



# Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

*The Lord's Day, August 18, 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 18, 2024 10:15 a.m.

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## 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 the King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!**

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

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

### \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

#### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #4

#### *“All Praise to God Who Reigns Above”*

All praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation,  
the God of wonders, pow'r, and love, the God of our salvation!  
With healing balm my soul he fills, the God who every sorrow stills.  
To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty pow'r hath made his gracious mercy keepeth;  
by morning dawn or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;  
within the kingdom of his might, lo, all is just and all is right.  
To God all praise and glory!

I cried to him in time of need: Lord God, O hear my calling!  
For death he gave me life indeed and kept my feet from falling.  
For this my thanks shall endless be; O thank him, thank our God, with me.  
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord forsaketh not his flock, his chosen generation;  
he is their refuge and their rock, their peace and their salvation.  
As with a mother's tender hand he leads his own, his chosen band.  
To God all praise and glory!

Ye who confess Christ's holy name, to God give praise and glory!  
Ye who the Father's pow'r proclaim, to God give praise and glory!  
All idols underfoot be trod, the Lord is God! The Lord is God!  
To God all praise and glory!

Then come before his presence now and banish fear and sadness;  
to your Redeemer pay your vow and sing with joy and gladness:  
Though great distress my soul befell, the Lord, my God, did all things well,  
To God all praise and glory!

**READING OF SCRIPTURE**

Micah 2:1-13

**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 its iniquities.”  
*(Psalm 130:7-8)*

**\*SONG**

***“The Power of the Cross”***

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day Christ on the road to Calvary  
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then nailed to a cross of wood

*This the pow'r of the cross, Christ became sin for us  
Took the blame bore the wrath, we stand forgiven at the cross*

Oh to see the pain written on Your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin  
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed, crowning Your bloodstained brow

*Chorus*

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath quakes as its maker bows His head  
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life, “Finished!” the vict'ry cry

*Chorus*

Oh to see my name written in the wounds, for through Your suffering I am free  
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love

*This the pow'r of the cross, Son of God slain for us  
What a life, what a cost, we stand forgiven at the cross*

\*CONFESSION OF FAITH  
WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM Q. 49-50

Pastor: What is the second commandment?

All: The second commandment is, *Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them; for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me: and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.*

Pastor: What is required in the second commandment?

All: The second commandment requireth the receiving, observing, and keeping pure and entire, all such religious worship and ordinances as God hath appointed in His Word.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

*“Your Will Be Done”*

Your will be done, my God and father as in Heaven, so on earth.  
My heart is drawn to self exalting, help me seek Your kingdom first.

As Jesus walked, so I shall walk held by Your same unchanging love.  
Be still my soul, O lift your voice and pray, “Father, not my will, but Yours be done.”

How in that garden he persisted, I may never fully know.  
The fearful weight of true obedience, it was held by him alone.

What wondrous faith to bear that cross! To bear my sin, what wondrous love!  
My hope was sure when there my Saviour prayed: “Father not my will but Yours be done”

When I am lost, when I am broken, in the night of fear and doubt.  
Still I will trust in my good Father, yes, to one great King I bow!

As Jesus rose, so I shall rise in ransomed glory at the throne.  
My heart restored with all your saints I sing: “Father, not my will, but Yours be done.”

As we go forth, our God and Father, lead us daily in the fight.  
That all the world might see Your glory and Your Name be lifted high.

And in this Name we overcome, for You shall see us safely home.  
Now as Your church, we lift our voice and pray: “Father, not my will, but Yours be done.”

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“Father, not my will, but Yours be done.”  
“Father, not my will, but Yours be done.”

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

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

**EPHESIANS 2:19-22  
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

**“The Church’s One Foundation”**

God’s Kingdom

God’s Family

God’s Temple

The Church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;  
She is His new creation by water and the Word:  
From heav’n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;  
With his own blood He bought her and for her life He died.

Elect from ev’ry nation, yet one o’re all the earth,  
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses, with ev’ry grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder, men see her sore oppressed,  
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,  
Yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, “How long?”  
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend,  
To guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end;  
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,  
Against or foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

’Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;  
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with Thee.

**\*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

## **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's 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 are shared by the congregation, it will be necessary to call a separate congregational meeting in the near future for the purpose of dissolving the search committee. Please reach out to any of the church officers if you have any questions. Please mark your 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](http://www.wpc-pca.com) and click on livestream.

## **Monthly Discipleship Study Group | September 3 | 4:30pm-5:30 p.m.**

This group meets the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30 p.m. in classroom 2. This group exists to encourage students who are enrolled in courses from the LowCountry Biblical Counseling Center. Contact Diane Poff if you're interested.

### **For Your Calendar:**

**TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.**  
Evening Service

**Thursday, August 22, 6:30 p.m.**  
Summer Ladies' Bible Study

**Thursday, August 22, 6:30 p.m.**  
Missions Meeting

**Friday, August 23, 9:00 a.m.**  
Food Ministry