



Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, August 11, 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

August 11, 2024 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.
Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."
(Romans 12:1-2)

*SONG OF PRAISE

"Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed"

How can it be the One who died has borne our sin through sacrifice,
To conquer every sting of death? Sing, sing "Hallelujah!"
For joy awakes as dawning light when Christ's disciples lift their eyes.
Alive He stands, their Friend and King: Christ, Christ He is risen!

*Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Oh sing "Hallelujah!"
Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed: Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!*

Where doubt and darkness once had been, they saw Him and their hearts believed;
But blessed are those who have not seen, yet sing "Hallelujah!"
Once bound by fear, now bold in faith, they preached the truth and power of grace
And pouring out their lives they gained life, life everlasting.

Chorus

The power that raised Him from the grave now works in us to powerfully save;
He frees our hearts to live His grace – Go, tell of His goodness.

Chorus x2

He is risen! He's alive, He's alive, Heaven's gates are opened wide.
He's alive, He's alive, Now in heaven glorified
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***PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“For the LORD your God is gracious and merciful
and will not turn away his face from you, if you return to him.”
(2 Chronicles 30:9b)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Micah 1:1-16

***PSALM 112B**

“O Praise the Lord”

O praise the LORD! The man is truly blessed
Who fears the LORD, and in His law delights.
His children will be mighty in the earth.
How blessed the children of all the righteous!

Abundant riches are within his house,
His righteousness endures forevermore.
In darkness light arises for the just;
He’s full of mercy; he’s just and gracious.

The gracious man who freely lends is blessed,
The one who justly governs his affairs.
The righteous man will surely not be moved,
He’ll be remembered throughout the ages.

At evil news he will not be afraid;
His heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.
His heart is firm, he will not live in fear;
Till on his foes he shall look in triumph.

He helps the poor with generosity;
His good endures, his horn is lifted high.
The wicked sees and grinds his teeth in rage;
But he will vanish, his lust will perish.

***CONFESSION OF FAITH
THE NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; Who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried, and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

“The Goodness of Jesus”

Come you weary heart now to Jesus
Come you anxious soul now and see
There is perfect love and comfort in your tears
Rest here in His wondrous peace

*Oh the goodness the goodness of Jesus
Satisfied he is all that I need
May it be come what may that I rest all my days
In the goodness of Jesus*

Come find what this world cannot offer
Come and find your joy here complete
Taste the living water never thirst again
Rest here in His wondrous peace

Chorus

Come and find your hope now in Jesus
He is all he said he would be
Grace is overflowing from the Saviour’s heart
Rest here in His wondrous peace

Chorus x2

*May it be come what may that I rest all my days
In the goodness of Jesus*

PASTORAL PRAYER

**THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**

**EPHESIANS 2:11-18
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

“Strangers and Aliens”

Partition

Peace

Privilege

***HYMN OF PREPARATION #246**

“Man of Sorrows” vv.1-3

Man of Sorrows! what a name for the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude, in my place condemned He stood,
Sealed my pardon with His blood: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless, we; spotless Lamb of God was He;
Full atonement! can it be? Hallelujah! what a Savior!

THE LORD’S SUPPER INSTRUCTION AND EXHORTATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER*

***HYMN OF THANKSGIVING #246**

“Man of Sorrows” vv. 4-5

Lifted up was He to die, “It is finished!” was His cry;
Now in heav’n exalted high: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King, all His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew this song we’ll sing: Hallelujah! what a Savior!

***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

Congregational Meeting Sunday August 18

The Session invites everyone to join us on Sunday, August 18 for a meeting following the morning service. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the WPC's current financial situation, the search committee for associate pastor, and the possible dissolution of the search committee. This will be a potluck lunch and your participation would ensure that everyone is fully informed. For clarity sake, this meeting is not a called meeting where the decision to dissolve the committee will be made at that time. The session has some recommendations based on the information we have and we want to share that with the congregation. If the observations of the officers is shared by the congregation then that means it is necessary to call a separate congregational meeting in the near future for the express purpose of dissolving the search committee. Please reach out to any of the church officers if you have any questions. Please mark calendars and make it a priority to be there.

Thank you,
Jason Belcher

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 www.wpc-pca.com and click on livestream.

Reinstitution of a Lord's Supper Offering

A few weeks ago the Session made an announcement that we would restart our tradition of collecting a donation for the poor following each Lord's Supper service. This has been a long-standing tradition in reformed churches and the church for most of its history. Justin Martyr wrote the following in his First Apology, which serves as instructions for the offering for the poor collected at each Lord's Supper:

“For not as common bread and common drink do we receive these; but in like manner as Jesus Christ our Saviour... And they who are well to do, and willing, give what each thinks fit; and what is collected.. [for those] who succours the orphans and widows and those who, through sickness or any other cause, are in want, and those who are in bonds and the strangers sojourning among us, and in a word takes care of all who are in need.”

Starting Sunday July 7, and continuing for a few months, we will be collecting for Hope for the Hungry, a Christian organization whose mission is to aid the poor and hungry of Haiti and the Dominican Republic. For additional information, visit <https://hopeforthehungryec.com/#aboutus> Later this fall and periodically thereafter, we will change to a new organization or collect for our own Mercy Ministries as the need arises. As the Lord leads each of you, we encourage you to give to help those in need.

Thank you,
Jason Belcher

For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.
Evening Service

Friday, August 16, 9:00 a.m.
Food Ministry

Thursday, August 15, 6:30 p.m.
Summer Ladies' Bible Study