

Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, March 26, 2023 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

March 26, 2023 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say. Rejoice." (*Philippians 4:4*)

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*SONG OF PRAISE

"Come Praise and Glorify"

Come praise and glorify our God, the Father of our Lord. In Christ, He has in heav'nly realms, His blessings on us poured. For pure and blameless in His sight He destined us to be, And now we've been adopted through His Son eternally.

To the praise of Your glory, to the praise of Your mercy and grace; To the praise of Your glory, You are the God who saves.

Come praise and glorify our God, who gives His grace in Christ. In Him, our sins are washed away, redeemed through sacrifice. In Him, God has made known to us the myst'ry of His will, That Christ should be the head of all, His purpose to fulfill.

Chorus

Come praise and glorify our God, for we've believed the Word; And through our faith we have a seal, the Spirit of the Lord. The Spirit guarantees our hope until redemption's done, Until we join in endless praise to God, the Three in One.

Chorus x2

READING OF SCRIPTURE

1 Timothy 4:1-16

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statues and be careful to obey my rules."

(Ezekiel 36:25-27)

*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.

*Confession of Faith WLC Q. 174

<u>Pastor:</u> What is required of them that receive the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in the time of the administration of it?

All: It is required of them that receive the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, that, during the time of the administration of it, with all holy reverence and attention they wait upon God in that ordinance, diligently observe the sacramental elements and actions, heedfully discern the Lord's body, and affectionately meditate on His death and sufferings, and thereby stir up themselves to a vigorous exercise of their graces; in judging themselves and sorrowing for sin; in earnest hungering and thirsting after Christ, feeding on Him by faith, receiving of His fullness, trusting in His merits, rejoicing in His love, giving thanks for His grace; in renewing of their covenant with God, and love to all the saints.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

"Christ Our Hope In Life And Death"

What is our hope in life and death Christ alone Christ alone What is our only confidence that our souls to Him belong Who holds our days within His hand what comes apart from His command And what will keep us to the end the love of Christ in which we stand

O sing hallelujah our hope springs eternal o sing hallelujah Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm the troubled soul God is good God is good Where is His grace and goodness known in our great Redeemer's blood Who holds our faith when fears arise who stands above the stormy trial Who sends the waves that bring us nigh unto the shore the rock of Christ

Chorus

Unto the grave what will we sing Christ He lives Christ He lives
And what reward will heaven bring everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy when Christ is ours forevermore

Chorus x2

Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Exodus 20:7 REV. CHAD WATKINS

"His Name is Wonderful" WLC Q. 112-113

- 112. What is required in the third commandment? The third commandment requires, that the name of God, His titles, attributes, ordinances, the Word, sacraments, prayer, oaths, vows, lots, His works, and whatsoever else there is whereby He makes Himself known, be holily and reverently used in thought, meditation, word, and writing; by an holy profession, and answerable conversation, to the glory of God, and the good of ourselves and others.
- 113. What are the sins forbidden in the third commandment? The sins forbidden in the third commandment are, the not using of God's name as is required; and the abuse of it in an ignorant, vain, irreverent, profane, superstitious, or wicked mentioning or otherwise using His titles, attributes, ordinances, or works, by blasphemy, perjury; all sinful cursings, oaths, vows, and lots; violating of our oaths and vows, if lawful; and fulfilling them, if of things unlawful; murmuring and quarreling at, curious prying into, and misapplying of God's decrees and providences; misinterpreting, misapplying, or any way perverting the Word, or any part of it, to profane jests, curious or unprofitable questions, vain janglings, or the maintaining of false doctrines; abusing it, the creatures, or any thing contained under the name of God, to charms, or sinful lusts and practices; the maligning, scorning, reviling, or any wise opposing of God's truth, grace, and ways; making profession of religion in hypocrisy, or for sinister ends; being ashamed of it, or a shame to it, by unconformable, unwise, unfruitful and offensive walking, or backsliding from it.

Understanding God's Name

Misusing God's Name

Hallowing God's Name

Saved By God's Name

*Hymn #15

"Stand Up and Bless the Lord"

Stand up and bless the Lord, you people of His choice; Stand up and bless the Lord your God with heart and soul and voice.

Though high above all praise, above all blessing high, Who would not fear His holy name, and laud and magnify?

O for the living flame, from His own altar brought, To touch our lips, our minds inspire, and wing to heav'n our thought.

God is our strength and song, and His salvation ours; Then be His love in Christ proclaimed with all our ransomed pow'rs.

Stand up and bless the Lord, the Lord your God adore; Stand up and bless His glorious name henceforth forevermore.

OFFICER INSTALLATION
Elder:
Gordon Eldridge

*Hymn of Response #735

"Gloria Patri"

*THE BENEDICTION

"May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

(Romans 15:5-6)

WPC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Potluck at the Watkins'

If you don't have any plans on Easter Sunday, please join the Watkins in their backyard for a potluck lunch after the morning service. Please contact Michelle Watkins to RSVP and to find out what 2 large sides you can bring. Don't forget your chairs. RSVP by April 5.

New Study in the Bible Sunday School Class

The Bible Sunday School class is for adults of all ages who wish to study the scriptures. On Sunday, 3/26 we begin our next study in the book of Romans. As with our Hebrews study we plan to follow Dr. Tim Krueger's study from his weekly women's Bible study at RTS, Charlotte. This should be a lively study. Romans is considered by many theologians to be the most detailed exposition of the Christian life. Bring your Bibles and your questions each Sunday morning at 9am to the Fellowship Hall. Jason Belcher is teaching along with help from Gordon Eldridge.

Inquirers Class | Beginning Sunday, April 16 | 9:00am

Are you considering joining Westminster? New to Reformed theology or Presbyterianism? Looking to get to know the leadership of our church? Come join us for an Inquirer's Class on Sunday mornings, during the Sunday school hour (9-10am) April 16 - May 21. This class will be co-taught by all of our elders and will cover the basics of our church's theology and philosophy of ministry.

Class is also open to those considering membership, current members who may have missed portions of earlier Inquirer's classes or who simply want to brush up on these basics.

For Your Calendar:

Sunday, March 26, 4:00 p.m.

NextGen Book Study

Tuesday, March 28, 4:30 p.m.

Catechism Club

Wednesday, March 29, 9:15 a.m.

Bible Babes Bible Study

Wednesday, March 29, 9:15 a.m.

Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, March 29, 4:45 p.m.

NextGen & Kids Choir Practice

Thursday, March 30, 6:00 a.m.

Carpenter's Apprentice

Thursday, March 30, 9:00 a.m.

Food Ministry

Thursday, March 30, 6:30 p.m. Missions Committee Meeting

Sunday, April 2, 12:00 p.m.

Easter Picnic & Egg Hunt