

Morning Worship
Westminster Presbyterian Church
The First Sunday of Advent
December 2, 2018

The Welcome and Announcements

* The Time of Greeting

The Lighting of the First Advent Candle

The Prelude (A Time of Preparation for Worship)

The Call to Worship (Unison) ... **Isaiah 9:1 & 6-7**

*The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,
on them has light shone.
For to us a child is born,
to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
Of the increase of his government and of peace
there will be no end,
on the throne of David and over his kingdom,
to establish it and to uphold it
with justice and with righteousness
from this time forth and forevermore.
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.*

The Prayer of Invocation

* The Hymn of Praise **“Behold Our God**

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Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered ev’ry grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus

*Behold our God, Seated on His throne
Come let us adore Him
Behold our King, Nothing can compare
Come let us adore Him.*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Chorus

Who has felt the nails upon His hands?
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign

Chorus

Bridge

(Women) You will reign forever
(Men) Let Your glory fill the earth
(Women) You will reign forever
(Men) Let Your glory fill the earth

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(Women) You will reign forever
(Men) Let Your glory fill

*Behold our God, Seated on His throne
Come let us adore Him
Behold our King, Nothing can compare
Come let us adore (Him) (2x)*

* The Confession of Faith with the Apostle’s Creed

* The Song of Entreaty

“Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus” No. 124

The Words of Institution of the Lord’s Supper

The Congregational Prayer for Renewal (Unison)

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in power and great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

In Christ’s Name. Amen.

From the Collects of Thomas Cranmer

The Time of Silent Prayer for Repentance and Renewal

*The Song of Praise **“Joy to the World”**..... No. 125

The Pastoral Prayer and the Prayer of Dedication

The Giving of God’s Tithes, Our Offerings, and Faith Promises

The Signing of Pew Registers & Welcome of Visitors

The Message in Music....Christmas Medley.....String Trio
Jennifer Covington, Abby Darlington, Tibby Darlington

The Prayer with the Children the Dismissal to Children’s Church

The Reading of Scripture Pew Bible Pgs. 572 & 807
Galatians 2:11-21 & 4:1-7

The Sermon Dr. Jim Richter
**“In the Fullness of Time God Came
for Me and for Us”**

The Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

* The Hymn **“Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne”**
Vs. 1,2,4 No. 127

* The Benediction and Postlude

The Deacons Fund Offering will be received at the door

* Please stand unless providentially hindered from doing so.
Unless otherwise indicated, all verses are from the ESV