



March 24th, 2024

*“A Glimpse of God’s Love
on the Delmar Divide...”*

WESTMINSTER ORDER OF WORSHIP

Palm Sunday Sacrament of Baptism

March 24th, 2024

11:00 A.M.

Welcome to all our visitors. We are glad to have you with us.

We pray you experience God's presence during this time of worship.

A restroom is located at the north end of the narthex.

Please remember to silence all electronic devices during the worship service.

You are invited to join us for fellowship at the conclusion of worship.

**Those who are able are invited to stand for portions of the service marked with an asterisk.*

We Gather in God's Name

PRELUDE

"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"

arr. Lisa Hoekstra

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

"Ride On, King Jesus"
Westminster Singers

arr. Stephen Key

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

INTRODUCTION

THE PROMISES

Elder: (To the congregation) Do we, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Mia by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful *member* of his church? If so, say, "We do."

Congregation: **We do.**

The Renunciations

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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.

Baptismal Prayer

Baptism

Welcome

*HYMN #198 (GG)

"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!"

ST. DROSTANE

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

(As a sign of reconciliation with God and each other, all may greet those around them observing everyone's preference regarding physical contact. This action will conclude with the singing of the Response of Thanksgiving printed above.)

*** RESPONSE OF THANKSGIVING "There Is a Balm in Gilead**

GG#792

**There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.
Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain,
but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again.
There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.**

OFFERING PRAYER

*(You may place your offering in the basket on the communion table before or after the service,
or you may scan the following QR code or click here (if you are using an online version of the bulletin)*

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***DOXOLOGY**

**"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore**

GG#608

ANTHEM

"In the Name of the Lord"

arr. Mary McDonald

Westminster Singers

Eboni Stegall, Soloist

We Listen for God's Word

PRAYER FOR GOD'S WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 11:1-11

SERMON

"Secret Operation"

We Respond to God's Love

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Adapted from the Confession of Belhar

We believe that the church must together come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ. We believe that together we are built up to the stature of Christ, the new humanity. We believe that we must together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ. We believe that we are called to admonish

and comfort one another; to suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; to pray together; and together serve God in this world.

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, holy is your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. 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.

* HYMN #197 (GG)

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

ELLACOMBE

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

GG#729

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart, in my heart;

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

POSTLUDE

"He Looked Beyond My Fault"

arr. Eric Anthony

Today's Worship Participants

Ministers: Westminster Congregation

Preacher: Mark R. Miller

Liturgist: Susan Baron

Interim Music Director: Eric Anthony

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