

April 28, 2024



Order of Worship

- Prelude** *Father, I Adore You - Terry Coelo*
- Welcome, Opening Prayer**
- Hymn of Praise** *A Mighty Fortress is Our God #4, vv. 1,3,4*
- Life Together**
- Children's Moment**
- Passing the Peace** - *Children dismissed to Sunday School*
- First Scripture** *Acts 17:22-31 pg. 953*
- Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer**
- Prayer Response/Anthem** *Be Our Light*
- Second Scripture** *Esther 3:1-15 pg. 427*
- Sermon** *Roll the Dice*
- Musical Response** *Same God*
- Opportunities to Serve**
- Call for Offering**
- Offertory** *Close To Thee - David Paxton*
- Doxology, Prayer of Dedication**
- Hymn of Commitment** *In Christ Alone*
- Benediction**
- Benediction Song** *Threefold Amen*
- Postlude** *Voluntary - Douglas Wagner*

Welcome to Westminster Presbyterian Church. You are invited to join us every Sunday for Worship at 10:00 am or at many of our other activities during the week which you can find on our website: www.wpcwestlake.org or in this bulletin.

Message Reflections

Takeaway: We can stand firm in the face of uncertainty by remembering our identity and what God has done for us.

Questions:

1. Share about a time you were awarded something you didn't deserve and/or were overlooked for a reward you did deserve.
2. Reflect on the first three chapters of Esther. Discuss the theme of power and authority. How is power over others used for good? Where is it abused?
3. Mordecai's silence, detailed in Esther 3:4 has been explained as mere stubbornness, fatigue from constant questioning, or part of his characterization as a man of wisdom. Which do you think is most probable? Why?
4. Esther 3:7-11 shares the details of Haman going to the diviners (wise men) to cast lots (pur — which gives us the word *purim*). This was a tool used to “hear from the gods” (see Joshua 18:6). Who are the “diviners” in our world today? What is a common practice that people engage to “hear from the gods” about the future?

Prayer Requests

Our Prayer Warriors stand by for your requests. Drop requests into the box in the Narthex or click on the links in our weekly newsletters either emailed or on our website.



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Church Center

Leading today's service: Lance Merrill, Daryl Fisher-Ogden, Pat Paulucci, Faith Schierholt, Ed Smart

The WPC Chancel Choir: Ed Smart, director

The WPC Praise Band: Roger Freeland, Bob Holt, Calvin Kissell, Jim Martin, Ed Smart, Elizabeth Swift

WPC Opportunities

- **The Listening Bench** each Sunday, after worship, courtyard.
- **Choir Rehearsals** - Thursdays 7:30pm, Choir Room
- **Sermon Studies** Monday & Wednesday mornings
- **Wednesdays at Westminster** at 6pm in Fellowship Center
- **Never too late** for your 2024 pledge!
- **New Members/Inquirers Lunch** - Today - 11:30



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The **Listening Bench** is a service of WPC Stephen Ministry team. It gives you the opportunity to talk to someone who will listen confidentially and not judge what you say. The listener will offer prayer if that is something that would help you. The **Listening Bench** is available after each worship service on Sunday mornings in our courtyard.

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ESTHER

FOR SUCH A TIME AS THIS...

Roll the Dice

April 28, 10:00 AM

