

**Westminster Presbyterian Church**  
**Order of Worship for September 20, 2020**

Online at 11:00 a.m.

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WELCOME AND PRELUDE

WORDS OF PRAISE

From Romans 8

One: I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

**All: The Spirit helps us in our weakness.**

One: And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

**All: If God is for us, who can be against us?**

One: What, then, shall we say in response to these things?

**All: I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

PRAYER

SONG OF PRAISE

Crown Him with Many Crowns

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, you teach us a new way of life; yet we cling to the old.  
You teach us to be meek, but we swell with pride.  
You teach us to hunger and thirst for righteousness, but we hunger and thirst for success.  
You teach us to be merciful, but our hearts are callous to the needs of others.  
You teach us to be pure in heart, but we are filled with mixed motives.  
You teach us to rejoice in affliction, but we complain.  
Forgive us for resisting your way, and by your Spirit, help us walk in new life.

(Silent Confession)

SONG OF RESPONSE

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.  
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SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Administered to Joseph Carter Lusk and Frederick Paul Lusk, sons of Tyler and Emily Lusk.  
Chuck Towne, Assisting Elder

## 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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

## TIME FOR CHILDREN

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 50:15-21

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### SERMON

Keeper of the Promise

### SONG OF RESPONSE

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

### 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.

### RESPONDING TO THE CHALLENGE OF THE GOSPEL

### SENDING SONG

Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and God will be my Savior.

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For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, and God will be my Savior.

### POSTLUDE

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Leading the service today: Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Lissa Long, Pastor; Janie Bruce, Youth and Children; Robin Zemp, Music; Susan Messersmith, Trumpet; Chuck Towne, Baptism.

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# Crown Him with Many Crowns 268

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;  
 2 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,  
 3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scep - ter sways  
 4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time;

hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!  
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:  
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.  
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
 no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,  
 His reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet  
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;

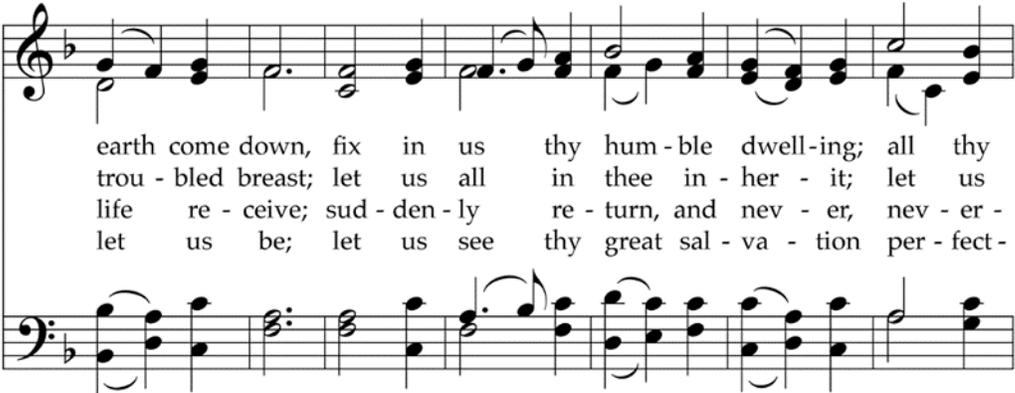
and hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 but down - ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 fair flowers of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.  
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

This text is so familiar that it is easy to miss all its paradox, mystery, suffering, and beauty; it rewards careful reading and meditation outside corporate worship. The tune's composer, chapel organist at Windsor Castle, had much experience in creating a royal sound.

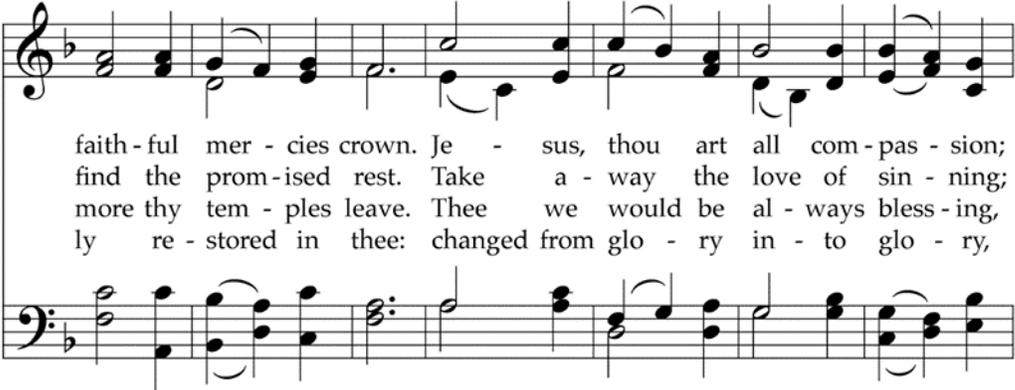
## 366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to  
 2 Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery  
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy  
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less



earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy  
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us  
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion;  
 find the prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;  
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,  
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

This text and this tune occur in almost all English-language hymnals (though not always together). The transforming power of love motivates the unending praise of the life to come, and this fine Welsh tune (whose name means “delightful”) gives us a foretaste of endless song.

CHRIST'S RETURN AND JUDGMENT

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

**WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER**

We are delighted that you have joined us for online worship, and we hope you are encouraged and strengthened in the faith. If you have a prayer request or questions about faith, life, or being part of the Westminster family, we invite you to reach out by call or text to one of our pastors.

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**FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT**

Today	Genesis 50:15-21	Keeper of the Promise <i>Lusk Baptisms</i>
September 27	Exodus 20: 1-17	The Law of the Lord
October 4	Exodus 40:34-38	Following the LORD <i>World Communion Sunday</i>
October 11	Exodus 40:34-38	Following the LORD
October 18	Leviticus 23:3	Resting in the LORD
October 25	Numbers 14:6-25	Trusting in the LORD

## Westminster Prays

Joe Smith	Meg Powell	Summer Garris	Andria Sanchez Freeman
Carol Cummings	Keith Gordon	Mary Ashley Barbot	Chrissie Bosworth
Bruce Yarnall	Shirley Seay	Doris Fox	Ginger Sieftring
Bill Myers	Larry Salley	Joyce Aydlett	Martin Davis
Anna Lee Myers	John Ligon	Daryn Baker	Kevin Ritzel
Dart Willer	Dot Dangerfield	Curtis Sponseller	Gloria Underhill
Bill Pennekamp	Lydia Crosby	Sean Fitzgibbon	Jeff Bryant
Kate Pennekamp	David Morris IV	Thom Penney	Rosalind Howell
Sara McCoy	Brian Carlow	Nikolai Fruth	Barbara Johnston
Love Moody	Frances McLean	Allan Scott	Michael Morgan
Molly Griggs	David Kerr	Riley Nunes	Lydia Howell
Karen Dangerfield	Chris Thrasher	Martha Kay	Ken Pugh
Lisa Wilcox	Sharon Hutchinson	Mary Martschink	Lee Zack
Harold Fountain	Barbara Corbett Streett		

### Friend of the Week

Nancy Wells Wichmann  
119 Riverland Drive,  
Charleston, SC 29412

### Mission of the Week

Back Pack Buddies  
1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.  
Charleston, SC 29407

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Hanahan, SC 29410

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Mark and Tracy Friedrichs  
Drew Friedrichs  
Alexis Friedrichs

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Norman Hook  
Dale Norman  
Michael Patrick  
Paul Patrick

### Class of 2022

Nancy Dixon  
Sandra Pell  
Kendall Ramsay  
Carole Russell  
Nathan Snider  
Graham Wade

### Class of 2023

Matthew Akery  
David Boyd  
Earl Frasier  
Brenda Gibson  
Tim Platts  
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