



WESTMINSTER

— Presbyterian Church —

Albany, New York
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Service of Worship 10:00 am

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Trinity Sunday



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!** We invite you to fill out the Welcome Card in the pew and put it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher in the back. There's also a QR code on the card if you'd rather use your phone!
- **After worship, please join us downstairs as we continue our fellowship at our coffee hour.** We gather in the hall located directly under the sanctuary. Stairs are located through the doors on either side of the front of the sanctuary, followed by another stairway that leads downstairs. Additional stairs and an elevator are available at the rear of the sanctuary. We recognize that our 19th century building can be confusing to navigate! **We are here to help**—please speak to an usher if you need assistance.



WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

** Indicates an invitation to stand as you are able.*

During the Prelude, we invite you to sit and quiet your body and mind as we prepare to worship together.

Prelude	Organ Suite: "From the Holy Land" 3. The Temple	Walker Baylor
Call to Worship		Susan Schell

One: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
All: The earth is full of the glory of God.
One: Let us worship God!



***Opening Hymn #1**

Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Call to Confession		Susan Schell
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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

**God of grace, love, and communion,
 We confess that we have failed to love you
 With all our heart, soul, and mind;
 And to love our neighbor as ourselves.
 We ignore your commandments,
 Stray from your way, and follow other gods.
 Have mercy on us.
 Forgive our sin and raise us to new life
 That we may serve you faithfully
 And give honor to your holy name.**

(Time of silence)

Hymn #422

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Declaration of Forgiveness

Through Christ, God has poured out *John 20:22-23*
 the Holy Spirit upon us
 for the forgiveness of sins.
 In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

***Response Hymn #582**

Glory To God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

***Passing The Peace**

Susan Schell

Words of Welcome

Rev. Heather Kirk-Davidoff

Choral Anthem

O Clap Your Hands (Psalm 47:1-7)

Robert J. Powell

Oh, clap your hands, all ye peoples! Sing to God, sing praises.
 O sing to God with the voice of melody. For the Lord is high.
 He is the King upon the earth. Sing to God, sing praises.

For God is the King of all the earth; sing ye praises, sing with understanding.
 For the Lord is high, and to be feared; Sing ye praises, sing praises with understanding.

God is gone up with a merry noise, and the Lord with the sound of the trump.
 O sing praises, sing praises unto our God, O sing praises unto our King.
 God is gone up with a merry noise and the Lord with the sound of the trump.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

**Prayer for Illumination**

Holy, Holy, Holy One,
 Guide us by the Spirit of truth
 To hear the Word of life you speak,
 And to give all glory, honor, and praise
 To your threefold name;
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Scripture**

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Be restored; listen to my appeal; agree with one another; live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

**Scripture**

Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted.

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Sermon

Blessed Trinity

Rev. Heather Kirk-Davidoff

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**Prayer Hymn #11**

Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud

Gathering Celebrations and Concerns**Prayers of the People**

Rev. Heather Kirk-Davidoff

The 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.**



Invitation to the Offering

Susan Schell

Offertory Music

O Blessed Holy Trinity

Jan Bender

*Hymn #607

Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

WE ARE SENT IN GOD'S NAME



*Closing Hymn #546

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

*Benediction

Rev. Heather Kirk-Davidoff

Postlude

Organ Suite: "From the Holy Land" 4. Festival

Walker Baylor

During the Postlude, we invite you to either sit and listen or stand and greet your neighbors.



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We invite you to continue to connect with the Westminster community!

Men's Bible Study

Every Tuesday, 11:00 am to 12:00 noon in the Library

Men of all ages are invited to join in this conversation led by Rev. Paul Randall (HR) about the Biblical texts that will be featured in worship the following Sunday.

Prayer Line

Every Wednesday night, starting at 7:00 pm, on Zoom

A group members and friends of our congregation gather on Zoom each week to reflect on a passage of scripture, share prayer concerns, and pray together. Let us pray for you and with you! Anyone is welcome to drop in. See our web page for the Zoom link.

Conversation Club

Every Sunday, 3:00 pm to 4:15 pm in the Welles Room

Westminster has partnered with Refugee and Immigrant Support Services of Emmaus (RISSE) to offer this weekly, drop-in opportunity for English language learners to practice speaking and listening skills with native speakers. Teens as well as adults are welcome to join us as volunteers. Come one time or come every week! Tea and cookies sweeten our time together.

Youth Corps

Three Sundays per month, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

This exciting program brings together a dynamic group of young people in grades 8-12 from the church and the wider community who are passionate about bringing people together and building community among each other and in our city. Their Vision Statement reads, in part: *We envision a world where young people are empowered to lead, connect, and build bridges of understanding across divides. We believe that by fostering a sense of belonging and civic engagement, we can create a stronger, more inclusive community for all.*

FOCUS Breakfast Program

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7:00 am until 8:30 am

Westminster is proud to host the "Breakfast Club". The FOCUS Churches of Albany runs this program which provides over 18,000 breakfasts and bag lunches to guests each year. Breakfast is staffed by volunteers who serve, clean, and provide hospitality to guests. Volunteers are needed for a range of times between 6:00 am and 9:30 am. If you'd like to help out, please call the FOCUS office at 518-443-0460 or email Belinda Quaye (belindaq@focuschurches.net).

And there's still more! See our website for more opportunities to learn, serve and grow together....

THE TRIUNE GOD

1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Descant

4 Ho - ly,

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

The first system of the musical score consists of three staves. The top staff is a vocal line in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time, starting with a descant of the melody. The middle staff is a piano accompaniment with chords and moving lines. The bottom staff is a bass line. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line.

ho - ly,

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

The second system of the musical score continues the piece. It features the same three-staff format as the first system. The lyrics continue below the vocal line.

Much of the imagery of this hymn comes from Revelation 4:2–11, which its author, an Anglican bishop, knew as a reading appointed for Trinity Sunday. The tune, written specifically for this text, reinforces the Trinitarian theme by strong dependence on the D-major triad.

TEXT: Reginald Heber, 1827, alt.;

Korean trans. The Christian Literature Society of Korea; Spanish trans. Juan B. Cabrera

MUSIC: John Bacchus Dykes, 1861; desc. David McKinley Williams, 1948

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CONFESSION

422 Create in Me a Clean Heart

(Psalm 51)

Capo 3: (C) (F) (C) (E7) (Am)
 Eb Ab Eb G7 Cm

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right

(D) (Dm) (F) (G) (C)
 F Fm Ab Bb Eb

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your

(Dm7) (E7) (Am) (D7) (G7) (Gm7)
 Fm7 G7 Cm F7 Bb7 Bbm7

pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me.

(C7) (F) (Em7) (Am)
 Eb7 Ab Gm7 Cm

Re - store to me the joy of your sal - va - tion, and up -

(F) (Em7) (Am) (Am/F#) (C)
 Ab Gm7 Cm Cm/A Eb

hold me with your free Spir - it. Cre - ate in me a clean

(A) (F) (C) (Dm) (C)
 C Ab Eb Fm Eb

heart, O God, and re - new a right spir - it with - in me.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This reflective setting of Psalm 51:10–12 uses the first of those verses as an embracing refrain. Because of its penitential tone, a longer version of this psalm is customarily used on Ash Wednesday. In Christian tradition, it is identified as one of the seven penitential psalms.

582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
 B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
 2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
 F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
 C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
 Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

11 Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud

1 Source and Sov-ereign, Rock and Cloud, For-tress, Foun-tain, Shel - ter, Light,
 2 Word and Wis - dom, Root and Vine, Shep-herd, Sav-ior, Ser - vant, Lamb,
 3 Storm and Still - ness, Breath and Dove, Thun-der, Tem-pest, Whirl-wind, Fire,

Judge, De - fend-er, Mer-cy, Might, Life whose life all life en-dowed:
 Well and Wa - ter, Bread and Wine, Way who leads us to I AM:
 Com - fort, Coun-selor, Pres-ence, Love, En-er - gies that nev - er tire:

May the church at prayer re - call that no sin - gle ho - ly name

but the truth be-hind them all is the God whom we pro-claim.

These scriptural names and images of the Triune God express a theological view reinforced by the structure: the stanzas deal, in turn, with each Person of the Trinity and the refrain affirms their unity. The swirling patterns of the Welsh tune add much energy to the text.

607

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all peo-ple

TEXT: Neil Weatherhogg, 1988
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551
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here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more;

praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.

SENDING

546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's
 3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us, from our strug - gling

joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
 joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion
 pil - grim way, let no fear of death ap - pall us,

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,
 in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
 glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

O re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
 ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
 may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

This hymn of corporate benediction is one of several using the same first line. It was written by a Baptist pastor who dedicated his entire ministry to a small church in rural Yorkshire. The tune used here was first transcribed from Sicilian sailors in the late 18th century.