



Order of Worship

Dear Ones,

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself (Mark 12:30-31).

Warmly,

Steve

God the Father Calls Us to Worship Him

The Twenty-second 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

Christ is Proclaimed

"To get the love of Christ in focus changes one's whole existence." -J.I. Packer

Call to Worship

1 Peter 2:1,4-5

Put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander.

Come to Him, a Living Stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious.

You yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood,

To offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

Invocation

Song of Adoration

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all!

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all.
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all.
To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all!

O, that with yonder sacred throng, we at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song and crown Him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song and crown Him Lord of all!

"God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name." -Philippians 2:9

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Welcome

We are glad you have joined us this morning! If you are visiting our church for the first time, we encourage you to use our online "Keep in Touch" form to introduce yourself, request prayer, or request more information about our church.

The Ministry of Prayer

Psalms 37:3-7. Of David.

Trust in the LORD, and do good;
dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.

**Delight yourself in the LORD,
and He will give you the desires of your heart.**

Commit your way to the LORD; trust in Him, and He will act.

**He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,
and your justice as the noonday.**

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for Him.

Offering

If participation in the offering is part of your weekly worship, please place your offering in one of 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.

Song of Praise

Narrow Little Road

I believe in the love of God; it is an orphan's wildest dream.
It is a narrow little road; it is an ever-widening desert stream.

Oh I, and I, I will leave this road for the narrow.

It is portrayed in the bread and wine; let it fortify my bones.
It is more than just a sign; it is the fountain from that desert stone.

It is the path where the humble go, it is the narrow, not the broad.
It is the pathway down the hill to the graveyard of the living God.

The love of God is the hymn of hope; let the needy join the throng.
Let the widow hear and cope; let the crippled rise to sing this song.

"And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them." -1 John 4:16

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Children's Message (10:30 AM)

Emily Meeks, WEPC Children's Ministry Director

Backyard Children's Worship (10:30 AM)

Children, age 3 through 5th grade, will be dismissed prior to the sermon for an outdoor Bible Lesson, activity, and fellowship on the WEPC playground. Pick-up at the end of the service on the playground. (In case of inclement weather, Children's Worship will meet in the WEPC Chapel.) www.wepc.org/grow/children

God the Son Renews Us through His Word

Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:15-18

¹⁵ Some indeed preach Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from good will. ¹⁶ The latter do it out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. ¹⁷ The former proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but thinking to afflict me in my imprisonment. ¹⁸ What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed, and in that I rejoice. Yes, and I will rejoice...

Sermon

Each Sunday, Worship Notes with the Scripture text, study questions, and recordings are posted at www.wepc.org/sermons.

God the Holy Spirit Transforms Us by His Grace

Confession of Sin

Almighty and merciful Father, You have called us to be Your people and have made us one body. Yet we have not lived like we are one body.

We have not loved one another as we ought. Selfish ambition has gripped us, and we have failed to look out for others' interests above our own. Envy and rivalry have ruled us, and we have refused to love those who are different from ourselves. We have hardened our hearts at the offenses of others, and missed rejoicing at the proclaiming of Christ. We have not honored one another as those in whom Christ dwells.

Forgive us for our offenses against You, and go on to subdue everything in us that is contrary to Your purposes. By the power of your Spirit make us a church marked by Your loving kindness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

Words of Encouragement

1 Peter 2:22-24

He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in His mouth. When He was reviled, He did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but continued entrusting Himself to Him who judges justly. He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed.

Songs of Response to God's Grace

More Love to Thee, O Christ

More love to Thee, O Christ, more love to Thee!
Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee.
This is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to Thee;
More love to Thee, more love to Thee!

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest;
Now Thee alone I seek, give what is best.
This all my prayer shall be: more love, O Christ to Thee;
More love to Thee, more love to Thee!

Then shall my latest breath whisper Thy praise;
This be the parting cry, my heart shall raise;
This still its prayer shall be: more love, O Christ to Thee;
More love to Thee, more love to Thee!

"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might." -Deuteronomy 6:5
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O Come to the Altar

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.*

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.

Oh, 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!

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

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

"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD." -Psalm 150:6
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"Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality." -Romans 12:12-13

Benediction

Our Elders are available for prayer in the West Foyer following both services.

Pastor Steve Shelby preached today's sermon. ***Pastor Kevin Greene*** led worship. ***Elder Kevin Shaffer, Worship Arts Coordinator Becca Wethered, Robin Huff, Jamison Taggart, and Troy Arnold*** led this morning's congregational singing. ***Jay Smith, Andy Becker, Chris Scoggins, and Mike Perzanowski*** managed today's audio and video live stream. ***Clara Bender*** managed the in-house video system.

Q & A with Pastor Steve Shelby

Join Steve this morning after the 10:30 AM worship service, as he responds live to some of your text inquiries related to the worship service. We welcome questions related to the sermon, as well as general responses to something that encouraged your heart during the service. We plan on the Q & A lasting approximately 10-15 minutes. Please text **804-608-9372** with your questions and encouragements.

Announcements (listed alphabetically)

Children's Ministry: Backyard Children's Worship

Sundays, 10:30 AM; Rain location: WEPC Chapel

www.wepc.org/grow/children

Children's Ministry: First Stop Donut Truck

Thursday, November 5, 4:30-6:00 PM; *RSVP required*

www.wepc.org/donuts

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, November 15, 12 PM

Presentation of WEPC's budget & voting on Terms of Call for Pastors

Estudio bíblico en español

Sábado, 6:30-7:30 PM

www.wepc.org/grow/spanish-bible-study

Food Pantry needs: www.wepc.org/foodpantry

Men's Fall Work Day

Saturday, November 7, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

www.wepc.org/workday

Men's Ministry: 2nd Monday

Mondays, 6:00-7:30 PM; next meeting: Nov. 9

www.wepc.org/grow/men

Monthly Communion

2nd Sunday/month, beginning November 8, 9:00 & 10:30 AM

www.wepc.org/communion

Neighborhood Learning Adventures: Volunteers needed

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 7:30-11:30 AM

Contact: [Bryan and Emily Meeks](mailto:learningadventures@wepc.org) (learningadventures@wepc.org)

Tutoring Ministry: Volunteers needed

Tutors and students meet one-on-one for one hour a week.

www.wepc.org/tutoring

Wednesday Night Fellowship

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 PM, through Nov. 11

www.wepc.org/wednesdaynightfellowship

WEPC Community Preschool

Pray for the work & safety of the preschool. www.wepc.org/preschool

Interested in being a substitute teacher? Contact: [Casey Zollinhofer](mailto:Casey.Zollinhofer@wepc.org)

Women's Ministry: S.O.W. (Sisters Of WEPC) Together

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 PM, through Nov. 18

www.wepc.org/grow/women

Youth Ministry Fall 2020

Community Groups, Youth Group, & Parent Gatherings

www.wepc.org/grow/youth

In the event that an attender of a worship service tests positive for COVID-19, WEPC will contact the Virginia Department of Health and follow the advised protocols for notifying attenders who may have been exposed to the virus.