

Westminster Presbyterian Church

The Lord's Day, April 19, 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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April 19, 2020 10:15 a.m.

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

“Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.”

(Psalm 30:4)

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***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 Samuel 15:24-37

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be propitiation for our sins.”

(1 John 4:9-10)

***Song of Assurance**

“His Mercy is More”

What love could remember no wrongs we have done,
Omniscient all knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

*Praise the Lord! His mercy is more! Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam,
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest the poor,
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Chorus

What riches of kindness He lavished on us,
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood ‘neath a debt we could never afford,
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

Chorus (x2)

* **CONFESSION OF FAITH**
HEIDELBERG CATECHISM #1

Pastor: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death— to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

HYMN OF CONFIDENCE #332 *“Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove”*

Come, Holy Spirit, heav’nly Dove, with all your quick’ning pow’rs;
Kindle a flame of sacred love in these cold hearts of ours.

In vain we tune our formal songs, in vain we strive to rise;
Hosannas languish on our tongues, and our devotion dies.

And shall we then forever live at this poor dying rate?
Our love, so faint, so cold to you, And yours to us so great!

Come, Holy Spirit, heav’nly Dove, with all your quickening pow’rs;
Come, shed abroad a Savior’s love, and that shall kindle ours.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

MARK 4:1-20

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

REV. CHAD WATKINS

“The Seed and the Soil”

1. The Hard Heart

2. The Shallow Heart

3. The Divided Heart

4. The Fruitful Heart

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #558 *“That Man is Blest Who, Fearing God”*

That man is blest who, fearing God, from sin restrains his feet,
Who will not stand with wicked men, who shuns the scorners' seat.

Yea, blest is he who makes God's law his portion and delight,
And meditates upon that law with gladness day and night.

That man is nourished like a tree set by the rivers' side;
Its leaf is green, its fruit is sure, and thus his works abide.

The wicked like the driven chaff are swept from off the land;
They shall not gather with the just, nor in the judgment stand.

The Lord will guard the righteous well, their way to him is known;
The way of sinners, far from God, shall surely be o'er thrown.

* THE BENEDICTION

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”

(Romans 15:13)