

# THE LORD’S DAY WORSHIP

The Sixth Day of October, Two Thousand Twenty-Four  
Ten O’ Clock

Pastor — Rev. Richard Owens

Associate Pastor – Rev. Josh Reagan

*It is in worship, through the preaching, the singing, and the sacraments, that our hearts are drawn from other “beauties” as our eyes are opened to see Jesus for who He really is.*

## Welcome and Announcements

### ‡Introit – “Remind Me Who I Am”

When I lose my way, and I forget my name, remind me who I am  
In the mirror all I see is who I don't wanna be, remind me who I am  
In the loneliest places, when I can't remember what grace is

Tell me, once again, who I am to You, who I am to You  
Tell me, lest I forget, who I am to You, that I belong to You, to You

When my heart is like a stone, and I'm running far from home  
Remind me who I am, when I can't receive Your love  
Afraid I'll never be enough, remind me who I am  
If I'm Your beloved, can You help me believe it

Tell me, once again, who I am to you, who I am to You  
Tell me, lest I forget who I am to you, that I belong to You

I'm the one You love, I'm the one You love  
That will be enough, I'm the one You love

Tell me, once again, Who I am to you, who I am to You  
Tell me, lest I forget, Who I am to you, that I belong to You, whoa

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### ‡The Call to Worship — (From Isaiah 55, Psalm 46 and 124)

Pastor: Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters.

**Congregation: He who has no money, come, buy and eat.**

Pastor: Incline your ear, and come to the Lord; hear, that your soul may live.

**Congregation: Seek the Lord while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near.**

Pastor: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**Congregation: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.**

**Pastor and Congregation: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

### ‡Hymn – “Behold Him”

He who was before there was light, walked across the pages of time.

He who made every living thing, Behold Him.

He who heard humanity's cry, left His throne to wake as a child.

He became like the least of us. Behold Him.

Jesus, Son of God, Messiah, the Lamb, the roaring Lion. Oh, be still and behold Him.

He who dined with sinners and saints, healed the blind, the lost and the lame,  
Even now He is in our midst. Behold Him.

He who chose a criminal's end, paid with blood to settle our debt,  
Buried death as He rose to life. Behold Him.

Jesus, Son of God Messiah, the Lamb, the roaring Lion. Oh, be still and behold Him.

Jesus, Alpha and Omega, Our God the risen Savior. Oh, be still and behold Him.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty. Worthy, worthy, worthy to receive all praise.

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### ‡Prayer of Invocation

#### Old Testament Reading

**Psalm 71:17-24; Psalm 92:12-15.....Roger Day**

<sup>17</sup> O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.

<sup>18</sup> So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all those to come. <sup>19</sup> Your righteousness, O God, reaches the high heavens. You who have done great things, O God, who is like you? <sup>20</sup> You who have made me see many troubles and calamities will revive me again; from the depths of the earth you will bring me up again. <sup>21</sup> You will increase my greatness and comfort me again. <sup>22</sup> I will also praise you with the harp for your faithfulness, O my God; I will sing praises to you with the lyre, O Holy One of Israel. <sup>23</sup> My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to you; my soul also, which you have redeemed. <sup>24</sup> And my tongue will talk of your righteous help all the day long, for they have been put to shame and disappointed who sought to do me hurt.

**Psalm 92:12-15** <sup>12</sup> The righteous flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar in Lebanon. <sup>13</sup> They are planted in the house of the LORD; they flourish in the courts of our God. <sup>14</sup> They still bear fruit in old age; they are ever full of sap and green, <sup>15</sup> to declare that the LORD is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

### ‡Hymn No. 570 – “Faith of Our Fathers”

Faith of our fathers, living still, in spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;  
Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy whene’er we hear that glorious Word!

#### Chorus:

Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark, were still in heart and conscience free;  
And blest would be their children’s fate, if they, like them, should die for thee!

Faith of our fathers, God’s great pow’r shall draw all nations unto thee;  
And through the truth that comes from God, his people shall indeed be free.

Faith of our fathers, we will love, both friend and foe in all our strife;  
And preach thee, too, as love knows how by witness true and virtuous life.

#### New Testament Reading and Congregational Prayer

**2 Corinthians 4:16-17; 2 Corinthians 5:1-8..... Trey O’Brien**

<sup>16</sup> So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup> For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison...

**2 Corinthians 5:1-8** <sup>5</sup> For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup> For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, <sup>3</sup> if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. <sup>4</sup> For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup> He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. <sup>6</sup> So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, <sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup> Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

#### Confession of Sin

Merciful Father, we have strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the schemes and desires of our own hearts, and have broken your holy laws. We have left undone what we ought to have done, and we have done what we ought not to have done. We thank you that you never allow us comfort when we are not walking with you. When we refuse to confess our sins you give us an inward ache. Help us to see the misery of unconfessed sin as a grace; it is a sign of being your child. Lord, lead us to repentance and may we receive your mercy and forgiveness in Christ.

#### Assurance of Pardon: Isaiah 1:18

“Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

#### Offertory Prayer

### ‡Hymn No. 94 – “How Firm a Foundation”

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He has said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“When through the deep waters I call you to go,  
The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
For I will be with you, your troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to you your deepest distress.

“When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;  
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design  
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

“E’en down to old age all my people shall prove  
My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
And when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,  
Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

“The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake.”

#### Children’s Moment

**Q. 72. How is Christ your king?**

A. Christ rules over me, the world and Satan, and he defends me.

**Q. 75. Why do you need Christ as your king?**

A. Because I am weak and helpless.

*Children dismissed for Little Worship at this time  
(K4 – K5)*

#### Reading of the Holy Scripture: Ecclesiastes 12

**12** Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth, before the evil days come and the years draw near of which you will say, “I have no pleasure in them”; <sup>2</sup>before the sun and the light and the moon and the stars are darkened and the clouds return after the rain, <sup>3</sup>in the day when the keepers of the house tremble, and the strong men are bent, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those who look through the windows are dimmed, <sup>4</sup>and the doors on the street are shut—when the sound of the grinding is low, and one rises up at the sound of a bird, and all the daughters of song are brought low— <sup>5</sup>they are afraid also of what is high, and terrors are in the way; the almond tree blossoms, the grasshopper drags itself along, and desire fails, because man is going to his eternal home, and the mourners go about the streets— <sup>6</sup>before the silver cord is snapped, or the golden bowl is broken, or the pitcher is shattered at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern, <sup>7</sup>and the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the spirit returns to God who gave it. <sup>8</sup>Vanity of vanities, says the Preacher; all is vanity. <sup>9</sup>Besides being wise, the Preacher also taught the people knowledge, weighing and studying and arranging many proverbs with great care. <sup>10</sup>The Preacher sought to find words of delight, and uprightly he wrote words of truth. <sup>11</sup>The words of the wise are like goads, and like nails firmly fixed are the collected sayings; they are given by one Shepherd. <sup>12</sup>My son, beware of anything beyond these. Of making many books there is no end, and much study is a weariness of the flesh. <sup>13</sup>The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man. <sup>14</sup>For God will bring every deed into judgment, with every secret thing, whether good or evil.

**Sermon: “Everything Matters” ..... Rev. Richard Owens**

## The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

### ‡Hymn – “We Will Feast in the House of Zion”

#### Chorus

We will feast in the house of Zion. We will sing with our hearts restored.  
He has done great things; we will say together. We will feast and weep no more.

We will not be burned by the fire; He is the Lord our God.

We are not consumed by the flood; upheld protected gathered up. (Chorus)

In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid

For the promised morning, oh, how long? Oh God of Jacob be my strength. (Chorus)

Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the faithful one.

And from the garden to the grave, Bind us together, bring shalom. (Chorus)

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### ‡Benediction

‡Congregation standing

### This Week's Calendar

#### Sunday, October 6

8:30 a.m. Music Team Rehearsal

9:30 a.m. Prayer in the Church Office

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship: Rev. Richard Owens

**Little Worship: Adron and Betsy Belk**

11:00 a.m. First Sunday Feast

#### Monday, October 7

5:30 p.m. Women's Evening Study

#### Wednesday, October 9

5:30 p.m. Mid-Week Meal and Study

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

#### Thursday, October 10

6:30 a.m. “Larger for Life” Men's Breakfast

8:30 a.m. Women's Morning Study

12:00 p.m. Women's Lunch Study

#### Sunday, October 13

8:30 a.m. Music Team Rehearsal

9:30 a.m. Prayer in the Church Office

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship: Rev. Richard Owens

**Little Worship: Chris and Suzanne Shaw**

12:00 p.m. Deacon's Meeting

2:00 p.m. Officer Training

2:00 p.m. Baby Shower honoring Claire Cioffi (Madeleine's house)

### Announcements:

**Adult Sunday School Class:** This fall we are studying the Book of James.

**Westminster Women's Study:** This fall, we are studying *God's Grace in Your Suffering* by David Powlison. This is a 9-week study. (*We will not meet the week of October 14th due to Fall Break.*) There are three study times available to you: Monday evenings at 5:30pm, Thursday mornings at 8:30am, and Thursdays at noon. A nursery is available for each study time.

**Women's Book Club:** Our monthly Book Club will meet on Tuesday, October 15th at the home of Diane Finnegan. *Paris Daughter* by Kristin Harmel will be our featured book.

**Worship & Wonder Devotional Podcast:** *Worship & Wonder* is a daily, devotional podcast. You can listen on the WPC website, WPC app, or other places where podcasts can be found. For more information, please visit [www.wpcgreenwood.org/worship-wonder](http://www.wpcgreenwood.org/worship-wonder)

## Birthdays and Anniversaries for This Week:

**Birthdays:** Ellis Harris III 10/07; Tyler Blocker October 10; Brady Warren 10/11;

Langdon Dyksterhouse 10/12; Ward Thompson 10/12

**Anniversaries:** No anniversaries this week.

**Mission of the Month:** Westminster's Mission of the Month for October French Camp. Please pray for all who are involved in this ministry.

### October Usher Team

#### \*Matthew and Sarah Waldrop

Matt and Robin Smith

Stephen and Karen Edwards

Joseph and Shelby Gorman

Michael and Madeleine Sykes

Mike Watkins

James and Mary Shackelford

### WPC STAFF:

Rev. Richard Owens, Pastor

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Mischa McCray, Director of Counseling Ministries

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### LEADERS

#### SESSION

Gary Dyksterhouse, *Clerk of the Session*

Mischa McCray

Trey O'Brien

Rev. Richard Owens, *Moderator*

Rev. Josh Reagan

Corley Moses, *Sabbatical*

John Downs

### NURSERY:

Nursery Coordinators:

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Catherine Fandel

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Matthew Waldrop

### Sunday School Volunteers

#### 2's/3's

Meredith and Lewis Buford

Matt and Robin Smith

#### K4/K5

Peyton and Catherine Fandel

#### 1st/2nd

Matthew and Sarah Waldrop

Tyler and Gray Blocker

Mary and James Shackelford

#### 3rd-5th

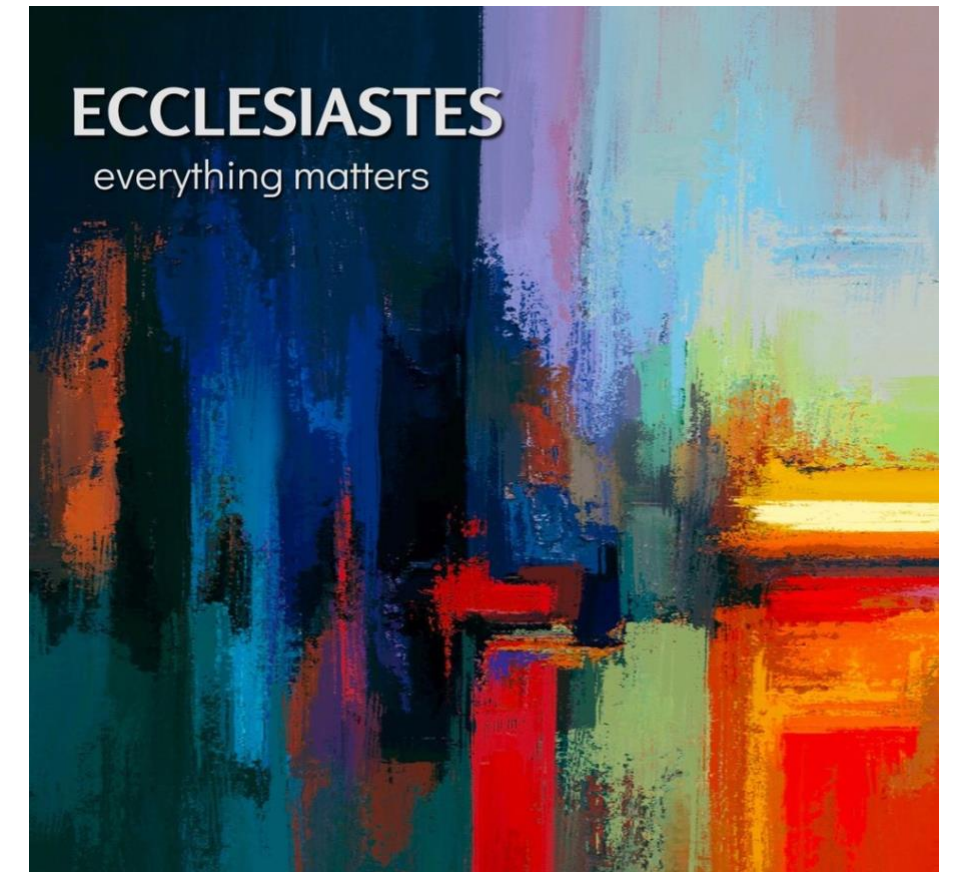
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