

# Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, December 11, 2022 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

December 11, 2022 10:15 a.m.

#### **GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP:

"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

(Psalm 46:1)

#### \*Hymn of Praise #203

# "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!" Joyful, all ye nations rise, join the triumph of the skies; With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!" Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Christ, by highest heav'n adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord! Late in time behold him come, offspring of the Virgin's womb: Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; hail th'incarnate Deity, Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings, ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by, born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth, born to give them second birth.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."

#### \*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

"For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."

(2 Corinthians 5:21)

#### READING OF SCRIPTURE

Philippians 1:18b-30

#### \*Hymn of Praise #193

# "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, and with fear and trembling stand; ponder nothing earthly minded, for with blessing in his hand, Christ our God to earth de-scend-eth, our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, as of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords, in human vesture, in the body and the blood, he will give to all the faithful his own self for heav'n-ly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way, as the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day, that the pow'rs of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph; cherubim, with sleepless eye, veil their faces to the presence, as with ceaseless voice they cry, "Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, Lord Most High!"

# \*Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism #1

**Pastor:** What is your only comfort in life and in death?

<u>All:</u> That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

# OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

# "Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love"

Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love, too vast and astounding to tell,
Forever existing in worlds above, now offered and given to all.
O fountain of beauty eternal, the Father, the Spirit, the Son.
Sufficient and endlessly generous, magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

Creation is brimming with thankfulness, the mountains exultant they stand. The seasons rejoice in Your faithfulness, all life is sustained by Your hand. You crown ev'ry meadow with color, You paint ev'ry shade in the sky. Each day that dawn wakes is an encore of magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

How great, how sure His love endures forevermore. Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

What grace, that You entered our brokenness, You came in the fullness of time. How far we had fallen from righteousness, but not from the mercies of Christ. Your cross is our door to redemption, Your death is our fullness of life. That day, how forgiveness, flowed as a flood; magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

How great, how sure His love endures forevermore. Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

United in Your resurrection, You lift us to infinite heights. Could anything sever or take us from magnificent, marvelous, matchless love?

How great, how sure His love endures forevermore. Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love. (repeat)

# PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE	
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOI	)

Exodus 12:43-13:16 Rev. Chad Watkins

"This Do in Remembrance of Me"

Commemorating Redemption

Consecrating Our Lives

## \*Hymn of Preparation #247 "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

O Sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down, Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown: O Sacred Head, what glory, what bliss till now was thine! Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine.

What thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain; Mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain.

Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place;

Look on me with thy favor, vouch safe to me thy grace.

What language shall I borrow to thank Thee, dearest Friend, For this, thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?

O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be, Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee.

#### THE LORD'S SUPPER INSTRUCTION AND EXHORTATION

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER\*

#### \*Hymn of Thanksgiving #735

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

#### THE BENEDICTION

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit."

(Philippians 4:23)

\*the communion bread is gluten free

# **WPC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# The WPC Church-wide Christmas Party is Today! All are welcome!

**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.

By Faith Magazines & TableTalks are available in the Narthex.

# GOOD NEWS JAIL AND PRISON CHRISTMAS MINISTRY

Okaloosa County Jail | Chaplain Josiah Alldredge | Contact Arleen Blackstone for more information

December 16 – 3:00 p.m. help pack Hope Bags

December 20, 4:30 p.m. – Christmas Caroling for Inmates

# Catechism Club Gift Delivery | Thursday, December 15th | 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

This Thursday we will be wrapping and delivering Christmas Presents to Catechism Club Children. See Melissa for details if you'd like to participate.

# Christmas Caroling | Sunday, December 18 | 3:30 p.m.

We will be meeting in the church parking lot at 3:30 next Sunday and will visit several locations. Everyone is welcome! It is an event that is looked forward to every year. We will return in time for the evening service.

# Christmas Eve Service | Saturday, December 24th | 6:00 p.m.

We will have an evening of Lessons and Carols on Christmas Eve. This is a great time to invite friends and family!

#### For Your Calendar:

Sunday, December 11, 12:00 p.m. WPC Christmas Party Today!	Thursday, December 15, 6:00 a.m. Carpenter's Apprentice
Sunday, December 11, 5:30 p.m. Evening Service	Thursday, December 15, 11:00 a.m. Food Ministry
Monday, December 12, 6:30 p.m. Diaconate Meeting	Thursday, December 15, 3:30 p.m. Catechism Club Gift Delivery
Tuesday, December 13, 5:30 p.m. Catechism Club Christmas Party	Thursday, December 15, 6:30 p.m. Missions Meeting
Wednesday, December 14, 5:30 p.m. Youth & Children Christmas Party	Sunday, December 18, 3:30 p.m. Christmas Caroling