

WESTMINSTER  PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Service for the Lord's Day

**Third Sunday after Pentecost
June 13, 2021**

GATHERING

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

***PRELUDE**

Jubilant Peal
Invention in a minor

Michael Helman
J.S. Bach

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness.

Come into God's presence with singing!

For the Lord is a gracious God,

whose mercy is everlasting;

and whose faithfulness endures to all generations. *(Psalm 100:1, 2, 5)*

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Blessed are you, God of growth and discovery;

yours is the inspiration

that has altered and changed our lives;

yours is the power that has brought us

to new dangers and opportunities.

Set us, your new creation,

to walk through this new world,

watching and learning,

loving and trusting,

until your kingdom comes. Amen.

Descant

4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 2 Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran - sored from the fall,
 3 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe on this ter - res - trial ball
 4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
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CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this:
While we were sinners, Christ died for us.

Because we have faith in him,
we dare to approach God with confidence. (*Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16*)

In faith and penitence let us confess our sin
before God and one another.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**With haste, we rush to the day's work
when personal profit is the reward;
with reluctance, we engage the task of ministering to the broken.
We are quick to expect apologies,
but slow to extend forgiveness.**

**We cheer the misfortune of those we consider our enemies,
but drag our feet when it is time to make peace.
In many such ways, evident and invisible,
we ignore the saving graces that call us to life,
and pander to the narrow greed that leads to death.**

**Forgive, O God.
Do not abandon us, even though we are inconstant;
but by the power of your constancy overwhelm our reluctance,
and sweep us into the delight of obedient love;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, whose love for us was so powerful
that even death could not prevail against it.**

(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.)

Believe the Good News: **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.**

Ezekiel 17:22-24 *(Old Testament, page 784 in your pew Bible)*

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

Psalm 92 (Hymn 682)

ELLESDIE

(Verse 1: Choir only; Remaining verses sung by all.)

1 It is good to sing your prais-es and to thank you, O Most
 2 You have filled my heart with glad-ness through the works your hands have
 3 But the good shall live be - fore you, plant - ed in your dwell - ing

High, show - ing forth your lov - ing - kind - ness when the morn - ing lights the
 wrought; you have made my life vic - to - rious; great your works and deep your
 place, fruit - ed trees and ev - er ver - dant, nour - ished by your bound - less

sky. It is good when night is fall - ing of your faith - ful - ness to tell,
 thought. You, O Lord, on high ex - alt - ed, reign for - ev - er - more in might;
 grace. In his good - ness to the righ - teous God his righ - teous - ness dis - plays;

while with sweet, me - lo - dious prais - es songs of ad - o - ra - tion swell.
 all your en - e - mies shall per - ish, sin be ban - ished from your sight.
 God, my rock, my strength and ref - uge, just and true are all your ways.

2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-19; (*New Testament, page 181 in your pew Bible*)

⁶ So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— ⁷ for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸ Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹ So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰ For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

¹⁴ For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. ¹⁵ And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷ So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

SERMON

“Having to Live With It”

Donovan Drake

(A moment for meditation)

***HYMN 822**

When We Are Living

SOMOS DEL SEÑOR

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**We believe Christ gives us and demands of us
lives in pilgrimage toward God's kingdom.
Like Christ we may enjoy on our journey
all that sustains life and makes it pleasant and beautiful.
No more than Christ are we spared
the darkness, ambiguity, and threat of life in the world.
We are in the world, but not of the world.**

**Our confidence and hope for ourselves and other people
do not rest in the powers and achievements of this world,
but in the coming and hidden presence of God's kingdom.**

Christ calls each of us to a life appropriate to that kingdom:
 to serve as he has served us;
 to take up our cross,
 risking the consequences of faithful discipleship;
 to walk by faith, not by sight,
 to hope for what we have not seen. (From *A Declaration of Faith*)

When We Are Living 822

Pues si vivimos



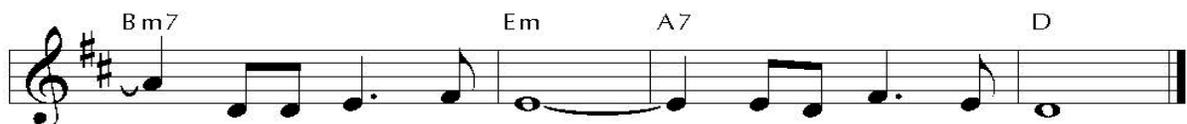
<p>1 When we are liv - ing, 2 Through all our liv - ing, 3 'Mid times of sor - row 4 A - cross this wide world,</p> <p>1 <i>Pues si vi - vi - mos,</i> 2 <i>En es - ta vi - da</i> 3 <i>En la tris - te - za</i> 4 <i>En es - te mun - do</i></p>	<p>it is in Christ Je - sus, we our fruits must give. and in times of pain, we shall al - ways find</p> <p><i>pa - ra Él vi - vi - mos,</i> <i>fru - tos hay que dar</i> <i>y en el do - lor,</i> <i>por do - quier ha - brá</i></p>
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<p>and when we're dy - ing, Good works of ser - vice when sens - ing beau - ty those who are cry - ing</p> <p><i>y si mo - ri - mos</i> <i>y bue - nas o - bras</i> <i>en la be - lle - za</i> <i>gen - te que llo - ra</i></p>	<p>it is in the Lord. are for of - fer - ing. or in love's em - brace, with no peace of mind,</p> <p><i>pa - ra Él mo - ri - mos.</i> <i>he - mos de o - fren - dar.</i> <i>y en el a - mor,</i> <i>y sin con - so - lar.</i></p>
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<p>Both in our liv - ing When we are giv - ing, wheth - er we suf - fer, but when we help them,</p> <p><i>Sea que vi - va - mos</i> <i>Sea ya que de - mos</i> <i>sea que su - fra - mos</i> <i>Sea que a - yu - de - mos</i></p>	<p>and in our dy - ing, or when re - ceiv - ing, or sing re - joic - ing, or when we feed them,</p> <p><i>o que mu - ra - mos,</i> <i>o que re - ci - ba - mos,</i> <i>o que go - ce - mos,</i> <i>o que a - li - men - te - mos,</i></p>
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<p>we be - long to God; <i>so - mos del Se - ñor,</i></p>	<p>we be - long to God. <i>so - mos del Se - ñor.</i></p>
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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

We Walk by Faith

Hal H. Hopson

We walk by faith, and not by sight; No gracious words we hear from him
who spoke as none e'er spoke; But we believe him near.
We may not touch his hands and side. Nor follow where he trod;
But in his promises we rejoice, And cry, "My Lord and God!"
Help, then, O Lord, our unbelief; And may our faith abound,
To call on you when you are near, And seek where you are found.
That, when our life of faith is done, In realms of clearer light
We may behold you as you are, with full and endless sight.

*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.

**Bless, O God, the gifts that we bring this day,
that they may be a sign of our commitment to your kingdom
and a pledge of our love for you and your world.
Multiply the work done by our time, treasures, and talents,
that your presence and compassion
may be known in all the earth. Amen.**

Mark 4:26-34

***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.**

SENDING

***HYMN 774** There Is Now a New Creation STUTTGART
[see page 10 for hymn]

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Fugue in G, BWV 550 J.S. Bach

**(Those who are able may stand.)*

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
in thankfulness for God's grace and in memory of
Coleman Billings Harwell (1973 – 1995) and
Coleman Alexander Harwell (1905- 1987)
by Coleman A. Harwell II and family.*

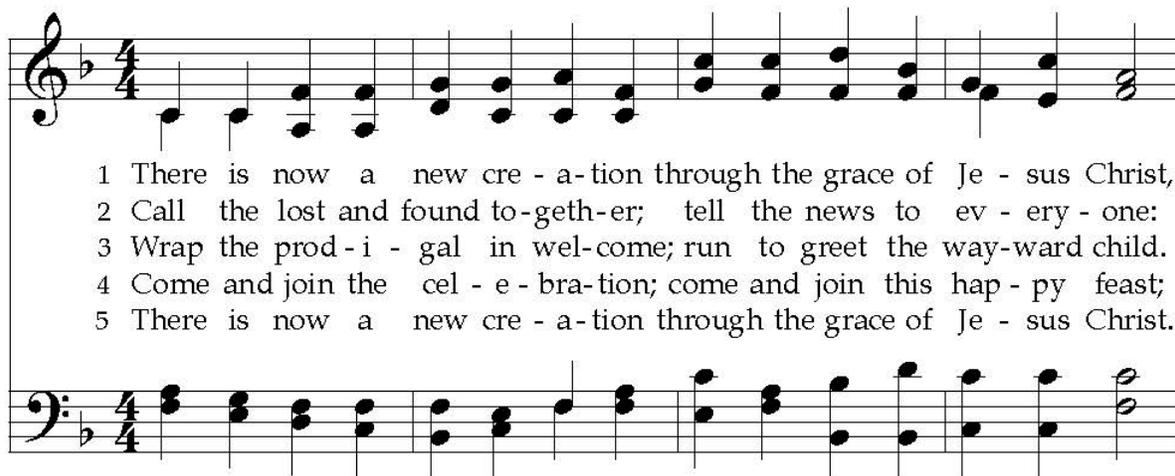
*The flowers in the Parlor are given to the glory of God
and with gratitude for Westminster's
Ministry, Administrative, and Facilities Staff.*

SERVICE NOTES

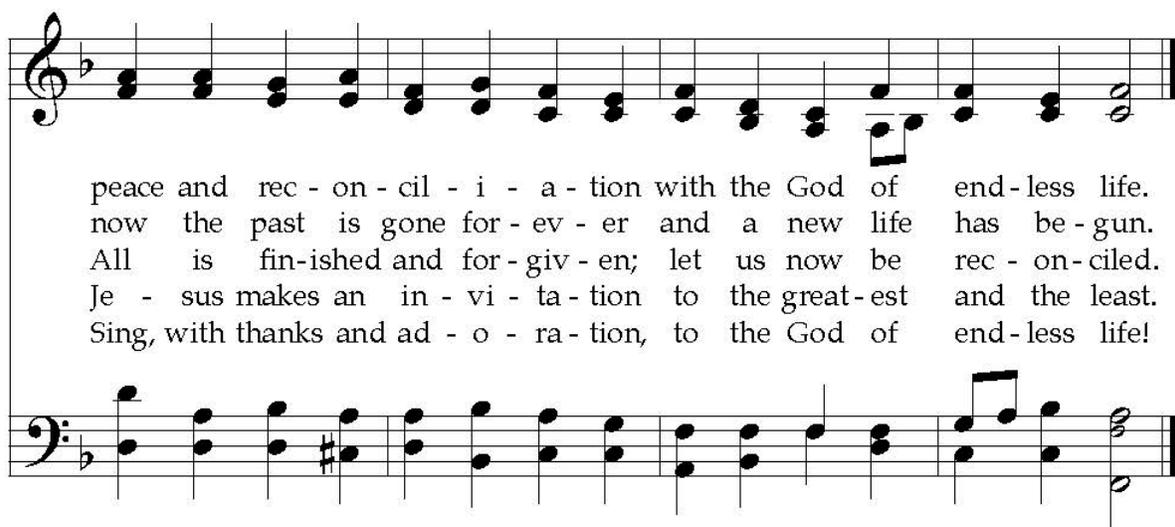
WORSHIP LEADERS: Liturgist: Katie Gossage, Associate Director of Youth and Programming.

MUSICIANS: Harvard Handbells; Chamber Choir; John W. Semingson, Director of Music Ministries; Polly Brecht, Organist.

774 There Is Now a New Creation



1 There is now a new cre - a - tion through the grace of Je - sus Christ,
2 Call the lost and found to - geth - er; tell the news to ev - ery - one:
3 Wrap the prod - i - gal in wel - come; run to greet the way - ward child.
4 Come and join the cel - e - bra - tion; come and join this hap - py feast;
5 There is now a new cre - a - tion through the grace of Je - sus Christ.



peace and rec - on - cil - i - a - tion with the God of end - less life.
now the past is gone for - ev - er and a new life has be - gun.
All is fin - ished and for - giv - en; let us now be rec - on - ciled.
Je - sus makes an in - vi - ta - tion to the great - est and the least.
Sing, with thanks and ad - o - ra - tion, to the God of end - less life!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Our love and acceptance of each other affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person, regardless of our differences, and bear witness to the love of God for all people and our commitment to Christ. Any who are interested in joining us in this journey are invited to contact Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care (615.292.5526; hhudnutbeumler@nashvillewpc.org).

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES: To watch a service later in the day or week, go to nashvillewpc.org and in the Quick Links box, go to “WPC Live Stream and Recent Services” and click on the Media icon on the far right.

UPDATED MASK POLICY: Westminster continues to follow the guidelines from the CDC and Metro Health. If you are fully vaccinated, masks are not required. If you or a family member are not fully vaccinated or are immune compromised, please wear a mask. We also encourage you to wear a mask if it makes you feel more comfortable.

DIAL-A-SERVICE: Dial 629-206-1073 after 10:15 a.m. to listen to the sermon.

SUMMER MUSIC SCHEDULE: Please consider participating in the Summer Choir this year. The choir will rehearse for one hour (9:45 a.m.—10:45 a.m.) and sing for the 11:00 a.m. worship service throughout the summer months. The first rehearsal will be held on Sunday, June 20, 2021. Please contact John Semingson (615.292.5526 or johns@nashvillewpc.org), for additional information.

SUMMERTIME FELLOWSHIP STARTS TODAY: Please join us today, Sunday, June 13, for our first summer fellowship time after and between worship services. Gather with us just outside the Sanctuary Narthex to enjoy light refreshments and the joy of connecting and re-connecting together!

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE WESTMINSTER GOLF TOURNAMENT: Mark your calendars for the Westminster Golf Tournament! Join us Monday, October 18, 2021, at Opryland's Gaylord Springs Golf Club and land yourself some birdies and barkies amongst friends! The Scottish links-style, par-72 golf course is bordered by limestone bluffs and wetlands, and has challenges around every fairway bend. From tee to green, golfers of all abilities are welcome! Contact Roger Maness at roger.maness@comcast.net of your non-binding, intention to play.

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 615-292-5526x231, Mike Koban, Finance Committee Chair at mkoban@prodigy.net, or Suzanne McLemore, Treasurer at suzannegm58@gmail.com.

May 31, 2021

	<u>May</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Income:	\$ 195,314	\$1,657,768
Expense:	<u>\$ 240,126</u>	<u>\$1,244,648</u>
Net Income (loss):	<u>\$ (44,812)</u>	<u>\$ 413,120</u>

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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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