

GOD THE FATHER CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost: Ordinary Time

We are now in the season after Pentecost, known as "Ordinary Time." Having celebrated the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church at Pentecost, Ordinary Time signals the interim of the Church until Christ comes again in glory. Jesus is faithfully advancing His Kingdom in the power of His Spirit in this season. We anticipate the consummation of all things when Christ comes in His glory as King of all.

Preparation for Worship & Communion

WHY THEN HAVE YOU DECEIVED ME?

"Even if you do prevail through your ingenious schemes, as Jacob does in the end, the result is never shalom, harmony and peace in all your relationships with those around you. Many people have sought to win the world, in the world's way, and have won - yet have paid a high price in broken and soured relationships with those closest to them." --lain M. Duguid

"For I will be with you, In trouble to bless, And sanctify to you Your deepest distress" --"How Firm a Foundation" attributed to George Keith & Robert Keene

Call to Worship

Hebrews 10:19-23

Since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, His body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God:

Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith,

Having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful.

Invocation

Song of Adoration

HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

- 1. 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 lesus have fled
- 2. Fear not, I am with you
 O be not dismayed
 For I am your God
 And will still give you aid
 I'll strengthen you, help you
 And cause you to stand
 Upheld by My Righteous
 Omnipotent hand
- 3. When through the deep waters I call you to go
 The rivers of sorrow
 Shall not overflow
 For I will be with you
 In trouble to bless
 And sanctify to you
 Your deepest distress

- 4. 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
- 5. The soul that on Jesus
 Has leaned for repose
 I will not, I will not desert to its foes
 That soul, though all hell
 Should endeavor to shake
 I'll never, no, never
 No, never forsake

"Fear not, for I have redeemed you" Isaiah 43:1

John Rippon's A Selection of Hymns (1787). Tune: FOUNDATION, American Folk melody. Public domain.

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.

Gospel Reading

And he had to pass through Samaria. So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty again. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

Ministry of Prayer

Psalm 139:1-3, 7-14, 23-24. To the choirmaster.

A Psalm of David. Refrain v. 23

*Search me, O God, and know my heart!

* denotes congregation singing the refrain

O LORD, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways.

*Search me, O God, and know my heart!

Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.

*Search me, O God, and know my heart!

For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

*Search me, O God, and know my heart!

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 for online giving options.

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 (Romans 12:1).

GIVE ME JESUS

1. In the morning when I rise in the morning when I rise in the morning when I rise Give me Jesus...

Give me Jesus Give me Jesus You can have all this world But give me Jesus

- 2. And when I am alone And when I am alone When I am alone Give me lesus...
- 3. And when I come to die And when I come to die When I come to die Give me Jesus...

"And He who was seated on the throne said 'Behold, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.'" Revelation 21:5

African-American Spiritual

CHILDREn's WORSHIP (10:30am)

Children, age 4 through 1st grade, will be dismissed prior to the sermon for a Bible Lesson, activity, and fellowship. Pick up from the Chapel. www.wepc.org/grow/children

CHILDRen's Blessing (10:30am)

Gather round ye children come Listen to the old, old Story Of the power of death undone By an Infant born of glory Son of God, Son of Man "But Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 19:14

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Scripture Reading

Genesis 29:1-30

¹Then Jacob went on his journey and came to the land of the people of the east. ²As he looked, he saw a well in the field, and behold, three flocks of sheep lying beside it, for out of that well the flocks were watered. The stone on the well's mouth was large, ³ and when all the flocks were gathered there, the shepherds would roll the stone from the mouth of the well and water the sheep, and put the stone back in its place over the mouth of the well. ⁴Jacob said to them, "My brothers, where do you come from?" They said, "We are from Haran." 5He said to them, "Do you know Laban the son of Nahor?" They said, "We know him." ⁶He said to them, "Is it well with him?" They said, "It is well; and see, Rachel his daughter is coming with the sheep!" ⁷He said, "Behold, it is still high day; it is not time for the livestock to be gathered together. Water the sheep and go, pasture them." But they said, "We cannot until all the flocks are gathered together and the stone is rolled from the mouth of the well; then we water the sheep." ⁹While he was still speaking with them, Rachel came with her father's sheep, for she was a shepherdess. ¹⁰Now as soon as Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, Jacob came near and rolled the stone from the well's mouth and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother. 11Then Jacob kissed Rachel and wept aloud. 12And Jacob told Rachel that he was her father's kinsman, and that he was Rebekah's son, and she ran and told her father. ¹³As soon as Laban heard the news about Jacob, his sister's son, he ran to meet him and embraced him and kissed him and brought him to his house. Jacob told Laban all these things, 14 and Laban said to him, "Surely you are my bone and my flesh!" And he stayed with him a month. 15Then Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" 16Now Laban had two daughters. The name of the older was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. 17Leah's eyes were weak, but Rachel was beautiful in form and appearance. ¹⁸Jacob loved Rachel. And he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." 19Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." 20So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. ²¹Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." ²²So Laban gathered together all the people of the place and made a feast. ²³But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob, and he went in to her. ²⁴(Laban gave his female servant Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her servant.) ²⁵And in the morning, behold, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" 26Laban said, "It is not so done in our country, to give the younger before the firstborn. ²⁷Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." 28 Jacob did so, and completed her week. Then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel to be his wife. 29(Laban gave his female servant Bilhah to his daughter Rachel to be her servant.) 30So Jacob went in to Rachel also, and he loved Rachel more than Leah, and served Laban for another seven years.

Sermon

Preparation for the Lord's Supper

Words of Institution

On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus. They did as He had directed them, and prepared the Passover.

from Matthew 26:17-29

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body."

And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

Confession of Sin

O Lord, we desperately need You and the forgiveness You offer. You have called us to be Your people and to live for Your glory. But we have sinned against You. We have not believed we are Your holy people. We have not trusted You as beloved children, marked by Your glory and purposes. We have lived impatiently as if only we mattered, and all of our passions are out of order. Mercifully forgive us all our sins for Jesus' sake and renew us in Your redeeming love. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

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.

Words of Encouragement

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. I acknowledged my sin to You and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and You forgave the guilt of my sin.

Psalm 32:1, 5

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 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.

GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT TRANSFORMS US BY HIS GRACE

Songs of Response to God's Grace

"He is the Rock...and all His ways are just." Deuteronomy 32:4

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ALL OF YOUR WAYS ARE PEACE

- 1. All of Your ways are peace All of Your ways are peace Though we are pressed on ev'ry side We trust that You are peace
- 2. All of Your words are true All of Your words are true Though we have heard so many lies We trust Your words are true
- 3. All of Your ways are just All of Your ways are just Though we may say it through our tears We trust that You are just

All of Your ways are peace All of Your ways are peace All of Your ways are peace

"I will turn their mourning into joy; I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow:" Jeremiah 31:13

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O COME TO THE ALTAR

1. Are you hurting and broken within Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin Jesus is calling Have you come to the end of yourself Do you thirst for a drink from the well Jesus is calling...

O come to the altar The Father's arms are open wide Forgiveness was bought with The precious blood of Jesus Christ 2. Leave behind your regrets
And mistakes
Come today, there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows
And trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling...

O what a Savior Isn't He wonderful Sing alleluia, Christ is risen Bow down before Him For He is Lord of all Sing alleluia, Christ is risen...

PROMISES

1. God of Abraham You're the God of covenant And of faithful promises Time and time again, You have proven You'll do just what You said...

Though the storms may come
And the winds may blow
You'll remain steadfast
And let my heart learn,
When You speak a word
It will come to pass
Great is Your faithfulness to me
Great is Your faithfulness to me
From the rising sun to the setting same
I will praise Your name
Great is Your faithfulness to me

- 2. God from age to age
 Though the earth may pass away
 Your word remains the same
 And history can prove
 There's nothing You can't do
 You're faithful and true...
- 3. I put my faith in Jesus My anchor to the ground My hope and firm foundation He'll never let me down...

"Know therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant." Deuteronomy 7:9

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Doxology

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

Text: Thomas Ken (1709)

"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD."

Psalm 150:6

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 and administered the Lord's supper. Pastor Kevin Greene led worship. Elder Chris Newlin, Erin Bouknight, Mya Wilcox, Buddy Miner, Worship Arts Director Becca Wethered, Donald Smith, and Luke Smith led this morning's congregational singing. Youth Ministry Intern Catherine Wilks read the Gospel reading. Elder Gordon Kuhfuss and Aaron Sutten managed today's audio and video live stream. Scott Dicken 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

Adult Sunday School / 9AM

www.wepc.org/adults

I Corinthians / Library / Through August 28

College-Age Young Adults

www.wepc.org/college-aged-young-adults TODAY / 5-9 PM

Join us for tacos and a hang out time. Open to all college-aged students! RSVP: Heather Oberle (hoberle@wepc.org)

First Five Summer Initiative

www.wepc.org/firstfive

Join folks in their first five years out of college as they build community together and navigate what it means to faithfully follow Christ as young adults. Contact: Rebecca (rcrutcher72@gmail.com)

Men's Ministry

www.wepc.org/grow/men

Men's Basketball (ages 35+) Thursdays / 7-9 PM / Gym

Contact: EJ Fogarty (<u>efogarty@gmail.com</u>)

Summer Fellowship 2022

www.wepc.org/summerfellowship Wednesdays through August 31 7-8:30 PM / Chapel

Join us for Jesus Knows His Church: Revelation 1-3 and consider who Jesus is, and what it means to be known and led by Him. Outspoken skeptics, new Christians, and long-time believers are encouraged to attend. Contact: Kevin Greene (kevin@wepc.org)

Women's Ministry

www.wepc.org/grow/women

Sundays in the Psalms

Sundays in July / 9:15 AM / Chapel Join us as we study and reflect on a different Psalm each week. All women are welcome! Contact: Kim Greene (kim@wepc.org)

YOUTH MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/grow/youth

- Youth Sunday School: 9AM / Youth Lounge
- **Christmas in July:** July 20
- **The Landing:** July 31-Aug 5

Neighborhood outreach Ministry

www.wepc.org/neighborhood

Neighborhood Playground Hangout Week

July 18 - July 22 / 6:30-7:30 PM

Join us as we meet ESL students and families from our tutoring ministry, as well as new people who live in the neighborhood. Bring your own chair and water bottle. The playgrounds have slides and swings, so please bring your children. Come ready to learn about our neighbors and hear their stories! See our website for the playground meeting schedule for the week.

Cross-Cultural Ministry Interest Meeting

July 24 / 12PM / Library (lunch provided) Come learn about the **many** ways that WEPC ministries are building relationships and sharing the Gospel with those from around the world. Contact Heather Glissman (heatheresl@wepc.org) or Lori Bowman (lori@wepc.org).

Simple English Christian Service Picnic

www.wepc.org/simpleenglish
July 23 / 5:30 PM / WEPC Courtyard
Join us for a time of fellowship with delicious food!

Afghan Refugee Resettlement Ministry

WEPC has settled three Afghan families here in Richmond. If you would like to get involved or would like more information, contact <u>Lori</u> or <u>Changjwok</u>. Any financial donations for this ministry can be directed towards the <u>WEPC Deacon</u> Fund.

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
- Childrén's Worship (4 years-1st grade); Chapel

Wrap-around Ministry

www.wepc.org/outreach/wrap-around-ministry/

Monthly Meeting

July 31 / 9AM / Řm. 21

Join us for our regular meeting and to learn more about the mission of Patty's Hope. Coffee and bagels will be served. Contact: Ali Fogarty (alifogarty@gmail.com)

Missions

Missionaries-in-Residence: The Musser Family

Mission Update with Lunch

July 31 / 12PM / Fellowship Hall Come hear from the Musser Family, one of our WEPC missionary families, who will be in Richmond this summer from July 30-August 18, and will be giving a lunch update about their mission. RSVP to the Missions Team for the luncheon (missions@wepc.org).

Car needed

They are also in need of a car during their time in VA. If you have a car that would be available to them, please contact the Missions Team (missions@wepc.org).

Cambodia Vision Trip: November 14-22, 2022 WEPC member Alden Weichel is part of a team serving with Mission to the World missionaries, church planters and national partners in Cambodia. Cost is \$1350.00 plus airfare. Interested in hearing more? Contact Alden (alden76@gmail.com)

YoungLives Metro Richmond Summer Camp Volunteers are needed for childcare at summer camp to serve teen moms from August 1-6, 2022. Visit https://goyounglives.younglife.org for more info. Contact: Joyce (jcl7577@comcast.net)

General information

Deacons of the Week

Matt Mailloux, Sean Winterhalter, Warren Kempf, & Chris Perry

Inquirer's Weekend

www.wepc.org/inquirersweekend July 29-31

Join us to learn about our church history, beliefs, ministries, and how to become a member at WEPC. Contact: Karen (karen@wepc.org)

Prayer & Support Group

Email <u>pray4fam@wepc.org</u> for prayer and support for couples struggling with infertility.

Save the Date: American Red Cross Blood Drive July 24 / 12-4 PM

To sign up, visit www.wepc.org/arcdrive

Counseling

Lara Finnie, Licensed Professional Counselor at WEPC, is available by appointment. Visit <u>Abiding Branches</u> for more information.

Employment Opportunities

Wellsquirts Children't Program

Wellspring Women's Ministry is hiring workers for their Wellsquirts Children's Program. Commitment would include Tuesday mornings from 9:00-11:15 AM, during the 2022-23 school year. Contact Casey Zollinhofer (casey@wepc.org)

WEPC Community Preschool

Now hiring teachers and assistants for the upcoming 2022-23 school year. Preschool classes meet 9-12 AM on M, T, W, & F, depending on the age of the child. Contact Casey Zollinhofer (casey@wepc.org)

Save the Date: The Church as Refuge Seminar

www.wepc.org/churchrefuge
October 1 / 8:30AM-12:30PM
Stony Point Presbyterian Church
Come hear Dr. Diane Langberg discuss power
and its abuse and the church's response in truth
and grace; offered by WEPC & other Richmond
churches and ministries. Contact: Kevin (kevin@
wepc.org)

Fiscal Year Giving Report (as of 7/10/22):

Operating gifts YTD: \$73,463.53 Forecasted gifts YTD: \$79,579.52 % of expected budget received: 92.31

FOOD Pantry

www.wepc.org/foodpantry

Check out this great 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 teams. Please visit our <u>website</u> for more information about all the ways to donate to the food pantry.

Keep in Touch

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