Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, May 2, 2021



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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May 2, 2021 5:30 p.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"The eyes of the Lord are towards the righteous and his ears towards their cry."

(Psalm 34:15)

*SONG OF PRAISE

"Indescribable"

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea, creation's revealing Your Majesty.

From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings, all exclaiming:

Indescribable, uncontainable; You placed the stars in the sky, and you know them by name. You are amazing, God; All powerful, untamable, Awestruck, we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim, You are amazing, God.

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow?

Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night? None can fathom,

Chorus

Indescribable, uncontainable; You placed the stars in the sky, and you know them by name. You are amazing, God; Incomparable, unchangeable, You see the depths of my heart And you love me the same, You are amazing, God! You are amazing, God!

*Prayer of Adoration and Confession

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace"

(Ephesians 1:7)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Romans 7:13-25

*PSALM #51D

"From My Sins, O Hide Your Face"

From my sins, O hide Your face; My iniquities erase. O my God, renew my heart, And a spirit right impart. Cast me not from You, I pray; Nor Your Holy Spirit take.

Give salvation's joy again, And a willing mind sustain.

Then Your perfect ways I'll show That transgressors may them know;

Sinners are converted then, Turning back to You again.

From blood guiltiness, O God, Set me free, my Savior, God. Then my tongue will joy express, Singing of Your righteousness. Open now my lips, O Lord; From my mouth will praise be pored.

Sacrifice You will not take, Or the off'ring I would make. Off'rings burnt bring no delight, But a broken heart, contrite, God's accepted sacrifice, You, O God, will not despise.

Prosper Zion in Your grace; Build Jerus'lems walls in place. Then will sacrifices right, Off'rings burnt bring You delight; Then will men, their vows to pay, Bulls upon Your alter lay.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Mark 2:23-3:6

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

REV. KNOX WHITE

The Lord's Day: A Temple in Time "Don't Turn the Sabbath into a Procrustean Bed"

Beware of 4th commandment myopia: understanding God's intent

Beware of 4th commandment nitpicking: understanding God's priorities
Beware of 4th commandment coldness: understanding God's heart

*Hymn of Response #390 "Lord of the Sabbath, Hear us Pray"

Lord of the Sabbath, hear us pray, in this your house, on this your day; And own, as grateful sacrifice, the songs which from your temple rise.

Now met to pray and bless your name, whose mercies flow each day the same, Whose kind compassions never cease, we seek instruction, pardon, peace.

Your earthly Sabbaths, Lord, we love, but there's a nobler rest above; To that our lab'ring souls aspire with ardent hope and strong desire.

In your blest kingdom we shall be from every mortal trouble free; No sighs shall mingle with the songs resounding from immortal tongues.

No rude alarms of raging foes; no cares to break the long repose; No midnight shade, no waning moon, but sacred, high, eternal noon.

O long-expected day, begin, dawn on these realms of woe and sin! Break. Morn of God, upon our eyes; and let the worlds true Sun arise!

* THE BENEDICTION

"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace." (Numbers 6:24-26)

WPC Announcements

Volunteers: If you would like to volunteer to help clean the sanctuary for services you will be given the opportunity to sign up when you request seating or you can contact the church office.

Seating Request: Although seating request are not required for services at this time it is still offered to those who would like to sit in an area where masks and strict social distancing will still be required. Each week you will get a new email from the church office with a link to request seating for Sunday worship services. The email will go out each Monday morning and you will have until Wednesday at 4pm to request seating. If for some reason you cannot access the seating request system, please contact the office at 882-8825 between 9am-3pm on Mon-Wed to request seating.

Nursery Open: The church nursery is now open for Sunday School at 8:45 a.m. and the morning worship service at 10:15 a.m.

For Your Calendar:

Wednesday, May 5, 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Weekly Bible Study

Thursday, May 6, 6:00 a.m. Carpenter's Apprentices