



## Presbyterian Church

Central Campus  
4400 North Shartel Avenue

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2nd Sunday after Pentecost  
June 14th, 2020

# Westminster Sunday Worship

**Prelude:** *Jerusalem, My Happy Home*

Arranged by George Shearing

## Time of Welcome

### Call to Worship

Psalm 9

Leader: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

**People: I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.**

Leader: I will be glad and exult in you;

**People: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

**\*Processional Hymn: #634** *To God Be the Glory*

To God Be the Glory

## Time of Confession

### Invitation to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Holy Lord, God of life, hear our prayer: **Forgive us when we follow those paths that do not lead to life, That lead instead to violence, or hate, or fear, Paths that lead to dread and death. Forgive us when we forget that you offer us life, Life that is abundant and eternal, Life that began at the creation of all things. Forgive us, turn us to the right path, and let your love and grace flow over us and the world. We pray in Jesus' name and for his sake. Lord, hear our confession and those we offer in silence....** (a silence is kept) **Amen.**

## Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of God's grace.

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

**\*Response to Forgiveness: #581** *Glory Be to the Father*

Gloria Patri

**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.**

## Prayer for Illumination

### Reading from the Old Testament

Psalm 116:1-2; 12-19

I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications. Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live. What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones. O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds. I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

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ADORATION

## 634 To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!  
2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in 3/4 time with a key signature of three flats. The melody is primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The bass line consists of block chords and simple rhythmic patterns.

So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;

The second system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are aligned with the notes in the treble staff.

who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,  
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be

The third system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are aligned with the notes in the treble staff.

and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

The fourth system concludes the piece with a final cadence. The lyrics are aligned with the notes in the treble staff.

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*Refrain*

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the peo - ple re - joice!

O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus the Son,

and give him the glo - ry: great things he has done!

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## Reading from the New Testament

Matthew 9:35-38

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

## Sermon: "THE COMPASSION OF CHRIST"

Rev. Dr. Paul J. Kirbas

## \*Hymn of Response: #436 *God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us*

O Quanta Qualia

## \*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (*Traditional*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

## Invitation to Offering

Offertory: *Here I Am, Lord*

Daniel Schutte

*Shawn Witcher, Soprano; Jim Witcher, Tenor; Steve Thompson, Organ*

**"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also"** (Matthew 6:20)

*Though we work and worship separately, carefully, and thoughtfully during this time, the work of God's Kingdom continues through acts of kindness and compassion.*

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Westminster Presbyterian Church, 4400 N. Shartel OKC, OK 73118.

## \*Doxology: #606 *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Old Hundredth

**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.**

## Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (*Traditional*)

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.

# Sanctuary Worship (10 AM)

FORGIVENESS

## God of Compassion, in Mercy 436 Befriend Us

1 God of com - pas - sion, in mer - cy be - friend us,  
2 Though we are lost, you have sought us and found us,  
3 How shall we stray, with your hand to di - rect us,

giv - er of grace for our needs all - a - vail - ing.  
stilled our rude hearts with your word of con - sol - ing.  
you who the stars in their cours - es are guid - ing?

Wis - dom and strength for each day ev - er send us,  
Wrap now your peace, like a man - tle, a - round us,  
What shall we fear, with your power to pro - tect us,

pa - tience un - tir - ing and cour - age un - fail - ing.  
guard - ing our thoughts and our pas - sions con - trol - ling.  
we who walk forth in your great - ness con - fid - ing?

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**\*Hymn of Discipleship: #435** *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

In Babilone

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude:** *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Arranged by Paul Manz

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\*This sign is an invitation, to all who are able, to stand as they offer God thanks and praise.

## Leading In Worship

**Pastor/Head of Staff :** Rev. Dr. Paul J. Kirbas

**Senior Associate Pastor:** Rev. Michelle Junkin

**Director of Worship and Music:** Josh Phelps

**Music Associate:** Anne Dawson

**Organ:** Steve Thompson, Principal Organist;  
Grace Jackson, Organ Scholar

**Carillon:** Lisa Hart

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FORGIVENESS

## 435 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness  
2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures

of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,  
of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal

which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's  
is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more

sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place  
faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -

where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of six systems, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system.

## *Greetings from the WPC Pastor Nominating Committee*

*The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) was elected on April 2, 2020, to call our next pastor/head of staff. Since that date, the PNC has met virtually on a weekly basis, and we are actively working toward securing WPC's future following Paul Kirbas' retirement in late 2020.*

*In the PC(USA), a PNC serves as a type of search committee, and it is our job to bring a pastor nominee to the congregation for your vote. Our PNC is made up of church members from different walks of life, and we all have distinct connections to both WPC and Presbyterianism. In the diversity of our perspectives but unity of our goal, we find strength and confidence in our direction.*

*The PNC's first major task was to complete a Ministry Information Form (MIF), which is submitted to the denomination's matching system following approval by the Session and Committee on Ministry. Potential candidates are matched to WPC by completing a Personal Information Form (PIF). In essence, the MIF is a job advertisement, and the PIFs are resumes or CVs. A suggested or recommended candidate would also submit a PIF just like a candidate who had been matched through the system. We sincerely appreciate the suggested candidate names we have received so far, and we encourage you to contact us with any additional potential candidates who might possess the gifts we need in a head of staff.*

*The PNC takes the confidentiality of our work seriously. While we can discuss elements of process, we will be unable to discuss people. Thus, we ask for you to trust the process, to trust the committee, and to trust God's plan for the future of WPC.*

*Please include the PNC in your prayers as we move through this exciting process to call our next pastor/head of staff.*

*Thankfully,*

### **The Pastor Nominating Committee**

Abbey Ahern  
Paige Bass, co-chair  
Jeb Joseph  
Isabelle (Izzy) Kearney  
John Kenney  
Karma Robinson  
Jane Sutter  
Jim Waldo  
Jim Witcher, co-chair

## PASTOR/HEAD OF STAFF

Westminster Presbyterian Church (PCUSA) of Oklahoma City seeks a motivated and motivating pastor who will:

**Leverage** our assets and recognize our challenges.

**Listen** carefully and respond thoughtfully to the needs of the entire church family.

**Strategize** ways to grow the two-campus church spiritually, financially, and numerically.

**Harmonize** our varied worship styles based on our shared vision.

**Inspire** us to be more welcoming in sharing our faith.

**Employ** the full talents of church staff for meeting the needs of the church.

**Design** more opportunities for congregational engagement and connection.

**Energize** church members to be more involved in community and missional activities.

**Invest** himself or herself significantly in the church's future.

The successful candidate for our two-campus, 1500-member church body will tap into the Oklahoma City renaissance near our Central Campus and develop relationships in the rapidly growing area around our North Campus. We offer a generous salary and benefit package. View our MIF #07001.AL0 and our website [wpcokc.org](http://wpcokc.org). Send PIF to CLC and questions to [wpcokcpnc2020@gmail.com](mailto:wpcokcpnc2020@gmail.com).

# LOOKING AHEAD • JUNE 14TH, 2020

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### Central Campus Office Hours

**We are having church staff work from home as much as possible and limiting work in the church office. Please abstain from visits to the office and instead contact church staff via email, or phone call. The church voice mail and email will be monitored regularly.**

### Sunday Services

**Our 10 AM worship service will be live-streamed Sundays at 10 AM on [Facebook Live, wpcokc.com](https://www.facebook.com/wpcokc), and [Livestream](https://www.livestream.com). The broadcast will be archived on our website for later viewing.**

### Service Streaming

Sundays -

- online via our LiveStream at:  
<http://www.wpcokc.com/live-streaming>

*I would like to speak with a pastor or ministry leader...*

**Rev. Dr. Paul Kirbas**, ext. 275

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Dear Congregation,

I hope this note finds you well in body and spirit.

We find ourselves in a very difficult time as a church community. All around us, a perfect storm is brewing. People are anxious to get back to normal, including public gatherings like church services, while the virus seems to be building toward a new spike because of these gatherings. Along with that, racial tensions and cries for social justice are calling people out into the streets in masses, paying no attention to social distancing. The Church stands in the middle of these combined issues, and we can not ignore either one. Yet both have become significantly politicized. As a pastor on the edge of retirement, I must confess to you that one of the deepest concerns I have had for the Church in recent years is how every issue, from climate change to virus reactions to race relations, has been hijacked by politics. And since the Church is supposed to remain silent on politics, we find ourselves with tape on our mouths in issues that are truly transcending politics, like a virus...like climate change...and like racial equality.

Well, I think God has had enough of the Church's silence. It's time to rip the tape off the Church's mouth and speak God's word to our troubled times. In our worship service today, we are going to do that. We are going to ask an inconvenient question: Where would Jesus be standing if he were in our world today? What does the Bible teach when you actually open it? This service is bound to rattle some political cages, but I hope we can look above that, to truly look for God's word above human words.

And in terms of COVID19, we are trying to be responsible in our decisions to re-open. We have re-opened our CDC and Kingdom Kids programs; our church staff has returned to the offices, and we are now allowing funerals on our campus. All of these things are requiring safety precautions. We require masks in the building and social distancing. Because of that, we can only allow about 140 people into our sanctuary at any one time. We are watching the numbers of new cases, and are currently planning to re-open for in-person worship within the next weeks. In the meantime, we have increased our offerings online, and we hope you are joining us for these virtual classes, devotionals, and worship services.

2020 is proving itself to be quite a year. The Church cannot be a silent bystander now. Let's pray together and serve together, as we seek to be the Church of Jesus Christ in this time and in this place.

In God's Love,



**Dr. Paul J. Kirbas**

Pastor/Head of Staff

# WESTMINSTER OFFICES

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE STUDIES

### Cornerstone Sunday School Class

The Cornerstone Class is meeting weekly on Zoom to study *Lent in Plain Sight* and support class members as they juggle the new “normal” of social distancing with managing home life in a time of uncertainty. Contact Sarah Morgan, [sarahmarshall11@hotmail.com](mailto:sarahmarshall11@hotmail.com), for more information.

### Adventurer's Sunday School Class

Adventurers are meeting on Zoom, Sundays, from 9 - 9:45 AM. For more information, contact Alison Taylor [acetaylor50@aol.com](mailto:acetaylor50@aol.com).

### Thursday Morning Men's Group

Meets virtually on Zoom to continue the Bible Study on the Book of Acts. Contact Scott Rowland, [scottrowland@outlook.com](mailto:scottrowland@outlook.com), to join in on the study.

### Middle School & Highschool Youth

Youth are invited to view devotionals led by Jay Seymour. They will be posted on WPC's Facebook. Sunday School for youth will gather on Zoom weekly, contact Jay, [jseymour@wpcokc.org](mailto:jseymour@wpcokc.org), for more details and Zoom login information.

### Support for Infant Loss Group

Meets virtually via Zoom for 2hrs on Wednesday's twice a month until in-person group gatherings can be resumed. If anyone knows how to adapt during difficult times, it's the women of Support for Infant Loss. A member said, "It is so wonderful, even in these challenging times, to be able to have the specific support we need as grieving moms". Contact Abbey Ahern, 405-501-4388 or [abbeyahern@gmail.com](mailto:abbeyahern@gmail.com).

## BIRTHDAYS

**Happy Birthday! The following Westminster members are celebrating their birthdays this week. Please remember them in your prayers, that they may experience God's grace in the coming year.**

**June 14th** - Linda Land;  
Laure McCutcheon; Matthew Morrow;  
Theresa Nelson; Leslie Reid

**June 15th** - Cindy Biddinger;  
Deborah Hudson; Stewart Jones;  
Cindy McCharen; Matthew Veneklasen

**June 16th** - David Boggs; Jim Gibbs;  
Kyle Nelson; Jim Richard;  
Shelley Speer; Nancie Webb

**June 18th** - Josie Clark; June Parry;  
Matt Thompson

**June 19th** - Katy Grossman;  
Michael McClintock; Joseph Ramsey;  
Stephanie Rowe

**June 20th** - Mark Boozer; Dale Jordan;  
Shannon Pentz; Anna Shaffer

**June 21st** - Molly Brown; Jeff Earnest

## SUNDAY SERVICE STREAMING OPTIONS

Below you will find all the streaming options, worship bulletin link, and offering link. Thank you for your patience as we work with our website provider.

[Facebook Live](#)

[wpcokc.com](http://wpcokc.com) streaming

[Giving of your offerings](#)

[Worship bulletin for June 14th](#)