



# Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

*The Lord's Day, December 21, 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 21, 2025 10:15 a.m.

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## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”  
*(Luke 2:14)*

### \*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 #214

### *“Angels We Have Heard on High”*

Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
and the mountains in reply echo back their joyous strains.  
Glo - - ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o, glo - - ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o.

Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong?  
Say what may the tidings be, which inspire your heav'nly song?  
Glo - - ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o, glo - - ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o.

Come to Bethlehem and see him whose birth the angels sing;  
come, adore on bended knee Christ the Lord, the newborn King.  
Glo - - ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o, glo - - ri-a in ex-cel-sis De-o.

**READING OF SCRIPTURE**  
Psalm 35

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.”  
*(Titus 3:4-7)*

**\*PSALM 35**

***“LORD, Plead My Case”***

LORD, plead my case when I am charged by foes maliciously,  
and fight for me when they attack and vent their spite on me.  
Take up your shield and rise to help! And say unto my soul,  
“I am salvation unto you.” With spear, restrain my foe.

May those who seek to take my life endure disgrace and shame;  
may those who plot my overthrow turn back the way they came.  
May they like chaff before the wind be ever driven far;  
and let the angel of the LORD pursue them in the dark.

Without a cause, to capture me they spread and hid their net;  
without a cause, to trap my soul they dug a deadly pit.  
Surprise him with destruction, LORD, and catch him in his net;  
ensnare him in his hidden trap; destroy him in his pit!

My soul will then rejoice in God, exulting in his name.  
“O LORD, who is a God like you?” my heart and soul exclaim.  
You give the poor deliverance from one who is too strong;  
you save the poor and weak from those who rob and do them wrong.

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH  
HEIDELBERG CATECHISM #1**

**Pastor:** What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**All:** That I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death— to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING**

SONG

***“Come Adore the Humble King”***

Come adore the humble King, lowly in the manger  
fall before his majesty, hail the little Savior.  
Hope what hope no tongue could tell, God has come with us to dwell  
his name is Emmanuel; O praise the humble King.

Come adore in humble state he the song of angels  
Join the wise who call his name and with all creation  
Who oh who would condescend? God unknown now calls us friend  
Love that none could comprehend, O praise the humble King

Come adore the King who came to our world to save us  
Born to heal our prideful race, crown us with forgiveness  
Fall oh fall before the one who in mercy left his throne  
Christ the Lord God’s only Son, his glories now we sing  
O praise the humble King

Come adore, come adore, come adore the King  
Bow before, come adore the Name above all names

(Repeat x2)

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

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

**PSALM 97  
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

**“Christ Our King”**

**WSC Q. 26 - How doth Christ execute the office of a king?**

Christ executeth the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Joyful Reign

Righteous Reign

Terrifying Reign

Holy Reign

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE #201**

***“O Little Town of Bethlehem”***

O little town of Bethlehem, how still we see thee lie;  
above thy deep and dreamless sleep the silent stars go by:  
yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light;  
the hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary; and gathered all above,  
while mortals sleep, the angels keep their watch of wond'ring love.  
O morning stars, together proclaim the holy birth!  
And praises sing to God the King, and peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently the wondrous gift is giv'n!  
So God imparts to human hearts the blessings of his heav'n.  
No ear may hear his coming, but in this world of sin,  
where meek souls will receive him still, the dear Christ enters in.

O holy child of Bethlehem, descend to us, we pray;  
cast out our sin, and enter in, be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels the great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us, our Lord Emmanuel.

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”  
*(Romans 15:13)*

# 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.

## 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.**

## Midweek at WPC | January 14 | 5:15 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Starting Wednesday, January 14, WPC will begin a midweek service every Wednesday from 5:15 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. There will be a fellowship meal provided by the church and something for all ages. If you have any questions, pick up an informational brochure located in the Narthex and/or talk with one of the elders!

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

### For Your Calendar:

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

**Wed., Dec. 24, 5:00 p.m.**  
Christmas Eve Service

**Fri., Dec. 26, 9:00 a.m.**  
Food Ministry