

Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, March 31, 2024 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 31, 2024 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 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 #277

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

"Christ the Lord is ris'n today," Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia! Sing ye heav'ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia! Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia! Death in vain forbids his rise; Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Once He died, our souls to save; Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia! Made like Him, like Him we rise; Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Matthew 21:18-32

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."

(2 Corinthians 5:17)

*SONG

"Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery"

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry in the dawning of the King; He the theme of heaven's praises robed in frail humanity. In our longing, in our darkness now the Light of Life has come; Look to Christ, who condescended took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, He the perfect Son of Man; In His living, in His suffering never trace nor stain of sin. See the true and better Adam come to save the hell-bound man; Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law; in Him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, Christ the Lord upon the tree; In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory. See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold; Bringing many sons to glory grace unmeasured, love untold.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry slain by death the God of life; But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord; He is alive! What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope; Christ in power resurrected as we will be when He comes.

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*Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism #19-20

Pastor: What is the misery of that estate whereinto man fell?

All: All mankind, by their fall, lost communion with God, are under His wrath and curse, and so made liable to all miseries in this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell forever.

Pastor: Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?

<u>All:</u> God having, out of His mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a redeemer.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

"Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed"

How can it be the One who died has borne our sin through sacrifice,
To conquer every sting of death? Sing, sing "Hallelujah!"
For joy awakes as dawning light when Christ's disciples lift their eyes.
Alive He stands, their Friend and King: Christ, Christ He is risen!

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Oh sing "Hallelujah!"

Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed: Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

Where doubt and darkness once had been, they saw Him and their hearts believed;
But blessed are those who have not seen, yet sing "Hallelujah!"
Once bound by fear, now bold in faith, they preached the truth and power of grace
And pouring out their lives they gained life, life everlasting.

Chorus

The power that raised Him from the grave now works in us to powerfully save; He frees our hearts to live His grace – Go, tell of His goodness.

Chorus x2

He is risen! He's alive, He's alive, Heaven's gates are opened wide.

He's alive, He's alive, Now in heaven glorified

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PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD
"The Dividing Line"

ACTS 17:16-34 REV. CHAD WATKINS

The Anger Idolatry Incites

The Truth Idolaters Need

The Response Idolaters Give

*Hymn of Response #274

"Thine Be the Glory"

Thine be the glory, risen, conq'ring Son; end-less is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave clothes, where thy body lay.

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life; life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than conqu'rors, thro' thy deathless love; bring us safe thro' Jordan to thy home above.

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*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)

WPC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Evening Service Tonight

We encourage you to join us for evening worship at 5:30pm. If you cannot attend in person please join us via our livestream. To access the livestream go to our website www.wpc-pca.com and click on livestream.

Congregational Meeting | Sunday, April 7th

Immediately following the morning service on Sunday, April 7th, we will have a congregational meeting for officer elections.

Nominee for Elder

Landon Jostes

Nominees for Deacon

Rick Henderson and Bo Thornton

Monthly Discipleship Study Group | Tuesday, April 2

For all those interested in or currently taking on-line courses with LCBCC.org, come join us for our monthly meeting every first Tuesday of the month from 4:30-5:30 PM in classroom #2. Contact Diane Poff for more information.

For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m. Evening Service

Tuesday, April 2, 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday, April 2, 4:30 p.m. Monthly Discipleship Study Group

Wednesday, April 3, 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, April 3, 4:45 p.m.

Catechism Club

Thursday, April 4, 6:00 a.m. Carpenters Apprentices

Friday, April 5, 9:00 a.m.

Food Ministry

Sunday, April 7, 11:30 a.m. Congregational Meeting