

Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, April 2, 2023 P.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

April 2, 2023 5:30 p.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.

Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever."

(Psalm 111:1-3)

*Hymn of Praise #457

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God: He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee. Prone to wander – Lord, I feel it – prone to leave the God I love: Here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above.

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
Yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.
But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way;
and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all."

(Isaiah 53:4-6)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 6:20-35

*Song

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea;
A great High Priest whose name is love, who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands; My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of my guilt within Upward I look and see Him there, who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free. For God, the Just, is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless, Righteousness.

The great unchangeable I Am, the King of Glory and of grace.

One with Himself, I cannot die. My soul is purchased by His blood.

My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,

With Christ my Savior and my God.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

1 THESSALONIANS 3:6-10 REV. CHAD WATKINS

"For Now We Live"

Gospel Fruit

Gospel Comfort

Gospel Life

Gospel Prayers

*Hymn of Response #359 "Blest

"Blest Be The Tie That Binds"

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love: the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before the Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers; our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear, and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

This glorious hope revives our courage by the way, while each in expectation lives, and longs to see the day.

From sorrow, toil and pain, and sin, we shall be free; and perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

*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

Good Friday Service | April 7th 6:00 p.m.

Please join us for a service of Scripture readings and songs that reflect on the redemptive work of our Savior. This is also a good opportunity to invite friends who do not regularly attend church.

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.

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.

Women and Teen Girls Prayer Retreat

Friday May 5th—Saturday May 6th Contact the office to Register! For more details, ask Diane Poff or Melissa Giddens

Knox White Family Farewell Party | Saturday, April 22 | 6:00-8:00pm

Come linger on the church lawn to visit and say farewell to the Knox White Family for their faithful and fruitful service to WPC.

For Your Calendar:

Tuesday, April 4, 4:30 p.m.

Catechism Club

Wednesday, April 5, 9:15 a.m.

Bible Babes Bible Study

Wednesday, April 5, 4:45 p.m.

NextGen & Missionary Book Club

Thursday, April 6, 6:00 a.m. Carpenter's Apprentice

Thursday, April 6, 9:00 a.m.

Food Ministry

Friday, April 7, 6:00 p.m.

Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 9, 10:15 a.m.

AM Communion