

Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, July 31, 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

July 31, 2022 5:30 p.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the God of gods, for his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his steadfast love endures forever."

(Psalm 136:1-3)

*Hymn of Praise #6

"O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord"

O come, my soul, bless thou the Lord thy Maker, and all within me bless his holy name; bless thou the Lord, forget not all his mercies, his pard'ning grace and saving love proclaim.

Refrain:

Bless him forever, wondrous in might, bless him, his servants that in his will delight.

Good is the Lord and full of kind compassion, most slow to anger, plenteous in love; rich is his grace to all that humbly seek him, boundless and endless as the heav'ns above. [Refrain]

His love is like a father's to his children, tender and kind to all who fear his name; for well he knows our weakness and our frailty, he knows that we are dust, he knows our frame. [Refrain]

We fade and die like flow'rs that grow in beauty, like tender grass that soon will disappear; but evermore the love of God is changeless, still shown to those who look to him in fear. [Refrain]

High in the heav'ns his throne is fixed forever, his kingdom rules o'er all from pole to pole; bless ye the Lord through all his wide dominion, bless his most holy name, O thou my soul. [Refrain]

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statues and be careful to obey my rules."

(Ezekiel 36:25-27)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Ezra 6:1-12

*Song

"Thy Mercy, My God"

Thy mercy, my God is the theme of my song, The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue; Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last, Hath won my affections and bound my soul fast.

Without Thy sweet mercy I could not live here
Sin would reduce me to utter despair
But, through Thy free goodness, my spirits revive
And He that first made me still keeps me alive

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground And weep for the praise of the mercy I've found.

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own And the covenant love Of Thy crucified Son All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine Seals mercy, and pardon and righteousness mine. All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine ... Seals mercy, and pardon and righteousness mine.

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PASTORAL PRAYER

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

PSALM 102
REV. CHAD WATKINS

"The Immutability of God"

The Unchanging God

The People Changed by Grac	ee		

The Solid Rock of Our Salvation

*Hymn of Response #521 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In ev'ry high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, His covenant, His blood support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

When He shall come with trumpet sound O may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.

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 and click on livestream.

Inquirer's Class: Are you considering joining Westminster? New to Reformed theology or Presbyterianism? Looking to get to know the leadership of our church? Come join us for an Inquirer's Class on Sunday mornings, during the Sunday school hour (9-10am) August 7 - September 11. This class will be co-taught by all of our elders and will cover the basics of our church's theology and philosophy of ministry.

Class is also open those considering membership, current members who may have missed portions of earlier Inquirer's classes or who simply want to brush up on these basics, or long-time members who want to heckle the elders during class (just kidding).

Missions: Church planting in Spain is slow. Decisions for Christ mostly come after many hours in conversation and interaction over the Scriptures, and require a steady diet of the Word and prayer. Through much patience and God's grace, the team in Madrid is seeing God add to their numbers, one by one.

One missionary couple meets Wednesday nights with two young believers for Bible study, and hosts a fellowship group on Sunday nights with song, Bible discussion, prayer, and a meal. These home gatherings have become rich times of spiritual nourishment and growth. The wife has led a book club for women for years, reading books that lend themselves to challenging conversations about life issues and how faith in Christ is relevant. When one woman teared up over losing her job, an opportunity arose to offer encouragement, prayer, and godly counsel. The husband has met with a man nearly every week since October to read the Bible, and God has created in him a hunger to know Jesus. He has recently come to faith and regularly attends the team's new church. God is building His Church!

For Your Calendar:

Monday-Friday August 1-5 4:30p.m.-7:00p.m.

Thursday, July 28, 11:00 a.m. Food Ministry