



Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, February 4, 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 4, 2024 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him.

God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.”

(John 4:23-24)

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*SONG OF PRAISE

“Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed”

How can it be the One who died has borne our sin through sacrifice,
To conquer every sting of death? Sing, sing “Hallelujah!”
For joy awakes as dawning light when Christ's disciples lift their eyes.
Alive He stands, their Friend and King: Christ, Christ He is risen!

*Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Oh sing “Hallelujah!”
Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed: Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!*

Where doubt and darkness once had been, they saw Him and their hearts believed;
But blessed are those who have not seen, yet sing “Hallelujah!”
Once bound by fear, now bold in faith, they preached the truth and power of grace
And pouring out their lives they gained life, life everlasting.

Chorus

The power that raised Him from the grave now works in us to powerfully save;
He frees our hearts to live His grace – Go, tell of His goodness.

Chorus x2

He is risen! He's alive, He's alive, Heaven's gates are opened wide.
He's alive, He's alive, Now in heaven glorified
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He's alive, He's alive, Now in heaven glorified.

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Matthew 17:14-27

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“But now in Christ Jesus you who were once far off
have been brought near by the blood of Christ.”

(Ephesians 2:13)

***HYMN #521**

“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;

I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;

In ev'ry high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood;

When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound O may I then in Him be found;

Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

*CONFESSION OF FAITH
WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM #7-8

Pastor: What are the decrees of God?

All: The decrees of God are His eternal purpose, according to the counsel of His will, whereby, for His own glory, He hath foreordained whatsoever comes to pass.

Pastor: How doth God execute His decrees?

All: God executeth His decrees in the works of creation and providence.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

“O Church Arise”

O Church arise, and put your armor on, hear the call of Christ our Captain.
For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war to love the captive soul, but to rage against the Captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on every side, we know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died an inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues till the day ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit come, put strength in every stride, give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in glory.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

**EXODUS 31:1-18
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

“The LORD of Space & Time”

The Spirit’s Gifting

The Sabbath’s Purpose

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #390**

“Lord of the Sabbath, Hear Us Pray”

Lord of the Sabbath, hear us pray, in this your house, on this your day;
and own, as grateful sacrifice, the songs which from your temple rise.

Now met to pray and bless your name, whose mercies flow each day the same,
whose kind compassions never cease, we seek instruction, pardon, peace.

Your earthly Sabbaths, Lord, we love, but there's a nobler rest above;
to that our lab'ring souls aspire with ardent hope and strong desire.

In thy blest kingdom we shall be from ev'ry mortal trouble free;
no sighs shall mingle with the songs resounding from immortal tongues;

No rude alarms of raging foes; no cares to break the long repose;
no midnight shade, no waning moon, but sacred, high, eternal noon.

O long-expected day, begin, dawn on these realms of woe and sin!
Break, morn of God, upon our eyes; and let the world's true Sun arise!

***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 5:30pm. 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.

Stewardship Potluck TODAY!

The Session and Diaconate invites all WPC members to stay for a "stewardship" potluck lunch following the morning service today. WPC traditionally has a stewardship themed gathering annually. At these meetings the Officers present the budget for the current year and discuss the finances of the church. It has been some time since we last updated the congregation on these matters. So we would appreciate the congregation gathering on the today for this important update.

Monthly Discipleship Study Group, Tuesday, Feb 6th

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.

For Your Calendar:

TODAY 12:00 p.m.
Stewardship Potluck

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.
Evening Service

Tuesday, February 6, 9:30 a.m.
Tuesday Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday, February 6, 4:30 p.m.
Discipleship Study Group

Wednesday, February 7, 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, February 7, 4:45 p.m.
Catechism Club

Thursday, February 8, 6:00 a.m.
Carpenters Apprentices

Friday, February 9, 9:00 a.m.
Food Ministry