

Westminster  Presbyterian
Church

Midweek Prayer Service

Wednesday, October 14, 2020
Sanctuary · 11:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

Suite Antique: 4. Waltz

John Rutter

CALL TO WORSHIP

O Lord, open my lips.

And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

The Lord's unfailing love and mercy never cease,
fresh as the morning and sure as the sunrise.

Lam. 3: 22-23

OPENING PRAYER

**Almighty and eternal God,
so draw our hearts to you,
so guide our minds,
so fill our imaginations,
so control our wills,
that we may be wholly yours,
utterly dedicated unto you;
and then use us, we pray, as you will,
but always to your glory
and the welfare of your people,
through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

1 We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing;
 2 Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing,
 3 We all do ex - tol thee, thou lead - er tri - um - phant,

he chas - tens and has - tens his will to make known;
 or - dain - ing, main - tain - ing his king - dom di - vine;
 and pray that thou still our de - fend - er wilt be.

the wick - ed op - press - ing now cease from dis - tress - ing.
 so from the be - gin - ning the fight we were win - ning;
 Let thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape trib - u - la - tion;

Sing prais - es to his name; he for - gets not his own.
 thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glo - ry be thine!
 thy name be ev - er praised! O Lord, make us free!

PSALM 62

¹ For God alone my soul waits in silence;
from him comes my salvation.

² **He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall never be shaken.**

³ How long will you assail a person,
will you batter your victim, all of you,
as you would a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

⁴ **Their only plan is to bring down a person of prominence.**

They take pleasure in falsehood;
they bless with their mouths,
but inwardly they curse.

⁵ For God alone my soul waits in silence,
for my hope is from him.

⁶ **He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.**

⁷ On God rests my deliverance and my honor;
my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

⁸ **Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.**

⁹ Those of low estate are but a breath,
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.

¹⁰ **Put no confidence in extortion,
and set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.**

¹¹ Once God has spoken;
twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,

¹² **and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.**

**For you repay to all
according to their work.**

**Lord, God,
in a threatening world we look to you as our rock of hope.
Hear us as we pour out our hearts to you,
and give us your grace and protection;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

JEREMIAH 17: 7-8

⁷ Blessed are those who trust in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.
⁸ They shall be like a tree planted by water,
sending out its roots by the stream.
It shall not fear when heat comes,
and its leaves shall stay green;
in the year of drought it is not anxious,
and it does not cease to bear fruit.

ROMANS 8: 31-35, 37-39

³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³ Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Satisfy us with your love in the morning,
and we will live this day in joy and praise.

(As guided, please lift up personal spoken or silent prayers.)

We lift up all the prayers of our hearts to you, Holy One,
and pray together:
Eternal God,
our beginning and our end,
be our starting point and our haven,

**and accompany us in this day's journey.
Use our hands and hearts
to do the work of your creation,
and use our lives
to bring others the new life you give this world
in Jesus Christ, Redeemer of all.**

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.**

HYMN 790

In Silence My Soul Thirsts

MY SOUL THIRSTS

[See page 6 for hymn]

BLESSING

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace
through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Rom. 15:13

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised!

Go now in peace, to love and serve the Lord.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you. Amen.

Liturgist: Heidi Hudnut-Beumler, Associate Pastor for Congregational Care

Pianist: John Semingson, Director of Music Ministries

Flute: Sam Levine

In Silence My Soul Thirsts 790

(Psalm 62)

Capo 3: (D) (Em7) (A) (D)
 F Gm7 C F

1 In si - lence my soul thirsts for God; for
 2 In still - ness I pour out my fears; the
 3 In qui - et - ness my Lord con - ferred two

(G) (A7) (D) (Em7) (A7) (Bm) (Em)
 Bb C7 F Gm7 C7 Dm Gm

God a - lone I wait. My en - e - mies may
 sol - i - tude builds trust. My ref - uge rests in
 truths I now de - clare: no great - er love than

(F#7) (Bm) (Em) (A) (Dsus) D (G)
 A7 Dm Gm C Fsus F Bb

chase me down; love shields me from their hate.
 God's great grace. My anx - ious thoughts are hushed.
 God's is known; no pow - er can com - pare.

Refrain (D) (Em7) (A) (D) (G)
 F Gm7 C F Bb

God is my rock; God is my strength; God is

(D) (Em) (D) (A7) (D) (Em)
 F Gm F C7 F Gm

my sal - va - tion, my ref - uge, my a -

(A) (D) (G) (D) (G) (A7) (D)
 C F Bb F Bb C7 F

bid - ing peace. I shall not be shak - en.

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