



Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, August 17, 2025 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 17, 2025 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP Responsive Reading of Psalm 24:7-10

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

People: Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

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People: Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*SONG OF PRAISE

"Across the Lands"

You're the Word of God the Father from before the world began;
ev'ry star and ev'ry planet has been fashioned by your hand.
All creation holds together by the power of your voice.
Let the skies declare your glory; let the land and seas rejoice.

*You're the Author of creation, You're the Lord of ev'ry man,
and your cry of love rings out across the lands*

Yet you left the gaze of angels, came to seek and save the lost
and exchanged the joy of heaven for the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer you fed the hungry, with a word you calmed the sea;
yet how silently you suffered, that the guilty may go free.

Chorus

With a shout you rose victorious, wresting vict'ry from the grave
and ascended into heaven, leading captives in your way.
Now you stand before the Father, interceding for your own;
from each tribe and tongue and nation you are leading sinners home.

Chorus

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Psalm 18:1-24

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.”
(Psalm 130:7-8)

***PSALM 22B**

“My God, My God”

My God, my God, to you I cry, O why have you forsaken me?
Why are You far from giving help, and from my agonizing plea?
All day, my God, I cry in vain; by night, yet no relief I gain.

But still You are the Holy One; on Is’r’el’s praise You are enthroned.
Our fathers put their trust in You; You saved them when to you they groaned.
To You they cried, and rescue came; they trusted, and were free from shame.

Reproached of men, by all despised, a worm, and not a man, am I.
All they that see me laugh in scorn; they shake their heads and taunting, cry:
“He trusts the Lord! Let him defend and save him, if He is his friend!

You brought me safely from the womb, gave faith when on my mother’s breast,
since birth entrusted to Your care. You’ve been my God, in You I rest.
Be not far off, for grief is near; no other helper will appear.

***CONFESSION OF FAITH
APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

“There is One Gospel”

There is one gospel on which I stand for all eternity.
It is my story, my Father's plan, the Son has rescued me.
Oh, what a gospel, oh what a peace. My highest joy and my deepest need.
Now and forever, he is my light. I stand in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is one gospel to which I cling, all else I count as loss.
For there, where justice and mercy meet, he saved me on the cross.
No more I boast in what I can bring, no more I carry the weight of sin.
For he has brought me from death to life. I stand in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

There is one gospel where hope is found, the empty tomb still speaks.
For death could not keep my Saviour down, he lives and I am free.
Now on my Saviour I fix my eyes, my life is his and his hope is mine.
For he has promised I too will rise. I stand in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

And in this gospel, the church is one, we do not walk alone.
We have his Spirit as we press on to lead us safely home.
And when in glory still I will sing of this old story that rescued me.
Praise to my Saviour, the King of life. I stand in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

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PASTORAL PRAYER

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

**LUKE 6:17-26
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

“Ministry Internship”

The Ministry Jesus Models

The Blessings Jesus Provides

The Curses Jesus Threatens

“Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart”

Rejoice, ye pure in heart, rejoice, give thanks, and sing:
your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain:

Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing.

Bright youth and snow-crowned age, strong men and maidens meek,
raise high your free, exulting song; God's wondrous praises speak.

[Refrain]

With all the angel choirs, with all the saints on earth,
pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true rapture, noblest mirth!

[Refrain]

Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go;
from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and in woe.

[Refrain]

At last the march shall end, the wearied ones shall rest;
the pilgrims find their Father's house, Jerusalem the blest.

[Refrain]

Then on, ye pure in heart, rejoice, give thanks, and sing;
your glorious banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

[Refrain]

***THE BENEDICTION**

“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.”

(2 Corinthians 13:14)

WPC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Evening Service Tonight

We encourage you to join us for evening worship at 5:30 p.m. 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.

Officer Nominations

The session will open up nominations for the offices of ruling elder and deacon beginning Sunday, August 24th. Nominations will remain open until Sunday, September 28th. Please be in prayer about nominating men to serve in these important roles in our church. More information about how to think about and prepare to nominate a man for office will be coming out in the week ahead.

Church Vision Lunch | Sunday, August 17

Want to hear an update on our church and plans for this fall? Join us for a congregational lunch following the morning service on Sunday, August 17. **Lunch will be provided by the church.**

NextGen | Beginning Wednesday, August 20

6th-12th graders are welcome to join our church's youth group on Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. If you have questions or are interested in volunteering, please contact Landon or Melissa.

Graduating Seniors

Christopher Barahona graduated from Choctawhatchee High School on May 22, 2025. He is actively studying and training to join the Air Force.

Esther Watkins is a homeschool graduate. She graduated in May 2025. She will be attending Covenant College at the end of August.

For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.
Evening Service

Thursday, August 21, 6:00 a.m.
Carpenter's Apprentice

Wednesday, August 20, 5:30 p.m.
NextGen

Friday, August 22, 9:00 a.m.
Food Ministry