



# Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

*The Lord's Day, January 1, 2023 A.M.*

*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.*

# The Lord's Day

January 1, 2023 10:15 a.m.

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## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“Stand up and bless the Lord your God from everlasting to everlasting.  
Blessed be your glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.”  
*(Nehemiah 9:5)*

### \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #30

### *“Our God, Our Help in Ages Past”*

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure;  
sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood, or earth received her frame,  
from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone;  
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

The busy tribes of flesh and blood, with all their lives and cares,  
are carried downward by your flood, and lost in foll'wing years.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, bears all its sons away;  
they fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the op'ning day.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come:  
O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

**READING OF SCRIPTURE**  
Philippians 3:1-11

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith,  
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”  
*(Romans 5:1)*

**\*SONG**

***“This is Amazing Grace”***

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness, whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder, who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

*This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love,  
That You would take my place, that You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life that I would be set free,  
Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me*

Who brings our chaos back into order, who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Who rules the nations with truth and justice, shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of Glory, the King above all kings

*Chorus*

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain; worthy, worthy, worthy

*Chorus*

Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me

\*CONFESSION OF FAITH  
WLC Q. 160

**Pastor:** What is required of those that hear the Word preached?

**All:** It is required of those that hear the Word preached, that they attend upon it with diligence, preparation, and prayer; examine what they hear by the Scriptures; receive the truth with faith, love, meekness, and readiness of mind, as the Word of God; meditate, and confer of it; hide it in their hearts, and bring forth the fruit of it in their lives.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

**HYMN #32**

***“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”***

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;  
as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

*Chorus*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

*Chorus*

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE READING OF SCRIPTURE  
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**

**Ecclesiastes 3:1-15  
REV. KNOX WHITE**

**Trapped in Time**

God has trapped you in time

God has trapped you in time so that you would fear Him

God will give you joy if you will trust Him in the trap of time

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE #670**      *“If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee”*

If thou but suffer God to guide thee, and hope in him through all my ways,  
He'll give thee strength, whate'er betide thee, and bear thee through the evil days:  
Who trusts in God's unchanging love builds on the Rock that naught can move.

What can these anxious cares avail thee, these never ceasing moans and sighs?  
What can it help, if thou bewail thee o'er each dark moment as it flies?  
Our cross and trials do but press the heavier for our bitterness.

Only be still, and wait his leisure in cheerful hope, with heart content  
To take whate'er thy Father's pleasure and all discerning love hath sent;  
nor doubt our inmost wants are known to him who chose us for his own.

All are alike before the Highest; 'tis easy to our God, we know,  
to raise thee up though low thou liest to make the rich man poor and low;  
true wonders still by him are wrought who setteth up and brings to naught.

Sing, pray, and keep his ways unswerving, so do thine own part faithfully,  
and trust his Word though undeserving, thou yet shalt find it true for thee;  
God never yet forsook at need the soul that trusted him indeed.

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

“The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.”  
*(Revelation 22:21)*

# WPC ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Evening Service Tonight:** We encourage you to join us for evening worship at 5:30pm. If you cannot attend in person please join us via our livestream. To access the livestream go to our website [www.wpc-pca.com](http://www.wpc-pca.com) and click on livestream.

**By Faith Magazines & TableTalks** are available in the Narthex.

## **Congregational Meeting January 29:**

The session is calling a congregational meeting on Sunday, January 29, 2023 immediately following the morning worship service for the purpose of electing men to the offices of elder and deacon. The following men have been approved by the session for election:

**Elder:** Jason Belcher, Gordon Eldridge, Mike Neill.

**Deacon:** John Linn, Darrin Lyon, Caleb Sevcik.

Communing members in good standing are eligible to vote.

## **For Your Calendar:**

**Sunday, January 1, 5:30 p.m.**  
Evening Service

**Wednesday, January 4, 9:30 a.m.**  
Bible Babes Bible Study

**Thursday, January 5, 6:00 a.m.**  
Carpenter's Apprentice

**Thursday, January 5, 10:00 a.m.**  
Food Ministry

**Sunday, January 8, 10:15 a.m.**  
Communion AM