

Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, April 23, 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

April 23, 2023 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire."

(Hebrews 12:28-29)

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*SONG OF PRAISE

"Lift High the Name of Jesus"

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our King.

Make known the power of His grace, the beauty of His peace.

Remember how His mercy reached and we cried out to Him.

He lifted us to solid ground, to freedom from our sin.

Oh sing my soul, and tell all He's done, till the earth and heavens are filled with His glory!

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Lord.
His power in us is greater than, is greater than this world.
To share the reason for our hope, to serve with love and grace,
That all who see Him shine through us might bring the Father praise.

Chorus

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Light. No other name on earth can save, can raise a soul to life. He opens up our eyes to see the harvest He has grown. We labor in His fields of grace as He leads sinners home.

Chorus x2

READING OF SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 1:1-18

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

(1 John 1:8-9)

*Hymn #304

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest; Lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast." I came to Jesus as I was, weary, and worn, and sad; I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's Light; Look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all the day be bright." I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my Star, my Sun; And in that Light of life I'll walk, till trav'ling days are done.

*Confession of Faith WLC Q. 178-179

Pastor: What is prayer?

All: Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, in the name of Christ, by the help of His Spirit; with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of His mercies.

Pastor: Are we to pray unto God only?

All: God only being able to search the hearts, hear the requests, pardon the sins, and fulfill the desires of all; and only to be believed in, and worshiped with religious worship; prayer, which is a special part thereof, is to be made by all to Him alone, and to none other.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

"By Faith"

By faith we see the hand of God in the light of creation's grand design, In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness, who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth with the pow'r of His promise in their hearts Of a holy city built by God's own hand, a place where peace and justice reign.

We will stand as children of the promise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward. Till the race is finished and the work is done, We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day when the longed-for Messiah would appear With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death, and rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go in the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost, To deliver captives and to preach good news in ev'ry corner of the earth.

Chorus

By faith the mountain shall be moved and the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail, For we know in Christ all things are possible for all who call upon His name.

Chorus

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Exodus 20:13 Rev. Chad Watkins

"A Culture of Death"

*Hymn of Response #254

"Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed"

Alas! And did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die! Would he devote that sacred head for such a worm as I!

Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned upon the tree! Amazing pity! Grace unknown! And love beyond degree!

Well might the sun in darkness hide, and shut his glories in, When Christ, the mighty Maker, died for man the creature's sin.

Thus might I hide my blushing face while his dear cross appears; Dissolve my heart in thankfulness, and melt mine eyes in tears.

But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe; Here, Lord, I give myself away, 'tis all that I can do.

*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

Nominations for the Associate Pastoral Search Committee | April 16th—April 30th.

As with the search committee formed to find Pastor Chad, the Session is planning to form a committee that will consist of two active elders, two active deacons and four at-large members. The elders and the deacons will be nominated by the Session and the Diaconate, respectively. The at-large nominations will be made by the WPC congregation.

Please prayerfully consider the nomination(s) you make and discuss each nomination with your nominee and have them sign the form before you submit it. Following the nomination process, the Session plans to interview each nominee to ensure they are fully prepared and committed to serve on this committee for 12-18 months or until an appropriate candidate is found to replace Pastor Knox. Once a ballot of nominees is complete (two active elders, two active deacons and at least four at-large nominees) and all have been interviewed and approved for election by the Session, then another congregational meeting will be called to conduct the election of this search committee.

Congregational Meeting | Sunday, April 30th

Immediately following the morning service on Sunday, April 30th, we will have a congregational vote to dissolve the pastoral relationship between Westminster Presbyterian Church and Rev. Knox White, in order to facilitate his transition to his new call.

For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.

Evening Service & Communion

Tuesday, April 25, 4:30 p.m.

Catechism Club

Wednesday, April 26, 9:15 a.m.

Bible Babes Bible Study

Wednesday, April 26, 4:45 p.m.

NextGen & Missionary Book Club

Thursday, April 27, 6:00 a.m.

Carpenter's Apprentice

Thursday, April 27, 9:00 a.m.

Food Ministry

Thursday, April 27, 6:30 p.m.

Missions Meeting

Sunday, April 30, 12:00 p.m.

Missions Luncheon