



Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, August 9, 2026 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 9, 2026 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 #34

“The God of Abraham Praise”

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above,
ancient of everlasting days and God of love.
Jehovah! Great! I am! By earth and heav’n confessed;
I bow and bless the sacred name, forever blest.

The God of Abraham praise, at whose supreme command
from earth I rise, and seek the joys at his right hand.
I all on earth forsake, its wisdom, fame, and pow’r
and him my only portion make, my shield and tow’r.

He by himself hath sworn, I on his oath depend;
I shall, on eagles’ wings upborne, to heav’n ascend.
I shall behold his face, I shall his pow’r adore,
and sing the wonders of his grace forever more.

The goodly land I see, with peace and plenty blest,
a land of sacred liberty and endless rest.
There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound,
and trees of life forever grow, with mercy crowned.

There dwells the Lord our King, the Lord our Righteousness,
triumphant o’er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace.
On Zion’s sacred height his kingdom he maintains,
and glorious with his saints in light forever reigns.

The whole triumphant host gives thanks to God on high;
“Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!” they ever cry.
Hail, Abraham’s God and mine! I join the heav’nly lays;
all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

***PRAYER OF 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

Psalm 68

***PSALM 68**

“When With Your People You Went Forth”

When with your people you went forth,
and marched through desert lands, O God,
Earth shook; skies fell before God’s face;
before God’s presence Sinai quaked,
before the God of Israel.

O God, you send abundant rain,
your weary heritage refreshed.
Your congregation settled there,
and in your goodness you, O God,
made rich provision for the poor.

The Lord announces this his word,
great hosts of women spread the news:
“The kings of armies flee! They flee!
And she who stays behind at home
will be there to divide the spoil!”

Though you among the campfires sleep,
you’re like a dove with silver wings,
whose feathers are a glist’ning gold.
When the Almighty scattered kings,
it looked like snow on Zalmon’s hill.

***CONFESSION OF FAITH
THE 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 his 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

“O Church Arise”

O Church arise, and put your armor on, hear the call of Christ our Captain.
For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies;
an army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war to love the captive soul, but to rage against the Captor;
and with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on every side, we know the outcome is secure,
and Christ will have the prize for which he died an inheritance of nations.

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken;
then see his foes lie crushed beneath his feet, for the Conqueror has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave,
this vict'ry march continues till the day ev'ry eye and heart shall see him.

So Spirit come, put strength in every stride, give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
that we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of his grace,
we hear their calls and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in glory.

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

PASTORAL PRAYER

LUKE 11:27-36
REV. CHAD WATKINS

“The Sign of Jonah”

A Greater Blessing

The Greater Sign

Our Greatest Need

***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 #735 “Gloria Patri”**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

***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

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.

August Newsletter

Hard copies of the newsletter are available in the Narthex. **Please take 1 per family.** The digital copy is available on the WPC website.

Officer Nominations | July 19 - August 16

Officer nominations are now open and will close on Sunday, August 16. Please prayerfully consider men in our church that may be gifted and qualified to serve our church as elders and deacons.

Vision Lunch | August 9

Join us for a congregational lunch following **today's morning service**. We'll briefly cover the vision of the church, calendar events for the fall, and new updates. Lunch will be provided. Lunch will be provided.

Midweek | August 19 | 5:15 p.m. -7:00 p.m.

Midweek at WPC will begin on Wednesday, August 19 from 5:15 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. There will be a **fellowship meal provided by the church** followed by a **hymn sing in the sanctuary**. The prayer meeting, missionary book club, nursery, and youth activities will begin the following week.

Sunday School Breakfast | Sunday, August 30

In lieu of our normal Sunday School, we'll meet in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast at 9:00 a.m. This is something our church has done a number of years ago prior to the start of the next Sunday School classes. Please join us to hear of the various Sunday School classes available and enjoy a time of fellowship around the breakfast table. Breakfast is provided.

New Members Class | August 23-September 27

Beginning Sunday, August 23 and running through September, we'll be offering a Sunday School class for those interested in becoming members of WPC. If interested, please contact Landon Jostes or the church office.

For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.
Evening Service

Thurs., August 13, 6:00 a.m.
Carpenters Apprentices

Fri., August 14, 9:00 a.m.
Food Ministry