WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2026
6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Leading In Worship

Preacher
Rev. Dr. Michelle Junkin, Pastor of Spiritual Formation

Liturgists
Mike Ford
Elder Glenn Dunn, Parish Associate for Congregational Care (Frederickson Hall)

Musicians
Jan McDaniel, Co-Director of Worship and the Arts
Kevin Wilkinson, Co-Director of Worship and the Arts
Dr. Melissa Plamann, Artist in Residence
Lisa Hart, carillon
Brianna Holt, Director of Children's Music and Matins Ringers
Dr. Sallie Pollack, piano
Fiona Scott, cantor (Frederickson Hall)

WORSHIP ORDER

May 10, 2026
6th Sunday of Easter

Prelude
Voluntary Elizabeth Sterling (1819-1895)

Chiming the Hour

Preparing for Worship

Introit
Fanfare Michael Helman (b. 1956)
Matins Ringers; Brianna Holt, conductor

***Call to Worship**
Holy is the word that called creation into being.
Holy is the word that called us into being.
It has been spoken aloud and preserved on the page,
translated by scholars seeking God's heart
and proclaimed by preachers trying to illustrate God's gospel,
preserved through fire and carried through exile,
inscribed on our hearts and placed in our hands.
We gather today as people of this word
humbled by its depth, grateful for its gift.
Come, let us worship the God who speaks.
Thanks be to God, whose word of love endures forever.

***Hymn of Praise (No. 772)** TRURO
Live into Hope

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession
Loving God,
You breathed your word into being
through writers and communities,
preserved it through exile and loss,
and placed it in our hands.
We confess that we have not always received it as the gift it is.
We have kept it at a comfortable distance,
read it selectively,
obscured it to meet our own ends,
and allowed its harder words to pass over us unheard.
Forgive us.

Prayer of Confession (cont.)

Change how we encounter you in scripture:
not as an ancient template to impose on a modern world
but as an unchanging God,
speaking Grace, Peace, Love, and Justice.
Amen.

Assurance of Grace

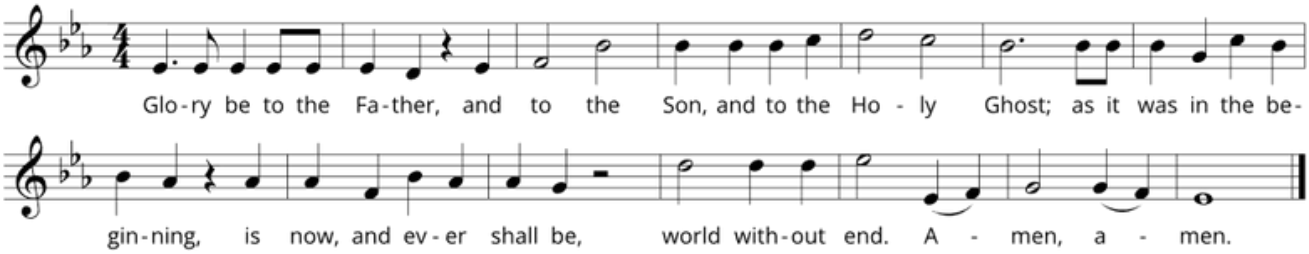
Hear these words from the prophet Isaiah:
"My word shall not return to me empty,
but it shall accomplish that which I purpose,
and succeed in the thing for which I sent it."

The word that claimed you in water, in bread, and in this ancient story
has not grown quiet.
It is still being spoken.
It is still true.
It is still for you.

Friends, believe the good news:
We are always already loved! Thanks be to God!

***Response to the Gift of Grace (No. 581)** GREATOREX

Glory Be to the Father



Sacred Space

The children are invited to gather on the front steps for a lesson.

***Passing of the Peace**

Children Age 4 to 3rd Grade will now be dismissed to Children's Chapel.
In Chapel the children are learning about sharing their gifts and talents, as they lend a helping hand to decorate for VBS. Grownups, if you have a child joining Children's Chapel today, please stop by the kiosk near the worship bags to sign them in. Please pick up children attending chapel in the children's ministry area upstairs on the 2nd floor after worship.

***Song of Community (No. 301)** TWO OAKS

Let Us Build a House (v. 1)

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
all are welcome; all are welcome; all are welcome in this place.

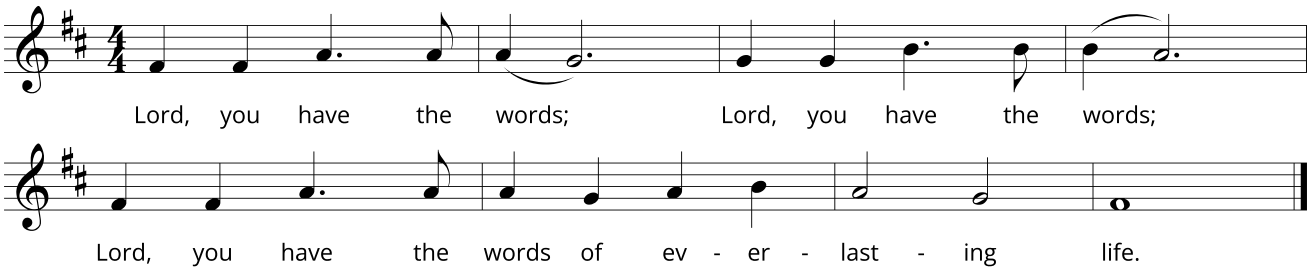
Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Luke 4:16-21, p. 47

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

Psalter

Psalm 19 Hal H. Hopson (1933-2025)



Second Reading Nehemiah 8:1–3, 5–6, 8–10, p. 340

For the word of God in scripture,
for the word of God among us,
and for Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,
Thanks be to God!

Sermon Rev. Dr. Michelle Junkin

How Did We Get This Book?

Anthem

I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry — John Ylvisaker (1937-2017), arr. Jan L. McDaniel (b. 1957)

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old. I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold. I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell. When you heard the wonder of the word I was there to cheer you on; you were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong. When you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun. In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young, I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun. When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes, I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise. I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

Chancel Choir; Dr. Sallie Pollack, piano

Affirmation of Faith — adapted from the *Confession of 1967*

The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to us.
The church has received these writings as prophetic and apostolic testimony in which it hears the Word of God.
Through them our faith and obedience are nourished and regulated.
The Old Testament bears witness to God's faithfulness in covenant and points to the fulfillment of God's purpose in Christ; the New Testament records the apostles' testimony to the coming of the Messiah and the gift of the Holy Spirit.
Interpreted in the light of God's work of reconciliation in Christ, the Scriptures continue to speak in every time and culture.
God's Word is spoken to the church today where the Scriptures are faithfully preached and attentively read in dependence on the illumination of the Holy Spirit.
With readiness to receive their truth and direction, we trust God to guide and sustain the church through the witness of Scripture.
Thanks be to God.

Announcements and Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name — arr. Lloyd Larson (b. 1954), arr. Mark Schweizer (1956-2019)

Matins Ringers; Dr. Sallie Pollack, piano; Brianna Holt, conductor

***Doxology** LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



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.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (8:15am)

Communion is received via intinction with gluten-free wafers and grape juice.

***Hymn of Sending (No. 731)** REPTON

Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm

***Blessings, Charge, and Benediction**

Postlude

Ceremonial March Herbert Sumsion (1899-1995)

*This sign is an invitation, to all who are comfortable and able,
to stand as they offer God thanks and praise.

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JUNE 1-4

9:30am-12pm

SNOWBALL MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE

FIND YOUR STRENGTH IN GOD

I can do all things through CHRIST who strengthens me.
PHILIPPIANS 4:13

SNOW GAMES!
BIBLE LESSONS!
FUN SURPRISES!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Get ready for an unforgettable winter adventure at Snowball Mountain Challenge!

We'll discover together that with God's strength, we can share gifts, **BE BRAVE**, **GIVE OUR ALL**, **PRAY**, and **HAVE HOPE**.

Join me, Ollie the Artic Seal, for a COOL adventure! I'll guide you through frosty fun & faith-filled lessons.



REGISTER TODAY!

(Children ages Pre-K - 3rd grade)

SPACE LIMITED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Health & Wellness Event
May 23 | 10:00am | The Homeless Alliance
Join us in serving individuals experiencing homelessness! Services will include a mobile vaccine clinic, haircuts, showers, laundry, and more. Volunteers will help with check-in and guide attendees to available services. Email Kelsi at kelsi@citycareokc.org to sign up!



OBI Blood Drive
June 4 |9:00am|Parking Lot
We're excited to announce our upcoming Blood Drive with Our Blood Institute! Look for the bloodmobile. Walk-ins are welcome, but scheduling in advance helps plan for a smooth and successful drive.



Youth Summer Mission Trip
June 8-12 |Broken Bow
It's time to head to Broken Bow for fun, fellowship, sun, and service! Registration will be open to all 9th-12th graders and cost will be $350/person. Spots are limited to 15, so please don't wait to register! Our house has been booked. Scott, Maggie, and Amber can't wait!!



All Ages Movie Night
June 14 | 5:00 pm | Youth Room
We will be showing *The Sandlot* and providing hotdogs, popcorn, and drinks for everyone of all ages! Join us for a fun and relaxing evening. Please register!



Light My Path: Sponsor a Pew Bible
We are updating our pew Bibles to the NRSVue, a scholarly edition built on 30+ years of biblical research and over 20,000 textual refinements. Help us place 300 new Bibles in our pews by sponsoring one for $35 — dedications in honor or memory of a loved one are welcome.



Help Decorate for VBS
If you are around on Wednesdays in May, we will be decorating for VBS from 9:30am-12:00pm on the 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th. Any and all help transforming the basement into our VBS wonderland is greatly appreciated!

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The Thegither Groups

"Thegither" means "to gather," and these groups help our growing community connect. Each group will meet twice for a shared meal or gathering of their choice. Come gather, share bread, and build community!



Westminster's 80th Anniversary Webpage

Visit our 80th Anniversary webpage to celebrate eight decades of faith and community at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Browse through a curated slideshow, explore historic photos, and view our commemorative historical booklet. Head to our website to celebrate with us!



This Week I Learned

Curious about what your child is learning in Children's Ministry today? Scan the QR code to explore this Sunday's lesson, activities, and announcements!



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Worship Flowers

Flowers in the Chapel and Sanctuary may be purchased to honor a loved one or special occasion, and your dedication will be mentioned in the bulletin. Please sign up to purchase and dedicate your flowers either on the Weekly Update page or at the front desk. (There are 2 vases each week at a cost of $60 each)



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Stay connected with what's happening at Westminster throughout the week! Follow us, like, and share to help spread the word about the great things God is doing in our church community.
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SUNDAY'S MESSAGE,

WHEREVER YOUR WEEK GOES.

Missed it? Want to hear it again?

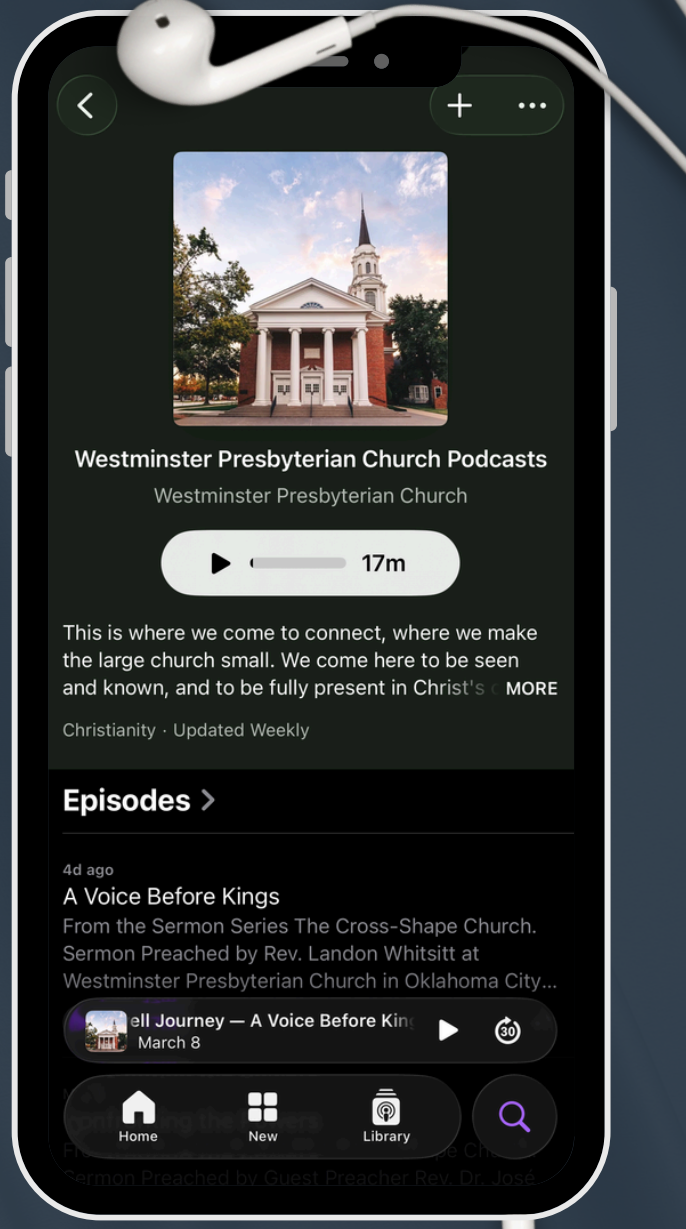
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NOTES

MAY/JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
10 **8:15am** Worship: Chapel **9:30am** Christian Education **10:30am** Worship: Sanctuary **10:30am** Sensory Worship: Frederickson Hall **6th Sunday of Easter** **Mothers Day**	**11** **10:15am** Matins Ringers Rehearsal	**12** **7:30am** Men of Westminster **12:00pm** Children's Ministry Team Meeting **6:00pm** Membership and Hospitality Team Meeting	**13** **9:00am** Spiritual Formation Group **10:00am** Women's Bible Study **12:00pm** Worship and the Arts Team Meeting **6:30pm** Choir Practice	**14** **7:00am** Men's Bible Study **9:30am** Feed My Sheep	**15**	**16** **8:30am** Feed My Sheep
17 **8:15am** Worship: Chapel **9:30am** Christian Education **10:30am** Worship: Sanctuary **10:30am** Sensory Worship: Frederickson Hall **11:30am** Care Team Meeting **11:45am** VBS Volunteer Training **7th Sunday of Easter**	**18** **11:30am** Dinah Circle **1:00pm** Caregivers Support Group **4:00pm** Foundation Meeting	**19** **7:30am** Men of Westminster **11:30am** Missions Team Meeting	**20** **9:00am** Spiritual Formation Group **10:00am** Women's Bible Study **5:30pm** Spiritual Formation Meeting **6:30pm** Choir Practice	**21** **7:00am** Men's Bible Study **11:30am** Mary Circle **7:00pm** Priscilla Circle	**22**	**23**
24 **8:15am** Worship: Chapel **9:30am** Christian Education **10:30am** Worship: Sanctuary **10:30am** Sensory Worship: Frederickson Hall **11:30am** Youth Team Meeting **Communion Sunday** **Day of Pentecost**	**25** **Memorial Day** **Church Closed**	**26** **7:30am** Men of Westminster **10:00am** Knit N Pearl **12:00pm** Personnel Committee Meeting	**27** **9:00am** Spiritual Formation Group **10:00am** Women's Bible Study **6:30pm** Choir Practice	**28** **7:00am** Men's Bible Study	**29**	**30**
31 **8:15am** Worship: Chapel **9:30am** Christian Education **10:30am** Worship: Sanctuary **10:30am** Sensory Worship: Frederickson Hall **11:45am** VBS Training **Trinity Sunday**	**1** **9:30am** VBS	**2** **9:30am** VBS	**3** **9:00am** Spiritual Formation Group **9:30am** VBS **10:00am** Women's Bible Study **6:00pm** Esther Circle **6:00pm** Youth Night **6:30pm** Choir Practice	**4** **7:00am** Men's Bible Study **9:00am** OBI Blood Drive **9:30am** VBS	**5**	**6**