



Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, August 14, 2022 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 14, 2022 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)

***HYMN OF PRAISE #196**

“Come Thou Long Expected Jesus”

Come, Thou long-expected Jesus, born to set Thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in Thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth Thou art;
Dear Desire of ev'ry nation, Joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Joy to those who long to see thee, Day-spring from on high, appear;
Come, thou promised Rod of Jesse, of thy birth we long to hear!
O'er the hills the angels singing news, glad tidings of a birth:
“Go to him, your praises bringing; Christ the Lord has come to earth.”

Come to earth to taste our sadness, He whose glories knew no end;
By his life he brings us gladness, our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend.
Leaving riches without number, born within a cattle stall;
This the everlasting wonder, Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born Thy people to deliver, born a Child, and yet a King,
Born to reign in us forever, now Thy gracious kingdom bring.
By Thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
By Thine all-sufficient merit, raise us to Thy glorious throne

***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

Galatians 4:21-31

***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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***CONFESSION OF FAITH
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

“By Faith”

By faith we see the hand of God In the light of creation's grand design,
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness, Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand, A place where peace and justice reign.

*We will stand as children of the promise; We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done, We'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

By faith the prophets saw a day When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death, And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost,
To deliver captives and to preach good news In ev'ry corner of the earth.

Chorus

By faith the mountain shall be moved And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible For all who call upon His name.

Chorus

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

**EXODUS 2:1-10
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

“A Savior is Born”

The Faith of a Covenant Family

The Ironies of Salvation

The Sign of a Savior to Come

***HYMN OF PREPARATION #427 “Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands” vv. 1-3**

Amidst us our Beloved stands, and bids us view his pierced hands;
Points to the wounded feet and side, blest emblems of the crucified

What food luxurious loads the board, when at his table sits the Lord!
The wine how rich, the bread how sweet, when Jesus deigns the guests to meet!

If now, with eyes defiled and dim, we see the signs, but see not him;
O may his love the scales displace, and bid us see him face to face!

THE LORD’S SUPPER INSTRUCTION AND EXHORTATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER*

***Hymn of Thanksgiving #427 “Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands” v. 4**

O glorious Bridegroom of our hearts, your present smile a heav’n imparts!
O lift the veil, if veil there be, let every saint your glory see!

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

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).

Communicants Class: Starting in September, our church will be offering a Communicants Class. This class is designed to help prepare the children of our church to make a public profession of faith and to be examined for communicant membership. The class will be held every other Sunday afternoon for a 12 week period. Children will complete a workbook which covers the basics of the Christian faith, as well as the basics of church membership.

If you believe that your child is ready to make a profession, please talk to Pastor Knox about getting a book.

Child Protection Policy Annual Renewal Meeting

Attention **all** Volunteers with youth, children's, and nursery ministries at Westminster,

Our church's Child Protection Policy calls for an annual renewal process to be implemented every August. Part of that process is mandatory instruction and ongoing education in the church's policies and procedures related to all children's and youth ministries.

On **Sunday August 28 at 4pm**, our Child Protection Policy Administrator, Pastor Knox, along with our Assistant Director of Student and Family Ministries, Melissa Giddens, and our Nursery Coordinator, Krystina Lyon, will offer this ongoing education and instruction over Zoom. This meeting is **mandatory** for all current regular volunteers and for all those interested in becoming regular volunteers with any of our programs that involve children or youth. If you are not able to be present for this meeting, **there will be a recording available** for you to access.

All volunteers **must** either attend this meeting **or** watch the recording before September 1, 2022, in order to maintain their statuses as regular volunteers with any of our children's, youth, or nursery ministries.

Please look for a Zoom link in this This Week At WPC email.

For Your Calendar:

Sunday, August 14, 4:00 p.m.
NextGen

Sunday, August 14, 5:30 p.m.
Evening Service

Thursday, August 18, 6:00 a.m.
Carpenter's Apprentice

Thursday, August 18, 11:00 a.m.
Food Ministry