Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, March 21, 2021



WPC exists to develop in ourselves and others a passion for the glory of God and the preeminence of Christ in all of life and in all the world, as revealed in the infallible, inerrant Word of God alone.

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March 21, 2021 5:30 p.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law."

(Isaiah 42:1-4)

*SONG OF PRAISE

"For the Cause"

For the cause of Christ the King, we give our lives, an offering 'Till all the earth resounds with cease-less praise to the Son

For the cause of Christ we go with joy to reap, with faith to sow As many see and many put their trust in the Son.

Christ we proclaim, The Name above every name; For all creation, Every nation, God's salvation Through the Son!

For the King once lifted high to cries of rage, of 'Crucify!' Endured the cross as every sin was laid on the Son

To the King who conquered death, to free the poor and the oppressed, For lasting peace, for life and liberty in the Son

Chorus

Let it be my life's refrain; to live is Christ, to die is gain; Deny myself, take up my cross and follow the Son (repeat)

Chorus x2

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us— for it is written, 'cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree'— so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith."

(*Galatians 3:13-14*)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Romans 4:13-25

*Song

"The Power of the Cross"

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day Christ on the road to Calvary Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then nailed to a cross of wood

This the pow'r of the cross, Christ became sin for us Took the blame bore the wrath, we stand forgiven at the cross

Oh to see the pain written on Your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed, crowning Your bloodstained brow

Chorus

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath quakes as its maker bows His head Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life, "Finished!" the vict'ry cry

Chorus

Oh to see my name written in the wounds, for through Your suffring I am free Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love

> This the pow'r of the cross, Son of God slain for us What a life, what a cost, we stand forgiven at the cross

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE	Zechariah 4:1-6
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD	Rev. Julian Russell
"Don't Sit On the Sidelines: Not By Might, Nor By Pow	er"
The Golden Lampstand and Zechariah's Puzzled Response (Zechariah 4:1-5)	
The Oil is the Animating Principle (Zechariah 4:6)	
A. The Meaning of This Glorious Symbol	
1. Signifies God's temple (Exodus 30:7-8)	

2. God's Saving Presence (2 Samuel 22:29, Leviticus 21:23, Isaiah 9:2)
3. God's People, Israel (Isaiah 42:6)
B. Messianic Fulfillment?
What Is This Vision Saying to Us Today?

*Hymn of Response #441

"Jesus Shall Reign"

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does His successive journeys run; His kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown His head; His name, like sweet perfume, shall rise with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of ev'ry tongue dwell on His love with sweetest song; And infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on His name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns; the pris'ner leaps to lose his chains, The weary find eternal rest, and all the sons of want are blest.

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our King; Angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

* THE BENEDICTION

"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace." (Numbers 6:24-26)

WPC Announcements

Volunteers: If you would like to volunteer to help clean the sanctuary for services you will be given the opportunity to sign up when you request seating or you can contact the church office.

Seating Request: Although seating request are not required for services at this time it is still offered to those who would like to sit in an area where masks and strict social distancing will still be required. Each week you will get a new email from the church office with a link to request seating for Sunday worship services. The email will go out each Monday morning and you will have until Wednesday at 4pm to request seating. If for some reason you cannot access the seating request system, please contact the office at 882-8825 between 9am-3pm on Mon-Wed to request seating.

Nursery Reopening: The church nursery is now open for Sunday morning services at 10:15am.

Officer Nominations Open: Nominations for the office of elder and deacon are open until Sunday, April 11th. Please prayerfully consider who you might nominate for these offices using the nomination forms available in the Narthex next to the nominations box.

Resurrection Egg Hunt: Join us Palm Sunday, March 28, after Morning Worship for a Resurrection Egg Hunt! We will hunt for eggs, have a short teaching time from Pastor Knox, and play some fun lawn activities!

Easter Pot Luck: Chad and Michelle Watkins invite you to their home on Easter Sunday for a pot luck lunch in the backyard. Contact Michelle by March 31st to RSVP and to find out what sides you can bring. Don't forget to bring chairs/blankets to sit on.

For Your Calendar:

Wednesday, March 24, 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Weekly Bible Study

Thursday, March 25, 6:00 a.m. Carpenter's Apprentices