

Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, September 13, 2020



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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September 13, 2020 5:30 p.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.”
(Psalm 145:18)

*SONG OF PRAISE

“We Believe”

*We believe in one true God, Father, Spirit, Son;
One Church, one faith, one Lord of all His Kingdom come.*

We believe in God the Father, Almighty Lord of Life;
Creator of the Heavens, the earth, the sea, the sky.
And we believe in Jesus, the only Son of God;
Born of the virgin Mary who lived as one of us.

Chorus

We believe that Jesus suffered, was beaten, crucified;
He died and He was buried, entombed in darkest night.
The third day rose victorious, ascended into Heav'n
Will one day come to judge us, the living and the dead.

Chorus

We believe in God the Spirit, one Church empow'ered by Him;
Communion of God's people, forgiveness of our sin.
Our bodies resurrected to everlasting life;
To worship, love and wonder before the throne of Christ.

Chorus x2

*** PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”

(Colossians 1:13-14)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Acts 24:1-27

***HYMN #252**

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

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?

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

ESTHER 2:1-18

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

REV. KNOX WHITE

The Invisible Hand in the Ubiquitous Empire: “Cinderella or Sleazerella?”

Big Idea: God is still sovereign over our compromises with the world.

The Christian’s Dilemma: Caught Between Two Kingdoms

The Christian's Hope: Grace that is Greater than Our Compromises

*** HYMN OF RESPONSE #170**

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, Son of God and Son of Man!
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul’s glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host:
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heav’n can boast.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine.

*** 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.

Sunday School: Sunday school classes as well as the Sunday prayer meeting will start 30 minutes earlier than normal in order to give people time to travel for church. So please mark these changes to your schedule.

Seating Request: 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.

Congregational Meeting: The session is calling a congregational meeting for today, **Sunday, September 13th** after both the morning and evening services for the purpose of voting to extend a call to Rev. Knox White to the position of Associate Pastor.

Life Explored: All ladies are invited to attend the 7 week course called, Life Explored. This course will be done by ZOOM on Wednesdays from 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM, beginning September 23rd. The course is an overview of the Bible by means of short videos, Scripture reading and discussion. This is a great course to invite your friends who may be new to the Bible or curious about it's message. Contact Diane Poff via email: dianepoff2@gmail.com and she will send you the ZOOM link.

TableTalk Bible Reading Plan: Copies of TableTalk magazine by Ligonier Ministries are available as you leave after the worship service. These issues provide daily reading if you'd like to continue following along a Bible Reading Plan with WPC. Please take advantage of this great resource!

For Your Calendar:

Thursday, September 17, 6:00 a.m.
Carpenter's Apprentices