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Welcome and Opening Prayer

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

"Great is the Lord"

Scripture Reading

Acts 1:6-14

The Response:

Psalm 68:1-10, 33-36

Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered;

let those who hate him flee before him.

Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; <u>as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at</u> <u>the presence of God.</u>

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;

let them also be merry and joyful.

Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens;

YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

Father of orphans, defender of widows,

God in his holy habitation!

God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom;

but the rebels shall live in dry places.

O God, when you went forth before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,

The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; you refreshed the land when it was weary.

Your people found their home in it;

in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;

sing praises to the Lord.

He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;

he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God;

his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies.

How wonderful is God in his holy places!

the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be God!

Prayer

Fill out a Connect Card if you have a prayer request

"The Lion and the Lamb"
"Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)"

No Man is an Island

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

"Living Hope"

Communion

Communion is open to all who profess faith in Jesus If you need gluten free bread, please let an usher know.

Closing

Giving

You can drop any gift that you have in one of our offering boxes in the back of the sanctuary or give online westwoodchristian.com/give

Welcome Lunch - Today

Join us to learn more about Westwood--our history, our mission, and how you can become a part of what we are doing here!

Update on Family Minister

We announced last week that we had a candidate coming up to visit. He has withdrawn his name from consideration.

Westwood Piano Recital

We have a few of our young people who have been learning how to play piano from Ashley Crutcher and we would like to have a small recital to encourage them. Join us to hear their work!

Benediction

We want to bear witness to God.

We do that by <u>seeing</u> where God is working, <u>joining</u> God in that work, and <u>telling</u> the world what God has done.

We hope you witness God today.

Use this space to reflect on how you witnessed God today. Whether in song, sermon, Scripture or elsewhere.



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