

# Westminster

# Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, March 16, 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 March 16, 2025 10:15 a.m.

#### **GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **\*The Call to Worship**

"Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you. All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name."" (Psalm 66:1-4)

\*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 #38

#### "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most bless-ed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Un-resting, un-hasting and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; Thy justice like mountains high soaring above Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; All praise we would render; O help us to see 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

#### **READING OF SCRIPTURE** Zechariah 14:1-21

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

#### \*Assurance of Pardon

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death." (Romans 8:1-2)

\*Song

#### "The Goodness of Jesus"

Come you weary heart now to Jesus Come you anxious soul now and see There is perfect love and comfort in your tears Rest here in His wondrous peace

Oh the goodness the goodness of Jesus Satisfied he is all that I need May it be come what may that I rest all my days In the goodness of Jesus

Come find what this world cannot offer Come and find your joy here complete Taste the living water never thirst again Rest here in His wondrous peace

Chorus

Come and find your hope now in Jesus He is all he said he would be Grace is overflowing from the Saviour's heart Rest here in His wondrous peace

Chorus x2

May it be come what may that I rest all my days In the goodness of Jesus

#### \*Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 97

**Pastor:** What is required to the worthy receiving of the Lord's Supper?

<u>All:</u> It is required of them that would worthily partake of the Lord's Supper, that they examine themselves, of their knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of their faith to feed upon Him, of their repentance, love, and new obedience; lest, coming unworthily, they eat and drink judgment to themselves.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING** 

#### Song

#### "O How the Grace of God Amazes Me"

O how the grace of God Amazes me! It loosed me from my bonds and set me free! What made it happen so? His own will, this much I know, set me, as now I show, at liberty My God has chosen me, though one of naught, To sit beside my King in heaven's court. Hear what my Lord has done: O, the love that made him run, To meet his erring son! This has God wrought.

Come now, the whole of me, eyes, ears, and voice. Join me, creation all, with joyful noise; Praise him who broke the chain holding me in sin's domain, And set me free again! Sing and rejoice!

Not for my righteousness, for I have none, but for his mercy's sake, Jesus, God's Son, Suffered on Calvary's tree, crucified with thieves was he; great was his grace to me, His wayward one. And when I think of how, at Calvary, He bore sin's penalty instead of me, Amazed, I wonder why He, the sinless One, should die for one so vile as I; My Savior he!

#### Chorus

Now all my heart's desire is to abide in him, my Savior dear, in him to hide. My shield and buckler He, covering and protecting me; from Satan's darts I'll be safe at His side. Lord Jesus, hear my prayer, your grace impart; when evil thoughts arise through Satan's art, O, drive them all away and you do, from day to day, keep me beneath Your sway, King of my heart.

#### Chorus

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PASTORAL PRAYER

#### THE READING OF SCRIPTURE THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

LUKE 1:57-80 Rev. Chad Watkins

# "The Tender Mercy of Our God"

God's Great Mercy to Ordinary Saints

God's Mercy in Affliction

God's Mercy to Sinners

#### \*Hymn of Response

#### "Song of Zechariah"

Blest be God, the Lord of Israel; he has come to set us free! And a horn of full salvation he has raised from David's seed.

God has visited his people to redeem them as foretold in the promise he had spoken thro' his prophets from of old.

God has come in might to save us from the hatred of our foes. From their cruel had he frees us, and his tender mercy shows mercy promised in his cov'nant to our fathers whom he chose. He will keep his oath to Abr'am to release us from our woes.

God has sworn to grant deliv'rance and restore us to our place: serving boldly in his presence, just and holy all our days. You, my child, will be his Prophet, called and sent by God Most High. You must go before the Lord now to prepare his ways aright.

Bring the knowledge of salvation to God's people in their sin. Preach that God is tenderhearted, and by him are sins forgiv'n. His great mercy, like the sunrise, brightly shines in deepest night, gudiing those who sit in darkness to the way of peace and light.

#### **\*The Benediction**

"May the LORD bless you from Zion, he who made heaven and earth!" (Psalm 134:3)

# 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 www.wpc-pca.com and click on livestream.

## Lord's Supper Offering

Our recipient for the month of March 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 <u>https://destinharvest.org/</u> for more information about Destin Harvest.

# Monthly Discipleship Study Group | April 1 | 4:30 pm-5:30 p.m.

This group meets the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in classroom 2. This group exists to encourage students who are enrolled in courses from the LowCountry Biblical Counseling Center. Contact Diane Poff if you are interested in the group.

# No Power at the Church | March 17 - March 20

Westminster will be undergoing electrical upgrades on March 17. Due to these upgrades, the church will be without power from March 17-March 20. The church office will be closed during this time. If there are changes to this timeline, an email will be sent out.

### For Your Calendar:

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

Thursday, March 20, 6:00 a.m. Carpenter's Apprentice Friday, March 21, 9:00 a.m. Food Ministry

Saturday, March 22, 5:30 p.m. Missions Conference Dinner