



WESTMINSTER

— Presbyterian Church —

Albany, New York
June 28, 2026
Service of Worship 10:00 a.m.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost



Welcome to Westminster! We're glad you're here. If you're visiting us this morning, we would love to meet you and greet you. After worship, please join us as we continue our fellowship at our coffee hour.



WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude
Spiritual

We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder

Trad.

Arr. Cindy Berry



Call to Worship
Grant

Shernette

One: This is the day that the Lord has made!

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

One: Let us worship God.



Opening Hymn #301

Let Us Build a House

Call to Confession

Shernette Grant

Jesus says: Let anyone who is thirsty come to me. *John 7:37-38*

Out of the believer's heart
shall flow rivers of living water.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.



Prayer of Confession (unison)

Shernette Grant

All: Merciful God,
We confess that we have sinned against you
In thought, word, and deed,
By what we have done,
And by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you
With our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,
Help us to amend what we are,
And direct what we shall be,

**That we may delight in your will
And walk in your ways,
To the glory of your holy name.**

(Time of silence)

Hymn #422

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Assurance of Forgiveness

Shernette Grant

One: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

All: Amen.

Response Hymn #582

Glory To God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Passing the Peace

Shernette Grant

Words of Welcome

Rev. Heather Kirk-Davidoff

Special Music

“By Your Side” by Tenth Avenue North

John Xia, soloist

Why are you striving these days? Why are you trying to earn grace?
Why are you crying, let me lift up your face, just don't turn away.
Why are you looking for love? Why are you still searching as if I'm not enough?
To where will you go child, tell me where will you run, to where will you run?

Cause I'll be by your side wherever you fall in the dead of night,
whenever you call and please don't fight these hands that are holding you.
My hands are holding you. Look at these hands and my side.
They swallowed the grave on that night when I drank the world's sin
so I could carry you in and give you life. I want to give you life.

And I'll be by your side wherever you fall in the dead of night,
whenever you call and please don't fight these hands that are holding you.
My hands are holding you.

Here my side wherever you fall in the dead of night,
whenever you call and please don't fight these hands that are holding you.
My hands are holding you

Cause I, I love you. I want you to know that I love you.
I'll never let you go. And I'll be by your side wherever you fall in the dead of night,
whenever you call and please don't fight these hands that are holding you.
My hands are holding you.

Here are my side wherever you fall in the dead of night,
whenever you call and please don't fight these hands that are holding you.
My hands are holding you here at my side.
My hands are holding you.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD



Prayer for Illumination

Shernette Grant

One: God of All Power,
Open our ears, our eyes, and our hearts with a spirit of wisdom and revelation.
Help us to hear your voice, to see your ways, and to receive with joy your truth.
In Jesus' name, Amen.



Scripture Lesson

Matthew 10:40-42

"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous, and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple -- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Sermon

"Nothing Done in Love is Lost"

Rev. Heather Kirk-Davidoff

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer Hymn #828

More Love to Thee, O Christ

Gathering Celebrations and Concerns



Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

**All: 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.**



Invitation to the Offering

Shernette Grant

Offertory Music

Simple Gifts

Trad. Shaker Melody
Arr. Cindy Berry

Hymn #710

We Lift Our Voices

WE ARE SENT IN GOD'S NAME

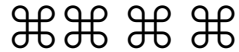


Closing Hymn #821

My Life Flows On

Charge and Benediction

Rev. Heather Kirk-Davidoff



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