

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### WELCOME & OPENING SENTENCES

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

### PRELUDE

*A Mighty Fortress*, arr. C. Ore<sup>1</sup>

### CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 46 & 124

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

**People: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.  
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,  
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,**

Leader: Though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble  
with its tumult.

**People: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;  
God will help it when the morning dawns.**

Leader: "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations;  
I am exalted in the earth."

**People: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

### PRAYER OF ADORATION

#### \*HYMN 624

*I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*, Toulon<sup>2</sup>

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Holy God, you know us better than we know ourselves. You see our need when we are blind to it. You have made us to be yours. In your compassion, forgive us for our lack of faith, and the harm we do to others and to the earth. Forgive us from turning away from your will, for ignoring the cries of our neighbors, for failing to listen to what is**

**most nourishing even for ourselves. Let our faults fall from your eyes as you open ours. In Jesus' name** *(continue with silent confession)*. Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

from Psalm 91

**Leader:** Hear the promise of the Lord: those who love me, I will deliver. When you call me, I will answer. I will rescue you from danger and show you my salvation.

**People:** **Believe the good news: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

**\*ACCLAMATION HYMN 634 (verse 1)** *To God Be the Glory, To God Be The Glory*<sup>3</sup>

To God be the glory; great things God has done!

So loved God the world that God gave us the Son,

Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,

And opened the life gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord; Praise the Lord, let the Earth hear God's voice!

Praise the Lord; Praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,

And give God the glory: great things God has done!

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**Leader:** The peace of Christ be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Leader:** Please turn to the back wall and wave to our online worshippers, offering them the peace of Christ and then greet each other.

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

#### **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Jeremiah 31:7-9

For thus says the Lord: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O Lord, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 10:46-52

They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## SERMON

*New Vision*

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### \*HYMN 649

*Amazing Grace, Amazing Grace*<sup>4</sup>

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

### PRAYER RESPONSE HYMN 470 (refrain)

There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord,  
for you to reveal yourself to us.

There is a longing in our hearts for love  
we only find in you, our God.

*There Is a Longing in Our Hearts*<sup>5</sup>

## MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

Bill Tanke, Mission Committee

## CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

## OFFERTORY SENTENCES

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*O Lord, Increase My Faith, O. Gibbons<sup>6</sup>*

O Lord, increase my faith,  
strengthen me and confirm me in Thy true faith;  
endue me with wisdom, charity, and patience,  
in all my adversity, teach me to say Amen.

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

**Holy God, we give you thanks for all your gifts of goodness and grace. Receive these gifts from our hands as a sacrifice of praise to you, and teach us to honor you each day by our obedience to your will; through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

### \*HYMN 450

*Be Thou My Vision, Slane<sup>7</sup>*

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*Praeludium in D Major," D. Buxtehude<sup>8</sup>*

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### Leaders Today:

Pastor: Rev. Scott Anderson

Liturgist: Richard Appen

Minister of Music: Joe Chrisman

AV/Tech: Josh Mou

The Chancel Choir

Ushers/Greeters: Joyce Buseman, Chuck Kamp, Sue Dornfeld, Gary Stephens (Deacon)



## WPC ANNOUNCEMENTS October 27, 2024

### **TODAY- Forum on Transportation**

All are welcome after worship after worship today for an adult education discussion on public transportation. Chuck Kamp will talk about using the bus, including BRT, and Mary Allbaugh will talk about using paratransit services through Metro Transit. She has used Metro Transit's paratransit for several decades and can talk about how that service works and about the certification process.

### **All Saints Day**

Sunday, November 3 is All Saints Sunday. On this date, the congregation will gather in worship to celebrate the lives of those Westminster members and friends who joined the great cloud of witnesses since the previous All Saints Sunday. During the service, we will read aloud the name of each deceased member, toll a bell in her/his honor, and light a memory candle for each of them as we remember their lives in prayer. After, the congregation is invited to light a candle for their loved ones. Our ongoing prayer is that God's love and peace will continue to embrace, support, and comfort all, including the families of:

Erin Donnell, Sam Buffat, Traudie Holman, Connie Dettloff, Nell Seiberlich, Vicki Cothroll, Patricia Miller, Tom Buchhauser, Thomas Carroll, and Hugh Moss.

### **Thanks - Giving Worship**

The Allied pantry works with several organizations to make food available, but there is an **urgent need for baby wipes and diapers (all sizes)**. At the Thanksgiving worship service on November 17, we will be collecting diapers & wipes (in lieu of food) to take to the Allied Drive pantry. Please consider bringing something to donate. Checks may be made to Westminster with "diapers" in the memo.

### **Thanksgiving Potluck Feast**

Mark your calendars for our annual Thanksgiving Feast after worship on Sunday November 17 in Fellowship Hall. **Please bring your favorite side dish, salad, pie or other dessert to share for the potluck.** The Fellowship committee will provide roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy. One volunteer is needed to help cook a turkey on that Saturday (and bring to church Sunday). Please talk to Sandra if you can help. Any questions, contact Sandra Cole at [srcole30@gmail.com](mailto:srcole30@gmail.com) or Juanita Halls [jjh711152@gmail.com](mailto:jjh711152@gmail.com).

### **MAJM Coat Drive**

If you have a gently used winter coat, hats, gloves, or boots that they would like to donate to share the love of God with those less fortunate, the Madison Area Jail Ministry is ac-

cepting donations for those being released from the Dane County Jail and are in immediate need for a winter jacket and winter clothing:

- Winter Coats: Men's, Women's and unisex size L, XL, XXL, 3X, 4X

- Men's and women's: pants and sweatshirts size medium to 2XL.

Please bring donations by Sunday, November 24.

### **Save the Date, December 22**

Mark your calendar for December 22. After worship we will be celebrating God's work in and through Pastor Scott Anderson with a catered lunch. Details and RSVP to follow.

### **Hurricane Relief Efforts**

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), through the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, is on the ground responding to the many urgent needs following the destruction Hurricanes Helene & Milton left in their paths. If you wish to make a contribution, please follow the instructions below. Thank you!

Immediate donations can be made online at PC USA, by scanning the QR code below with your mobile device, calling (800)728-7228, ext. 5885 or mailing a check to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.

### **\*IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS\***

**Care List:** Jack Hamann, Gloria Hanson, Patrick Mullin

**Members & Friends:** Linda Moss and family, Jerry Tarr, Ann Friedley, the family of Kathy Waggener

### **MEMORIAL**

Hugh Moss's memorial will be Saturday, November 23 at Westminster Visitation is at 10AM with the Service starting at 11AM.

### **Collection Plate**

Collection plates are located at the sanctuary doors. You may also use the QR code to make contributions online. Thank you!