

The Seventh 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

#### THE LORD SAW THAT LEAH WAS HATED

"In his family relations Jacob continues to sow bitter seed. His coolness to his unwanted wife was understandable, but Genesis 29:31ff shows what God as well as Leah thought of it, and there are few things more pathetic than the naming of her first three sons...On the human plane the story demonstrates the craving of human beings for love and recognition, and the price of thwarting it; on the Divine level it shows once again the grace of God choosing difficult and unpromising material." --Derek Kidner

"The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers..." --Matthew 1:1-2

"My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me, love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be. Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?" --Samuel Crossman

"May the Lord make the woman, who is coming into your house, like Rachel and Leah, who together built up the house of Israel." --Ruth 4:11

## Call to Worship

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will bestow.

#### No longer will they call you Deserted, or name your land Desolate, for the Lord will take delight in you.

The Lord has made proclamation to the ends of the earth: "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your Savior comes! See, His reward is with Him,'

They will be called the Holy People, the Redeemed of the Lord; and you will be called Sought After, the City No Longer Deserted."

from Isaiah 62:1-4, 11-12

### Invocation

### Song of Adoration

#### GOD IS LOVE, LET HEAVEN ADORE HIM

1. God is love, let heav'n adore Him God is love, let earth rejoice Let creation sing before Him And exalt Him with one voice God who laid the earth's foundation God who spread the heavens above God who breathes Through all creation God is love, eternal love God is love, eternal love

2. God is love, and love enfolds us All the world in one embrace With unfailing grasp God holds us Every child of every race And when human hearts are breaking Under sorrow's iron rod Then we find that self same aching Deep within the heart of God Deep within the heart of God 3. God is love And though with blindness Sin afflicts all human life God's eternal loving kindness Guides us through our earthly strife Sin and death and hell shall never O'er us final triumph gain God is love so love forever O'er the universe shall reign O'er the universe shall reign "Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love." 1 John 4:8

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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.

## New Testament Reading

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

I John 4:7-10

### **MINISTRY OF PRAYER**

Psalm 13. To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David. Refrain, v.5

\* denotes congregation singing the refrain

#### \*But I have trusted in Your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation

How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will You hide your face from me? How long must I take counsel in my soul and have sorrow in my heart all the day?

#### \*But I have trusted in Your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation

How long shall my enemy be exalted over me? Consider and answer me, O Lord my God; light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death, lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him,"

lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

#### \*But I have trusted in Your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation

But I have trusted in Your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation. I will sing to the Lord,

because He has dealt bountifully with me.

#### \*But I have trusted in Your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation

## OFFERING

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). 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 <u>www.wepc.org/giving</u> for online giving options.

#### GOOD, GOOD FATHER

1. I've heard a thousand stories Of what they think You're like But I've heard the tender whisper Of love in the dead of night You tell me that You're pleased And that I'm never alone...

You're a Good Good Father It's who You are It's who You are It's who You are And I'm loved by You It's who I am It's who I am It's who I am

2. I've seen many
Searching for answers
Far and wide
But I know
We're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word...

You are perfect in all of Your ways You are perfect in all of Your ways You are perfect in all of Your ways To us

3. Love so undeniable I can hardly speak Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think As You call me deeper still As You call me deeper still Into love, love, love... "This God - His way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true; He is a shield for all those who take refuge in Him." Psalm 18:30

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### 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. <u>www.wepc.org/grow/children</u>

### 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 29:31-35

<sup>31</sup>When the Lord saw that Leah was hated, he opened her womb, but Rachel was barren. <sup>32</sup>And Leah conceived and bore a son, and she called his name Reuben, for she said, "Because the Lord has looked upon my affliction; for now my husband will love me." <sup>33</sup>She conceived again and bore a son, and said, "Because the Lord has heard that I am hated, he has given me this son also." And she called his name Simeon. <sup>34</sup>Again she conceived and bore a son, and said, "Now this time my husband will be attached to me, because I have borne him three sons." Therefore his name was called Levi. <sup>35</sup>And she conceived again and bore a son, and said, "This time I will praise the Lord." Therefore she called his name Judah. Then she ceased bearing.

### Sermon

A Worship Guide with sermon notes and recordings is posted each Sunday at wepc.org/sermons.

## PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

I Corinthians 11:23-26

#### For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

### 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. Almighty God, to know You is Life itself, and the satisfaction of our most ardent desires. Yet foolishly we have sought our pleasures elsewhere. We have given ourselves to the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have run after deadly idols of our own making, and forsaken You. We have failed to love You with our whole heart, soul, and mind. We have failed to love our neighbors as ourselves, and there is no health in us. Forgive us our sins for the sake of Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Renew Your Bride, Your Church, as You have redeemed her. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

## WORDS OF Encouragement

You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

I Peter 2:9-10

### 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

#### MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN

 My song is love unknown My Savior's love to me Love to the loveless shown That they might lovely be O who am I That for my sake My Lord should take frail flesh and die

2. He came from His blest throne Salvation to bestow But men made strange, and none The longed for Christ would know O! my Friend My Friend indeed, Who at my need His life did spend 3. They rise and needs will have My dear Lord made away A murderer they saved The Prince of life they slay Yet steadfast He To suffering goes, that He His foes From thence might free

4. Here might I stay and sing No story so divine Never was love, dear King Never was grief like Thine This is my Friend In Whose sweet praise I, all my days Could gladly spend "But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

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

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#### AMAZING LOVE

1. My Lord, what love is this That pays so dearly That I, the guilty one May go free...

Amazing love, O what sacrifice The Son of God given for me My debt He pays and my death He dies That I might live, that I might live

2. And so they watched Him die Despised, rejected But O, the blood He shed Flowed for me...

3. And now, this love of Christ Shall flow like rivers Come wash your guilt away Live again...

#### 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

## Doxology



"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 and administered the Lord's supper. Pastor Kevin Greene led worship. Mark & Rebecca Crutcher, Randall & Tammy Ingram, Pat Reynolds, and Gordon Collier led this morning's congregational singing. Deacon Luke Shrader and Deacon Chris Scoggins managed today's audio and video live stream. Clara Bender 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.

## <u>Announcements</u>

### **ADULT MINISTRY**

www.wepc.org/adults

Adult Sunday School / 9AM www.wepc.org/adults I Corinthians / Library / Through August 28

#### **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 (<u>rcrutcher72@gmail.com</u>)

#### **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

Sundaýs 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 (<u>kim@wepc.org</u>)

#### Third Saturday Mature Singles Fellowship

www.wepc.org/MASfellowship August 20 / 4-5:30PM / WEPC Library Join us for fellowship, devotional study, prayer, and an optional dinner. Contact: Janice Sharp (loljanice727@gmail.com)

### Neighborhood outreach Ministry

www.wepc.org/neighborhood

#### **Cross-Cultural Ministry Interest Meeting**

TODAY / 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 (<u>heatheresl@wepc.org</u>) or Lori Bowman (<u>lori@wepc.org</u>).

#### Simple English Christian Service

www.wepc.org/simpleenglish August 14 / 12PM / Chapel

#### 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> <u>Fund</u>.

### 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

### Youth Ministry

www.wepc.org/grow/youth

- Youth Sunday School: 9AM / Youth Lounge
- The Landing: July 31-Aug 5

## Please visit our website for the summer calendar of events.

### 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

#### Missions 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 (<u>missions@wepc.org</u>).

#### 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 (<u>missions@wepc.org</u>).

#### 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 plus airfare. Contact: Alden (<u>alden76@gmail.com</u>)

### General Information

#### **Deacons of the Week**

Matt Mailloux, Brian Zollinhofer, Karl Kuder, & Bill Phillips

#### American Red Cross Blood Drive

TODAY / 12-4 PM To sign up, visit <u>www.wepc.org/arcdrive</u>

#### Inquirer's Weekend

<u>www.wepc.org/inquirersweekend</u> July 29-31 Join us to learn about our church history, beliefs, ministries, and how to become a member at WEPC. Contact: Karen (<u>karen@wepc.org</u>)

#### Prayer & Support Group

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

#### 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 (<u>casey@wepc.org</u>)

#### **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 (<u>casey@wepc.org</u>)

#### 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: <u>Kevin (kevin@</u> wepc.org)

#### Fiscal Year Giving Report (as of 7/17/22):

Operating gifts YTD: \$109,066.03 Forecasted gifts YTD: \$118,204.76 % of expected budget received: 92.27

### 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.

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