

# Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, May 1, 2022 P.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 5:30 p.m.

#### GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"The eyes of the Lord are towards the righteous and his ears towards their cry."

(Psalm 34:15)

#### \*SONG OF PRAISE

#### "Blessed Be Your Name"

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name. Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place; Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,
"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name!"

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me, When the world's "all as it should be," blessed be Your name. Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering, Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name

#### Chorus

You give and take away, You give and take away, My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name." You give and take away, You give and take away, My heart will choose to say, "Lord, blessed be Your name."

#### Chorus

"Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name, Jesus. Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name!"

#### \*Prayer of Adoration and Confession

# \*Assurance of Pardon

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

(John 3:16-17)

# READING OF SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 8:16-24

#### **PSALM 128**

#### "How Blest Are All Who Fear the Lord"

How blest are all who fear the LORD, and walk within his ways. You'll eat your labor's fruit with joy and prosper all your days.

Your wife within your house will be a vine whose fruits abound; your children will as olive plants your table gather 'round.

Behold, thus shall the man be blest who truly fears the LORD. The LORD from Zion give to you his blessing and reward.

O may you see, throughout your days, Jereus'lem prosper well. May you your children's children see. Peace be on Israel!

# PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Genesis 49:29-50:26 Rev. Knox White

"Epitaph of Blessing"

Blessed are those who trust in the promises of God

Blessed are those who trust in the Providence of God

#### \*Hymn of Response #402

### "Abide with Me: Fast Falls the Eventide"

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide: The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide: When other helpers fail, and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away; Change and decay in all around I see; O thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need thy presence every passing hour; What but thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r? Who like thyself my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless: Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness. Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes: Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies: Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee: In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

#### 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

# Photos for Directory | May 1st & May 8th

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:

Tuesday, May 3, 5:00 p.m.

Catechism Club

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

Wednesday, May 4, 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, May 5, 10:30 a.m.

Ladies' Weekly Bible Study

Food Ministry

Wednesday, May 4, 5:00 p.m.

Youth and Missionary Book Club