



WELCOME TO WEST SIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CONNECT • GROW • SERVE

September 14, 2025



10:30 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

PRELUDE

March and Canzona *from Funeral Music for Queen Mary*

Henry Purcell

INTROIT

Thou Knowest, Lord
Sung by the Section Leaders and Choral Scholars

Henry Purcell

WELCOME/*CALL TO WORSHIP/OPENING PRAYER

Before we were formed in the womb, God knew us.

Before we took our first breath, God set us apart.

God calls us—just as we are—to speak truth, to seek justice, to love deeply.

We come with open hearts and trembling hands, ready to listen, ready to follow.

In our joy and in our sorrow, God draws near to us.

**Come, let us worship the One who gives us words of fire,
and holds our tears with tenderness.**

Let us pray:

Holy One, You call us by name and place Your words upon our lips.

In our weakness, You give us strength.

In our fear, You whisper courage. In our confusion, You offer clarity.

**Be present with us now, as we gather in this sacred space—
bringing our questions, our laments, and our longing for healing.**

Touch our hearts as You touched Jeremiah's mouth.

Shape us into people who listen deeply, speak truthfully, and love abundantly.

Through Christ, who weeps with us and leads us into life. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #738

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

MARYTON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not always seen the world as You see it.

We turn away from suffering because it feels too heavy.

We gloss over the truth when it is inconvenient.

We resist Your call when it asks more of us than we want to give.

Forgive us, O God. Teach us to grieve what breaks Your heart.

Give us courage to face hard truths, and the grace to live as bearers of hope.

In silence, we lift to You the laments we carry today.

KYRIE (*Glory to God* #575)

Lord have mercy upon us; Christ have mercy upon us;
Lord have mercy upon us.

KYRIE ELEISON (Pardini)

**Please stand*

WEST SIDE IS A WELCOMING CHURCH, ROOTED DEEPLY IN CHRIST, INVITING ALL TO CONNECT, GROW AND SERVE.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRI (*Glory to God #583*)

GLORIA (*Taizé*)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 1:4-10

ANTHEM

Like as the Hart (Psalm 42)

Herbert Howells

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 8:18-22

SERMON

Jeremiah: The Prophet Who Wept for the World

Rev. Marc Oehler

RESPONSE OF FAITH

HYMN #789

Jesus, Savior, Lord, Now to You I Come

SARANAM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

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or Text GIVE to 551-227-2131. Thank you for your generosity!*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Hear My Prayer

Moses Hogan

***DOXOLOGY** (*Glory to God #607*)

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

HYMN #645

Sing Praise to God

MIT FREUDEN ZART

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Rondeau from Abdelazer

Henry Purcell

Please join us for fellowship following the service.