## **Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

August 31, 2025

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

**WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER** 

Elder Dave Hiller

**CHURCH FAMILY HIGHLIGHTS** 

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

† CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 107

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

People: Let the redeemed of the LORD tell their story— those he redeemed from the hand of the foe, those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful

deeds for mankind.

People: For he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things. Leader: Let us sacrifice thank offerings and tell of His works with songs of joy.

People: Let us exalt him in the assembly of the people and praise Him in the council of the elders.

**† HYMNS OF PRAISE** 

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing (#2) Build My Life

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

Psalm 112

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you call us to draw near to you, but we keep our distance. You call us to throw off the things that keep us from you, but we hold them too tightly. You call us to run the race of faith with perseverance, but we give up so easily. Father, forgive our sins and help us trust in the promise of your goodness and your strength. Restore our relationships with you and one another that we might boldly follow you together. By your grace, make us a light by which others come to know, love and follow you as well. In Jesus' name we pray...

(Prayers of silent confession)

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

† DOXOLOGY

#### RECEPTION OF COVENANT PARTNERS

Brenda Ward

JUNIOR CHURCH

### † HYMN OF PREPARATION

The Solid

Rock (#404)

**SCRIPTURE READING** 

Hebrews 12:1-3

SERMON

Running the Race Together Rev. Owen Stepp

#### PASTORAL PRAYER & 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from the evil one. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. AMEN.

#### **† HYMN OF RESPONSE**

All the Way My Savior

Leads Me

#### † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From The Barmen Declaration

As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is he also God's mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to his creatures.

We reject the false doctrine, as though there were areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ, but to other lords—areas in which we would not need justification and sanctification through him.

#### **† BENEDICTION**

#### **POSTLUDE**

Oh. That I Had a Thousand Voices

Our Prayer Team will be available to pray with anyone in the Chapel following the service

# Welcome to Westminster Presbyterian Church

We are thankful you are here worshiping with us. We invite you to register your attendance with us today on the friendship pad found at the end of the pew.

## **Upcoming Events**

September 7<sup>th</sup> – Our new worship service launches at 8:30 and includes weekly communion, interactive prayer and new opportunities to serve.

September  $14^{\rm th}\,$  - Second Sunday Lunch – Join us for fellowship right after the 11am service and hear about the highlights from the Scotland Mission Team.

September 21<sup>st</sup> – Third Third Gathering – The vision is to engage, encourage and equip those entering the "third season" of life. (60+years).

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