



# Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

*The Lord's Day, October 29, 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

October 29, 2023 10:15 a.m.

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## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **\*The Call to Worship**

“Shout for the joy of the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright.  
Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!  
Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.  
*(Psalm 33:1-3)*”

### **\*PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

### **\*HYMN OF PRAISE #92**

### ***“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”***

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and pow’r are great, and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God’s own choosing.  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He,  
Lord Sabaoth His name, from age to age the same, and He must win the battle.

And tho this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph thru us.  
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;  
His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure; one little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly pow’rs, no thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours, through Him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also; The body they may kill:  
God’s truth abideth still; His kingdom is forever.

**READING OF SCRIPTURE**  
Matthew 11:1-30

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“But now in Christ Jesus you who were once far off  
have been brought near by the blood of Christ.”  
*(Ephesians 2:13)*

**\*HYMN #168**

***“I Greet Thee Who My Sure Redeemer Art”***

I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art, my only trust and Savior of my heart,  
Who pain didst undergo for my poor sake; I pray thee form our hearts all cares to take.

Thou art the King of mercy and of grace, reigning omnipotent in ev’ry place:  
So come, O King, and our whole being sway; shine on us with the light of thy pure day.

Thou art the Life, by which alone we live, and all our substance and our strength receive;  
O comfort us in death’s approaching hour, strong-hearted then to face it by thy pow’r.

Thou hast the true and perfect gentleness, no harshness hast thou and no bitterness:  
Make us to taste the sweet grace found in thee and ever stay in thy sweet unity.

Our hope is in no other save in thee; our faith is built upon thy promise free;  
O grant to us such stronger hope and sure that we can boldly conquer and endure.

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH  
NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried, and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING**

**SONG**

***“Reformation Song”***

Your Word alone is solid ground; the mighty rock on which we build.  
In ev’ry line the truth is found, and ev’ry page with glory filled.

Through faith alone we come to You. We have no merit we can claim.  
Sure that Your promises are true, we place our hope in Jesus’ name.

*Gloria, gloria, Glory to God alone! Gloria, Gloria, Glory to God alone!*

In Christ alone we’re justified. His righteousness is all our plea,  
Your law’s demands are satisfied. His perfect work has set us free.

By grace alone we have been saved. All that we are has come from You.  
Hearts that were once by sin enslaved, now by Your pow’r have been made new.

*Gloria, gloria, Glory to God alone! Gloria, Gloria, Glory to God alone!*

And on this Reformation day, we join with saints of old to sing.  
We lift our hearts as one in praise: Glory to Christ our gracious King!  
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*Gloria, gloria, Glory to God alone! Gloria, Gloria, Glory to God alone! (repeat)*

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

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

**EXODUS 23:20-33  
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

**“The Promises of God”**

A Guide

A Home

A Victory

**\*Hymn of Response #455**

***“And Can It Be That I Should Gain”***

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God shouldst die for me?  
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'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies: who can explore his strange design?  
In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine.  
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more.  
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite His grace!  
Humbled Himself so great his love, and bled for all his chosen race.  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me.  
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.  
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, thru Christ my own.  
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

“And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all,  
as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness  
before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.”  
*(1 Thessalonians 3:12-13)*

# 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.

## Inquirers Class | Beginning November 12th | 9:00am

Are you considering joining Westminster? New to Reformed theology or Presbyterianism? Looking to get to know the leadership of our church? Come join us for an Inquirer's Class on Sunday mornings, during the Sunday school hour (9-10am) beginning November 12



# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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**Looking for a way to get involved in WPC?  
Here are some areas where help is needed:**

**Nursery/Tuesday Morning Childcare**  
Contact Krystina Lyon  
[klyon0727@gmail.com](mailto:klyon0727@gmail.com)

**Morning or Evening Communion Preparation**  
Contact Keri Sevcik  
[wpcpcaoffice@gmail.com](mailto:wpcpcaoffice@gmail.com)

**Children's Sunday School Teachers**  
Contact Melissa Giddens  
[amg00470@gmail.com](mailto:amg00470@gmail.com)

**AV Team**  
Contact Randy Seay  
[hrr223@gmail.com](mailto:hrr223@gmail.com)

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**MUST BE A MEMBER TO VOLUNTEER**

## For Your Calendar:

**TODAY 12:00 p.m.**  
Lunch with Brenda Carter

**TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.**  
Evening Service

**Monday, October 30**  
**Office Closed**

**Tuesday, October 31, 9:30 a.m.**  
Ladies Tuesday Bible Study

**Wednesday, November 1, 9:30 a.m.**  
Ladies Wednesday Bible Study

**Wednesday, November 1, 4:45 p.m.**  
Catechism Club

**Thursday, November 2, 6:00 a.m.**  
Carpenter's Apprentice

**Friday, November 3, 9:00 a.m.**  
Food Ministry