



Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, August 25, 2024 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

August 25, 2024 5:30 p.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise! Say to God, ‘How awesome are your deeds!
So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.
All the earth worships you and sings praises to you;
they sing praises to your name.’”
(Psalm 66:1-4)

*SONG OF PRAISE

“Our Great God”

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown.
Your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown.
Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight around your glorious throne.
They raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone.

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm.
Surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms.
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm.
Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee before our Sovereign God.

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird;
Let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth;
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe
Sing praises to the Living God, who rules them by His word.

Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! (repeat)

***PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”
(1 John 1:8-9)

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 2:1-18

***HYMN #629**

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry ev’rything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry ev’rything to God In prayer.

Have we trials and temptations? is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged: take it to the Lord in prayer!
Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrow share?
Jesus knows our ev’ry weakness– take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our refuge– take it to the Lord in prayer!
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he’ll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

**REVELATION 19:1-10
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

“Hallelujah!”

A Funeral Celebration

A Wedding Banquet

***HYMN OF PREPARATION #257 “Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted”**

Stricken, smitten, and afflicted, see him dying on the tree!
'Tis the Christ by man rejected; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!
'Tis the long expected Prophet, David's son, yet David's Lord;
by his Son God now has spoken: 'tis the true and faithful Word.

Tell me, ye who hear him groaning, was there ever grief like his?
Friends thro' fear his cause disowning, foes insulting his distress;
many hands were raised to wound him, none would interpose to save;
but the deepest stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Justice gave.

Ye who think of sin but lightly nor suppose the evil great
here may view its nature rightly, here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the sacrifice appointed, see who bears the awful load;
'tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed, Son of Man and Son of God.

Here we have a firm foundation, here the refuge of the lost;
Christ's the Rock of our salvation, his the name of which we boast.
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded, sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded who on him their hope have built.

THE LORD'S SUPPER INSTRUCTION AND EXHORTATION

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER*

***HYMN OF THANKSGIVING #731**

“Doxology”

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***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)

**the communion bread is gluten free*

WPC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting | Sunday, September 8

The Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, September 8, 2024 immediately following the morning worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to vote on a recommendation by the Session to dissolve the associate pastor search committee.

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. Call Diane Poff if interested at 850-685-1307.

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.”

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.

For Your Calendar:

Thursday, August 29, 6:30 p.m.
Summer Ladies' Bible Study

Friday, August 30, 9:00 a.m.
Food Ministry