

# *Westminster Presbyterian Church*

*The Lord's Day, December 27, 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 27, 2020 10:15 a.m.*

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## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“We give thanks to you O God; we give thanks, for your name is near.  
We recount your wondrous deeds.”  
*(Psalm 75:1)*

### \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #295

### *“Crown Him with Many Crowns”*

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne;  
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own:  
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,  
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love: behold His hands and side  
Rich wounds, yet visible above in beauty glorified:  
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways  
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise:  
His reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet  
Fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;  
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime:  
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me:  
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

**READING OF SCRIPTURE**

1 Kings 7:38-51

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“I, I am he who blots out your transgressors for my own sake,  
and I will not remember your sins.”

*(Isaiah 43:25)*

**\*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*

Praise him who broke the chain holding me in sin’s domain and set me free again! Sing and rejoice!

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH**

**WLC Q. 36**

**Pastor:** Who is the Mediator of the covenant of grace?

**All:** The only Mediator of the covenant of grace is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, of one substance and equal with the Father, in the fullness of time became man, and so was and continues to be God and man, in two entire distinct natures, and one person, forever.

**\*PSALM 27A**

***“The LORD’s My Light”***

The LORD’s my light and saving help by whom am I dismayed?  
The LORD’s the stronghold of my life of whom am I afraid?  
When evildoers threaten me to eat my flesh away,  
My adversaries and my foes will stumble in that day.

Though armies was on ev’ry side, my heart will feel no dread;  
Though war against me should arise, yet I will lift my head.  
One thing I plead before the LORD, and seek with heart upraised:  
That I may come within God’s house and dwell there all my days.

To gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and see his grace,  
And seek to know, within his house, instruction in his ways.  
For he will hide and shelter me when comes the evil day;  
He sets me high upon a rock; his tent will keep me safe.

My head is lifted high above my foes who hem me in;  
I sacrifice within his tent; with shouts of joy I sing.  
LORD, hear me when I call to you; be merciful and speak!  
“Come, seek my face!” you told my heart; your face, LORD, will I seek.

O do not hide your face from me, and do not turn aside  
Your servant in your righteous wrath, for you have been my guide,  
O God, my Savior, leave me not; do not reject my plea.  
My parents may forsake me, LORD, but you will welcome me.

O teach your way and lead me, LORD, against my enemies.  
To false and cruel witnesses do not deliver me.  
Yet I am sure that in this life God’s goodness I will see.  
Await the LORD; be strong, take heart, for him wait patiently.

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE READING OF SCRIPTURE**

**1 KINGS 8:1-21**

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**

**REV. KNOX WHITE**

*“The House of God”*

The House of God is the place where He has revealed His name.

The House of God is the place where He has made His covenant.

The House of God is the place where He has displayed His glory.

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE #353**

***“I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord”***

I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of Thine abode,  
The Church our blest Redeemer saved with His own precious blood.

I love thy Church, O God! Her walls before Thee stand,  
Dear as the apple of Thine eye, and graven on Thy hand.

For her my tears shall fall; for her my prayers ascend;  
To her my cares and toils be giv’n, till toils and cares shall end.

Beyond my highest joy I prize her heav’nly ways,  
Her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.

Jesus, thou Friend divine, our Savior and our King,  
Thy hand from ev’ry snare and foe shall great deliv’rance bring.

Sure as Thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be giv’n  
The brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heav’n.

**\* THE BENEDICTION**

“Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit  
and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.”

*(1 Thessalonians 5:23-24)*

# WPC Announcements

**Evening Service Tonight:** If you cannot join us in person 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](http://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](mailto: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.

## For Your Calendar:

**Sunday, December 27, 3:00 p.m.**  
Children's Bible Class

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

**Sunday, December 27, 5:30 p.m.**  
Evening Service

**Thursday, December 31, 6:00 a.m.**  
No Carpenter's Apprentices