

Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, January 14, 2023 A.M.

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.

The Lord's Day

January 14, 2023 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP:

"Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great king above all gods."

(Psalm 95:1-3)

*Hymn of Praise #181

"We Come, O Christ, to You"

We come, O Christ, to You, true Son of God and man, By Whom all things consist, in Whom all life began: In You alone we live and move, and have our being in Your love.

You are the Way to God, your blood our ransom paid; In You we face our Judge and Maker unafraid. Before the throne absolved we stand, Your love has met Your law's demand.

You are the living Truth! All wisdom dwells in You, The Source of every skill, the One Eternal TRUE! O great I AM! In You we rest, sure answer to our every quest.

You only are true Life, to know You is to live The more abundant life that earth can never give: O risen Lord! We live in You, in us each day Your life renew!

We worship You, Lord Christ, our Savior and our King, To You our youth and strength adoringly we bring: So fill our hearts, that all may view Your life in us, and turn to You.

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

(Romans 5:20-21)

READING OF SCRIPTUREMatthew 16:1-12

*Psalm 130

"LORD, from the Depths to You I Cry!"

LORD, from the depths to you I cry!
O Lord, to me give ear
and give attention to my voice;
my cry for mercy hear.

If you, O LORD, should mark our sins, then who, O Lord, could stand?
But pardon can be found with you that you may fear command.

I wait, my soul awaits the LORD; my hope is in his word. Yes, more than watchmen wait for dawn, my soul awaits the Lord.

O Isr'el, hope in God the Lord, for mercy is with him; with great redemption he will save his Isr'el from all sin.

*Confession of Faith The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

"The Lord Is My Salvation"

The grace of God has reached for me, and pulled me from the raging sea.

And I am safe on this solid ground: The Lord is my salvation.

I will not fear when darkness falls, His strength will help me scale these walls.

I'll see the dawn of the rising sun: The Lord is my salvation.

Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faithful in love. My debt is paid and the victory won: The Lord is my salvation.

My hope is hidden in the Lord, He flow'rs each promise of His Word. When winter fades, I know spring will come: The Lord is my Salvation. In times of waiting, times of need, When I know loss, when I am weak. I know His grace will renew these days: The Lord is my Salvation.

Chorus

And when I reach the final day, He will not leave me in the grave. But I will rise, He will call me home: The Lord is my salvation.

Chorus

Glory be to God, the Father, Glory be to God, the Son, Glory be to God, the Spirit; The Lord is our salvation. Glory be to God, the Father, Glory be to God, the Son, Glory be to God, the Spirit; The Lord is our salvation. The Lord is our salvation.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Exodus 28:1-43 Rev. Chad Watkins

"The Priesthood, Part I"

Holy Clothing

Holy Priest

*SONG OF PREPARATION

"Behold the Lamb" vv.1-3

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us and we remember The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.

So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you – eat and remember; The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.

So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses ev'ry stain of sin, shed for you – drink and remember He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.

So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

THE LORD'S SUPPER INSTRUCTION AND EXHORTATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER*

*Song of Thanksgiving

"Behold the Lamb" v. 4

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond - and to remember Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth.

As we share in His suffering, we proclaim Christ will come again! And we'll join in the feast of heav'n around the table of the King.

*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

Evening Service Tonight

We encourage you to join us for evening worship at 5:30pm. If you cannot attend in person please join us via our livestream. To access the livestream go to our website www.wpc-pca.com and click on livestream.

Stewardship Lunch Feb 4, 2024

The Session and Diaconate invites all WPC members to stay for a "stewardship" lunch following the morning service on February 4th. WPC traditionally has a stewardship themed gathering annually. At these meetings the Officers present the budget for the current year and discuss the finances of the church. It has been some time since we last updated the congregation on these matters. So we would appreciate the congregation gathering on the 4th for this important update. More details on the lunch coming soon.

Bahamas Short Term Mission Trip - Deadline January 31st

Westminster is hoping to organize another short-term missions' trip to Nassau Bahamas in July 2024 but we need to hear from you first!

If we go to the Bahamas in 2024, we need a team of at least **14** people to support a grade-school literacy and bible camp during the week of July 13-20. We need to hear from you by **January 31st** if you are interested in joining the team.

If you would like to know more about what is involved in going on the trip, please talk to one of last year's participants and communicate your interest with Landon Jostes. landonjostes@gmail.com

For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.

Evening Service

Wednesday, January 17, 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Ladies Bible Study

Thursday, January 18, 6:00 a.m.

Carpenters Apprentices

Friday, January 19, 9:00 a.m.

Food Ministry