

Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, May 22, 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 22, 2022 5:30 p.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!' And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them saying, 'To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!' And the four living creatures said, 'Amen!' and the elders fell down and worshiped.

(*Revelation 5:11-14*)

*Hymn of Praise #371

"O Lord of Hosts, How Lovely"

O Lord of Hosts, how lovely the place where thou dost dwell!
Thy tabernacles holy in pleasantness excel.
My soul is longing, fainting, Jehovah's courts to see;
My heart and flesh are crying, O living God, for thee.

Blest who thy house inhabit, they ever give thee praise; Blest all whom thou dost strengthen, who love the sacred ways. So they from strength unwearied go forward unto strength, Till they appear in Zion before the Lord at length.

O hear, Lord God of Jacob, to me an answer yield; The face of thine anointed, behold, O God, our shield. One day excels a thousand if spent thy courts within; I'll choose thy threshold, rather than dwell in tents of sin.

Our sun and shield, Jehovah, will grace and glory give; No good will he deny them that uprightly do live. O God of hosts, Jehovah, how blest is ev'ryone Who confidence reposes on thee, O Lord, alone.

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*Assurance of Pardon

"Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

(Romans 5:20-21)

READING OF SCRIPTURE 2 Corinthians 11:1-15

*Song

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O Light that foll'west all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in Thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me thru pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee; I trace the rainbow thru the rain, and feel the promise is not vain That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from Thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be, life that shall endless be.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

1 Kings 22:1-23 Rev. Chad Watkins

"A Sure Guide to Disaster"

The Inconvenience of Yahweh's Word



The Freedom of Yahweh's Servant

*Hymn of Preparation #420 "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious King, Who has washed us in the tide flowing from his pierced side; Praise we him whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine, Gives his body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the paschal blood is poured, death's dark angel sheathes his sword; Israel's hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread; With sincerity and love eat we manna from above.

Mighty victim from the sky, pow'rs of hell beneath thee lie; Death is conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light: Hymns of glory and of praise, risen Lord, to thee we raise; Holy Father, praise to thee, with the Spirit, ever be.

THE LORD'S SUPPER INSTRUCTION AND EXHORTATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER*

*Hymn of Response #735

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*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)

*the communion bread is gluten free

WPC Announcements

Church Family Picnic: May 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:

In 2016, Dr. Lloyd Kim challenged us to consider what could happen if every PCA church committed to send an additional 1% of their members into missions over the next 10 years. I was moved by this challenge and invited our church to join in it. We didn't know how God might work or whom He might call, but we committed to praying and putting the need before our people.

We are halfway through the campaign, and a good time to measure our progress in the 1% Challenge. PCA members serve with several other evangelical organizations and not exclusively with MTW, and we had no clear way to track our progress. So we surveyed all PCA churches to see how many new missionaries they had sent out since 2016. Of 175 responding churches, the average church has already sent out precisely 0.96% as new missionaries. This survey is not statistically valid, but it is still an encouraging snapshot of how God answers our prayers.

There are still 4-1/2 years left in the 1% Challenge. Please pray with us that God would raise up more workers, just as Jesus commanded us to do (Matthew 9:37–38). As you pray, think about whom in your congregation might be suited to serve and whom you might challenge to consider serving in missions.

Let us help you promote God's mission. Our resources and consultants can help strengthen your missions program and global vision. Contact me. Please continue to pray for workers for God's mission because the harvest is still plentiful and the workers are still few.

For His glory among the nations, Mark Bates mark.bates@mtw.org MTW Senior Director of US Operations Former Pastor, Village Seven Presbyterian Church (PCA)

For Your Calendar:

Wednesday, May 25, 9:30 a.m. Ladies' Weekly Bible Study

Thursday, May 26, 6:00 a.m.

Carpenter's Apprentices

Thursday, May 26, 11:00 a.m.

Food Ministry

Thursday, May 26, 6:30 p.m.

Missions Meeting