



Westminster Presbyterian Church

September 14, 2025 ~ 14th Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE "All Are Welcome" arr. Paul A. Tate

WELCOME

PREPARATION MUSIC "A Quiet Faith" Ben Logan

INTROIT "Let Us Go" #10 (*Lift Up Your Hearts*)

I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

There's no other place I'd rather be, Let us go to the house of the Lord.

Gathered here with all God's family, Let us go to the house of the Lord.

Who could ask for better company? Let us go to the house of the Lord.

Refrain: Enter into his gates with praise, thank the Lord Most High.

Enter into his courts with joy, praise and glorify.

We have come to listen to the Word, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Here the Spirit's presence is assured. Let us go to the house of the Lord.

Jesus Christ will be exalted here, Let us go to the house of the Lord.

As the one we worship and revere. Let us go to the house of the Lord.

He will meet us as we seek his face, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

And he changes people in this place, Let us go to the house of the Lord.

***With a grateful heart we've come to sing, Let us go to the house of the Lord.
Giving thanks to God in everything. Let us go to the house of the Lord.***

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Beth Merrill Neel, adapted)

We gather today to worship the One who created us,

The One who calls us,

The One who equips us,

The One who works wonders in us and through us,

The One who is among us,

The One who loves us without end.

With joyful hearts, let us worship God.

*HYMN "Earth and All Stars" #458 (*Hymnal*)

Earth and all stars, loud rushing planets, sing to the Lord a new song.

Hail, wind, and rain, loud blowing snowstorm, sing to the Lord a new song.

God has done marvelous things. We will sing praises with a new song.

Steel and machines, loud pounding hammers, sing to the Lord a new song.

Limestone and beams, loud building workers, sing to the Lord a new song.

God has done marvelous things. We will sing praises with a new song.

Classrooms and labs, loud boiling test tubes, sing to the Lord a new song.

Athlete and band, loud cheering people, sing to the Lord a new song.

God has done marvelous things. We will sing praises with a new song.

Knowledge and truth, loud sounding wisdom, sing to the Lord a new song.

Daughter and son, loud praying members, sing to the Lord a new song.

God has done marvelous things. We will sing praises with a new song.

PRAYER

(*Flames of the Spirit*, adapted)

Gracious God, you call us into your church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship.

Give us the grace and the courage, we pray, to embrace Jesus' call – even knowing that the cost involves service, sacrifice, and solidarity with those who suffer. Give us the grace and the faith, we pray, to also open our hearts to the joy you intend for us. In sharing your gifts, in loving each other, in blessing the world, may we be lifted to joy and praise. Amen.

*RESPONSE

"Glory to God"

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***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free,***

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, Amen.

World without end, without end, Amen.

World without end, without end, Amen.

World without end, without end, Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Psalms 150

ANTHEM

"Create in Me A Clean Heart"

Victor Johnson

SCRIPTURE

Luke 13:18-21; Matthew 13:44-45

SERMON

"CELEBRATING Our Ministry"

Pastor Janet

HYMN

"God the Creator"

#27 (*Lift Up Your Hearts*)

***God the Creator, you in love made me,
who once was nothing, but now have grown.
I bring the best of all my life offers;
for you I share whatever I own.***

***O Christ the Savior, you in love called me,
who once was no one, lost and alone.
I pledge to go wherever you summon,
making your will and purpose my own.
O God the Spirit, you in love move me,
who once was nowhere and felt unknown.
I know my need of you for companion:
all things can change when not on my own.***

***And with the people summoned together
to be the Church in which faith is sown.
I make my promise to live for Jesus
and let the world know all are his own.***

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER (*sung*)

Our FATHER who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us out debts, as we forgive our debtors; 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.

CHARGE

(Romans 15:13)

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing,
So that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

*HYMN

"Siyahamba"

#2235b (*Sing the Faith*)

***Siyahamb'e, kukha nyen' kwen khos, Siyahamb'e, kukha nyen' kwen khos.
Siyahamb'e kukha nyen' kwen khos, Siyahamb'e, kukha nyen' kwen khos.
Siyahamb'e, hamba, siyahamb'e, ooo, siyahamb'e kukha nyen kwen khos.***

***We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, marching, we are marching, ooo,
We are marching in the light of God.***

*BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE

"Dance with the Spirit"

#135 (*Lift Up Your Hearts*)

***Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin',
Walk with the Spirit throughout the long day.
Work and hope for the new life a-bornin',
Listen to the Spirit to show you the way.***

(repeat)

POSTLUDE

"Joyful, Joyful"

arr. Paul A. Tate