

Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, April 26, 2020



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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April 26, 2020 10:15 a.m.

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

“Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.”

(Hebrews 12:28-29)

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

***HYMN OF PRAISE #457**

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.
Prone to wander – Lord, I feel it – prone to leave the God I love:
Here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above.

READING OF SCRIPTURE

2 Samuel 16:1-23

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,
in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

(Colossians 1:13-14)

*Hymn of Assurance #461 *“Not What My Hands Have Done”*

Not what my hands have done can save my guilty soul;
Not what my toiling flesh has borne can make my spirit whole.
Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God;
Not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my awful load.

Thy work alone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin;
Thy blood alone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace within.
Thy love to me, O God, not mine, O Lord, to thee,
Can rid me of this dark unrest, and set my spirit free.

Thy grace alone O God, to me can pardon speak;
Thy pow’r alone, O Son of God, can this sore bondage break.
No other work, save thine, no other blood will do;
No strength, save that which is divine, can bear me safely through.

I bless the Christ of God; I rest on love divine;
And with unfelt’ring lip and heart, I call this Savior mine.
His cross dispels each doubt; I bury in his tomb
Each thought of unbelief and fear, each ling’ring shade of doom.

I praise the God of grace; I trust his truth and might;
He calls me his, I call him mine, my God, my joy, my light
‘Tis he who saveth me, and freely pardon gives;
I love because he loveth me, I live because he lives.

*** CONFESSION OF FAITH
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We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of the Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God;
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made; who, for us and for our salvation,
came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried, and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and
we believe in one catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SONG OF CONFIDENCE

“Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor”

Christ the sure and steady anchor in the fury of the storm
When the winds of doubt blow through me and my sails have all been torn
In the suffering in the sorrow when my sinking hopes are few
I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor while the tempest rages on
When temptation claims the battle and it seems the night has won
Deeper still then goes the anchor though I justly stand accused
I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor through the floods of unbelief
Hopeless somehow, O my soul now, lift your eyes to Calvary
This my ballast of assurance: see His love forever proved
All my hope is in the anchor, it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor as we face the wave of death
When these trials give way to glory, as we draw our final breath
We will cross that great horizon, clouds behind and life secured
And the calm will be the better for the storms that we endure

Christ the surety of salvation, ever faithful ever true
We will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

MARK 4:21-25

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

REV. CHAD WATKINS

“Listen Up!”

1. The Light the Kingdom Manifests

2. The Urgency the Kingdom Requires

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #481**

“Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus”

O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's light for a look at the Savior,
And life more abundant and free!

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face;
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.*

Through death into life everlasting
He passed, and we follow him there;
Over us sin no more hath dominion
For more than conqu'rors we are!

Chorus

His word shall not fail you he promised;
Believe him and all will be well:
Then go to a world that is dying,
His perfect salvation to tell!

Chorus

*** 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)