



Order of Worship

God the Father Calls Us to Worship Him

The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

In the Christian year, we are now in the season of Epiphany. Epiphany is a time that helps us to remember Jesus as the long awaited Hebrew Messiah and His mission to the nations. Epiphany has a particular focus on Jesus as the Light of the World and "God with us," and the Church's role in proclaiming that Jesus is Lord.

Preparation for Worship

Receive & Honor

"Christ is our pattern...He conforms us in grace here and in glory hereafter, in body and soul, to our glorious Savior." – Richard Sibbes

"Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave Himself up for us." – Ephesians 5:1-2

Call to Worship

Isaiah 62:5,12, 2:5

As the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

And they shall be called

***The Holy People,
The Redeemed of the LORD.***

O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the LORD.

Invocation

Song of Adoration

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Let us love and sing and wonder
Let us praise the Savior's name
He has hushed the law's loud thunder
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame
He has washed us with His blood (3x)
He has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord Who bought us
Pitied us when enemies
Called us by His grace and taught us
Gave us ears and gave us eyes
He has washed us with His blood (3x)
He presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation
Threatens hard to bear us down
For the Lord, our strong salvation,
Holds in view the conqueror's crown
He, Who washed us with His blood, (3x)
Soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store
When through grace in Christ our trust is
Justice smiles and asks no more
He Who washed us with His blood (3x)
Has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high
Here they trusted Him before us
Now their praises fill the sky
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood (3x)
Thou art worthy Lamb of God

*"To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood... to Him be glory and power for ever and ever!" – Revelation 1:5-6
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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 "Keep in Touch" form to introduce yourself, request prayer, or request more information about our church.

Presentation of New Members

Cam & Lindsey Hamden (10:30am)

The Ministry of Prayer

Psalm 8. To the choirmaster: according to The Gittith. A Psalm of David.

O Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

**You have set Your glory above the heavens.
Out of the mouth of babies and infants,**

You have established strength because of Your foes,
to still the enemy and the avenger.

**When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which You have set in place,**

What is man that You are mindful of him,
and the son of man that You care for him?

**Yet You have made him a little lower than the heavenly
beings and crowned him with glory and honor.**

You have given him dominion over the works of Your hands;
You have put all things under his feet,

**All sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,**

the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

**O Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is Your name in all the earth!**

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.

Song of Praise

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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Backyard Children's Worship

Children's Worship will resume on 1/24/21.

God the Son Renews Us through His Word

Scripture Reading

Philippians 2:25-30

²⁵ I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier, and your messenger and minister to my need, ²⁶ for he has been longing for you all and

has been distressed because you heard that he was ill. ²⁷ Indeed he was ill, near to death. But God had mercy on him, and not only on him but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow. ²⁸ I am the more eager to send him, therefore, that you may rejoice at seeing him again, and that I may be less anxious. ²⁹ So receive him in the Lord with all joy, and honor such men, ³⁰ for he nearly died for the work of Christ, risking his life to complete what was lacking in your service to me.

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

Jeremiah 2:11-13 & Psalm 79:5, 8-9

**Has a nation changed its gods,
even though they are no gods?
But My people have changed their glory
for that which does not profit.
Be appalled, O heavens, at this;
be shocked, be utterly desolate,
declares the LORD,
for My people have committed two evils:
they have forsaken Me,
the Fountain of Living Waters,
and hewed out cisterns for themselves,
broken cisterns that can hold no water.
How long, O LORD? Will You be angry forever?
Will Your jealousy burn like fire?
Do not remember against us our former iniquities;
let Your compassion come speedily to meet us,
for we are brought very low.
Help us, O God of our salvation,
for the glory of Your name;
deliver us, and atone for our sins,
for Your name's sake!**

Silent Confession of Sin

Words of Encouragement

Psalm 32:1, 5

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.

Songs of Response to God's Grace

Amazing Love

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*

And so they watched him die
Despised, rejected
But oh, the blood he shed
Flowed for me...

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

*"But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." – Romans 5:8
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By Thy Mercy

Jesus, Lord of life and glory
Bend from Heav'n Thy gracious ear
While our waiting souls adore Thee
Friend of helpless sinners, hear...

*By Thy mercy, O deliver us
Good Lord, good Lord
By Thy mercy, O deliver us
Good Lord, good Lord*

From the depth of nature's blindness
From the hardening power of sin
From all malice and unkindness
From the pride that lurks within...

In the weary hours of sickness
In the times of grief and pain
When we feel our mortal weakness
When all human help is vain...

In the solemn hour of dying
In the awful judgment day
May our souls, on Thee relying
Find Thee still our Rock and Stay...

*"Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." – Hebrews 4:16
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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. **Randall Ingram**, **Worship Arts Director Becca Wethered**, **Tammy Ingram**, **Pat Reynolds**, **Rick Hepner**, and **Gordon Collier** led this morning's congregational singing. **Elder Rick McWhorter**, **Scott Hoye**, and **Chris Malak** managed today's audio and video live stream. **AJ Anonick** managed the in-house video system.

Q & A with Pastor Steve

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, the sermon, or general encouragement. We plan on the Q & A lasting approximately 15 minutes. Please text **804-608-9372** with your questions and encouragements.

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

Announcements (listed alphabetically)

Adult Ministry: A Season for Everything www.wepc.org/book-panel-study

Ecclesiastes Livestreamed Panel Discussion and Bible Study
Begins January 20, 7:30 PM

Children's Ministry www.wepc.org/grow/children

Backyard Children's Worship will resume on January 24.

Food Pantry needs www.wepc.org/foodpantry

Simple English Christian Service www.wepc.org/simpleenglish

2nd Sunday of the month, 12 PM, Chapel

Spanish Bible Study www.wepc.org/grow/spanish-bible-study

Begins January 23, 7-8 PM, Chapel

Tutoring Ministry volunteers needed www.wepc.org/tutoring

One-on-one tutoring help with virtual learning

Wednesday Night Fellowship

www.wepc.org/wednesdaynightfellowship

TRUE: A study of the New Testament letter to Titus
6PM, Chapel *RSVP Required*

WEPC Community Preschool www.wepc.org/preschool

Women's Ministry: SOW Together www.wepc.org/grow/women

Winter 2021: Study Packet pick-up, Panel Discussion recordings

Wrap Around Ministry www.wepc.org/outreach/wrap-around-ministry

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday (Jan 24), Safe Families for Children partnership, & more

Youth Ministry www.wepc.org/grow/youth

Youth Group resumes TODAY, January 17, at 10:30 AM.