

WESTMINSTER ONLINE ORDER OF WORSHIP

September 25, 2022

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Westminster Presbyterian Church is a multiracial congregation called by the radically inclusive love of God in Jesus Christ to ministries rooted in grace-filled hospitality, social justice, and transformation.

WELCOME

MUSICAL REFLECTION

CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy God, we confess that we are too concerned with our own peace. We seek the comfort of silence and ignore the cries of the oppressed. We are inwardly focused, missing your call to serve the world in justice and love. Forgive us, O God. Equip us to fulfill your will for a world in which all know dignity, and all are treated with equity, as your beloved children.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER FOR GOD'S WISDOM AND UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE READING

LUKE 16:19-31

¹⁹ “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²² The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴ He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house ²⁸ for I have five brothers that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰ He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ ³¹ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

SERMON

“Suffering in the Streets”

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.

BENEDICTION

MUSICAL REFLECTION

