



Welcome to Worship



April 18, 2021

The mission of Westminster Presbyterian Church:
Creatively sharing Christ's love; we welcome, we serve, we grow.

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE

Ariana Recher

WELCOME & LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST-CANDLE

Pastor Kelly

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deanie Anderson, Worship Assistant

OPENING PRAYER

Worship Assistant

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader I arise today
through a mighty strength,
the invocation of the Trinity...

I arise today
Through the strength of heaven:
Light of sun, Radiance of moon,
Splendor of fire, Speed of lightning,
Swiftness of wind, Depth of sea,
Stability of earth, Firmness of rock.

I arise today
Through God's strength to pilot me:
God's might to uphold me,
God's wisdom to guide me,
God's eye to look before me,
God's ear to hear me,
God's word to speak for me...

All **Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me.
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in voice of friend and stranger.**

*HYMN

THINE IS THE GLORY

Hymnal #238

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Worship Assistant

Leader We are a grateful people this morning

All Grateful for the ways You have rearranged us for your service.

Leader For the:

Deepened love of the church community,
Renewed commitment to our neighborhoods,

**All Appreciation for family and friends,
More love of Christ and less of the world,**

Leader The gift of digging deeper and doing less,
The ways compassion is limitless,

**All Gathering with family and friends,
Love and appreciation of life,
Practicing patience,**

Leader Wider understanding of struggles and challenges,
More contentment and peace,
Finding greater value in personal connections with others.

In our joy, we also acknowledge the ways we have taken our friends and family for granted:

All We admit the times we have turned a blind eye to those suffering more than us;

Leader We confess the ways we have assumed our levels of comfort to be shared by all despite stories to the contrary;

We speak out loud our desire to help ourselves rather than others;

All We bring to mind our default to tribe, kind, and affinity and failed to see your world as wide, expansive, and unified.

(Silence)

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Worship Assistant

O God, hear our prayers of repentance and forgiveness,
and awaken us from doubt, disbelief and distress
by transforming us into your resurrection joy!

God, we desire for your loving spirit
to be among us, to comfort us in our fears,
and to renew our faith. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

This Joyful Eastertide
Ramona Morris, Katie Nelson, Linda McCreery, Sandra McLean

Harmonia

SCRIPTURE

The word of God guides us, shapes us, inspires us, and comforts us. Let us listen closely with our heart, mind and spirit.

Worship Assistant

Acts 2:37-47 (The Message)

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pastor Kelly

*HYMN

FOR EVERYONE BORN

Hymnal #769

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND JOYS & CONCERNS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Kelly

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MINUTE FOR MISSION—Caring For Creation

Deanie Anderson

*HYMN

FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

Hymnal #14

*BLESSING

Pastor Kelly

POSTLUDE

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CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude
Welcome & Christ Candle
Announcements
Prayer

One Thing Remains Mighty To Save

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Breathe On Us

Scripture & Sermon: Acts 2:37-47

Mighty To Save

Prayers of the People / Joys & Concerns
The Lord's Prayer

Offering
Prayer of Dedication

Minute For Mission—Caring for Creation, Deanie Anderson

For Everyone Born

Benediction

Postlude

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - NEXT SUNDAY!!!

We hereby announce that a VERY BRIEF BUT IMPORTANT congregational meeting will be held via Zoom at 11:45 on April 25 for the purpose of electing our church officers including Deacons, Elders and Nominating Committee members.

We will vote and then congratulate these fine dedicated members who have agreed to accept leadership roles to guide us into the unknown of our future. We have set this time to allow anyone attending any service that day to be able to join us.

You are welcome to join us via any mobile device or computer with your cameras on or off, so if you're still in your pajamas, we'll never know! If your camera is off, just be sure you know how to make your vote known using the "reactions" button.

So put it on your calendars: April 25 at 11:45 via Zoom. You will finish the worship service and then log onto the Zoom meeting. It will be truly short...so don't come late or you might miss it! The link will be sent to you in an e-mail as well as being posted on the church website.

ANNUAL YOUTH GERANIUM SALE

Pre-orders have closed for the geranium sale, but remember there will be a limited number of flowers for sale on Sunday morning, May 2nd from 9-11:30 AM. See you then!



CARING FOR CREATION

From March 21 - **United Nations Water Day** — through **National Earth Day** on April 22, the Mission Peace Eco/Justice team will offer many activities to help you and your family to explore, learn and celebrate our awe-filled creation.

Currently Weeks 1-4 are available to explore on the website. Watch for more information in the coming week!

JOIN US ON APRIL 18TH @ 6:00 PM

"Kiss the Ground" is a new film about how regenerating the world's soils has the potential to rapidly stabilize Earth's climate, restore lost eco-systems, and create abundant food supplies. This film explains why transitioning to regenerative agriculture could be key in rehabilitating the planet, while simultaneously invigorating a new sense of hope and inspiration in viewers.

**BIG
ISSUES**

local focus

THREE WAYS TO VIEW THE FILM:

1. Sign up with Interfaith Power & Light to view the film online for free in the comfort of your home starting April 10 through April 25th, 2021. Sign up here: (<https://www.faithclimateactionweek.org/host-a-movie-screening/>)
2. Watch on April 18th over Zoom, at 5:00 before the Big Issues: Local Impact presentation. The Big Issues discussion will begin at 6:00 p.m. (For online viewings) see zoom invitation on church website.
3. Stream the film after the Big Issues presentation according to your own schedule.

Log into the Big Issues: Local Focus presentation at 5PM if you want to watch the film; OR join in at 6PM for just the discussion segment. The Zoom address is on the website.

EMBRACING OUR NEW ELDERS & DEACONS

We are inviting the **ORDAINED ELDERS AND DEACONS** in the congregation to 'lay hands' on our newly ordained and installed elders and deacons in a Covid-19 safe manner.



Starting April 18th, and for the following 3 weeks, we will create **RED** paper cutouts of our hands with blessings written on them. They will be assembled into stoles for the new elders and deacons to wear during the installation service on May 16, 2021.

Pre-cut handprints are available in the narthex through May 9, when all handprints must be in. Take one or two and write your name and a blessing if you like. If you prefer to cut out your own at home, just trace around your hand on **RED** paper (or color it in if you only have white paper) then cut it out and write your name and a blessing on it. Then bring it or mail it to the church. All writing should be on ONE Side, as they will be glued to the stole.

All completed handprints should be at the church by May 9.

Contact [Carol Richmond](#) with any questions.



Thank you so much for your prayers and condolences. It makes such a difference having the support of my church family and friends.
Lorna Motte

Hi, Westminster Friends!

We are getting ready to send notes of encouragement and care packages to our college-age students. If you can write a note of encouragement to any of the students on our list and drop them off in Vik's box in the main office, that would be awesome! We are also collecting light weight snacks, Starbucks or Dutch Bros gift cards, and fun pencils/pens/highlighters/etc. to include in these care packages as well. If you would like to donate anything to the project, please drop items off at the church office by Sunday, April 18th. Blank cards and student lists are available in the narthex as well. You can leave written cards in the narthex in the basket or put them in Vik's box in the main office. Thank you for helping make our youth alumni's spring term brighter!

1. Becky Adams (Chemeketa Community College)
2. Jackson Bailey (Gap Year)
3. Madison Barnes-Nelson (Gonzaga University-Graduates May 2021)
4. Thomas Burney (Montana State University-Graduates Dec 2021)
5. Chrysta Friday (Working)
6. Braden Gardner (Oregon State University-Graduates Mar 2021)
7. Nathaniel Groves (Chemeketa Community College)
8. Peter Hammitt (Working)
9. Alex Liechty (Oregon State University-Graduates Jun 2021)
10. Colin McLean (Working/Chemeketa Community College)
11. Andrew Melting (Linn Benton Community College)
12. Julia Melting (Western Oregon University)
13. Taylor Monismith (Oregon State University)
14. A. J. Preston (Working)
15. Raelee Rohan (Boise State University/Working)
16. Meije Smith (University of Oregon)
17. Audra Sproed (Walla Walla University)
18. Olivia Sproed (Walla Walla University)
19. Hayley Wargnier (Southern New Hampshire University)
20. Emily Wood (Lower Columbia College/Working)
21. Alec Smith (Chemeketa Community College/Working)
22. Dakota Morales (Chemeketa Community College/Working)
23. Elaine Sept (Chemeketa Community College/Working)
24. Rachel Jimenez (Gap Year)
25. Josh Nishimura (Oregon State University)
26. Mikayla Whiteley (Oregon State University)
27. Alexie Rowland (University of Oregon)
28. Alistair Heringer (Oregon State University / U.S. Navy)
29. Ben Crall (Portland State University)