



# Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

*The Lord's Day, December 14, 2025 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

December 14, 2025 10:15 a.m.

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## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.”  
*(Psalm 46:1)*

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #218

### *“Angels, From the Realms of Glory”*

Angels, from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
ye who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth:  
come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

Shepherds, in the fields abiding, watching o'er your flocks by night,  
God with man is now residing, yonder shines the infant Light:  
come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

Sages, leave your contemplations, brighter visions beam afar;  
seek the great Desire of nations; ye have seen his natal star:  
come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

Saints before the altar bending, watching long in hope and fear,  
suddenly the Lord, descending, in his temple shall appear:  
come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son;  
evermore your voices raising to th'eternal Three in One:  
come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the newborn King.

### \*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin,  
so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”  
(2 Corinthians 5:21)

**READING OF SCRIPTURE**

Psalm 34

**\*PSALM 34B**

***“I Will At All Times Bless the LORD”***

I will at all times bless the LORD;  
his praise my mouth will always voice.  
And in the LORD my soul shall boast;  
the poor will hear it and rejoice.

Come, let us magnify the LORD,  
and praise his name in unity!  
I sought the LORD, and in reply,  
from all my fears he rescued me.

How radiant, those who looked to him!  
Their faces free from shame shall be.  
The LORD heard when this poor man cried,  
and from all trouble set him free.

Encircling those who fear the LORD  
his angel camps, and rescues them.  
O taste and see the LORD is good;  
how blessed are those who trust in him.

Revere the LORD, all you his saints.  
Young lions may at times lack food;  
but none who fears and seeks the LORD  
shall be deprived of any good.

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH  
THE 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**

**HYMN #211**

***“God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen”***

God rest you merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay,  
remember Christ our Savior was born on Christmas day,  
to save us all from Satan’s pow’r when we were gone astray;  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

From God our heav’nly Father, a blessed angel came;  
and unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same:  
how that in Bethlehem was born the Son of God by name.  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

“Fear not, then,” said the angel, “let nothing you affright;  
this day is born a Savior of a pure virgin bright,  
to free all those who trust in him from Satan’s pow’r and might.”  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

The shepherds at those tidings re-joic-ed much in mind,  
and left their flocks a-feeding, in tempest, storm, and wind:  
and went to Bethlehem straight-way, the Son of God to find.  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy, O tidings of comfort and joy.

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

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

**HEBREWS 7:23-28  
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

**“Christ Our Priest”**

**WSC Q. 25 - How doth Christ execute the office of a priest?**

Christ executeth the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine Justice, and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

A Permanent Priesthood

A Holy Priest

A Superior Sacrifice

Effectual Intercession

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION #213**

***“What Child is This?”***

What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary’s lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping?  
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing:  
haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the Son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear; for sinners here the silent Word is pleading.  
Nails, spear, shall pierce him through; the cross be borne for me, for you:  
hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, come, peasant, king, to own him;  
The King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone him.  
Raise, raise the song on high, the virgin sings her lullaby:  
joy, joy for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary.

**THE LORD’S SUPPER INSTRUCTION AND EXHORTATION**

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER\***

**\*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING #731**

***“Doxology”***

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.”  
*(Philippians 4:23)*

*\*the communion bread is gluten free*

# WPC ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Evening Service Tonight

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

## December Newsletter

Hard copies of the newsletter are available in the Narthex. **Please take 1 per family.** The digital copy is available on the WPC website.

## WPC Annual Christmas Caroling | Dec. 14 | 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The WPC annual Christmas caroling will take place on Sunday, Dec. 14. We will meet at the church parking lot at 3:00 p.m. Departure time will be at 3:05 p.m. Several locations will be visited. We will return in time for the evening service. Everyone is welcome!

## Church Christmas Party | Dec. 19 | 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Our annual church-wide Christmas party will be on Friday, Dec. 19! **Bring a heavy hors d'oeuvre to share.** Join us for food, games, and a **tacky Christmas sweater contest!**

## Christmas Eve Service | Dec. 24 | 5:00 p.m.

We will have an evening of lessons and carols. This is a great time to invite friends and family! **The nursery will not be available during this service.**

**Sunday School classes will not meet on Sunday, December 28!**

### For Your Calendar:

**TODAY 3:00 p.m.**  
Christmas Caroling

**Mon., Dec. 15, 5:30 p.m.**  
Missions Team Meeting

**Fri., Dec. 19, 5:00 p.m.**  
WPC Christmas Party

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

**Fri., Dec. 19, 9:00 a.m.**  
Food Ministry

**Sat., Dec. 20, 9:00 a.m.**  
Prayer Meeting at the  
Josteses' Home