

Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, December 17, 2023 P.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 17, 2023 5:30 p.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power; for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

(Revelation 4:11)

*Hymn of Praise #224

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

Refrain:

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere; go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night, behold, throughout the heavens there shone a holy light. [Refrain]

The shepherds feared and trembled when, lo! above the earth rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Savior's birth. [Refrain]

Down in a lowly manger our humble Christ was born, and God sent us salvation that blessed Christmas morn. [Refrain]

*Prayer of Adoration and Confession

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
Yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.
But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way;
and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all."

(Isaiah 53:4-6)

READING OF SCRIPTURE Ecclesiastes 11:1-10

*Hymn #205

"Away in a Manger"

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus no crying he makes; I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky, and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask thee to stay close by me forever, and love me, I pray; bless all the dear children in thy tender care, and fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

REVELATION 1:9-20 REV. CHAD WATKINS

"Christ Among His Church"

The Glory of Christ

The Grace of Christ

*Hymn of Response #310

"Rejoice the Lord is King"

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love; When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'en; The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit, And bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come
And take His servants up to their eternal home.
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

*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

We will not have Sunday School on Christmas Eve or New Years Eve

Change That Sticks Course

Make 2024 the year of real, lasting, and God-honoring change in your life and learn how to help others do so too, all with the Word of God. This on-line course is being offered through the Low Country Biblical Counseling Center. Cost is \$25 per month with a one year commitment. For details and to register, go to: https://www.lcbcc.org/foundations-course

In addition, Diane Poff is willing to lead a free monthly study group for the students. Kick off is January 9th, but you can join anytime. If you have any questions, call Diane Poff.

Volunteers Needed!

Looking for a way to get involved at WPC? Here are some areas where help is needed:

- Nursery Volunteer/Tuesday Morning Childcare contact Krystina Lyon <u>klyon0727@gmail.com</u>
- Morning or Evening Communion Preparation contact Keri Sevcik <u>wpcpcaoffice@gmail.com</u>
- Children's Sunday School Teachers contact Melissa Giddens amg00470@gmail.com
- AV Team contact Randy Seay hdrr223@gmail.com
- Kitchen Volunteer Organization, Cleaning, Stocking contact Keri Sevcik wpcpcaoffice@gmail.com

For Your Calendar:

Friday, December 22, 9:00 a.m. Food Ministry

Office Closed December 22 - Jan 1