

# Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, February 25, 2024 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

February 25, 2024 10:15 a.m.

#### **GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David."

(Isaiah 55:1-3)

#### \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

#### \*Hymn of Praise #455

#### "And Can It Be That I Should Gain"

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood? Died He for me, who caused His pain? For me, who Him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God shouldst die for me! Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

'Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies: who can explore his strange design? In vain the firstborn seraph tries to sound the depths of love divine. 'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore, let angel minds inquire no more. Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite His grace! Humbled Himself so great his love, and bled for all his chosen race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free, for, O my God, it found out me. Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night; Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light; My chains fell off, my heart was free, I rose, went forth, and followed Thee. Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him, is mine! Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine, Bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, thru Christ my own. Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

#### READING OF SCRIPTURE

Matthew 19:1-15

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

(Romans 6:23)

#### \*Hymn #51

#### "O Jehovah, Hear My Words"

O Jehovah, hear my words, to my thoughts attentive be; Hear my cry, my King, my God, I will make my prayer to thee. With the morning light, O Lord, thou shalt hear my voice arise, And expectant I will bring prayer as morning sacrifice.

Thou, Jehovah, art a God who delightest not in sin; Evil shall not dwell with thee, nor the proud thy favor win. Evil-doers thou dost hate, lying tongues thou wilt defeat; God abhors the man who loves violence and base deceit.

In the fulness of thy grace to thy house I will repair; Bowing toward thy holy place, in thy fear to worship there. Lead me in thy righteousness, let my foes assail in vain; Lest my feet be turned aside, make thy way before me plain.

False and faithless are my foes, in their mouth no truth is found; Deadly are the words they speak, all their thoughts with sin abound. Bring, O God, their plans to naught, hold them guilty in thy sight, For against thee and thy law they have set themselves to fight.

O let all that trust thy care ever glad and joyful be; Let them joy who love thy name, safely guarded, Lord, by thee. For a blessing from thy store to the righteous thou wilt yield; Thou wilt compass him about with thy favor as a shield.

#### \*Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism #11-12

Pastor: What are God's works of providence?

All: God's works of providence are, His most holy, wise, and powerful preserving and governing all His creatures, and all their actions.

<u>Pastor: What special act of providence did God exercise toward man in the estate wherein he was created?</u>

All: When God had created man, He entered into a covenant of life with him, upon condition of perfect obedience; forbidding him to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, upon the pain of death.

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

#### "He Will Hold Me Fast"

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast; When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path; For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast; For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast; Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost; His Promises shall last; Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

#### Chorus

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast; Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast. Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast Till our faith is turned to sight, When he comes at last!

Chorus x2

#### PASTORAL PRAYER

## THE READING OF SCRIPTURE THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD "When God Goes Away"

Exodus 33:1-11 Rev. Chad Watkins

Life Without God

Turning From Sin

A Glimmer of Hope

#### \*SONG OF RESPONSE

#### "All I Have is Christ"

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way; The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave. I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will, And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still.

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost, You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross. And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place; You bore the wrath reserved for me; Now all I know is grace!

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone and live so all might see The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me. O Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose, And let my song forever be: My only boast is You.

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life! Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

#### \*THE BENEDICTION

"Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen."

(Hebrews 13:20-21)

#### **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.

#### Women's Fellowship Brunch | THIS SATURDAY! | 10:00 a.m.

Please join us at the church this Saturday at 10:00 a.m. for brunch, spring crafts, and the opportunity to hear the testimonies of some of the ladies at Westminster!

#### Ladies Booklet Study on Cultivating Biblical Godliness | Tuesdays, 9:30-10:45

Come join us as we study the truths of God's word through this booklet series from Reformation Heritage Press. This study is for mothers, married, and single ladies. Let Krystina Lyon know if you want childcare!

#### Monthly Discipleship Study Group | Tuesday, March 5th

For all those interested in or currently taking on-line courses with LCBCC.org, come join us for our monthly meeting every first Tuesday of the month from 4:30-5:30 PM in classroom #2. Contact Diane Poff for more information 850-685-1307.

#### For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m. Evening Service

Tuesday, February 27, 9:30 a.m. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, February 28, 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, February 28, 4:45 p.m. Catechism Club

Thursday, February 29, 6:00 a.m.

Carpenters Apprentices

Thursday, February 29, 6:30 p.m. Missions Meeting

Friday, March 1, 9:00 a.m.

Food Ministry