Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, October 31, 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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October 31, 2021 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Shout for the joy of the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

(Psalm 33:1-3)

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*Hymn of Praise #92

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He, Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

And tho this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph thru us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth; The Spirit and the gifts are ours, through Him who with us sideth. Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still; His kingdom is forever.

READING OF SCRIPTURE

2 Kings 8:1-15

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast."

(*Ephesians 2:8-9*)

*Song

"O How the Grace of God Amazes Me"

O how the grace of God Amazes me! It loosed me from my bonds and set me free! What made it happen so? His own will, this much I know, set me, as now I show, at liberty My God has chosen me, though one of naught, To sit beside my King in heaven's court. Hear what my Lord has done: O, the love that made him run, To meet his erring son! This has God wrought.

Come now, the whole of me, eyes, ears, and voice. Join me, creation all, with joyful noise;

Praise him who broke the chain holding me in sin's domain,

And set me free again! Sing and rejoice!

Not for my righteousness, for I have none, but for his mercy's sake, Jesus, God's Son, Suffered on Calvary's tree, crucified with thieves was he. great was his grace to me, His wayward one.

And when I think of how, at Calvary, He bore sin's penalty instead of me,
Amazed, I wonder why He, the sinless One, should die for one so vile as I; My Savior he!

Chorus

Now all my heart's desire is to abide in him, my Savior dear, in him to hide.

My shield and buckler He, covering and protecting me; from Satan's darts I'll be safe at His side.

Lord Jesus, hear my prayer, your grace impart; when evil thoughts arise through Satan's art,

O, drive them all away and you do, from day to day, keep me beneath Your sway, King of my heart

Chorus

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*Confession of Faith WLC Q.86

<u>Pastor:</u> What is the communion in glory with Christ, which the members of the invisible church enjoy immediately after death?

<u>All</u>: The communion in the glory of Christ, which the members of the invisible church enjoy immediately after death is, in that their souls are then made perfect in holiness, and received into the highest heavens, where they behold the face of God in light and glory, waiting for the full redemption of their bodies, which even in death continue united to Christ, and rest in their graves as in their beds, till at the last day they be again united with their souls. Whereas the souls of the wicked are at their death cast into hell, where they remain in torments and utter darkness, and their bodies kept in their graves, as in their prisons, till the resurrection and judgment of the great day.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

Hymn #168

"I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art"

I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art, my only trust and Savior of my heart, Who pain didst undergo for my poor sake; I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.

Thou art the King of mercy and of grace, reigning omnipotent in ev'ry place: So come, O King, and our whole being sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.

Thou art the Life, by which alone we live, and all our substance and our strength receive; O comfort us in death's approaching hour, strong-hearted then to face it by thy pow'r.

Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness, no harshness hast thou and no bitterness: Make us to taste the sweet grace found in thee and ever stay in thy sweet unity.

Our hope is in no other save in thee; our faith is built upon thy promise free; O grant to us such stronger hope and sure that we can boldly conquer and endure.

PASTORAL PRAYER

"The Understanding Husband"

1. A Principle to Live By

2. A Responsibility to Foster

*Song of Response

"Reformation Song"

Your Word alone is solid ground; The mighty rock on which we build. In ev'ry line the truth is found, And ev'ry page with glory filled.

Through faith alone we come to You. We have no merit we can claim. Sure that Your promises are true, We place our hope in Jesus' name.

Gloria, gloria, Glory to God alone! Gloria, Gloria, Glory to God alone!

In Christ alone we're justified. His righteousness is all our plea, Your law's demands are satisfied. His perfect work has set us free.

By grace alone we have been saved.
All that we are has come from You.
Hearts that were once by sin enslaved,
Now by Your pow'r have been made new.

Gloria, gloria, Glory to God alone! Gloria, Gloria, Glory to God alone!

And on this Reformation day, We join with saints of old to sing. We lift our hearts as one in praise: Glory to Christ our gracious King! Glory to Christ our gracious King!

Gloria, gloria, Glory to God alone! Gloria, Gloria, Glory to God alone! (repeat)

* THE BENEDICTION

"The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet.
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you."

(Romans 16:20)