

Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, December 20, 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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December 20, 2020 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation.”
(Psalm 68:19)

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*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.”

READING OF SCRIPTURE

1 Kings 7:13-37

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”
(Romans 5:8)

*HYMN #211

“God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen”

God rest you merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay,
Remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas day,
To save us all from Satan’s pow’r when we were gone astray;
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our heav’nly Father, a blessed angel came;
and unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same:
How that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name.
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

“Fear not, then,” said the angel, “let nothing you affright;
This day is born a Savior of a pure virgin bright,
To free all those who trust in him from Satan’s pow’r and might.”
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

The shepherds at those tidings re-joic-ed much in mind,
And left their flocks a-feeding, In tempest, storm, and wind:
And went to Bethlehem straight-way, the Son of God to find.
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

*CONFESSION OF FAITH

WLC Q. 35

Pastor: How is the covenant of grace administered under the New Testament?

All: Under the New Testament, when Christ the substance was exhibited, the same covenant of grace was and still is to be administered in the preaching of the Word, and the administration of the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord’s Supper; in which grace and salvation are held forth in more fulness, evidence, and efficacy, to all nations.

***HYMN #193**

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent”

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!”

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

ISAIAH 11

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

REV. CHAD WATKINS

“The Coming King”

1. The Pedigree the King Possesses

2. The Endowment the King Receives

3. The Peace the King Delivers

4. The Restoration the King Accomplishes

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #221**

“Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming”

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming from tender stem hath sprung,
of Jesse's lineage coming, as men of old have sung.
It came, a flow'ret bright, amid the cold of winter,
when half-spent was the night.

Isaiah 'twas foretold it, the rose I have in mind;
with Mary we behold it, the virgin mother kind.
To show God's love aright, she bore to men a Savior,
when half-spent was the night.

The shepherds heard the story, proclaimed by angels bright,
how Christ, the Lord of glory, was born on earth this night.
To Bethlehem they sped and in the manger found him,
as angel heralds said.

This flow'r, whose fragrance tender with sweetness fills the air,
dispels with glorious splendor the darkness ev'rywhere.
True man, yet very God; from sin and death he saves us
and lightens ev'ry load.

O Savior, child of Mary, who felt our human woe;
O Savior, King of glory, who dost our weakness know,
bring us at length, we pray, to the bright courts of heaven
and to the endless day.

*** 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)

WPC Announcements

Evening Service Tonight: We encourage you to join us for evening worship at 5:30pm via our livestream. To access the livestream go to our website www.wpc-pca.com and click on livestream.

Nursery Reopening: The church nursery is now open for Sunday morning services. We would like to offer nursery for the evening service in the future but we are still in need of more volunteers to be able to offer more services and keep the morning nursery open moving forward. WPC nursery serves ages newborn to children 3 years of age. If you are willing to serve or want more information about our nursery ministry please call, email or text Robin Dickey at 571-420-2544 or rdickey3901@gmail.com.

Sunday School: Sunday school classes as well as the Sunday prayer meeting will start 30 minutes earlier than normal in order to give people time to travel for church. So please mark these changes to your schedule.

Seating Request: Although seating request are not required for services at this time it is still offered to those who would like to sit in an area where masks and strict social distancing will still be required . Each week you will get a new email from the church office with a link to request seating for Sunday worship services. The email will go out each Monday morning and you will have until Wednesday at 4pm to request seating. If for some reason you cannot access the seating request system, please contact the office at 882-8825 between 9am-3pm on Mon-Wed to request seating.

Christmas Eve Service: December 24th we will be having a Christmas Eve service at 6:00pm. You are not required to have a seating reservation but if you would like to make one in a mask required area you can find the link in the email that goes out Monday morning.

For Your Calendar:

Sunday, December 20, 3:00 p.m.
Children's Bible Class

Wednesday, December 23, 9:30 a.m.
Ladies' Weekly Bible Study

Sunday, December 20, 5:30 p.m.
Evening Service

Thursday, December 24, 6:00 a.m.
No Carpenter's Apprentices