



# Westminster Presbyterian Church

July 20, 2025  
6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE "Like A River Glorious" Marilynn Ham

WELCOME

PREPARATION MUSIC "I Am His, He Is Mine" Cindy Berry

INTROIT "Blessed Be the Name of the Lord" #51 (*Hearts*)

***Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be the name of the Lord,  
Blessed be the name of the Lord most high!*** (*Repeat*)

***The name of the Lord is a strong tower;  
The righteous run into it, and they are saved.*** (*Repeat*)

***Glory to the name of the Lord, glory to the name of the Lord,  
Glory to the name of the Lord, most high!*** (*Repeat*)

***The name of the Lord is a strong tower;  
The righteous run into it, and they are saved.*** (*Repeat*)

***Holy is the name of the Lord, holy is the name of the Lord,  
Holy is the name of the Lord most high!*** (*Repeat*)

CALL TO WORSHIP

(by Thom Shuman, adapted)

Here, in this place, God welcomes dreamers and doubters.

**Here, worriers and wanderers can call on God's name.**

Here, in this time, we can remember all the ways God has graced us.

**Here we are reminded that God is with us, always!**

In our community gathered here are those daring enough to step out of comfort into the unknown,

**And those of us made hesitant by anxiety and fear.**

Here, in this faith space, we will find the courage to cry out, in every situation,

**"God, save us! Hosanna! God save us."**

\*HYMN

"How Firm a Foundation" verses 1-3

#361 (Hymnal)

***How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in God's excellent Word!  
What more can be said than to you God has said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?***

***"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.***

***When through the deep waters I call thee to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be near thee, thy troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress."***

PRAYER

(from ucc.org.worship-ways.com adapted)

Holy One, draw near to us in this time, for we have come seeking your grace.

**God of presence, as Jesus met his friends in their times of fear,  
meet us in the midst of the storms in our lives.**

**God of renewal, as Jesus lifted the suffering to health and joy, lift us from  
despair to hope, from distraction to focus, from death to life.**

**God of the journey, as Jesus called disciples to follow him,  
lead us in your way; work out your purpose in and through our lives.**

**God of truth, as Jesus spoke words of challenge, comfort, and forgiveness  
to those who came to him, speak your word of grace to us today, we pray  
in the name of Christ. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 66:1-12

SPECIAL MUSIC

"My Heart Ever Faithful"

By J. S. Bach

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 14:22-33

SERMON

"WOW!"

Pastor Janet

HYMN

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee" #2158 (Sing the Faith)

***I am weak, but thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.***

*Refrain: Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus is my plea,  
Daily walking close to thee: Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

***Through this world of toil and snares, if I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee.***

*Refrain*

PRAYER

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**

\*HYMN

"God of Our Life"

#275 (Hymnal)

***God of our life, through all the circling years, we trust in thee.  
In all the past, through all our hopes and fears, thy hand we see.  
With each new day, when morning lifts the veil,  
We own thy mercies, Lord, which never fail.***

***God of the past, our times are in thy hand; with us abide.  
Lead us by faith to hope's true promised land; be thou our guide.  
With thee to bless, the darkness shines as light,  
And faith's fair vision changes into sight.***

***God of the coming years, through paths unknown we follow thee;  
When we are strong, Lord, leave us not alone; our refuge be.  
Be thou for us in life our daily bread,  
Our heart's true home when all our years have sped.***

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE

"My Life Is in You, Lord"

#2032 (Sing the Faith)

*Refrain:* ***My life is in you, Lord; my strength is in you, Lord;  
My hope is in you, Lord; in you, it's in you.  
My life is in you, Lord; my strength is in you, Lord;  
My hope is in you, Lord; in you, it's in you.***

***I will praise you with all of my life,  
I will praise you with all of my strength;  
With all of my life, with all of my strength.  
All of my hope is in you.***

*Refrain*

POSTLUDE

"May the Road Rise Up to Meet You"

Paul A. Tate



*Thanks to Miriam Duggins for our special music this morning!*