



Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, July 2, 2023 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

July 2, 2023 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

“How lovely is your dwelling place. O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God... For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness. For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly. O LORD of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you!”

(Psalm 84:1-2, 10-12)

***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 #100**

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee, perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy Merciful and mighty, God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Matthew 2:1-12

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“And no longer shall each one teach his neighbor and each his brother, saying, ‘know the LORD,’ for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, declares the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”
(Jeremiah 31:34)

***HYMN #499**

“Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow’r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law’s demands;
could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

*CONFESSION OF FAITH
WLC Q. 191

Pastor: What do we pray for in the second petition?

All: In the second petition, (which is, *Thy Kingdom come*) acknowledging ourselves and all mankind to be by nature under the dominion of sin and Satan, we pray that the kingdom of sin and Satan may be destroyed, the gospel propagated throughout the world, the Jews called, the fullness of the Gentiles brought in; the church furnished with all gospel officers and ordinances, purged from corruption, countenanced and maintained by the civil magistrates; that the ordinances of Christ may be purely dispensed, and made effectual to the converting of those that are yet in their sins, and the confirming, comforting, and building up those that are already converted: that Christ would rule in our hearts here, and hasten the time of His second coming, and our reigning with Him forever: and that He would be pleased so to exercise the kingdom of His power in all the world, as may best conduce to these ends.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

“Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me”

What gift of grace is Jesus, my redeemer. There is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom, my steadfast love my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus. For my life is wholly bound to his.
Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken, for by my side the Saviour, he will stay
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing, for in my need, his power is displayed
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me. Through the deepest valley he will lead.
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven, the future sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and he was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated. Jesus now, and ever is my plea.
Oh the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus for he has said that he will bring me home.
And day by day I know he will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne.
To this I hold my: hope is only Jesus. All the glory evermore to him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I but through Christ in me.

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Yet not I but through Christ in me.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

“The Power of the Indwelling Word”

COLOSSIANS 3:15-17

REV. DR. Derek Thomas

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #644 “*May the Mind of Christ My Savior*”**

May the mind of Christ my Savior live in me from day to day,
By his love and pow'r controlling all I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph only through his pow'r.

May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing, this is victory.

May his beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win,
And may they forget the channel, seeing only him.

***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 our website www.wpc-pca.com and click on livestream

VBS Registration is open! July 31st - August 4th, 4:30pm - 7:00pm

Registration is now open for VBS 2023! Come join us as we learn about the deliverance of God's people in the book of Exodus. VBS is for 4yo up through 5th grade. (The 4s, 5s, and K classes are open to our church family and friends. Van rides are only for 1st - 5th graders.) **To register, call the church office or ask Melissa!**

Carpenter's Apprentice | Thursdays at 6:00 a.m.

Mini Summer Break: June 15 - July 6. Will Resume July 13.

Carpenter's Apprentice is a weekly men's discipleship group that meets every Thursday morning at 6:00AM at the Breakfast Place on Beal Parkway. A new study has recently been started using the book, "Bringing the Gospel Home: Witnessing to Family Members, Close Friends, and Others Who Know You Well," by Randy Newman. Our study is being led by Chaplain Daniel Call. See Lyndon Poff for a book or pick one up at the meeting.

Bahamas Mission Trip Prayer Guide

A one page prayer guide has been developed for the congregation's use in support of the upcoming mission trip to Nassau, Bahamas that will take place the first week in July. The guide has prayer topics for the remaining time of preparation before the trip as well as topics for each day of the week the team is there. Please take a copy from the foyer and make use of it during the next couple of weeks whenever you have time to focus your prayers.

For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.
Evening Service

Monday, July 3, All Day
Office Closed

Tuesday, July 4, All Day
Office Closed

Friday, June 30, 9:00 a.m.
Food Ministry