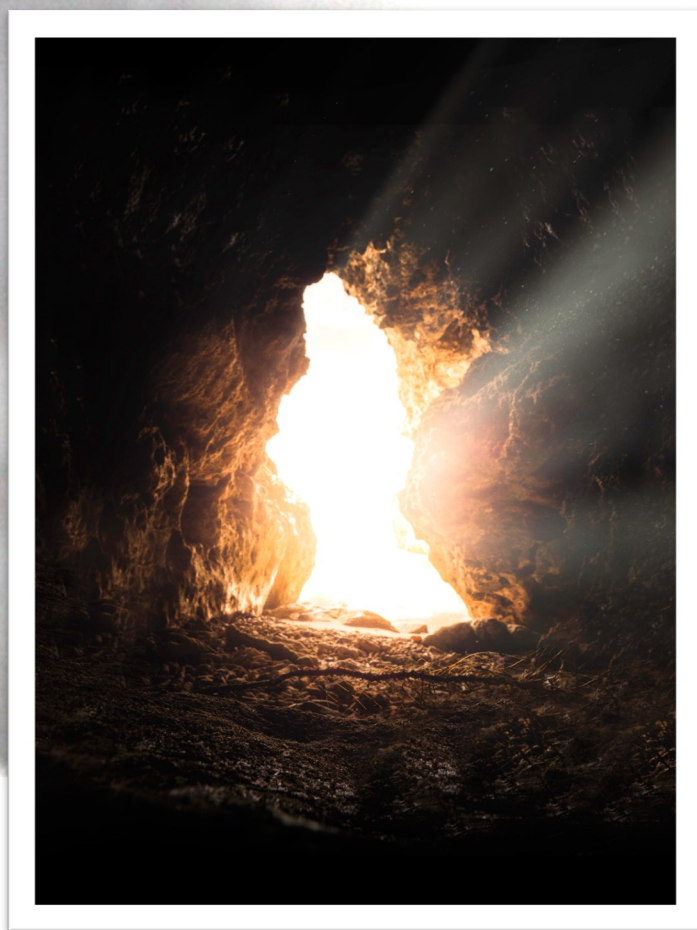




Welcome to Worship



March 31, 2024

**The mission of Westminster Presbyterian Church:
*Creatively sharing Christ's love; we welcome, we serve, we grow.***

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PRELUDE
INTROIT
WELCOME

Conquering the Grave

Ariana Recher
Westminster Chimes
Pastor Kelly Wadsworth

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Leader: O God, you are like a refiner's fire, and your Spirit kindles the hearts of your faithful people.

Leader: Jesus Christ, yesterday and today, the beginning and the end, Alpha and Omega; all time belongs to him. To him be glory and dominion forever and forever.

All: May the light of Christ who rises this day in glory scatter the darkness of our hearts and minds.

Leader: Almighty God, pour out your abundant blessing on this lighted candle, so that all who share in your holy mysteries may be filled with your grace and spiritual blessings. Help us to live as people who belong to the light.

Leader: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain!

All: Christ gives us new life and hope through his resurrection!

Leader: God has claimed us.

All: God has called us from our darkness into the light of day!

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*SONG **Jesus Christ is Risen Today** Hymnal #232

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*SONG **King of Kings**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Redeeming God, we recognize that your love for all creation is great and unmovable. We know there is an overwhelming abundance of resources on the earth you created. Help us to choose a narrative of abundance over scarcity. Give us the strength to help make this world a better place by embracing your *agape* love of equality for all creation. Let your ancient story of love be our new, innovative, and transformative story of love.

ASSURANCE (SUNG) **Living Hope**

SPECIAL MUSIC Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pastor Kelly

SCRIPTURE Mark 16:1-8
SERMON Worship Assistant
Pastor Kelly

*SONG

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Hymnal #268

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNAL PRAYER

God of Grace and Glory, we are humbled by your faithfulness and love. Even if our fears spark terror and doubt, you never leave us. There is no other love greater than yours. You call upon all of creation to spread the Good News of your love and glorious light. Reminding us that your love is sweeter than the honey in the honeycomb. Comforting us in the bitterness of life as we embrace the loving assurance of forgiveness found in Jesus Christ, whose grace and mercy bless us still.

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Hymnal #582

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Worship Assistant

*SONG

Christ is Alive!

Hymnal #246

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Kelly

POSTLUDE

Ariana Recher

*Stand as you are able

Teal colored attendance pads are at the center aisle of your row. Please fill it out and pass it down the row, returning it to the center when done. Leave completed sheets on your seat as you leave.