



# Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

*The Lord's Day, May 1, 2022 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

May 1, 2022 10:15 a.m.

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## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers.”  
*(Psalm 1:1-3)*

### \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### \*SONG OF PRAISE

### *“Come Praise and Glorify”*

Come praise and glorify our God, the Father of our Lord.  
In Christ, He has in heav'nly realms, His blessings on us poured.  
For pure and blameless in His sight He destined us to be,  
And now we've been adopted through His Son eternally.

*To the praise of Your glory, to the praise of Your mercy and grace;  
To the praise of Your glory, You are the God who saves.*

Come praise and glorify our God, who gives His grace in Christ.  
In Him, our sins are washed away, redeemed through sacrifice.  
In Him, God has made known to us the myst'ry of His will,  
That Christ should be the head of all, His purpose to fulfill.

### *Chorus*

Come praise and glorify our God, for we've believed the Word;  
And through our faith we have a seal, the Spirit of the Lord.  
The Spirit guarantees our hope until redemption's done,  
Until we join in endless praise to God, the Three in One.

### *Chorus x2*

**READING OF SCRIPTURE**

2 Kings 21:1-26

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.”

*(Micah 7:18-20)*

**\*HYMN #457**

***“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”***

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:  
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;  
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander – Lord, I feel it – prone to leave the God I love:  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above.

\*CONFESSION OF FAITH  
WLC Q.114

**Pastor:** What reasons are annexed to the third commandment?

**All:** The reasons annexed to the third commandment, in these words, “The Lord thy God,” and “for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain” are, because He is the Lord and our God, therefore His name is not to be profaned or any way abused by us; especially because He will be so far from acquitting and sparing the transgressors of this commandment, as that He will not suffer them to escape His righteous judgment, albeit many such escape the censures and punishments of men.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING**

**SONG**

*“Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken”*

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow Thee.  
Destitute, despised, forsaken, Thou from hence my all shalt be.  
Perish every fond ambition, all I’ve sought or hoped or known.  
Yet how rich is my condition! God and heaven are still mine own.

Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior, too.  
Human hearts and looks deceive me; Thou art not, like them, untrue.  
Oh while Thou shalt smile upon me, God of wisdom, love and might,  
Foes may hate and friends disown me, show Thy face and all is bright.

Man may trouble and distress me, ’twill but drive me to Thy breast.  
Life with trials hard may press me; heaven will bring me sweeter rest.  
Oh, ’tis not in grief to harm me while Thy love is left to me;  
Oh, ’twere not in joy to charm me, were that joy unmixed with Thee.

Go, then, earthly fame and treasure! Come, disaster, scorn and pain!  
In Thy service, pain is pleasure; with Thy favor, loss is gain.  
I have called Thee, “Abba, Father”; I have stayed my heart on Thee:  
Storms may howl, and clouds may gather, all must work for good to me.

Soul then know thy full salvation; rise o’er sin, and fear, and care;  
Joy to find in every station, something still to do or bear  
Think what Spirit dwells within thee; Think what Father’s smiles are thine;  
Think that Jesus died to win thee, child of heaven, canst thou repine?

Haste then on from grace to glory, armed by faith, and winged by prayer,  
Heaven’s eternal day’s before thee, God’s own hand shall guide us there.  
Soon shall close thy earthly mission, swift shall pass thy pilgrim days;  
Hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE READING OF SCRIPTURE**

**2 PETER 3:17-18**

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**

**Rev. Chad Watkins**

*“Growing in Christ”*

Growing Downward

Growing Inward

Growing Upward

The Church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
She is His new creation by water and the Word:  
From heav’n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;  
With his own blood He bought her and for her life He died.

Elect from ev’ry nation, yet one o’re all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses, with ev’ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder, men see her sore oppressed,  
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,  
Yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, “How long?”  
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend,  
To guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end;  
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,  
Against or foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

’Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;  
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with Thee.

**\* 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

**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](http://www.wpc-pca.com) and click on livestream.

## **Photos for Directory | May 1<sup>st</sup> & May 8<sup>th</sup>**

Anna Dornseif will be taking family photos for our directory May 1<sup>st</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup>. She will have a photo location set up outside (weather permitting) after the morning services. If your family is unable to make these dates, or if you already have a photo that you would prefer to use, please email the office with your photo submission by May 15<sup>th</sup>. (*Expect a published directory in June or July.*)

## **Church Family Picnics: May 15 & 29**

Come join us out on the lawn after morning worship for a picnic, fellowship, and lawn games. Bring your own lunch and chair. We will have water and chips to share!

## **Missions:**

A family from South Korea moved into missionaries' Berlin neighborhood and experienced repeated vandalism with eggs, broken glass, and trash. The family was clearly unsettled and had no idea what to do. The mother talked to someone from the church plant's core group when they dropped their kids off at school. The core group then decided as a group to start intercessory prayer, gathering outside on the weekend evenings, when the vandalism had occurred.

God met this request in full, in multiple ways. The attacks stopped as soon as prayer began. The family was relieved and slept well after weeks of unrest. They also saw God giving them a new network of support and fellowship in their new country. The core group saw the power of God at work through prayer in powerful and practical ways. This was a significant step for the group—physically getting out of the prayer room and standing with those in need, plus demonstrating to the neighborhood that what may seem foolish (standing in the cold and wet, praying) is of real value. The vandalism ceased and the family was given peace that surpasses understanding.

## **For Your Calendar:**

**Sunday, May 1, 5:30 p.m.**  
Evening Service

**Tuesday, May 3, 5:00 p.m.**  
Catechism Club

**Wednesday, May 4, 9:30 a.m.**  
Ladies' Weekly Bible Study

**Wednesday, May 4, 5:00 p.m.**  
Youth and Missionary Book Club

**Thursday, May 5, 6:00 a.m.**  
Carpenter's Apprentices

**Thursday, May 5, 10:30 a.m.**  
Food Ministry