

# *Westminster Presbyterian Church*

*The Lord's Day, December 5, 2021*



*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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*December 5, 2021 10:15 a.m.*

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## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, ‘Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!’ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them saying, ‘To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!’ And the four living creatures said, ‘Amen!’ and the elders fell down and worshiped.

*(Revelation 5:11-14)*

### \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #208

#### *“O Come, All Ye Faithful”*

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels;  
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

God of God, Light of Light;  
Lo, he abhors not the Virgin's womb;  
Very God, begotten, not created;  
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above;  
Glory to God, in the highest!  
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning:  
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n;  
Word of the Father, late in flesh appearing;  
O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,  
O come, let us adore Him, Christ the Lord!

**READING OF SCRIPTURE**

2 Kings 10:1-17

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“ O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.”  
*(Psalm 130:7-8)*

**\*SONG**

***“Come Behold the Wonderous Mystery”***

Come behold the wonderous myst'ry in the dawning of the King;  
He the theme of heaven's praises robed in frail humanity.  
In our longing, in our darkness now the Light of Life has come;  
Look to Christ, who condescended took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, He the perfect Son of Man;  
In His living, in His suffering never trace nor stain of sin.  
See the true and better Adam come to save the hell-bound man;  
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law; in Him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, Christ the Lord upon the tree;  
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory.  
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold;  
Bringing many sons to glory grace unmeasured, love untold.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry slain by death the God of life;  
But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord; He is alive!  
What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope;  
Christ in power resurrected as we will be when He comes.

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**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH  
WLC Q.91-92**

**Pastor:** What is the duty which God requires of man?

**All:** The duty which God requires of man, is obedience to his revealed will.

**Pastor:** What did God at first reveal unto man as the rule of his obedience?

**All:** The rule of obedience revealed to Adam in the estate of innocence, and to all mankind in him, besides a special command not to eat of the fruit of the tree knowledge of good and evil, was the moral law.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING**

**SONG**

***“Joy Has Dawned”***

Joy has dawned upon the world, promised from creation:  
God’s salvation now unfurled, hope for every nation.  
Not with fanfares from above, not with scenes of glory,  
but a humble gift of love; Jesus, born of Mary.

Sounds of wonder fill the sky with the songs of angels,  
as the mighty Prince of Life shelters in a stable.  
Hands that set each star in place, shaped the earth in darkness,  
cling now to a mother’s breast, vul-n’ra-ble and helpless.

Shepherds bow before the Lamb, gazing at the glory;  
Gifts of men from distant lands prophesy the story.  
Gold, a King is born today; incense, God is with us;  
Myrrh, His death will make a way, by His blood He’ll win us.

Son of Adam, Son of Heav’n given as a ransom;  
Reconciling God and man Christ our mighty Champion!  
What a Saviour, what a Friend, what a glorious myst’ry:  
Once a babe in Bethlehem, now the Lord of hist’ry.

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE READING OF SCRIPTURE**

**1 PETER 4:1-6**

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**

**Rev. Chad Watkins**

*“Arm Yourselves”*

1. The Path of Suffering

2. The Path of Indulgence

**\*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 Lord bless you from Zion, he who made heaven and earth!”  
*(Psalm 134:3)*