

WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE of
PUBLIC WORSHIP

“The Reformation of the sixteenth century is, next to the introduction of Christianity, the greatest event in history.”

- Philip Schaff

Reformation Sunday
October 29th, 2017

Welcome to Westminster Presbyterian Church. We are thankful that you have joined us today as we offer worship to God through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. There may be some elements of our worship today that are unfamiliar to you, but please don't worry about that, you will catch on soon enough. If you have any questions about our church, or about the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the pastor, elders or deacons would be happy to help you find answers.

A FEW WORDS ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

Standing and raising hands

Because we are whole people with bodies as well as souls, we use our bodies in worship, as the Bible commands. We raise our hands to look to God for help and bless God (Ps. 28:2, 63:3), and we stand to hear the Word out of reverence for God (Neh. 8:5).

The Lord's Supper

The Sacrament of communion is a rite of fellowship between Christ and His people. We invite all who have been initiated into the family of God by baptism, and admitted to table fellowship by the leadership of this or some other church, to join in the communion service by faith. If you are unbaptized, or not a church member, please speak with the pastor or elders before the service if you would like to come to join in the Holy Supper.

Liturgical response

Please note that when the congregation is to read, the type will be **boldfaced and indented:**

[Leader] The Lord be with you!

[Congregation] And also with you!

Children

You will notice many children in our service today. Jesus welcomed little children to Himself, and so we welcome them in our worship service! We believe that children naturally love those whom their parents love, and so the best way to help children grow in their love for the Lord Jesus is to have families worship together.

We understand that this means baby noises and wiggly children, and we're fine with that. If your child is fussy or needs a little time to quiet down, we have a mother's nursery in the back room. If your children have never been in worship before, don't worry at all. We realize this is unusual for many people, and we would be happy to offer you help, tips and encouragement.

PRELUDE

Please be seated, silence electronic devices, and prepare your hearts for worship.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

BAPTISM HYMN

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord, N^o. 465

BAPTISMAL HOMILY

The SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

Liam Edward Seifert; Sofia Elisabeth, Lucie Lynn, Pennie Jane, and Jack Thomas
Gilchrist

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 96:1-4

Oh sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth!
Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!
For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be feared above all gods.

*GLORIA PATRI

N^o. 734

**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.**

* *Please stand as you are able*

*PRAYER of INVOCATION

*HYMN of PRAISE

How Firm a Foundation, N^o. 94

CALL to CONFESSION

Isaiah 64:6 (KJV)

But we are all as an unclean thing,
and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags;
and we all do fade as a leaf;
and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

PRIVATE REPENTANCE

A time of silence is provided for private, individual confession before the Lord.

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

Adapted from *The Confessions of St. Augustine*

O Lord, eternity is yours, so you cannot be ignorant of what we tell you. By confessing our own miserable state to You and acknowledging your mercy towards us we open our hearts to You, so that You may free us wholly, as you have already begun to do; so we may cease to be wretched in ourselves and may find our happiness in You. Therefore, we acknowledge our sin before You. In how many ways have we failed You, Our Lord? O Lord, the depths of our conscience lie bare before your eyes. Could anything of ours remain hidden from You, even if we refused to confess it? We should only be shielding our eyes from seeing You, not hiding ourselves from You. For You have called us to be poor in spirit, meek, hungry and thirsting for righteousness, merciful, pure in heart, and peacemakers. Forgive us for every failure to be what You have called us to be, what the Lord Christ saved us to be, and what we ourselves, in our hearts desire to be for your sake. Forgive us, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

ASSURANCE of PARDON

Ephesians 2:4-6

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

DECLARATION of ABSOLUTION

After the declaration, let the forgiven respond with one voice: Amen!

HYMN OF SALVATION

Glory Be to God the Father, p. 12

PRAYER, and GIVING of TITHES *and* OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

N^o. 73 I

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Exodus 33:12-23

Moses said to the Lord, “See, you say to me, ‘Bring up this people,’ but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.’”¹³ Now therefore, if I have found favor in your sight, please show me now your ways, that I may know you in order to find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.”¹⁴ And he said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”¹⁵ And he said to him, “If your presence will not go with me, do not bring us up from here.”¹⁶ For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people? Is it not in your going with us, so that we are distinct, I and your people, from every other people on the face of the earth?”

¹⁷ And the Lord said to Moses, “This very thing that you have spoken I will do, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.” ¹⁸ Moses said, “Please show me your glory.” ¹⁹ And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you my name ‘The Lord.’ And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. ²⁰ But,” he said, “you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live.” ²¹ And the Lord said, “Behold, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock, ²² and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by. ²³ Then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

Valdés's Catechism (1549)

Children should be made aware that attention to these things can make them happy in this life and in the other, as, contrariwise, contempt for them will make them unhappy in this life and the other.

Therefore, let them know...

That faith being the gift of God, it concerns every man who hears the voice of the Gospel, the announcement of amnesty and general pardon, to elevate his mind to God, nay, to keep it constantly elevated, supplicating God to grant him faith with which to accept the general pardon announced to him.

And let them know...

That Christian faith is the acceptance of this grace of the Gospel, of this remission of sins and reconciliation with God, through the justice of God executed in Christ.

Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

*RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 119:1-16

ALEPH

Blessed are those whose way is blameless,

who walk in the law of the Lord!

Blessed are those who keep his testimonies,

who seek him with their whole heart,

who also do no wrong,

but walk in his ways!

You have commanded your precepts

to be kept diligently.

Oh that my ways may be steadfast

in keeping your statutes!

Then I shall not be put to shame,

having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.

I will praise you with an upright heart,

when I learn your righteous rules.

I will keep your statutes;

do not utterly forsake me!

BETH

How can a young man keep his way pure?

By guarding it according to your word.

With my whole heart I seek you;

let me not wander from your commandments!

I have stored up your word in my heart,

that I might not sin against you.

Blessed are you, O Lord;

teach me your statutes!

With my lips I declare

all the rules of your mouth.

In the way of your testimonies I delight

as much as in all riches.

I will meditate on your precepts

and fix my eyes on your ways.

I will delight in your statutes;

I will not forget your word.

Amen.

*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. ²³ Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴ So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus.

²⁵ When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” ²⁶ Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷ Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.” ²⁸ Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?” ²⁹ Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” ³⁰ So they said to him, “Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform?” ³¹ Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³² Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³ For the bread of God is he who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴ They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.”

³⁵ Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. ³⁶ But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. ³⁷ All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. ³⁹ And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰ For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

⁴¹ So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴² They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and

mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’”⁴³ Jesus answered them, “Do not grumble among yourselves.⁴⁴ No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— ⁴⁶ not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*PRAYER for the MINISTRY of the WORD

SERMON

“To God Alone Be the Glory: Living in the Reformation,”

Rev. Jerid Krulish

*COMMUNION HYMN

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place, N^o. 468

The SACRAMENT of the LORD'S SUPPER

You are welcome to partake in the Lord's Supper if you are a baptized Christian who has been admitted to the Lord's Table. Our communion elements are wine and bread. If you are unable to take regular bread and wine, please signal one of the elders (with the trays), and we can provide you with gluten-free bread; non-alcoholic grape juice is found in the innermost ring of the communion trays for those who need to abstain from alcohol.

*HYMN of COMMISSIONING

In Christ Alone, (following page)

*BENEDICTION and THREEFOLD AMEN

N^o. 740



“In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all—
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev’ry sin on Him was laid—
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin’s curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—
This is the pow’r of Christ in me;
From life’s first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home—
Here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand.”

Glory Be To God the Father

Horatius Bonar, 1868

Gregory D Wilbur, 2011

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Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, Glo - ry be to God the Son, Glo - ry
 Glo - ry be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain! Glo - ry
 Glo - ry to the king of an - gels, Glo - ry to the Church - 's king, Glo - ry
 "Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal!" Thus the choir of an - gels sings; "Ho - nor,

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be to God the Spir - it, Great Je - ho - vah, Three in One! Glo - ry,
 be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glo - ry,
 to the king of na - tions! Heaven and earth, your prais - es bring; Glo - ry,
 rich - es, power, do - min - ion!" Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings; Glo - ry,

G D/F# D A/C# B min G D/F# Emin7/G A D

glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, While e - ter - nal ag - es run!
 glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, To the Lamb that once was slain!
 glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, To the King of glo - ry bring!
 glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, Glo - ry to the King of kings!

HELPS for FAMILY and PRIVATE WORSHIP

HYMN OF THE MONTH:

Give to Our God Immortal Praise, N^o. 3

CHILDREN'S CATECHISM:

This week's is the last one!

Q. 145. What is heaven?

A. A glorious and happy place, where the righteous shall be forever with the Lord.

WPC BIBLE READING PLAN:

10/30	Psalms 84	John 4:1-42	1 Chronicles 20:1-21:17
10/31	Psalms 85	John 4:43-5:18	1 Chronicles 21:18-22:19
11/1	Psalms 34	Hebrews 11:1-12:2	Revelation 21:1-22:5
11/2	Psalms 86	John 5:19-47	1 Chronicles 23
11/3	Psalms 87	John 6:1-21	1 Chronicles 24-25
11/4	Psalms 88	John 6:22-71	1 Chronicles 26
11/5	Psalms 89	John 7:1-24	1 Chronicles 27

PRAYER

MISSIONARY UPDATE

Pray for the missionaries in the (Middle East):

- For their Reformation celebration to go well.
- For the brother who is being baptized on Reformation Sunday; he faces opposition to his faith.
- For the church members to remain faithful, despite the opposition they face from their families, culture, etc.
- For the church members to continue to invite guests to visit church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CALENDAR

REFORMATION DAY CELEBRATION FEST

Today, immediately following the morning worship service.

WORSHIP SERVICE CHANGE

Once every year, we do not have access to the SDC in the morning. On November 5th we will be meeting for worship at 5:30pm at the SDC. **ADDITIONALLY: we have revised our order of worship, and we'll be "trying it out" so to speak. Please make every effort to attend this service.**

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

November 12th – after the worship service. For the purpose of informational update, and to vote on investment of the church's finances.

NO GOSPEL OF JOHN SMALL GROUP THIS WEEK

YOUNG MEN'S PROVERBS STUDY

A study for younger men. Dinner is provided. Meeting at the Sturtevant's home. Please contact the church for directions.

November 14th, 6:30pm for dinner, 7:00PM for the study.

(Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday)

NOTES

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Meeting at: Clark County Square Dance Center
10713 NE 117th Ave, Vancouver, WA 98662

Times: Sunday School: 9:30AM 🍀 Fellowship: 10:30AM 🍀 Worship: 11:00AM

Contact us: (360) 602-1501 🍀 admin@solochristo.org
Audio sermons, the order of worship, and the church directory are available at our website.

Music: All musical rights secured via *The Trinity Hymnal*
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Elders: Mr. Tom Berkompas Rev. Jerid Krulish (Pastor)
Mr. Mark Sturtevant (Clerk)

Deacons: Mr. Christopher Berkompas (Chairman)
Mr. Dave Buhrmaster Mr. Terry Craig
Mr. Dylan Gollehon Mr. Dan Seifert
Mr. Joseph Sturtevant