SUMMARY: Each month the Finance Committee provides a summary of the church operating income and expenses. If any members wish to have more information about church finances, please contact: Jo Ann McFarlin, jmcfarlin@nashvillewpc.org or 615-292-5526; Mike Koban, Finance Committee Chair at mkoban@prodigy.net; or Suzanne McLemore, Treasurer at suzannegm58@gmail.com.

December 31, 2020

	<u>December</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Income:	\$620,718	\$3,645,664
Expense:	\$671,122	\$3,329,889
Net Income (loss):	<u>\$ (50,404)</u>	<u>\$ 315,775</u>

**CHRIST HIMSELF IS BEFORE ALL THINGS,
AND IN HIM ALL THINGS HOLD TOGETHER.**

Colossians 1:17

We go out into the world sharing the good news and return praising God for what we have seen and heard. As of this week, 440 families have contributed \$2,870,818 toward our pledge campaign. Our 2021 Budget goal is \$2,958,900, and we need \$80,082 to make the goal a reality.

Though in-person worship is limited, the work of Westminster has continued - Fellowship and Bible study gatherings on Zoom, streaming Sunday and mid-week worship services, online book studies, film reviews, choir recordings, knitting circles, and more. By contributing to Westminster, we are using what God has given us to share the good news of Jesus by serving others - through our many ministry partners - Home Connection, Room in the Inn, and Habitat, to name just a few.

Westminster has an amazing ministry. We hope you will be a part of it by making your pledge.

To make a general donation or your pledge payment, please click here <https://bit.ly/3dcoSzD> or scan the QR code below to take you directly to the Donations/Payments webpage.



To make your 2021 Generosity Pledge, click here <https://bit.ly/2GUERXm> or scan the QR code below to take you directly to the 2021 Pledge webpage. We hope you will continue your support.



Westminster Presbyterian Church

Purpose Statement

*Ordinary people testifying to the extraordinary light
found in our Lord Jesus Christ.*

“For it is the God who said, ‘Let light shine out of darkness,’ who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.” (2 Corinthians 4:6-7)

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COVID UPDATE

Recent brushes with the COVID-19 virus among our staff and/or their families has prompted us to implement temporary precautionary measures in the church office to mitigate risk to the congregation and the wider community. We are taking this action in order to continue our worship, missions, and ministries that have already been severely curtailed.

Until further notice, church office hours have been suspended starting January 11th, 2021. Our staff still will be available and monitoring any needs that arise. Below, please find a list of staff emails and areas they minister. You can also reach the main church phone voicemail at 615-292-5526.

Westminster is actively monitoring public health developments and strategies associated with the coronavirus, and updating our office strategy accordingly.

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