



Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, September 15, 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

September 15, 2024 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!”
(Psalm 118:1)

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

*SONG OF PRAISE

“Lift High the Name of Jesus”

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our King.
Make known the power of His grace, the beauty of His peace.
Remember how His mercy reached and we cried out to Him.
He lifted us to solid ground, to freedom from our sin.

Oh sing my soul, and tell all He's done, till the earth and heavens are filled with His glory!

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Lord.
His power in us is greater than, is greater than this world.
To share the reason for our hope, to serve with love and grace,
That all who see Him shine through us might bring the Father praise.

Chorus

Lift high the name of Jesus, of Jesus our Light.
No other name on earth can save, can raise a soul to life.
He opens up our eyes to see the harvest He has grown.
We labor in His fields of grace as He leads sinners home.

Chorus x2

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Micah 6:1-16

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

(Romans 5:1)

***HYMN #486**

“God Be Merciful to Me”

Psalm 51

God, be merciful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;
Plenteous in compassion thou, blot out my transgressions now;
Wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress;
I have sinned against thy grace and provoked thee to thy face;
I confess thy judgment just, speechless, I thy mercy trust.

I am evil, born in sin; thou desirest truth within.
Thou alone my Savior art, teach thy wisdom to my heart;
Make me pure, thy grace bestow, wash me whiter than the snow.

Broken, humbled to the dust by thy wrath and judgment just,
Let my contrite heart rejoice and in gladness hear thy voice;
From my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true;
Cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me;
Thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.

Sinners then shall learn from me and return, O God, to thee;
Savior, all my guilt remove, and my tongue shall sing thy love;
Touch my silent lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise accord.

*CONFESSION OF FAITH
WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM Q. 55-56

Pastor: What is forbidden in the third commandment?

All: The third commandment forbiddeth all profaning or abusing of anything whereby God maketh Himself known.

Pastor: What is the reason annexed to the third commandment?

All: The reason annexed to the third commandment is that however the breakers of this commandment may escape punishment from men, yet the Lord our God will not suffer them to escape His righteous judgment.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

“Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor”

Christ the sure and steady anchor in the fury of the storm
When the winds of doubt blow through me and my sails have all been torn
In the suffering in the sorrow when my sinking hopes are few
I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor while the tempest rages on
When temptation claims the battle and it seems the night has won
Deeper still then goes the anchor though I justly stand accused
I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor through the floods of unbelief
Hopeless somehow, O my soul now, lift your eyes to Calvary
This my ballast of assurance: see His love forever proved
All my hope is in the anchor, it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor as we face the wave of death
When these trials give way to glory, as we draw our final breath
We will cross that great horizon, clouds behind and life secured
And the calm will be the better for the storms that we endure

Christ the shore of our salvation, ever faithful ever true
We will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed.

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

**EPHESIANS 4:1-6
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

“The Unity of the Spirit”

The Origin of Christian Unity

The Charge to Maintain Christian Unity

The Character That Defines Christian Unity

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #359**

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

Before the Father's throne we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.

We share our mutual woes, our mutual burdens bear,
and often for each other flows the sympathizing tear.

When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

This glorious hope revives our courage by the way,
while each in expectation lives, and longs to see the day.

From sorrow, toil and pain, and sin, we shall be free;
and perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.

***THE BENEDICTION**

“Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely,
and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless
at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it.”

(1 Thessalonians 5:23-24)

WPC ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 and click on livestream.

Sunday School Announcement

Sunday School presents a great opportunity for fellowship and teaching at WPC. We currently have two adult Sunday School classes and they meet at 9:00AM. One class is studying Jeremiah. This class meets in the Newton Conference Room. The other class is a study of covenant theology and it meets in the fellowship hall. If you are not currently benefitting from the Sunday School ministry then we encourage you to make this discipleship opportunity a priority.

Covenant Theology Sunday School Class

Why should we spend time studying covenant theology? Covenant theology is worth our time because it helps us to understand how the Bible fits together. As Ryan McGraw, the author of *What is Covenant Theology?* writes, "Covenant theology helps us see the breathtaking unity of Scripture, making all the parts begin to fall into place over time." Studying covenant theology has many benefits, three of them the author highlights in the book: the unity of Scripture, the glory of the triune God, and its implications for the Christian life. Please join us this Fall as we dive into this study together.

Jeremiah Sunday School Class

The class traditionally known as the "Bible Sunday School Adult Class" will be studying the book of Jeremiah this fall. This class is open to all adults who enjoy a verse-by-verse study of the scriptures. Please join us in the Newton conference room for a time of good discussion, fellowship, and Bible study.

Monthly Discipleship Study Group | October 1 | 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 are interested in the group.

For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.

Evening Service

Thursday, September 19, 6:00 a.m.

Carpenter's Apprentice

Tuesday, September 17, 9:30 a.m.

Women's Bible Study

Friday, September 20, 9:00 a.m.

Food Ministry

Wednesday, September 18, 9:30 a.m.

Ladies' Bible Study