



WESTMINSTER

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH • BUFFALO

May 1, 2022

Worship at 10:30 AM

Third Sunday of Easter

OPENING VOLUNTARY

It is the tradition of this congregation to remain silent as we collectively prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

Carillon de Westminster

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Nutter Dowling

WESTMINSTER BIKING CLUB

Linda Leach

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

INTROIT

O Sing to the Lord a New Song

John Purifoy (b. 1952)

O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done great things!
His right hand and his holy arm have won the victory.
Make a joyful noise to the Lord, ye lands, break forth into joyful song and sing his praises!
Sing praise to the Lord with the lyre and sound of melody,
With trumpet and the sound of the horn, make a joyful noise before the Lord, the King.
Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the world, and those who dwell therein.
Let the floods clap their hands! Let the hills sing for joy together!

CALL TO WORSHIP

The people stand.

Sing to the Lord a new song, **for God has done marvelous things.**
pp With God's right hand and holy arm, **God has won the victory.**
God has made known his victory; **God has shown righteousness to the nations.**

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; **lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.**
p Sing to the Lord with the harp, **with the harp and the voice of song.**
With trumpets and the sound of the horn, **shout with joy before the Lord.**

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, **the lands and those who dwell therein.**
mp Let the rivers clap their hands; **let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord.**
God will judge the world with righteousness, **and all people with equity.**

Praise God in his holy temple; **praise God in the firmament of his power.**
mf Praise God for his mighty acts; **praise God for his excellent greatness.**

Praise God with the blast of the trumpet; **praise God with lyre and harp.**
f Praise God with timbrel and dance; **praise God with strings and organs.**

Praise God with resounding cymbals; **praise God with loud-clanging cymbals.**
ff **Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord!**

HYMN IN PROCESSION

The people remain standing to sing.

No. 482: Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN



CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Hennessy

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

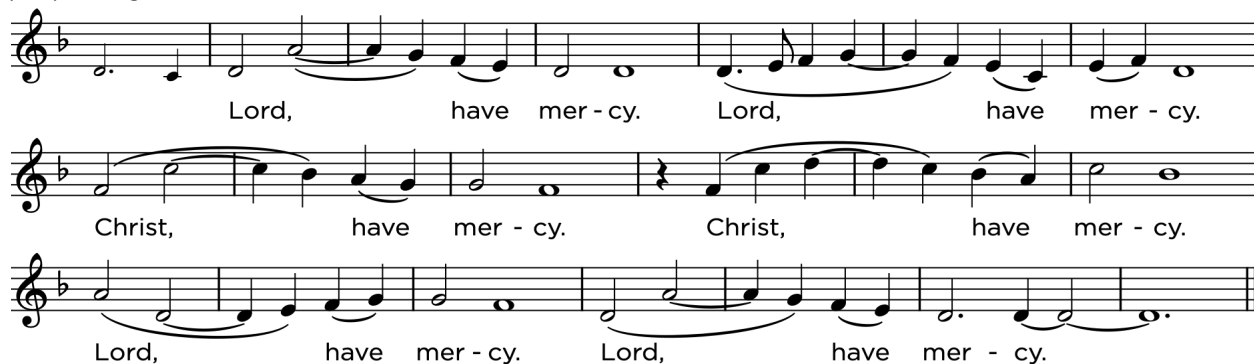
God, we want to do what is right. In our zeal, we forget to listen for your voice, forging ahead on our own way since we cannot imagine another. We close our eyes to your image shining in the faces of the wrong people. We close our ears to your word coming from those with whom we disagree. We close our hearts to those who are different. Instead, we offer advice, ultimatums, or patronizing help, when what you desire is relationship, compassion, and justice. Help us, O God.

The people keep silence.

KYRIE

Westminster Buffalo Service, Howard Helvey (b. 1968)

The people sing.



ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

RESPONSE

The people stand to sing.



PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION



PSALM

Psalm 30

John Edward Cantrell (b. 1980)

¹I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me. ²O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health. ³You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave. ⁴Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness. ⁵For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favor for a lifetime. ⁶Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning. ⁷While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains." ⁸Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear. ⁹I cried to you, O Lord; I pleaded with the Lord, saying, ¹⁰"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?" ¹¹Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper." ¹²You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy. ¹³Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The people stand to sing.



GOSPEL LESSON

The people remain standing.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John 21:1-19

¹After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. ²Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. ⁴Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. ⁸But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. ⁹When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. ¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." ¹⁶A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he



said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.” ¹⁹(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The people remain standing.



SERMON

Up Close and Personal

HYMN

The people stand to sing.

No. 359: More Love to Thee, O Christ

MORE LOVE TO THEE

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Thou, O God, Art Praised in Sion

Malcolm Boyle (1902-1976)

Thou, O God, art praised in Sion, and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.
Thou that hearest the prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come.

Blessed is the man whom thou choosest and receivest unto thee.
He shall dwell in thy courts and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house,
Even of thy holy temple.

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee:
Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace because he trusteth in thee.
Trust ye in the Lord forever, for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength.

Let the people praise thee, O God, yea, let all the people praise thee.
Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God shall give us his blessing.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

It is the practice of this congregation to welcome all baptized persons, including those children whose parents have given their permission, to join in receiving the elements. Unfermented grape juice is used.

Invitation to the Lord's 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 our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe...
...we sing our praises to you:



Sanctus

Ho - - ly, ho - - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

...Praying for courage to live out the mystery of our faith:

Memorial Acclamation

Christ has died. Christ is ri - sen. Christ will come a - gain.

...All glory and honor are yours, almighty God, forever and ever:

Amen

A - - - men. A - - - men. A - - - - - men.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

As you receive the prepackaged bread and cup, it is appropriate to say "Amen" or "Thanks be to God."

After worship, please dispose of the packaging in the receptacle outside the Sanctuary.

Prayers after Communion

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

SENDING HYMN

The people stand to sing.

No. 122: Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS



BENEDICTION

DECOMMISSIONING OF THE AEOLIAN-SKINNER ORGAN CONSOLE

For your gift of creation, and for your continued gift of creativity:

We Thank You, O God.

For artisans and craftsmen who create beauty in your world:

We Thank You, O God.

For the blessed creativity of the Aeolian-Skinner organ company:

We Thank You, O God.

For this console which has faithfully served Westminster for generations:

We Thank You, O God.

For Westminster's organists and choirmasters, who partnered with this console to lead worship:

We Thank You, O God.

For music, that blurs the lines of heaven and earth:

We Thank You, O God.

For this fine pipe organ that will continue to lead the people in worship:

We Thank You, O God.

For all creation and all inspiration that comes from you, O God:

We Thank You, O God.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Sinfonia from Cantata No. 29: "We Thank You, O God"

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

THE SANCTUARY ORGAN

The Sanctuary Organ is the work of the Aeolian-Skinner Organ Co. of Boston, Massachusetts. The company's legendary designer, G. Donald Harrison, prepared the specification and signed the contract for the organ but died before the organ was completed in 1958. The instrument contains 84 ranks, five divisions in the gallery, and an echo division in the chancel. A four-manual console controls the nearly 5,200 pipes.

The sixty-four year-old console has now reached the end of its usable service life. A testament to the quality of this instrument is the fact that many organs of similar vintage are on their second or even third console. As part of the Preserve the Pinnacle Capital Campaign, two identical consoles are being built—one for the choir gallery and one for the front of the Sanctuary. The second console will create opportunities to present larger works with orchestra, solo and duo organ recitals, and more.

The new consoles will be on display in the Holmes Room before their installation later in May. The Sanctuary Organ will be rededicated in September, following months of wiring, regulation, and voicing this summer.

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Rev. Katelyn Nutter Dowling, Associate Pastor for Christian Education

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The Westminster Schola

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Stephen Johnson, John Mahoney

ELDERS SERVING TODAY

Doug Fabian, Lucinda Hohn, Pam Pollock

CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flowers at the Lord's Table are given in loving memory of Robert and Charlotte Collins, and Edward and Lucy Curtis, by the Curtis family.

The flowers at the Pulpit are given by Bill Gray in loving memory of Molly Glennie Gray on her birthday, May 1.

May 15 and 22 are open for flower donations—if you would like to purchase Sunday flowers in honor/memory of family or friends, please contact Sue Adams, hugwalker1@gmail.com or 716.883.7597.



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