

# *Westminster Presbyterian Church*

*The Lord's Day, August 30, 2020*



*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 30, 2020 10:15 a.m.

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## GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!  
Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!”  
*(Psalm 105:1-3)*

### \*PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE #32

#### *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;  
as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!*

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

*Chorus*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

*Chorus*

**PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Jeremy and Kendall Clark

Ezra White

Mark and Hannah Williford, daughter Eliana

**READING OF SCRIPTURE**

1 Kings 1:1-10

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“But now in Christ Jesus you who were once far off  
have been brought near by the blood of Christ.”

*(Ephesians 2:13)*

\* CONFESSION OF FAITH  
WLC Q. 14-15

**Pastor:** How does God execute his decrees?

**All:** God executes his decrees in the works of creation and providence, according to his infallible foreknowledge, and the free and immutable counsel of his own will.

**Pastor:** What is the work of creation?

**All:** The work of creation is that wherein God did in the beginning, by the word of his power, make of nothing the world, and all things therein, for himself, within the space of six days, and all very good.

\*SONG

*“Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”*

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Saviour’s name!  
He has hushed the law’s loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai’s flame.  
He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,  
He has washed us with His blood, He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord Who brought us, pitied us when enemies  
Called us by His grace and taught us, Gave us ears and gave us eyes.  
He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,  
He has washed us with His blood, He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptation threatens hard to bear us down  
For the Lord, our strong salvation holds in view the Conqu’ror’s crown.  
He who washed us with His blood, He who washed us with His blood,  
He who washed us with His blood, soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice join and point to mercy’s store,  
When through grace in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more  
He who washed us with His blood, He who washed us with His blood,  
He who washed us with His blood, has secured our way to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high;  
Here they trusted Him before us, now their praises fill the sky:  
“Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, Thou hast washed us with Thy blood,  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, Thou art worthy Lamb of God!”

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE READING OF SCRIPTURE**

**MARK 8:22-30**

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD**

**REV. CHAD WATKINS**

*The Mission of the Messiah: "Seeing Things Clearly"*

1. Blurred Vision

2. A Good Confession

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE #347**

***“The Church’s One Foundation”***

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**

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.”  
*(Romans 15:13)*

# WPC Announcements

**Evening Service Tonight:** We encourage you to join us for evening worship at 5:30pm via our livestream. To access the livestream go to our website [www.wpc-pca.com](http://www.wpc-pca.com) and click on livestream.

**Volunteers:** If you would like to volunteer to help clean the sanctuary for services you will be given the opportunity to sign up when you request seating or you can contact the church office.

**Sunday School:** Sunday school classes as well as the Sunday prayer meeting will start 30 minutes earlier than normal in order to give people time to travel for church. So please mark these changes to your schedule.

**Seating Request:** Each week you will get a new email from the church office with a link to request seating for Sunday worship services. The email will go out each Monday morning and you will have until Wednesday at 4pm to request seating. If for some reason you cannot access the seating request system, please contact the office at 882-8825 between 9am-3pm on Mon-Wed to request seating.

**Congregational Meeting:** The session is calling a congregational meeting for **Sunday, September 13th** after both the morning and evening services for the purpose of voting to extend a call to Rev. Knox White to the position of Associate Pastor. A letter has been mailed to all members and regular attenders with information regarding the session's recommendation.

**Libby Rulye's Memorial:** Westminster will have a memorial worship service for long-time member Elizabeth "Libby" Ruyle on Wednesday, September 2 at 12-noon in our main sanctuary. Because of concerns with COVID, the family has decided against a visitation time or reception. There will be no gravesite interment. We do not plan to live-stream the service. Libby's family hopes everyone who knew Libby can come worship together for this occasion. Please plan to attend with face coverings.

## For Your Calendar:

**Sunday, August 30, 3:00 p.m.**  
Children's Bible Class

**Thursday, September 3, 6:00 a.m.**  
Carpenter's Apprentices

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