



# Order of Worship

## God the Father Calls Us to Worship Him

### The 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

*Love in Truth*

"Love- and the unity it attests to- is the mark Christ gave Christians to wear before the world. Only with this mark may the world know that Christians are indeed Christians and that Jesus was sent by the Father." --Francis Shaeffer

"Satan approves of our railing at each other, but God does not. Let us learn...to esteem others instead of depreciating them; for in proportion as we exhibit a meek and lowly spirit, we shall be working out our own salvation." --Charles Spurgeon

### Call to Worship

*Jeremiah 9:23-24*

Thus says the LORD: "Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches,

**But let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me,**

That I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth.

**For in these things I delight, declares the LORD.**

### Song of Adoration

#### Arise My Soul, Arise

Arise my soul, arise  
Shake off your guilty fears  
The bleeding sacrifice  
On my behalf appears  
Before the throne my surety stands  
Before the throne my surety stands  
My name is written on His hands...

*Arise (arise) arise (arise)*  
*Arise, arise my soul arise*  
*Arise (arise) arise (arise)*  
*Arise, arise my soul arise*  
*Shake off your guilty fears and rise*

He ever lives above  
For me to intercede  
His all-redeeming love  
His precious blood to plead  
His blood atoned for every race  
His blood atoned for every race  
And sprinkles now the throne of grace...

Five bleeding wounds He bears  
Received on Calvary  
They pour effectual prayers  
They strongly plead for me  
Forgive him, O forgive they cry  
Forgive him, O forgive they cry  
Don't let that ransomed sinner die...

My God is reconciled  
His pard'ning voice I hear  
He owns me for His child  
I can no longer fear  
With confidence I now draw nigh  
With confidence I now draw nigh  
And Father, Abba Father cry...

*"Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them." Hebrews 7:25*  
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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 attendee 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.*

### Old Testament Reading

*Psalms 145:17-21*

The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works. The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them. The LORD preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy. My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

### The Ministry of Prayer

#### 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

### His Love Is My Resting Place

The Lord is my guide and friend  
I rest well when I'm with him  
No hunger or thirst or anxious need  
When my Lord is here with me...

*His love is my resting place  
My Shepherd is kind, and full of grace  
The arms of my Lord are strong and safe  
His love is my resting place*

The shadow of death may fall  
With darkness upon my way  
But always my Lord is near to me  
His love is my resting place...

Your goodness will be my feast  
Your kindness will overflow  
And always your love will follow me  
And your house will be my home...

*"The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want." Psalm 23:1  
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## Backyard Children's Worship (10:30 AM)

Children, age 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.wepc.org/grow/children)

## Children's Message (10:30 AM)

WEPC Children's Ministry Director, Emily Meeks

## God the Son Renews Us through His Word

### Scripture Reading

III John 1:1-2

<sup>1</sup>The elder to the beloved Gaius, whom I love in truth. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, I pray that all may go well with you and that you may be in good health, as it goes well with your soul."

### Sermon

Each Sunday, Worship Notes with the Scripture text, study questions, and recordings are posted at [www.wepc.org/sermons](http://www.wepc.org/sermons).

## God the Holy Spirit Transforms Us by His Grace

### Confession of Sin

Based on 1 Corinthians 13

(After each verse is read, silently meditate on the question that follows)

#### Love is patient.

(Am I willing to bear with trying people?)

#### Love is kind.

(Am I thinking or acting uncharitably toward anyone?)

#### Love is not possessive.

(Am I manipulative? Do I use people?)

#### Love is not boastful or proud.

(Do I need to be the center of attention?)

#### Love is courteous.

(Am I considerate, thoughtful, warm?)

#### Love is not selfish.

(Am I fixed on my needs and rights?)

#### Love is not irritable or bitter.

(Am I forgiving? Do I keep a record of wrongs?)

#### Love delights in truth and righteousness.

(Am I eager to trust and follow Jesus?)

Silence

## Words of Encouragement

I John 4:9-10

This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

## Songs of Response to God's Grace

### I Need Thee Every Hour

I need Thee ev'ry hour, most gracious Lord  
No tender voice like Thine can peace afford  
I need Thee ev'ry hour, stay Thou nearby  
Temptations lose their pow'r when Thou art nigh...

*I need Thee*

*O I need Thee*

*O I need Thee every hour*

*I need you Lord, O bless me now*

*My Savior, I come to Thee*

I need Thee ev'ry hour, in joy or pain  
Come quickly and abide or life is vain  
I need Thee ev'ry hour, teach me Thy will  
And Thy rich promises in me fulfill....

I need Thee ev'ry hour, Most Holy One  
O make me Thine indeed, Thou Blessed Son!....

*"Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Hebrews 4:16  
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**His Mercy Is More**

*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

What love could remember no wrongs we have done  
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more...

What patience would wait as we constantly roam  
What Father, so tender, is calling us home  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more...

What riches of kindness He lavished on us  
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more...

*"You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you."  
Psalm 86:5  
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**How High and How Wide**

No eye has seen and no ear has heard  
And no mind has ever conceived  
The glorious things that You have prepared  
For every one who has believed  
You brought us near and You called us Your own  
And made us joint heirs with Your Son...

*How high and how wide  
How deep and how long  
How sweet and how strong is Your love  
How lavish Your grace  
How faithful Your ways  
How great is Your love, O Lord*

Objects of mercy who should have known wrath  
We're filled with unspeakable joy  
Riches of wisdom, unsearchable wealth  
And the wonder of knowing Your voice  
You are our treasure and our great reward  
Our hope and our glorious King...

*"What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has  
conceived the God has prepared for those who love him." 1 Corinthians 2:9  
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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 at the front of the Sanctuary  
following the 9AM service and in the West Foyer following the 10:30AM  
service.**

**Pastor Steve Shelby** preached today's sermon. **Pastor Joe Brown** led  
worship. **Elder Chris Newlin, Sarah Shrader, Worship Arts Director  
Becca Wethered, Buddy Miner, Donald Smith, and Deacon Jason  
Weippert** led this morning's congregational singing. **Elder Gordon Kuhfuss,  
Chris Malak, and Scott Hoye** managed today's audio and video live stream.  
**Luke Farkas** managed the in-house video system.

*The tapestry at the front of the sanctuary has been returned to its many  
colors during the season of Pentecost. The piece is entitled "Psalm 148," and  
was created by a team of WEPC artists.*

**Announcements****Adult Ministry****Adult Sunday Community** [www.wepc.org/sundaycommunity](http://www.wepc.org/sundaycommunity)

Sundays through the end of the summer

10:30-11:45 AM (Side parking lot)

Join us for a time of fellowship, light breakfast food, and a discussion in  
response to the morning's sermon. Please bring a chair.

**Inquirer's Weekend** [www.wepc.org/inqweekend](http://www.wepc.org/inqweekend)

July 30-August 1

For those interested in learning more about our church and the possibility  
of membership in the future.

**Mature Adult Singles Fellowship** [www.wepc.org/MASfellowship](http://www.wepc.org/MASfellowship)

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month, 4-5:30 PM

Join us for fellowship, devotional prayer, and an optional dinner.

**Men's Backpacking** [www.wepc.org/grow/adults](http://www.wepc.org/grow/adults)

Interested in learning about backpacking or doing short overnight  
backpacks? Contact [Bryce Allison](mailto:Bryce.Allison) for more info.

**Men's Ministry: Second Monday**

June 14, 6:00-7:30 PM, Side parking lot; bring a chair

Join us for an evening of singing, delicious food, and testimonies from  
other men about the work of the Spirit in their lives.

**Young Singles** [www.wepc.org/grow/adults](http://www.wepc.org/grow/adults)

June 13: Lunch, Worship, & Prayer – **\*RSVP Required\***  
(following 2<sup>nd</sup> service)

**Children's Ministry** [www.wepc.org/grow/children](http://www.wepc.org/grow/children)

**Backyard Children's Worship:** 10:30 AM

**Nursery OPEN during 10:30 AM service**

Ages birth-2 years old **\*Registration Required\***

Sign up to volunteer with nursery [here](#)

**Vacation Bible School: Lightspeed Galaxy, July 12-15**

[Registration](#) now OPEN!

**Church Planting**

Interested in hearing more about a potential Presbyterian Church in America  
church plant in Chester, VA? Contact: John Hoade, [jhoade@me.com](mailto:jhoade@me.com)

## Congregational Meeting

TODAY, following the 10:30 AM service

Join us to review the 2021-2022 budget, vote on the pastors' terms of call and re-elect deacons.

### Deacon Re-Election:

*Ben Bacon*

*Ed Bowman*

*Chris Perry*

**Food Pantry needs** [www.wepc.org/foodpantry](http://www.wepc.org/foodpantry)

**Missions** [www.wepc.org/outreach/missions](http://www.wepc.org/outreach/missions)

## Help Needed for WEPC-supported Missionaries

Church-supported missionaries are coming to Richmond for a home assignment and are in need of [supplies](#) for their children. Please drop donations in the WEPC Office. Questions: [AmyCaroline Wilks](#)

### Let's Get Together!

Would you like to arrange a personal, family, or group meeting with WEPC's Missionaries-in-Residence? Go [HERE](#) and schedule a call or meeting. Meetings are available now for video calls, and after June 21 for everything else!

### Cross-Cultural Film Festival

WED, Jun 30 / 7-8:30 PM / Fellowship Hall

### Growing in Cross-Cultural Friendships

SUN, July 18 / 12-1 PM / Fellowship Hall

## Neighborhood Outreach Ministry

**Simple English Christian Service** [www.wepc.org/simpleenglish](http://www.wepc.org/simpleenglish)

Second Sunday of every month, 12 PM, Chapel

## Wrap Around Ministry

[www.wepc.org/outreach/wrap-around-ministry](http://www.wepc.org/outreach/wrap-around-ministry)

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

### Celebration Sunday

TODAY, 10:30 AM / Side Parking Lot / Bring your own chair

Join us as we honor our high school graduates and welcome rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade students and their families into the WEPC Youth Ministry, and celebrate Tim Cornwell's 24 years as Youth Director. Open to everyone in the WEPC Church community!

**Check out our** [Summer 2021 Events Calendar!](#)

**The Landing Summer Camp:** [Sign up now!](#)

## General Information

**Communion Volunteers:** In anticipation of weekly communion in the near future, our communion preparation teams are re-forming. Twenty more volunteers are needed and training will be provided. Please email Karen Howe ([karen@wepc.org](mailto:karen@wepc.org)) to volunteer or to seek additional information.

### Counseling

Lara Finnie, WEPC's Resident in Counseling, is available by appointment. Visit [Abiding Branches](#) for more information.

## Introducing the next Youth Director of WEPC: Isaiah Thomas

Back in late 2020, a team of twelve people from the congregation began to gather together to pray, discuss, and look for the new Youth Director. After an extensive nationwide search, the LORD made it clear to the entire team that Isaiah Thomas was that man. After a candidating weekend on May 21-23, where he met with students, parents, volunteers, and staff, Isaiah was interviewed by the Session of WEPC and was offered the job.

Since graduating from William & Mary in 2016, Isaiah has been learning and serving the Church in various roles on staff, spending time working in youth ministry, college ministry, and two different pastoral internships. He and his wife, Abbey, have been married since 2018, and he is currently finishing up an M.A. in Biblical Studies at Reformed Theological Seminary in Washington, DC, and hopes to finish his degree this Fall. His favorite Richmond activities include exploring Richmond's restaurant scene, going to the Goochland Drive-In Theatre, and doing anything outdoors.

**Isaiah will begin as the WEPC Youth Director on August 1** and will jump right into the summer youth trip, [The Landing, from August 8-13](#). Please pray for Isaiah and Abbey in this time of transition, and welcome him in early August.