



Come to the Table

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 6, 2026

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**please stand as you're able*

WELCOME AND OPENING SENTENCES

PRELUDE

Adagio, Sonata No. 2, F. Mendelssohn¹

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We come to this table not only for food, but for friendship and family.

ALL: We are here not only to eat, but to serve.

One: We prepare our meal of bread and fruit of the vine with compassion.

ALL: We invite everyone to join in the feast.

One: We are all part of one human family.

ALL: We are united in love.

*HYMN 729

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian, I Want to Be a Christian²

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***CELEBRATION SONG 582** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me, Glory to God*³

***PASSING THE PEACE**

One: ...the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE INTRODUCTION - from Romans 13:8-14 & Matthew 18:15-20

TIME FOR WONDER (Children's Time) - Amy Poland

After the message, children may return to their parents and will later help with the offering.

SERMON

Table of Love

***HYMN 506**

Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table!, Copeland⁴

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING INVITATION - *Please also pass the friendship form through the row.*

Bring coins! All change collected will go to a mission project as chosen by the children.

OFFERTORY

For Everyone Born, arr. T. Trenney⁸

***DOXOLOGY HYMN 607** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*, Old Hundred⁹

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

HYMN 559 *Holy, Holy, Holy*⁵

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

HYMN 560 *Christ Has Died; Christ Is Risen*⁶

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SHARING THE MEAL

The congregation is invited to come forward in the center aisle. The elements will be received by intinction. Please take a piece of bread and dip it into the cup. A server will come to those not able to come forward. The bread is gluten-free for all to participate.

SONG OF COMMUNION 527

*Eat This Bread, Taize Ecumenical Community*⁷

PRAYER

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

***HYMN 754**

*Help Us Accept Each Other, Baronita*¹⁰

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

*Westminster Toccata, P. Fey*¹¹

Leaders Today

Pastor: Rev. Julie Erkel Hagee

Liturgist: Kathy Kamp

Minister of Music: Joe Chrisman

AV/Tech: John Tarr/Josh Mou

Ushers/Greeters: Bob Weber, Abe Aberle, Sue Hummel, Chuck Kamp (Deacon)

Communion: Doug Rouse, Erin DeMuth, Mark Williams, Kathy Kamp



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