

# Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, November 19, 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

November 19, 2023 10:15 a.m.

#### GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully. He will receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

(Psalm 24:3-5)

#### \*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.

#### \*Hymn of Praise #277

# "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

"Christ the Lord is ris'n today," Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia! Sing ye heav'ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia! Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia! Death in vain forbids his rise; Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Once He died, our souls to save; Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia! Made like Him, like Him we rise; Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

# READING OF SCRIPTURE Matthew 12:38-50

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death."

(Romans 8:1-2)

#### \*Song

# "May the Peoples Praise You"

You have called us out of darkest night, into Your glorious light,
That we may sing the wonders of the risen Christ.

May our every breath retell the grace that broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy, with endless life.

May the peoples praise You, let the nations be glad! All Your blessing comes that we may praise, may praise the name of Jesus.

All the earth is Yours and all within, each harvest is Your own, And from Your hand we give to You, to make Christ known. May the seeds of mercy grow in us for those who have not heard, May songs of praise build lives of grace to spread Your Word.

#### Chorus

This our holy priv'lege to declare Your praises and Your Name To every nation, tribe and tongue Your church proclaim.

#### Chorus

Holy, Holy, is the Lord Almighty. Worthy, worthy is the Lamb who was slain. Holy, Holy is the Lord Almighty. All creation praise Your glorious Name.

Chorus x2

#### \*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 "Holy Spirit"

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul. Bring the presence of the Risen Lord, to renew my heart & make me whole. Cause Your Word to come alive in me; give me faith for what I cannot see, Give me passion for Your purity; Holy Spirit breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within, may Your joy be seen in all I do. Love enough to cover ev'ry sin, in each thought and deed and attitude. Kindness to the greatest and the least, gentleness that sows the path of peace. Turn my striving into works of grace; breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made. Show Your power once again on earth, cause Your church to hunger for Your ways. Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; lead us on the road of sacrifice, That in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

# PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

EXODUS 25:23-40 REV. CHAD WATKINS

"Gospel Pictures"

The Bread of Life

The Light of the World

# \*Hymn of Response #304 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto Me and rest; Lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast." I came to Jesus as I was, weary, and worn, and sad; I found in Him a resting place, and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold, I freely give
The living water; thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live."
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's Light; Look unto me, your morn shall rise, and all the day be bright." I looked to Jesus, and I found in Him my Star, my Sun; And in that Light of life I'll walk, till trav'ling days are done.

#### \*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**

# **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 and click on livestream.

# Inquirers Class | Sunday Mornings | 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).

#### **Kids Christmas Choir**

It's that time of year again! Kids Christmas Choir will be practicing on Tuesdays, November 28th and December 5th from 4:30pm-5:00pm. (Parents please plan to stay with your children for practice.) Our performance will be at the beginning of the church Christmas Party on December 10th at 7:00pm. We will be singing Jesus Joy of the Highest Heaven and Silent Night.

# **Christmas Party | December 10th!**

Mark your calendars for WPC's Annual Christmas Party on December 10th! We'll start the afternoon with Christmas Caroling at 3:45, the Evening Service at 5:30, and then we will end the night in the Fellowship Hall directly following the evening service for appetizers and desserts! Please bring your favorite appetizer to share! Beverages will be provided.

#### Volunteers Needed!

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

- Nursery volunteer/Tuesday morning childcare contact Krystina Lyon <u>klyon0727@gmail.com</u>
- Morning or evening communion preparation contact Keri Sevcik <u>wpcpcaoffice@gmail.com</u>
- Children's Sunday School teachers contact Melissa Giddens <u>amg00470@gmail.com</u>
- AV team contact Randy Seay <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/journal.com">https://doi.org/10.1007/journal.com</a>
- Kitchen Volunteer Organization, Cleaning, Stocking- contact Keri Sevcik wpcpcaoffice@gmail.com

# **Christmas Gifts for Catechism Club**

We are collecting gifts and school supplies for our neighborhood families that participate in Catechism Club! You can order directly from our Amazon Gift List OR purchase gifts yourself from our list below. Check the "This Week Email" for the Amazon Link!

Bible Story Books, Pens, Pencils, Crayons, Markers, Notebooks, Coloring Books, Stuffed Animals, Socks, Balls

#### For Your Calendar:

TODAY 11:45 a.m. Church Picnic!

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m. Evening Service

Thursday, November 23

Office Closed for Thanksgiving

Friday, November 24

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