

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

Gathering

PRELUDE *Siciliana* George Frederick Handel

WELCOME *Please sign the fellowship pad*

*CALL TO WORSHIP from Isaiah 12:4-5

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name;
make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted.

Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;

let this be known in all the earth.

Let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN *When Morning Gilds the Skies* #667

CALL TO CONFESSION from Nehemiah 9:17

God is ready to forgive, gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Let us turn to our gracious God in prayer:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Everlasting God, we confess how we have not lived as your people. We serve many masters - work, wealth, power, addictions - yet find no hope in them. We hear the cries of the poor, and shut the doors of our hearts to them.

Forgive us, and heal us of our brokenness. Make us well, so that we might be the hope and love others need, just as Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, brought hope and love to us, calling us to be faithful with the grace, peace, and joy entrusted to us. We pray in his name. Amen.

(Prayers continue in silence)

SUNG RESPONSE *O Lord, Hear My Prayer* #471

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Rom. 3:22-24, New Living Translation

We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are. For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. Yet God, with undeserved kindness, declares that we are righteous. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins.

Trust God's promise and accept forgiveness.

The Word

TIME WITH CHILDREN Children are invited to gather up front
(Children ages 0-2nd grade will be in the Kid's Room. 3rd- 5th grade will be in the Elementary Room. Youth will be in the Youth Room)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 (NIV84)

O my Comforter in sorrow, my heart is faint within me. Listen to the cry of my people from a land far away: "Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King no longer there?" "Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their worthless foreign idols?" "The harvest is past, the summer has ended, and we are not saved." Since my people are crushed, I am crushed; I mourn, and horror grips me. Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then is there no healing for the wound of my people? Oh, that my head were a spring of water and my eyes a fountain of tears! I would weep day and night for the slain of my people.

New Testament Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

SERMON "What Is God Up To?" Rev. David Mote

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me* #700

Responding to God's Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Minuet* George Frederick Handel

*SUNG RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father* #581

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending of God's Word

*CLOSING HYMN *May the God of Hope Go with Us* #765

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Judas Maccabeus* George Frederick Handel
("Thine Is the Glory") arr. Jason D. Payne

Being God's People Adult Bible class on Deuteronomy 1-11 TODAY, through Oct. 30, 2022 (Sunday's after worship 11:15am). Led by Jack Maddex. Study guide and information was emailed or you can pick up a copy in the Meeting Room during the class.

Women of Westminster– September 22nd at 5:30pm– Come for a taco supper, salad and dessert so we can start planning some events and service events. Please sign-up on the sheet located at the Harlow entrance bulletin board so we can plan for the meal!

Looking Forward:

9/25 Coffee Hour: Meet Your Deacon

10/16 Coffee Hour: Welcome Home, Welcome Back to honor the Ukropina's return

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday 9/18/2022

10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Coffee Hour: hosted by: Westminster Choir
5:00 pm AA Meeting (Meeting Room)

Monday 9/19/2022

Tuesday 9/20/2022

11:00 am WPC Knitter's (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 pm Session Meeting

Wednesday 9/21/2022

8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group at Countryside Pizza & Grill
10:30 am Pioneer Quilters (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday 9/22/2022

5:30 pm Westminster Women's Gathering

Friday 9/23/2022- Church Office Closed

Saturday 9/24/2022- Church Office Closed

Leading in worship today:

Pulpit Supply: Rev. David Mote

Liturgist: Jack Maddex

Organist: Larry Brown

Usher/Greeter: Gene Heinle, Keith Barr, Sue Martichuski

Counters: Eileen Sanders and Julia Frederick

Coffee Hour: Westminster's Choir

Sunday School: Sheila Snyder, Anmarie Dwyer and Brooke Irvin

Next Sunday:

Pulpit Supply: Rev. John Mahon

Liturgist: Jim Mitchelmore

Organist: Larry Brown

Usher/Greeter: Jim Salerno, Doug Schaaf, Teri Yerton, Larry McKaughan

Counters: Sandi Ash and Dawn Champoux

Coffee Hour: Westminster Deacons

David Mote was born in Tucson, AZ and grew up in California.

He received his B. A. from Harvard College and studied the

ministry at Union Theological Seminary in New York.

David was ordained by the Presbytery of Western Colorado and

served as a pastor in Colorado, Utah, and California. He also

served as interim pastor in Seattle, Richmond, CA, and at the

Presbyterian Church in Chinatown, San Francisco.

David moved to Oregon 10 1/2 years ago to be the interim pastor

in Albany and has since served as interim here at WPC and at

Westminster, Salem. He's now enjoying retirement. In addition

to spending time with his two children and five grandchildren,

he enjoys hiking, long bicycle rides, reading, and cooking.



15th Sunday after Pentecost

September 18, 2022

10:00 am

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