# THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

The Twenty-First Day of January, Two Thousand Twenty-Four Ten O' Clock

# Pastor — Rev. Richard Owens Associate Pastor – Rev. Josh Reagan

It is in worship, through the preaching, the singing, and the sacraments, that our hearts are drawn from other "heauties" as our eyes are opened to see Jesus for who He really is.

#### Welcome and Announcements

# #Introit - "Child of the King"

O my soul, you can stop hiding, He knows where you are He'll meet you in all your shame, and, O my soul, you can stop striving Lift up your eyes, His blood is enough to save

And, O be still, O my soul, be still, you are perfectly loved, you are perfectly healed O believe, O my soul, believe you're no longer an orphan You're a child of the King

O my soul, you can stop searching, the love that you seek is here in your Father's smile, and, O my soul, you can let down your guard, you don't have to impress He's already made you His child

And, O be still, O my soul, be still, you are perfectly loved, you are perfectly healed O believe, O my soul, believe you're no longer an orphan You're a child of the King

O my soul, hold fast to this truth, there's no power on earth that can make Him stop loving you, He'll never stop loving you, and, O be still, O my soul, be still you are perfectly loved, you are perfectly healed

O believe, O my soul, believe you're no longer an orphan, you're a child of the King, you're a child of the King you're a child of the King

## **‡The Call to Worship** — (From Isaiah 55, Psalm 46, 81, 124, 125)

Pastor: Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters.

Congregation: He who has no money, come, buy and eat.

Pastor: Incline your ear, and come to the Lord; hear that your soul may live. Congregation: Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon Him while He is near.

Pastor: Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob. Congregation: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Pastor and Congregation: Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion, they shall not be moved.

# ‡The Hymn No. 100 - "Holy, Holy, Holy!"

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see, only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

# **‡The Prayer of Invocation**

# The Old Testament Reading

Lamentations 3:19-27.....Lewis Buford

<sup>19</sup> Remember my affliction and my wanderings, the wormwood and the gall! <sup>20</sup> My soul continually remembers it and is bowed down within me. <sup>21</sup> But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: <sup>22</sup> The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; <sup>23</sup> they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. <sup>24</sup> "The LORD is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." <sup>25</sup> The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. <sup>26</sup> It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. <sup>27</sup> It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.

# ‡The Hymn No. 598 - "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand; Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,

Feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through; Strong Deliv'rer, strong Deliv'rer,

Be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death, and hell's Destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side; Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee, I will ever give to thee.

# The New Testament Reading and Congregational Prayer

1 Corinthians 15:1-8......Gary Dyksterhouse

15 Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, <sup>2</sup> and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. <sup>3</sup> For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. <sup>6</sup> Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. <sup>8</sup> Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

#### Offertory Prayer

#### #The Hymn - "Great Are You, Lord"

You give life, You are love. You bring light to the darkness. You give hope. You restore ev'ry heart that is broken. And great are You, Lord.

#### Chorus

It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise. It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise to You only. (Repeat Verse & Chorus)

And all the earth will shout Your praise. Our hearts will cry these bones will sing, "Great are You Lord!" (Repeat) (Chorus)

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#### Children's Moment

Q. 6. Are there more gods than one?

**A.** There is only one God.

Q. 7. In how many persons does this one God exist?

**A.** In three persons

Q. 8. What are they?

A. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

# Children dismissed for Little Worship at this time (K4 – K5)

# Reading of the Holy Scripture: Joshua 4:1-7

4 When all the nation had finished passing over the Jordan, the LORD said to Joshua, <sup>2</sup> "Take twelve men from the people, from each tribe a man, <sup>3</sup> and command them, saying, "Take twelve stones from here out of the midst of the Jordan, from the very place where the priests' feet stood firmly, and bring them over with you and lay them down in the place where you lodge tonight." <sup>4</sup> Then Joshua called the twelve men from the people of Israel, whom he had appointed, a man from each tribe. <sup>5</sup> And Joshua said to them, "Pass on before the ark of the LORD your God into the midst of the Jordan, and take up each of you a stone upon his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the people of Israel, <sup>6</sup> that this may be a sign among you. When your children ask in time to come, 'What do those stones mean to you?' <sup>7</sup> then you shall tell them that the waters of the Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD. When it passed over the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. So these stones shall be to the people of Israel a memorial forever."

The Sermon: "The Story of the Stones" ...... Dr. McKay Caston

## **‡The Hymn – "Grace"**

Your grace that leads this sinner home, from death to life forever. And sings the song of righteousness, by blood and not by merit.

Your grace that reaches far and wide, to every tribe and nation, Has called my heart to enter in, the joy of Your salvation.

#### Chorus

By grace I am redeemed. By grace I am restored. And now I freely walk into the arms of Christ, my Lord.

Your grace that I cannot explain, not by my earthly wisdom. The Prince of life, without a stain, was traded for this sinner. **(Chorus)** 

Let praise rise up and overflow; my song resound forever.
For grace will see me welcomed home to walk beside my Savior. (Chorus x2)
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#### **‡Benediction**

‡Congregation standing

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, January 21

8:30 a.m. Music Team Rehearsal 9:30 a.m. Prayer in the Church Office

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship: Dr. McKay Caston

Little Worship: Lewis and Meredith Buford

11:20 a.m. Sunday School4:30 p.m. Shepherding Groups

Wednesday, January 24

5:30 p.m. Mid-week meal and Study

Thursday, January 25

6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast Study: "Confessing the Faith"

Sunday, January 28

8:30 a.m. Music Team Rehearsal9:30 a.m. Prayer in the Church Office

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship: Rev. Richard Owens

Little Worship: Tyler and Gray Blocker

11:20 a.m. Sunday School

#### **Announcements:**

Mark your Calendars: 2024 is Westminster's 40th anniversary to kick off this season. We will welcome Dr. McKay Caston (WPC pastor 2003-2007) to the pulpit this morning. Our 40th celebration weekend will be Feb 3rd & 4th. Rev. Brad Mercer and Dr. Randy Thompson will be with us. More details to follow.

**Women's Spring Study:** Ladies, please join us as we study the book *Job: Trusting God When Suffering Comes* by Lydia Brownback. This 10-week study will begin **tomorrow**, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. There will be three study times offered: Mondays at 5:30pm and Thursdays at 8:30am and noon. A nursery will be provided for each study. Books are available to purchase for \$10.

**Women's Book Club:** Our monthly Book Club will meet on Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at the home of Diane Finnegan. *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* by Patti Callahan will be our featured book.

Winter Joint Adult Sunday School: This winter, Josh is teaching through "The Lord of the Psalm 23" by David Gibson. Psalm 23 is the best-known psalm in the Bible. Join us as we explore how this short passage richly portrays Christ's goodness and provision as he guides His people.

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Birthdays and Anniversaries for This Week:

Birthdays: Allie Coleman 01/23; Adron Belk 01/24; Stephen Edwards 01/24; Brian

Finnegan 01/27

Anniversaries: No anniversaries this week.

January Usher Team

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Corley & Jennifer M

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2/3s- T Mac and Meagan Howard; K4/K5- Peyton and Catherine Fandel 1st-2nd- Lewis and Meredith Buford; 3rd-5th- Crystal Downing

3rd Sunday of each month

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