

Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, June 23, 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 June 23, 2024 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP Responsive Reading of Psalm 150

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens!

People: Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!

Pastor: Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!.

People: Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

Pastor: Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

People: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! Praise the LORD!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*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 Matthew 26:36-56

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Assurance of Pardon

"And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross." (Colossians 2:13-14)

*Song

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea; A great High Priest whose name is love, who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands; My name is written on His heart. I know that while in heav'n He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart, No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of my guilt within Upward I look and see Him there, who made an end of all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free. For God, the Just, is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless, Righteousness. The great unchangeable I Am, the King of Glory and of grace. One with Himself, I cannot die. My soul is purchased by His blood. My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God, With Christ my Savior and my God.

*Confession of Faith WSC Q. 37-38

Pastor: What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?

<u>All:</u> The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves, till the resurrection.

Pastor: What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

<u>All:</u> At the resurrection, believers, being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgement, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

Song

"We Believe"

We believe in one true God, Father, Spirit, Son; One Church, one faith, one Lord of all His Kingdom come.

We believe in God the Father, Almighty Lord of Life; Creator of the Heavens, the earth, the sea, the sky. And we believe in Jesus, the only Son of God; Born of the virgin Mary who lived as one of us.

Chorus

We believe that Jesus suffered, was beaten, crucified; He died and He was buried, entombed in darkest night. The third day rose victorious, ascended into Heav'n Will one day come to judge us, the living and the dead.

Chorus

We believe in God the Spirit, one Church empow'red by Him; Communion of God's people, forgiveness of our sin. Our bodies resurrected to everlasting life; To worship, love and wonder before the throne of Christ.

Chorus x2

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

Ephesians 1:15-23 Rev. Chad Watkins

"A Pastor's Prayer"

The Motivation of Paul's Prayer

The Aim of Paul's Prayer

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #295 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne; Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own: Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love: behold His hands and side Rich wounds, yet visible above in beauty glorified: No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways From pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise: His reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet Fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

> Crown Him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time; Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime: All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me: Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

***The Benediction**

"May the Lord give you increase, you and your children! May you be blessed by the Lord, who made heaven and earth!" (Psalm 115:14-15)

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.

STM Bahamas Update

We are only 21 days until our short-term mission's team leaves for Nassau, Bahamas! Our trip dates are July 13-20. Please be in prayer for us, the gospel seeds to land upon fertile soil, and for our whole trust and dependence to be upon God in our labors. As we abound in the work of the Lord, may our labor not be in vain (1 Cor 15:58)!

Vacation Bible School | July 29 - August 2 | 4:30pm - 7:00pm

It's that time of year again! VBS is almost here! Invite your neighbors and come join us the week of July 29th for a fun filled week of learning about our great God through the story of Joshua. VBS is for elementary aged children. VBS registration cards are in the narthex. For questions, please see Melissa.

Monthly Discipleship Study Group | No meeting in July.

The month Discipleship Study Group will resume meeting in August. New students are welcome to join. Please contact Diane Poff if you are interested in the study group.

Women's Bible Study | July 11 | 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

A study on Hosea will begin on July 11th. The duration of this study will be 8 weeks. Please contact Hope Hill, Cathy Starkey, or the Church Office to request a book or for more information.

For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m. Evening Service Thursday, June 27, 6:00 a.m. Carpenters Apprentices

Friday, June 28, 9:00 a.m. Food Ministry