22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Westminster Presbyterian Church

11/9/2025 · 10:30AM

(Proper 27)

GATHERING IN THE PRESENCE OF THE RISEN CHRIST,

THE PREPARATION Slane Craig Phillips

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

A love that never ceases,

A creativity that designed the universe,

A hope that cannot be quenched,

A relentless pursuit of reconciliation at any cost.

These are the things that are of God,

Then let us worship God.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 148 At the Name of Jesus King's Weston

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

We acknowledge that you are the Light of the World and gratefully remember Your saving work.

But, when the world grows dark and threatening, we lose faith and we despair;

When our hopes are delayed, we grow disappointed and disillusioned;

When love and truth turn difficult and painful, we opt for convenience and self-interest.

When you seem distant and silent, we start to lose faith and become lethargic.

Chase from our hearts the darkness, cynicism, and mockery, fill our minds with memories of an empty tomb and promises kept, fill our ears with echoes of forgiveness, and fill our lives with reflections of Your love. For Jesus' sake. Amen.

TIME FOR SILENCE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION

KYRIE HYMN 565 Lord Have Mercy John Weaver

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA HYMN 567 Glory to the Father John Weaver

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Job 19: 23-27

PSALM 145:13-21 Hymn 251 Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure Winchester New

EPISTLE: II Thesalonians 2: 1-5, 15

GOSPEL: Luke 20: 27-38

The Word of the Lord... Thanks be to God.

SERMON: "Resurrection? Afterlife?" Rev. Tim Mitchell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 362 I Love the Lord, Who Heard My Cry African-American Spiritual

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (UNISON) (Mark Lloyd Richardson)

We believe in a loving God, who is life's breath for all of Earth's creatures, who is the ground where our lives thrive, and who is the mystery that draws us in.

We believe in the risen Christ, whose life reveals how we see God made real, whose death testifies to the power of love, and whose presence sustains our spirits each day.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who flows like a refreshing spring of life, who comes as divine fire to energize the faithful, and who creates communities of joy and justice.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save Tou art – Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Walking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord; Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

* SEALING THE WORD

INTERCESSIONS AND SUPPLICATIONS

In your mercy... **Lord, hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (SINGING TOGETHER, Hymn 571)

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name,
Your kingdom come, Your will be done,
On earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours
now and forever. Amen.

CARRYING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN 554 Let All Things Now Living Ash Grove

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Postlude At the Name of Jesus Robert Powell

Leading in worship today:

Rev. Tim Mitchell

Dr. Polly Brecht, Organist-Choirmaster
Lara Reem, soprano · Kate Kortemeier, alto
J. Douglas McQueen, tenor · David Kortemeier, bass
Rebekah Dentino, soprano · Dan Stanley, tenor



Open Mind Open Hands Open Heart

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