

Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, December 15, 2024 P.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 15, 2024 5:30 p.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

(Revelation 4:11)

*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

"Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all."

(Isaiah 53:4-6)

READING OF SCRIPTURE Hebrews 13:1-25

*Hymn #225

"Once in Royal David's City"

Once in royal David's city stood a lowly cattle shed, where a mother laid her baby in a manger for his bed: Mary was that mother mild, Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven who is God and Lord of all, and his shelter was a stable, and his cradle was a stall: with the poor, and mean, and lowly, lived on earth our Savior holy.

And through all his wondrous childhood he would honor and obey, love and watch the lowly maiden in whose gentle arms he lay:
Christian children all must be mild, obedient, good as he.

And our eyes at last shall see him, through his own redeeming love; for that child so dear and gentle is our Lord in heav'n above, and he leads his children on to the place where he is gone.

Not in that poor lowly stable, with the oxen standing by, we shall see him, but in heaven, set at God's right hand on high; when like stars his children crowned all in white shall wait around.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

2 PETER 1:16-21 CHAPLAIN BRENT SADLER

"Gospel Guidance"

The Gospel Summarized

The Gospel Witnessed

The Gospel's Guiding

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold; As with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright; So, most gracious God, may we evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped to that lowly cradle bed, There to bend the knee before him whom heav'n and earth adore; So may we with willing feet ever seek thy mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare at that cradle rude and bare; So may we with holy joy, pure, and free from sin's alloy, All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'nly King.

Holy Jesus, ev'ry day keep us in the narrow way; And when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last Where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heav'nly country bright need they no created light; thou its light, its joy, its crown, thou its sun which goes not down; there forever may we sing alleluias to our King.

*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

Lord's Supper Offering

Our recipient for the 4th quarter will be Destin Harvest. Destin Harvest partners with WPC. Our weekly food distributions are provided by this organization. Destin Harvest is in need of donations to help with repairs for their Food Rescue Truck. Please visit https://destinharvest.org/ for more information about Destin Harvest.

CPR Training

If you are interested in taking a CPR training course, please sign-up through the church office via email at wpcpcaoffice@gmail.com. Once enough members have signed up for CPR training, a date for the class will be determined.

Candlelight Service | December 24 | 6:00 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.

For Your Calendar:

Tuesday, December 17, 4:30 p.m. Caroling at Okaloosa County Jail in

Crestview

Thursday, December 19, 6:00 a.m.

Carpenter's Apprentice

Friday, December 20, 9:00 a.m.

Food Ministry

Tuesday, December 24, 6:00 p.m.

Candlelight Service