



Service for the Lord's Day

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

June 26, 2022

11 a.m.



*God of grace, you have given us minds to know you, hearts to love you, and voices to sing your praise.
Fill us with your Spirit that we may celebrate your glory and worship you in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

Gathered by the Spirit in Christ's Name

Prelude	<i>Siciliano</i>	J.S. Bach
Tolling of the Bell		
Welcome		The Rev. Ellen Williams Hensle
Introit	<i>Jesus Loves Me!</i>	GTG #188
*Call to Worship, from Isaiah 55		The Rev. Judy Skaggs

One: For as the rain and the snow came down from heaven,
and do not return there until they have watered the earth,
making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater;

**Many: So shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;
it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it.**

One: Let us worship God.

*Hymn of Praise	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i>	GTG #1
Confession of Sin		
Call to Confession		Paul Stubbs

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you call us to follow you as disciples, and sometimes we are willing. But, often, we ignore your call and go our own way. You call us to serve you, and sometimes we are willing. But, at times, we are too busy with other, seemingly more important things. You call us to witness to your love and grace, and sometimes we are willing. Yet, often, we fear that we will be rejected or that we do not have the gifts to proclaim your goodness. Forgive us, O God, for doubting your constant presence and your willingness to guide how we live out our call. Show us, once again, your way, that we may walk with you. Amen.

Children of all ages are welcome in worship at Westminster. The nursery, located in Room 2 of the Education Wing, is available for infants and preschoolers who may grow restless during the service.

WPC's Sunday services are livestreamed. Worshipers briefly appear on video during moments such as the Passing of the Peace. If you would prefer not to appear on camera, we recommend sitting in the balcony or directly underneath it. Please speak to an usher if you have concerns.

*You are invited to stand.

Large Print versions of Glory to God (GTG) are available in the narthex.

Silence

Response to Confession
Assurance of Pardon

Breathe on Me, Breath of God (Verses 1 and 2)

GTG #286

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Act of Praise

Breathe on Me, Breath of God (Verses 3 and 4)

GTG #286

*The Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Proclaim God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 13:1-9

Pew Bible, New Testament page 13

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Sower of Seeds

The Rev. Judy Skaggs

*Hymn

Open My Eyes That I May See

GTG #451

*Sacrament of Baptism for Eleanora Camille Guice, daughter of Andrew and Camille Guice

Sponsors: Lauren Guice and John Gloriosa

Presentation

Ann Wilhelm, Clerk of Session

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Baptism

Welcome: Nora has been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church through baptism. God has made her a member of the household of God, to share with us in the priesthood of Christ. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All: With joy and thanksgiving we welcome Nora into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.

Baptism Hymn

Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters

GTG #490

Pastoral Concerns

Prayers of the People

Give Thanks to God

Invitation to Share

Offering of Ourselves and of God's Gifts to Us

A portion of the tithes and offerings we return to God this morning supports Manos de Cristo's efforts to provide food and clothing to the Austin community.

Offertory

A Sower Came from Ancient Hills
(Choir — Verses 1 and 2; congregation — Verses 3 and 4)

GTG #171

*Response

Doxology

GTG #606

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise...

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.

Sent to Live Out a God-Sized Vision of Love

*Hymn

Light Dawns on a Weary World

GTG #79

*Benediction

*Response

Light Dawns on a Weary World (Refrain)
The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands gush with springs;
The hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!
We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,
As all the world in wonder echoes: shalom.

GTG #79

*Postlude and Going Forth

Minuet and Trio

W.A. Mozart

Prayer request cards can be found in the pew racks.

Please place cards in the offering plate or in the Prayer Request basket in the narthex.

***To recycle your bulletin, place it in one of the baskets in the narthex.*

#188 Jesus Loves Me

1

Jesus loves me! This I know,
for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong.
They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

2

Jesus loves me! This I know,
as he loved so long ago,
taking children on his knee,
saying, "Let them come to me."
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

#1 Holy, Holy, Holy

1

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

2

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love and purity.

4

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky
and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

#286 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

1

Breathe on me, Breath of God;
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

2

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will,
to do and to endure.

3

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

4

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

#451 Open My Eyes, That I May See

1

Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

2

Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear.
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!

3

Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere.
Open my heart, and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart; illumine me, Spirit divine!

#490 Wash, O God, Your Sons
and Daughters

1

Wash, O God, your sons and
daughters,

newborn creatures of your
womb.

Number them among your
people,

raised like Christ from death
and tomb.

Weave them garments bright
and sparkling;

compass them with love and
light.

Fill, anoint them; send your
Spirit,
holy dove and heart's delight.

2

Every day we need your
nurture;

by your milk may we be fed.

Let us join your feast,
partaking

cup of blessing, living bread.

God, renew us;

guide our footsteps,

free from sin and all its
snares,

one with Christ in living,
dying,

by your Spirit, children, heirs.

3

O how deep your holy
wisdom!

Unimagined, all your ways!

To your name be glory,
honor!

With our lives we worship,
praise!

We your people stand before
you,

water-washed and
Spirit-born.

By your grace, our lives
we offer.

Re-create us; God, transform!

#171 A Sower Came from Ancient Hills

1

A Sower came
from ancient hills
and cast good seed abroad:
his field, ten thousand
human hearts;
his seed, the word of God.
And some who listened
would not hear,
and some who heard forgot.
But some received in fertile soil
the truth the Sower taught.

2

A Sower walked
throughout the land
and, everywhere he trod,
he sowed his life because he
was himself the Seed of God.
But then, atop a barren hill,
beneath a darkening sky,
they threw God's Seed on stony
ground
and left it there to die.

3

The Seed was buried deep
in death
beneath a blood-red sky,
and deeper still was buried hope
for those who watched him die.
But then, in Joseph's garden fair,
as dawn broke o'er the land,
the Seed, from three days'
silent sleep,
awoke at God's command!

4

O Christ, you come among
us still,
the Sower and the Seed.
As once you sowed the truth
of God
in glowing word and deed,
implant your Word in
waiting hearts,
and let it there take hold,
until it bears in fruitful lives
a harvest hundredfold.

#79 Light Dawns on a Weary World

1 Light dawns on
a weary world
when eyes begin to see
all people's dignity.
Light dawns on
a weary world:
the promised day
of justice comes.

Refrain:

**The trees
shall clap their hands;
the dry lands,
gush with springs;
the hills and mountains shall
break forth with singing!
We shall go out in joy,
and be led forth in peace,
as all the world in wonder
echoes shalom.**

2 Love grows
in a weary world
when hungry hearts
find bread
and children's dreams are fed.
Love grows in a weary world:
the promised feast
of plenty comes.

(refrain)

3 Hope blooms
in a weary world
when creatures, once forlorn,
find wilderness reborn.
Hope blooms
in a weary world:
the promised green
of Eden comes.

(refrain)



First Sunday Collection for Manos de Cristo— coming up on July 3



First Sundays of the month we invite you to make a special donation to Manos de Cristo or bring in needed items. Please be sure to **pick up a bag** in the Narthex **today** and bring it back full **next Sunday!** Items needed are:

- Vo5 shampoo – 12.5 oz.
- peanut butter – 18 oz.
- canola cooking oil - 16 oz.
- cereal, any kind
- dishwashing liquid – 20 oz.
- Foca laundry detergent – 2.2 lb. bag

VBS is July 25-29!

To prepare for VBS, we're wondering if you can help us gather a few things:

- food magazines** (or pictures of food in magazines)
- easel-type chalkboards** (like restaurants would put out on a sidewalk to advertise)
- child-sized plastic lawn chairs**

Help us transform Fellowship Hall into a Food-Truck hub! We're hosting decorating volunteer days on two Saturdays: **July 16 and July 23 at 10 a.m.**

Interested in Becoming a Member of WPC?



We would love to welcome you! Our church elders are always ready and willing to receive you into membership.

To request a meeting or to learn more about joining our church, call or email the church office at: wpc@wpcaustin.org

2022 Westminster All-Church Retreat

We are connecting across the generations this year at Mo-Ranch! Please join us this September for fellowship, fun, and faith formation. Enjoy a weekend with your Westminster family in the scenic Hill Country.

When: September 9-11, 2022

Where: Mo-Ranch Conference Center—Hunt, TX

What: Activities begin after dinner on Friday and continue through worship on Sunday morning.

Who: You and your Westminster family! All ages are welcome.

How: Online at wpcaustin.org/mo-ranch/ or pick up a paper form in the office entryway.

Register by **July 4** to receive a **\$10 discount**. Prices go up on July 5!

WPDS Openings

The Day School has limited class openings in the fall—now is the time to inquire!



Children must be at least 15 months old by **Sept. 1** to be in the Toddler classes and 24 months by **Sept. 1** to be in a Two's class.

More information about our play-based Christian Preschool can be found at:

wpdsaustin.wordpress.com/ or by calling the Preschool office at 512-459-5062.



Weekly Calendar

Sun., June 26	9:30 a.m.	Adult Hybrid Bible Study	Room 9 and via Zoom
	10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Nursery Summer Hours	Nursery
	11 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
	12 p.m.	Fellowship	Library
	12:15 p.m.	ISO Weekly Rehearsal	Choir Room
Tuesday, June 28	7 p.m.	Monthly Session Meeting	via Zoom only this month
Thursday, June 30	12:15 p.m.	Thursday Prayers	via Zoom

Thursday Prayers — June 30

Join Lesley Fields and others in praying via Zoom Thursdays at 12:15 p.m. If unable to join, you may “pray in place” and download prayers at: wpcaustin.org/current-news/

Flowers for Worship

If you'd like to provide flowers for Worship in the Sanctuary on Sundays, please sign up either in the Narthex on Sundays or [online](#). Thank you!

Earthcare Team Challenge

WPC's Earthcare Team has a challenge for you. We invite all of you to join us in the **Plastic Free Eco-Challenge** for 2022.

Beginning July 1, we are pledging to use less plastic. To get started, visit plasticfree.ecochallenge.org and register to be on the Westminster team, “WPC Earth Care.”

When you sign up, you'll be able to see ways you can reduce your plastic usage. Each time you log in after July 1, you can earn points for the actions you choose to take. At the end of the month, there will be non-plastic prizes for our three top-scoring team members.

For more information, contact **Cynthia Hanes** at chanesrd@hotmail.com.

Summer Orchestra resumes July 3

Intergenerational Summer Orchestra (ISO) will not meet this week.

Regular ISO rehearsal time is **Sundays following worship from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m.** Contact Sheryl Stack at sherylstack@gmail.com for more info.

See you on July 3!



Options to Give Online:

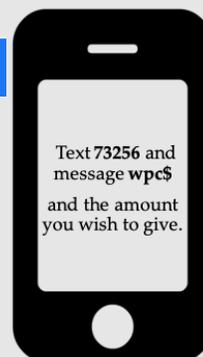
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