



West End  
presbyterian church

### **The First Sunday in Lent**

In the Christian year, we are now in the season of Lent. Lent is a time to ask God to help us confront our own mortality and sinfulness, to ask Him to show us our need for grace, to grow in repentance, and to reflect on the amazing truth of the Church's participation in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The season of Lent—the period between Ash Wednesday and the Saturday before Easter—lasts 40 days (not including Sundays), reminiscent of the 40 days Jesus fasted in the wilderness.

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP & COMMUNION

### **TWO TREASURES, TWO VISIONS, TWO MASTERS**

“Little kingdom living is an endless search for earthly treasure and unending focus on personal need; grace calls you to a bigger Kingdom.” --*Paul Tripp*

“How long will you go limping between two different opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal, then follow him.” --*1 Kings 18:21*

“Where your pleasure is, there is your treasure; where your treasure is, there is your heart; where your heart is, there is your happiness.” --*Augustine*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 18:1-3*

I love You, O LORD, my Strength.

**The Lord is my Rock and my Fortress and my Deliverer,**

My God, my Rock, in whom I take refuge,

**My Shield, and the Horn of my salvation, my Stronghold.**

I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,  
and I am saved from my enemies.

## INVOCATION

# SONG OF ADORATION

## MY HOPE IS BUILT (THE SOLID ROCK)

1. My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name...

*On Christ the solid Rock I stand  
All other ground is sinking sand  
All other ground is sinking sand*

2. When darkness seems  
To hide his face  
I rest on His unchanging grace  
In ev'ry high and stormy gale  
My anchor holds within the veil...

3. His oath, His covenant, His blood  
Support me in the whelming flood  
When all around my soul gives way  
He then is all my hope and stay...

4. When He shall come  
With trumpet sound  
O may I then in Him be found  
Dressed in His righteousness alone  
Faultless to stand before the throne...

*"The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in my whom I take refuge. He is my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold." Psalm 18:2*

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## Welcome

*We are glad you have joined us this morning! If you are visiting our church for the first time, or are a regular attender or church member, we encourage you to use our online or paper "Keep in Touch" form to introduce yourself, request prayer, or request more information about our church. Following the service, please introduce yourself to Pastor Steve Shelby either in the Gallery or on the front sidewalk.*

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Thus says the Lord: "Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the Lord. He is like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see any good come. He shall dwell in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it? "I the Lord search the heart and test the mind, to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his deeds." Like the partridge that gathers a brood that she did not hatch, so is he who gets riches but not by justice; in the midst of his days they will leave him, and at his end he will be a fool. A glorious throne set on high from the beginning is the place of our sanctuary. O Lord, the hope of Israel, all who forsake you shall be put to shame; those who turn away from you shall be written in the earth, for they have forsaken the Lord, the fountain of living water.

*Jeremiah 17:5-13*

# MINISTRY OF PRAYER

*Matthew 16:24-25*

“Jesus told his disciples, ‘If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.’”

*The Book of Common Prayer*

**Almighty God, whose beloved Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the Cross for our redemption: Give us courage to take up our cross and follow Him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

The offering isn't just about money. Our response to the Gospel goes much deeper; God demands our whole selves. The act of giving in worship is a part of offering ourselves as “living sacrifices” to God (Rom. 12:1).

## OFFERING

*If participation in the offering is part of your weekly worship, please place your offering in one of the offering plates near the rear Sanctuary doors, mail your offering to the church office (9008 Quioccasin Road, Henrico, VA, 23229), or visit [www.wepc.org/giving](http://www.wepc.org/giving) for online giving options.*

## SONG OF PRAISE

*“He satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things” Psalm 107:9*

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### SATISFIED

1. All my life long I had panted  
For a drink from some cool spring  
That I hoped would  
Quench the burning  
Of the thirst I felt within...

*Hallelujah!*  
*He has found me*  
*The One my soul so long has craved*  
*Jesus satisfies*  
*All my longings*  
*Through His blood I now am saved*

2. Feeding on the filth around me,  
Til my strength was almost gone  
Longed my soul for something better,  
Only still to hunger on...

3. Poor I was and sought for riches,  
Something that would satisfy  
But the dust I gathered round me  
Only mocked my soul's sad cry...

4. Well of Water, ever springing,  
Bread of Life so rich and free  
Untold wealth that never faileth,  
My Redeemer is to me...

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:30am)

## SCRIPTURE READING

<sup>19</sup>Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, <sup>20</sup>but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. <sup>21</sup>For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. <sup>22</sup>The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, <sup>23</sup>but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! <sup>24</sup>No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

*Matthew 6:19-24*

## SERMON

*A Worship Guide with sermon notes and recordings is posted each Sunday at [wepc.org/sermons](http://wepc.org/sermons).*

## PREPARATION FOR THE LORD’S SUPPER

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, “Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover.”

*Luke 22:7-8, 14-20, 29-30*

When the hour came, Jesus and His apostles reclined at the table. And He said to them, “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God.” After taking the cup, He gave thanks and said, “Take this and divide it among you. For I tell you I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, after the supper He took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.”

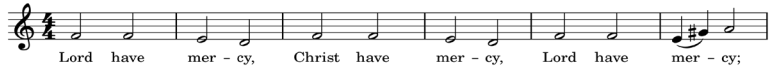
“And I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom.”

# CONFESSION OF SIN

*"Lord, have mercy on us!  
Matthew 20:30*

Kevin Greene, Lent 2022

## LORD HAVE MERCY



### Confession & Encouragement

Often we find that our hearts worship something other than God. In confessing our sins, the Holy Spirit probes our hearts and minds and graciously shows us what we mistakenly believe will give us life. Jesus is good to lead us from sorrow over our sin to the sweetness of His grace.



**Most merciful God, whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before You our own sinfulness. We have hungered after that which does not satisfy; We have compromised with evil; We have doubted Your power to protect us; We have been obsessed with creating a life of constant pleasure; We have been indifferent to the treasure of heaven; We have neglected Your wise and gracious Law. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in Your ways and delight in doing Your will. Amen.**

*Silent Confession of Sin*

# WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

*II Corinthians 5:21*

For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*West End Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin and heart-idols, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the Gospel, to participate in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us.*

*The Elders presiding over the Supper today are standing at a safe distance from each communion table. Know that they are praying for you as the congregation participates in the sacrament.*

*If your child is ready to make a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ, please contact the WEPC office.*

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GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT TRANSFORMS US BY HIS GRACE

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## SONGS OF RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

### CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE

1. Mine are days that God has numbered  
I was made to walk with Him  
Yet I look for worldly treasure  
And forsake the King of kings...

*But mine is hope in my Redeemer  
Though I fall, His love is sure  
For Christ has paid for every failing  
I am His forevermore*

2. Mine are tears in times of sorrow  
Darkness not yet understood  
Through the valley I must travel  
Where I see no earthly good...

*But mine is peace that flows from heaven  
And the strength in times of need  
I know my pain will not be wasted  
Christ completes His work in me*

3. Mine are days here  
As a stranger  
Pilgrim on a narrow way  
One with Christ I will encounter  
Harm and hatred for His name...

*But mine is armor for this battle  
Strong enough to last the war  
And He has said He will deliver  
Safely to the golden shore  
And mine are keys to Zion city  
Where beside the King I walk  
For there my heart has found its Treasure  
Christ is mine forevermore  
Christ is mine forevermore  
Christ is mine forevermore*

*"Your life is hidden with  
Christ in God."  
Colossians 3:3*

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*"Because of the LORD's great  
love we are not consumed."  
Lamentations 3:22*

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### **WE ARE NOT OVERCOME (LAMENTATIONS 3)**

1. Flesh will fail, and bones will break  
Thieves will steal, the earth will shake  
Night will fall, the light will fade  
The Lord will give and take away...

*Because of His great love  
We are not overcome  
Because of His great love  
We are not overcome*

2. Put no trust in the earth  
In the sod you stand upon  
Flowers fade into dust  
The Lord will make a place for us...

3. Have no fear for your life  
Turn your cheek, turn your cheek  
Bear the yoke of love and death  
The Lord will give life and breath...

*"I live by faith in the Son of  
God, who loved me and gave  
Himself for me."  
Galatians 2:20*

Louisa M. R. Stead (1882);  
Tune: TRUST IN JESUS,  
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### **TIS SO SWEET TO TRUST IN JESUS**

1. Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus  
Just to take Him at His word  
Just to rest upon His promise  
And to know, "Thus saith the Lord"...

*Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him  
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus  
O for grace to trust Him more*

2. How I love to trust in Jesus  
Just to trust His cleansing blood  
Just in simple faith to plunge me  
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood...

3. Yes, I've learned to trust in Jesus  
And from sin and self to cease  
Now from Jesus simply taking  
Life and rest, and joy and peace...

4. I'm so glad I learned to trust Him  
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend  
And I know that He is with me  
He'll be with me to the end...



# DOXOLOGY



Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD."*  
Psalm 150:6

Text: Thomas Ken (1709)  
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH  
(Bourgeois, 1551)

**What does "doxology" mean?**  
It's derived from two Greek words meaning "glory" and "word." A doxology, then, is a spoken word or song that ascribes glory to God. Today's doxology calls all of creation to praise God as the source of all blessing and acknowledges His Trinitarian (three-in-one) nature.

# BENEDICTION

*"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality."*

*Our Elders are available for prayer at the front of the Sanctuary following the 9 & 10:30 AM services.*

*Pastor Steve Shelby preached today's sermon. Pastor Kevin Greene led worship. Mark & Rebecca Crutcher, Randall & Tammy Ingram, Donald Smith, and Jake Bruning led this morning's congregational singing. Deacon Luke Shrader and Scott Hoye managed today's audio and video live stream. AJ Anonick managed the in-house video system.*

*Romans 12:12-13*

## **The Last Word**

God always has the last word in our worship. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing.

# Announcements

## ADULT MINISTRY

[www.wepc.org/adults](http://www.wepc.org/adults)

### Adult Sunday School / 9AM

[www.wepc.org/adults](http://www.wepc.org/adults)

- Series on Discipleship / Chapel, then Rm. 21
- Series on Lent STARTING TODAY / Library

### Parenting Book Club

*Gospel Principles That Can Radically Change Your Family*

[www.wepc.org/adults](http://www.wepc.org/adults)

Wednesdays / 6-7:30PM / Library

### Wednesday Night Fellowship

*The Book of Job: God in Our Suffering*

[www.wepc.org/WNFJob](http://www.wepc.org/WNFJob)

Wednesdays / 6-7:30PM / Chapel

### Women's Ministry

[www.wepc.org/grow/women](http://www.wepc.org/grow/women)

Wellspring: Tuesdays AM

Restore: Wednesdays PM

### Third Saturday Mature Singles Fellowship

[www.wepc.org/MASfellowship](http://www.wepc.org/MASfellowship)

March 19 / 4-5:30PM

### Young Singles Fellowship

[www.wepc.org/youngsingles](http://www.wepc.org/youngsingles)

March 13 / 12:15 PM

Join us for lunch and fellowship!

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

<https://www.wepc.org/grow/children/>

### 9 AM

- Nursery (infant-3 years); upstairs
- Preschool Quest (4 & 5 years); downstairs
- Sunday School (K-5); downstairs

### 10:30 AM

- Nursery (infant-3 years old); upstairs
- Children's Worship (4 years-2nd grade); Chapel

### Kids Club

Wednesdays / 6-7:30 PM / Rm. 25

### Spring Fling

March 19

### Easter Celebration

April 14

## NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH MINISTRY

[www.wepc.org/neighborhood](http://www.wepc.org/neighborhood)

### Tutors Needed

We are currently looking for more tutors to help students (K-9), one hour each week, with school-work. Contact: Evelyne ([evelyne@wepc.org](mailto:evelyne@wepc.org))

### Afghan Refugee Resettlement Ministry

WEPC is sponsoring the resettlement of two Afghan families here in Richmond. We are collecting donations for their new homes.

Contact: Lori ([lori@wepc.org](mailto:lori@wepc.org))

### Sewing Friends

Wednesdays / 9:30-11:30AM / Rm. 23

Join us as we connect with immigrant women and share the love of Jesus. Contact: Christine ([christine@wepc.org](mailto:christine@wepc.org))

### Simple English Christian Service

[www.wepc.org/simpleenglish](http://www.wepc.org/simpleenglish)

March 13 / 12PM / Chapel

## YOUTH MINISTRY

[www.wepc.org/grow/youth](http://www.wepc.org/grow/youth)

**Youth Sunday School:** 9AM / Youth Lounge

### Youth Group: Wednesdays

- Middle School / 6-7:30PM / Gym
- High School / 7:30-9PM / Gym

### High School Modgnik Retreat

April 8-10

Register now!

## WORLD RELIEF RESOURCES

### Ukraine Crisis Church Fund

See Mission to the World's website for opportunities to give and support those affected by the crisis in Ukraine.

# Lent & Easter 2022

[www.wepc.org/lent-easter](http://www.wepc.org/lent-easter)

## Worship Services

- Maundy Thursday / April 14 / 7PM
- Good Friday / April 15 / 7PM
- Easter Sunday / April 17 / 9 & 10:30AM

## Personal Retreat

Saturday, March 19 / 8:30AM-12:30PM

Roslyn Retreat Center

Join us for a time alone in prayer, reflection, Scripture readings, and communion. [Register online now!](#) Contact: Kevin ([kevin@wepc.org](mailto:kevin@wepc.org))

## Following Jesus Conference

Saturday, March 26 / 8:30AM-12:30PM

Join speakers Mike & Renee Higgins for a morning of stories of fellowship with Christ that we might be encouraged as His disciples.

[Online Registration](#) is required; the [event](#) is free of charge.

## Weekly Lenten Prep for Worship

If you have not already, sign up for WEPC weekly Saturday emails to receive a Lenten Preparation for Worship devotional on our [Keep in Touch](#) form, and check the box 'I would like to be included on the WEPC email list.'

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Deacons of the Week

Karl Kuder, Rick McMahon, Davison Long, Ben Bacon

### WEPC Community Preschool

Enrollment is now open for the 2022-2023 school year. We would love for your little ones to join us! For info, visit [wepc.org/preschool](http://wepc.org/preschool) or email Casey Zollinhofer at [casey@wepc.org](mailto:casey@wepc.org)

### Counseling

Lara Finnie, Licensed Professional Counselor at WEPC, is available by appointment.

Visit [Abiding Branches](#) for more information.

### Fiscal Year Giving Report (as of 2/27/22):

Operating gifts YTD: \$1,524,366.09

Forecasted gifts YTD: \$1,463,414.27

% of expected budget received: 104.17

### NEW WEPC Directories are here!

2022 Directories are available in the Gallery on each of the black cabinets and Welcome Table. You are invited to take up to 2 per family.

## Daylight Savings

Daylight Savings Time begins on March 13! Remember to set your clock FORWARD one hour.

## FOOD PANTRY

[www.wepc.org/foodpantry](http://www.wepc.org/foodpantry)

We are adding a new way to donate food items to the WEPC In Jesus' Name Food Pantry! Simply choose a Food Item "team" and add those items to your personal grocery list each time you shop.

Examples include:

- Team Flour/Sugar
- Team Oil/Salt
- Team Garbanzo
- Team Tomato
- Team Peach

There are no formal signups for these donations - please visit [our webpage](#) for more info!

# Keep in Touch

Especially if this is your first Sunday with us –welcome!

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Who invited you to WEPC? How did you first hear about us?

\_\_\_\_\_

◇ Check if this is NEW contact information for you.

Please check the appropriate boxes:

- |                        |                 |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| ◇ Visitor              | Age:            |
| ◇ Male                 | ◇ 20 or younger |
| ◇ Female               | ◇ 21-26         |
| ◇ Single               | ◇ 27-34         |
| ◇ Student (Grade ___ ) | ◇ 35-49         |
| ◇ Student (College)    | ◇ 50-64         |
| ◇ Married              | ◇ 65 and older  |
| ◇ Parent               |                 |
| ◇ Widowed              |                 |

I would like info about:

- ◇ WEPC
- ◇ Women's Ministry
- ◇ Men's Ministry
- ◇ Childrens Ministry
- ◇ Youth Ministry
- ◇ Adult Classes
- ◇ Home Groups
- ◇ Neighborhood Outreach
- ◇ Becoming a member of WEPC
- ◇ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

◇ Please include me on the WEPC email list.

◇ I am interested in learning more about becoming a Christian.

Prayer Requests: