



Westminster

Presbyterian Church, PCA

The Lord's Day, September 3, 2023 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 3, 2023 10:15 a.m.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***The Call to Worship**

“Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the LORD,
O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love
and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.”
(Psalm 103:1-5)

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

***HYMN OF PRAISE #53**

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do, if with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief, spreading his wings to o'er shade thee!

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen sound from His people again: gladly fore'er we adore Him.

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Matthew 7:1-14

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

(John 3:16-17)

***SONG**

“Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love, and pow’r.

*I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms;
In the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.*

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome; God’s free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requireth is to feel your need of Him.

Chorus

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, lost and ruined by the fall;
If you tarry till you’re better, you will never come at all.

Chorus

View Him prostrate in the garden; on the ground your Maker lies;
On the bloody tree behold Him; sinner, will this not suffice?

Lo! Th’ incarnate God ascended, pleads the merit of his blood:
Venture on him, venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.

Chorus

***CONFESSION OF FAITH**
The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER, MUSIC, & OFFERING

SONG

“He Will Hold Me Fast”

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His Promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

Chorus

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight, When he comes at last!

Chorus x2

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

PASTORAL PRAYER

**PSALM 23
REV. CHAD WATKINS**

“The Good Shepherd”

Abundant Provision

Abiding Presence

Unfailing Love

***Psalm of Response**

“The Lord is My Shepherd”
Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; no want shall I know.
He makes me lie down where the green pastures grow;
He leads me to rest where the calm waters flow.

My wandering steps he brings back to his way,
In straight paths of righteousness making me stay;
And this he has done his great name to display.

Tho’ I walk in death’s valley, where darkness is near,
Because you are with me, no evil I’ll fear;
Your rod and your staff bring me comfort and cheer.

In the sight of my en’mies a table you spread.
The oil of rejoicing you pour on my head;
My cup overflows and I’m graciously fed.

So surely your covenant mercy and grace
Will follow me closely in all of my ways;
I will dwell in the house of the Lord all my days.

***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

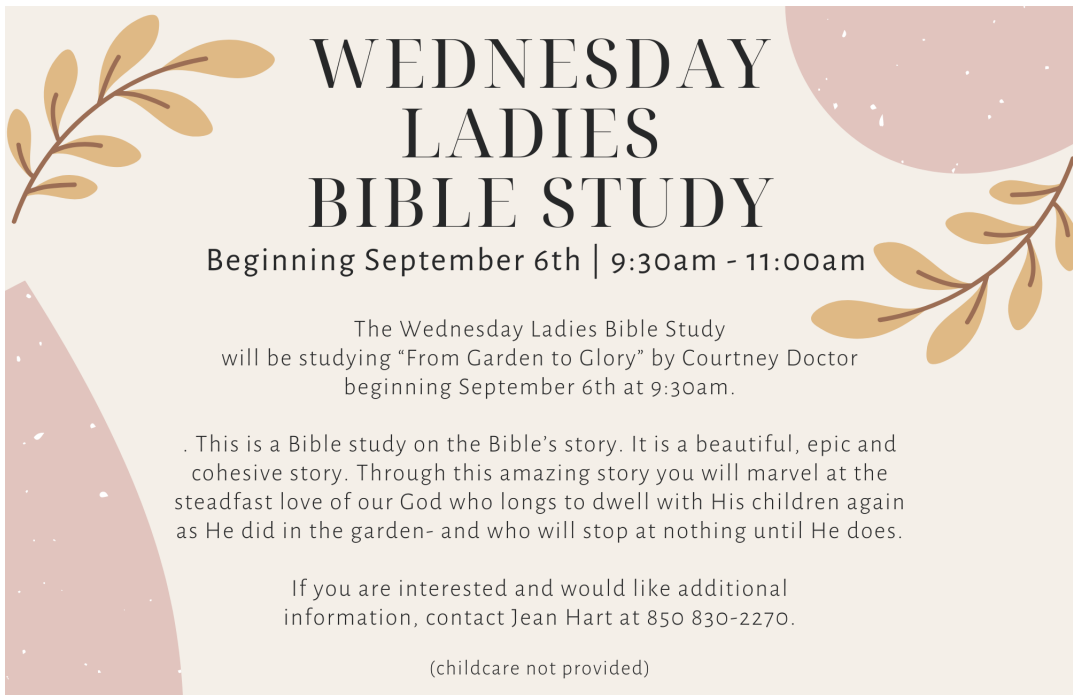
We encourage you to join us for evening worship at 5:30pm. If you cannot attend in person please join us via our livestream. To access the livestream go to our website www.wpc-pca.com and click on livestream.

Inmate Bible Study Graders Needed

Okaloosa County Jail has informed WPC about the growing need for inmate's Bible Study Graders. Each study will take about 1.5 hours to pray over, correct, and offer comments. Answer keys and training will be provided.

Kindly contact Arleen Blackstone text 850-586-1537 or ablacks657@aol.com.

All adults are welcome to volunteer.



**WEDNESDAY
LADIES
BIBLE STUDY**

Beginning September 6th | 9:30am - 11:00am

The Wednesday Ladies Bible Study will be studying "From Garden to Glory" by Courtney Doctor beginning September 6th at 9:30am.

. This is a Bible study on the Bible's story. It is a beautiful, epic and cohesive story. Through this amazing story you will marvel at the steadfast love of our God who longs to dwell with His children again as He did in the garden- and who will stop at nothing until He does.

If you are interested and would like additional information, contact Jean Hart at 850 830-2270.

(childcare not provided)

For Your Calendar:

TONIGHT 5:30 p.m.
Evening Service

Monday, September 4
Office Closed

Wednesday, September 6, 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Wednesday Bible Study

Thursday, September 7, 6:00 a.m.
Carpenter's Apprentice

Friday, September 8, 9:00 a.m.
Food Ministry

Friday, September 8
Office Closed AM