Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, August 1st, 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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August 1, 2021 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"But you, O Lord, are a shield about me, my glory, and the lifter of my head. I cried aloud to the Lord, and he answered me from his holy hill."

(Psalm 3:3-4)

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*SONG OF PRAISE

"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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READING OF SCRIPTURE

1 Kings 22:29-53

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)

*SONG

"Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love"

Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love, too vast and astounding to tell,
Forever existing in worlds above, now offered and given to all.
O fountain of beauty eternal, the Father, the Spirit, the Son.
Sufficient and endlessly generous, magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

Creation is brimming with thankfulness, the mountains exultant they stand. The seasons rejoice in Your faithfulness, all life is sustained by Your hand. You crown ev'ry meadow with color, You paint ev'ry shade in the sky. Each day that dawn wakes is an encore of magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

How great, how sure His love endures forevermore. Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

What grace, that You entered our brokenness, You came in the fullness of time.

How far we had fallen from righteousness, but not from the mercies of Christ.

Your cross is our door to redemption, Your death is our fullness of life.

That day, how forgiveness, flowed as a flood; magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

How great, how sure His love endures forevermore. Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love.

United in Your resurrection, You lift us to infinite heights. Could anything sever or take us from magnificent, marvelous, matchless love?

How great, how sure His love endures forevermore. Magnificent, marvelous, matchless love. (repeat)

*Confession of Faith WLC Q. 74

Pastor: What is adoption?

<u>All</u>: Adoption is an act of the free grace of God, in and for his only Son Jesus Christ, whereby all those that are justified are received into the number of his children, have his name put upon them, the Spirit of his Son given to them, are under his fatherly care and dispensations, admitted to all the liberties and privileges of the sons of God, made heirs of all the promises, and fellow-heirs with Christ in glory.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

Hymn #108

"Whate'er My God Ordains"

Whate'er my God ordains is right: His holy will abideth; I will be still whate'er he doth, and follow where he guideth He is my God; though dark my road, He holds me that I shall not fall: Wherefore to him I leave it all.

Whate'er my God ordains is right: He never will deceive me; He leads me by the proper path; I know he will not leave me. I take, content, what he hath sent; His hand can turn my griefs away, And patiently I wait his day.

Whate'er my God ordains is right: though now this cup, in drinking,
May bitter seem to my faint heart, I take it, all unshrinking.
My God is true; each morn anew sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart,
And pain and sorrow shall depart.

Whate'er my God ordains is right: here shall my stand be taken; Though sorrow, need, or death be mine, yet am I not forsaken. My Father's care is round me there; He holds me that I shall not fall: And so to him I leave it all.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

"More Precious Than Gold"

1. The Nature of Trials

2. The Purpose of Trials

* HYMN OF RESPONSE #691

"It is Well With My Soul"

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul), it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, tho' trials should come, let this blest assurance control, That Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has shed His own blood for my soul.

It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul), it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin – O, the bliss of this glorious thought! My sin, not in part, but the whole, Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul), it is well, it is well with my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll, The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend, "Even so" it is well with my soul.

It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul), it is well, it is well with my soul.

* THE BENEDICTION

"Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen."

(Hebrews 13:20-21)