Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, April 14, 2019



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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April 14, 2019 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

(Psalm 118:24)

* HYMN OF PRAISE

"And Can It Be That I Should Gain"

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood? Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God shouldst die for me! Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies: who can explore his strange design? In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine.
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more.
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite His grace! Humbled Himself so great his love, and bled for all his chosen race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me. Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night; Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee. Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine! Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine, Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, thru Christ my own. Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—
for it is written, 'Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree'—
so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles,
so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith."

(Galatians 3:13-14)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

1 Samuel 16:14-23

* PSALM

Psalm 32

What blessedness for him whose guilt has all forgiven been! When his transgressions pardoned are, and covered in his sin. O blessed the man 'gainst whom the Lord counts no iniquity, And in whose spirit there is not deceit or treachery.

When I kept silent, my bones aged; My groaning filled each day. Your hand oppressed me day and night; My moisture dried away.

Then I to You admitted sin, hid not my guiltiness;
I said, "I will before the Lord transgressions now confess."

Then You did all my sin forgive and take my guilt away. For this when You are near at hand let all the godly pray.

The rising floods will harm him not.

You are my hiding place.

And You will comfort me with songs

Of victory and grace.

*Confession of Faith Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

^{*} The word "catholic" refers to the church universal, not the Roman Catholic Church

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

"Christ the Sure & Steady Anchor"

Christ the sure and steady anchor in the fury of the storm
When the winds of doubt blow through me and my sails have all been torn
In the suffering in the sorrow when my sinking hopes are few
I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor while the tempest rages on When temptation claims the battle and it seems the night has won Deeper still then goes the anchor though I justly stand accused I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor through the floods of unbelief Hopeless somehow, O my soul now, lift your eyes to Calvary This my ballast of assurance: see His love forever proved All my hope is in the anchor, it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor as we face the wave of death When these trials give way to glory, as we draw our final breath We will cross that great horizon, clouds behind and life secured And the calm will be the better for the storms that we endure

Christ the surety of salvation, ever faithful ever true We will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed

(At this time, children ages 5 through 2nd Grade are dismissed for Children's Church at parents' discretion)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

JONAH 3:1-10, Pt. 1

"Take Two"

1. The Grace of God

2. The Word of God

3. The Power of God

* Hymn of Preparation #252

"When I Survey" vv. 1-3

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God: All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down: Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

THE LORD'S SUPPER INSTRUCTION AND EXHORTATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER*

* HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

"When I Survey" v. 4

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small: Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

* THE BENEDICTION

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit."

(Philippians 4:23)

For Your Calendar:

Sunday, April 14, 12 p.m.

Missions Lunch

Sunday, April 14, 4-7 p.m.

NextGen Youth Group

Sunday, April 14, 5:30 p.m.

Young Adult Bible Study

(Watkins Home)

Wednesday, April 17, 9:30 a.m.

Ladies' Weekly Bible Study

Wednesday, April 17, 6:30 p.m.

Officer Training

Thursday, April 17, 6 a.m.

The Carpenter's Apprentices

(The Breakfast Place, Beal Pkwy)

Thursday, April 18, 4:30-6 p.m.

Kids' Club

Friday, April 19, 6 p.m.

Good Friday Service

^{*}the communion bread is gluten free