Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, December 26, 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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December 26, 2021 5:30 p.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth."

(Psalm 124:8)

*SONG OF PRAISE

"Blessed Be Your Name"

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name. Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place; Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name!"

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me, When the world's "all as it should be," blessed be Your name. Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering, Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name

Chorus

You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."
You give and take away, You give and take away,
My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."

Chorus

"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name, Jesus. Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name!"

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old."

(Micah 7:18-20)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 11:17-34

*Hymn #647

"How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds"

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear! It soothes his sorrows heals his wounds and drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole and calms the troubled breast; 'tis manna to the hungry soul and to the weary rest.

Dear Name! the rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place, My never-failing treas'ry filled with boundless stores of grace.

Jesus my Shepherd, Brother, Friend, my Prophet, Priest, and King, My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, accept the praise I bring.

Weak is the effort of my heart and cold my warmest thought; But when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise Thee as I ought.

Till then I would Thy love proclaim with ev'ry fleeting breath; And may the music of thy name refresh my soul in death.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Genesis 33 Rev. Chad Watkins

"The Hard Road Back"

1. Brothers Reunited

2. Brothers Divided

*Hymn of Preparation #305

"Arise, My Soul, Arise"

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears:
the bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears:
before the throne my Surety stands, before the throne my Surety stands,
my name is written on his hands.

He ever lives above, for me to intercede, his all-redeeming love, his precious blood to plead; his blood atoned for ev'ry race, his blood atoned for ev'ry race, and sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary; they pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me.

"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,

"nor let that ransomed sinner die!"

My God is reconciled; his pard'ning voice I hear; he owns me for his child, I can no longer fear; with confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh, and "Father, Abba, Father!" cry.

THE LORD'S SUPPER INSTRUCTION AND EXHORTATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER*

*Hymn of Thanksgiving #731

"Doxology"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* THE BENEDICTION

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

(2 Corinthians 13:14)

^{*}the communion bread is gluten free