

Westminster Presbyterian Church

September 7, 2025 ~ 13th Sunday after Pentecost



PRELUDE "We Gather Together" arr. Phillip Keveren

WELCOME

PREPARATION MUSIC "Give Thanks" arr. Phillip Keveren

INTROIT "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" #114(*Hearts*)

***Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the holy One,
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son. (repeat)***

***And now let the weak say "I am strong;" let the poor say, "I am rich"
Because of what the Lord has done for us. (repeat)***

Give thanks, give thanks, give thanks.

CALL TO WORSHIP

(from *Flames of the Spirit*, adapted)

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts:

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks

It is good to give thanks to God,

Who has provided for all the worlds that ever were or shall be,

Who sent Jesus to bring divine love into our midst,

Whose Spirit gathers us into community,

Who meets us here and now, with grace.

*HYMN

"Time Now to Gather"

#2265 (*Sing the Faith*)

***Time now to gather, time now to feel
Christ's holy presence gracing this meal.
Grain from the harvest, fruit of the vine;
Simple the supper, sacred the sign.***

***Time to remember Christ who was sent.
Time to say "Thank you" for all he meant.
Come to this table. Come, without fear.
God will forgive you, welcome you here.***

***All who are hungry, come, and be fed.
Serve one another this cup and bread.
All who are troubled, hurting, or sad,
Come, and find healing. Come and be glad.***

PRAYER

(from *Bread for the Journey*, adapted)

O Christ, in your presence we discover who we are.

You wash your disciples' feet, and we learn how reluctant we are to serve one another. You give yourself for the sake of the world, but we still seek possessions and security. Our love scarcely fulfills the requirement of good manners, yet you invite us to your table... where we learn that we are loved beyond measure. Forgive us for being slow to realize your love and respond to your call. Help us to grow in grace and commitment, and, as we come to your table, may we find joy with you and one another. Amen.

RESPONSE

"Santo, Santo, Santo"

#2007 (*Sing the Faith*)

Santo, santo, santo, mi corazon te adora!

Mi Corazon te sabe decir: santo eres, Senor.

Holy, holy, holy, my heart, my heart adores you!

My heart is glad to say the words: You are holy, Lord.

You are holy, Lord.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 22:14-30

ANTHEM

"Rejoice"

Jason Zerban

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 11:23-32

SERMON

"The Sacrament of the Last Supper"

Pastor Jerry

HYMN

"Now to Your Table Spread"

#515 (*Hymnal*)

Now to your table spread we come each one in faith

That you alone provide the words of life and death;

In wine and bread, in promised food we find your loving heart, O God.

Hand of the world stretch out your mystery to touch

In longing to believe a truth beyond our reach,

To sing in joy, to cry in grief, to know your meaning for our life.

Here is our common wealth in sharing what is good,

As though all humankind around one table stood,

This bread to break, this wine to taste: one people in the name of Christ.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our 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. AMEN

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

COMMUNION MUSIC "Let Us Break Bread Together" arr. Marilyn Hamm

PRAYER

*HYMN "An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare" #94 (*Hymnal*)

***An upper room did our Lord prepare for those he loved until the end:
And his disciples still gather there to celebrate their risen Friend.***

***A lasting gift Jesus gave his own: to share his bread, his loving cup.
Whatever burdens may bow us down, he by his cross shall lift us up.***

***And after supper he washed their feet, for service, too, is sacrament.
In Christ our joy shall be made complete: Sent out to serve, as he was sent.***

***No end there is! We depart in peace. He loves beyond the uttermost:
In every room in our Father's house Christ will be there, as Lord and Host.***

*BENEDICTION Christ has no body now but yours, (St. Teresa of Avila)

No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world,

**Ours are the feet with which he walks to do good,
Ours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.**

May the peace of Christ, the love of God,
And the strength of the Spirit go with us and sustain us.

Today and all days. Amen.

*RESPONSE "Christ Beside Me" #2166 (*Sing the Faith*)

***Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me – King of my heart.
Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me – never to part.***

***Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,
Christ all around me – shield in the strife;
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,
Christ in my rising – light of my life.***

***Christ beside me, Christ before me, Christ behind me – King of my heart;
Christ within me, Christ below me, Christ above me – never to part.***

POSTLUDE

"And Jesus Said"

arr. Paul A. Tate

