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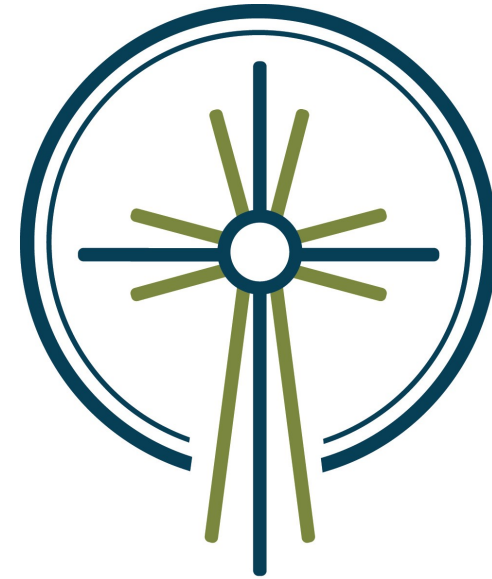
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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Know • Grow • Show



The vision of Westminster Presbyterian is to know God in his glory, grow in grace together, and show the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our community and beyond.

A Service for the Worship of God

October 22, 2023

We Gather to Know God in His Glory

Announcements • Rev. Chad Reynolds

Prelude

You Shall Go Out With Joy • Douglas Wagner
Catie M. Hane

*Call to Worship

From Psalm 34:1-8 • Wayne Smith

**Let us bless the LORD at all times;
his praise shall continually be in our mouths.
May our souls make their boasts in the LORD;
let the humble hear and be glad.**

Oh, magnify the LORD with me,
and let us exalt his name together!
I sought the LORD, and he answered me
and delivered me from all my fears.

**Those who look to him are radiant,
and their faces shall never be ashamed.**

This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him
and saved him out of all his troubles.
The angel of the LORD encamps
around those who fear him, and delivers them.

**Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good!
Blessed are those who take refuge in Jesus Christ!**

Announcements

- Blood drive • Today • 12:30pm
- Fifth Sunday Hymn Sing and Supper • October 29 • 5:00pm
- Thanksgiving Dinner • November 19 • 12:00pm
- Christmas Carol Sing and Supper • December 10 • 5:00pm

• **LARGE PRINT BULLETINS ARE
AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX EACH WEEK** •

See your weekend newsletter for additional details.

October Financial Report	
Current Week's Income	\$10,285.32
Income MTD	\$23,901.24
Income YTD	\$359,070.42
Budgeted income YTD	\$345,611.80
Expenses MTD	\$19,964.72
Expenses YTD	\$348,669.29
Budgeted Expenses YTD	\$346,671.32
YTD Income over/(under) expenses	\$10,401.13

We Go Forth to Show the Gospel to Others

***Hymn of Response**

The Mighty God, the Lord (Psalm 50:1-6) • Hymn 316

***Benediction**

Postlude

This is My Father's World • arr. Matthew Babcock
Davidson Brass

Prayer Concerns

The Church at Large

Presbytery • Resurrection PC • Greenville • Rev. Johnathan Davis
Denomination • Discipleship Ministries • Rev. Stephen Estock
Missionaries • Cherokee • Scott and Ruth Hill
National and Regional Leadership

Church Member Requests

Prodigal children
Monthly diaper drive-thru Tuesday
Beth Miller • response to medical treatment
Eunice Edgeman, Pat Watt's mom • relief from pain
Hope Natiello • pain management
Al LiCalzi • comfort

Those Expecting
Hannah Davidson Smith • due in January

***Hymn of Adoration**

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing • Hymn 457

***Prayer of Adoration and Invocation**

Confession of Sin

Call to Confession • Psalm 119:17-24

Deal bountifully with your servant,
that I may live and keep your word.
Open my eyes, that I may behold
wondrous things out of your law.
I am a sojourner on the earth;
hide not your commandments from me!
My soul is consumed with longing
for your rules at all times.
You rebuke the insolent, accursed ones,
who wander from your commandments.
Take away from me scorn and contempt,
for I have kept your testimonies.
Even though princes sit plotting against me,
your servant will meditate on your statutes.
Your testimonies are my delight;
they are my counselors.

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon • 1 John 5:3-5

*Confession of Faith

On the Creation of People • *Catechism 24-30 from Triple Play*

Who was the first man God made?

Adam. (*Genesis 5:2*)

Who was the first woman God made?

Eve. (*Genesis 3:20*)

What did God make Adam from?

The dust of the ground. (*Genesis 2:7*)

What did God make Eve from?

One of Adam's ribs. (*Genesis 2:21*)

What did God give to Adam and Eve as well as bodies?

He gave them souls that would never die. (*Genesis 2:7*)

Do you have a soul as well as a body?

Yes, I have a soul that will never die. (*Matthew 16:26*)

How do you know that you have a soul?

Because God tells me so in the Bible. (*Psalms 121:7*)

III. Be Encouraged...

A. The present evils will not diminish Christ's harvest

B. To live faithfully but humbly in the presence of unbelievers

Application and Discussion

- What "weeds" in your own life, or in the world in general are the most discouraging to you?
- How does this parable encourage you to trust Christ, persevering in the face of evil and its effects?
- What are some ways that we as Christians have been harmful by trying to exercise authority over unbelievers rather than humbly ministering to them with the Gospel?
- How can we minister to unbelievers with the very Gospel they oppose without harmfully uprooting them?

We Receive the Word to Grow in Grace Together

Scripture Reading

Matthew 13:24-30; 34-43

Sermon

How to Wait for the Harvest

I. The World and the Son of Man

II. Be Forewarned...

A. The coming judgment is inevitable

B. The coming judgment will be severe

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Prelude on ELLACOMBE • Neil Harmon

Catie M. Hane

We sing the mighty power of God
that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.

We sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at his command,
and all the stars obey.

We sing the goodness of the Lord
that filled the earth with food;
he formed the creatures with his word
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how your wonders are displayed,
where'er we turn our eyes,
if we survey the ground we tread
or gaze upon the skies.

There's not a plant or flower below
but makes your glories known,
and clouds arise and tempests blow
by order from your throne;
while all that borrows life from you
is ever in your care,
and everywhere that we can be,
you, God, are present there.

Congregational Prayer

*Songs of Preparation

Across the Lands • Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

You're the Word of God the Father, from before the world began;
Every star and every planet has been fashioned by Your hand.
All creation holds together by the power of Your voice:
Let the skies declare Your glory, let the land and seas rejoice!

You're the Author of creation,
You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.

Yet You left the gaze of angels, came to seek and save the lost,
And exchanged the joy of heaven for the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry, with a word You stilled the sea.
Yet how silently You suffered that the guilty may go free.

You're the Author of creation,
You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.

With a shout You rose victorious, wresting victory from the grave,
And ascended into heaven leading captives in Your wake.
Now You stand before the Father interceding for Your own.
From each tribe and tongue and nation You are leading sinners home.

You're the Author of creation,
You're the Lord of every man;
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands.

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Your Will Be Done • Rich Thompson and Jonny Robinson

Your will be done, my God and Father, as in heaven so on earth.
My heart is drawn to self-exalting; help me seek Your kingdom first.
As Jesus walked, so shall I walk, held by Your same unchanging love.
Be still my soul, O lift your voice and pray:
'Father, not my will but Yours be done.'

How in that garden he persisted, I may never fully know.
The fearful weight of true obedience, it was held by him alone.
What wondrous faith to bear that cross! To bear my sin, what wondrous love!
My hope was sure when there my Savior prayed:
'Father, not my will but Yours be done.'

When I am lost, when I am broken in the night of fear and doubt,
Still, I will trust in my good Father; yes, to one great King I bow!
As Jesus rose, so I shall rise in ransomed glory at the throne.
My heart restored; with all Your saints I sing:
'Father not my will but Yours be done.'

As we go forth, our God and Father, lead us daily in the fight.
That all the world might see Your glory, and Your Name be lifted high.
And in this Name, we overcome; for You shall see us safely home.
Now as Your church, we lift our voice and pray:
'Father, not my will but Yours be done.'

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