



# Order of Worship

## God the Father Calls Us to Worship Him

### The Tenth 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.

### Prelude

*Amazing Grace/Wayfaring Stranger*

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### Preparation for Worship

#### Storms

"The Bible does not say that every difficulty is the result of sin—but it does teach that every sin will bring you into difficulty...All sin has a mighty storm attached to it." --Tim Keller

"We want to be saved from our misery, but not from our sin. We want to sin without misery, just as the prodigal son wanted inheritance without the father. The foremost spiritual law of the physical universe is that this hope can never be realized. Sin always accompanies misery. There is no victimless crime, and all creation is subject to decay because of humanity's rebellion from God." --R.C. Sproul

### Call to Worship

*Isaiah 55:10-12*

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth;

**It shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.**

"For you shall go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall break forth into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands."

### Song of Adoration

#### Come Thou Fount

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet  
Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it  
Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise mine Ebenezer  
Hither by Thy help I'm come  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure  
Safely to arrive at home  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
Wand'ring from the fold of God  
He to rescue me from danger  
Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let Thy grace, Lord, like a fetter  
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it  
Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it  
Seal it for Thy courts above

*"Then Samuel took a stone and set it up...He named it Ebenezer, saying, 'Thus far has the LORD helped us.'" I Samuel 7:12  
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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.*

### Ministry Update (10:30 AM)

*At Ease Ministry, Barton Campbell*

### Gospel Reading

*Luke 15:11-32*

And he [Jesus] said, "There was a man who had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants.' And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet.

And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate. Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'

## The Ministry of Prayer

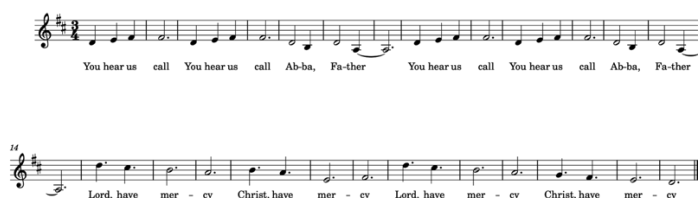
### Prayers of the People

You hear us call, you hear us call  
Abba, Father  
You hear us call, you hear us call  
Abba, Father

Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy

### Prayers of The People

Words & Music by John Arndt, David Gungor, Ian Cron, Ben Kilgore and Evan Wickham



*"Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you."*

Jeremiah 29:12

Ben Kilgore | David Gungor | Evan Wickham | Ian Cron | John Arndt

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## 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

### All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night  
Yet thought I knew the way  
The sin that promised joy and life  
Had led me to the grave  
I had no hope that You would own  
A rebel to Your will  
And if You had not loved me first  
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race  
Indifferent to the cost  
You looked upon my helpless state  
And led me to the cross  
And I beheld God's love displayed  
You suffered in my place  
You bore the wrath reserved for me  
Now all I know is grace...

*Hallelujah, all I have is Christ*

*Hallelujah, Jesus is my life*

Now Lord I would be Yours alone  
And live so all might see  
The strength to follow Your commands  
Could never come from me  
O Father use my ransomed life  
In any way You choose  
And let my song forever be  
My only boast is You...

*"The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot." Psalm 16:5*  
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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.

**PK-1<sup>st</sup>:** pick-up at from playground. **2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>:** pick up from Chapel.

[www.wepc.org/grow/children](http://www.wepc.org/grow/children)

## God the Son Renews Us through His Word

### Scripture Reading

Jonah 1:1-4

Now the word of the LORD came to Jonah the son of Amittai, saying, "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it, for their evil has come up before me." But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. So he paid the fare and went down into it, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the LORD. But the LORD hurled a great wind upon the sea, and there was a mighty tempest on the sea, so that the ship threatened to break up.

### Sermon

Each Sunday, recordings of the sermon are posted at

[www.wepc.org/sermons](http://www.wepc.org/sermons).

## God the Holy Spirit Transforms Us by His Grace

### Confession of Sin

Psalm 139:1-2, 7, 23-24

You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.  
You know when I sit and when I rise;  
You perceive my thoughts from afar.  
Where can I go from Your Spirit?  
Where can I flee from Your presence?  
Search me, God, and know my heart;  
test me and know my anxious thoughts.  
See if there is any offensive way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting.

*Silence*

## Words of Encouragement

Based on Isaiah 40:1-2

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Your warfare is ended; your sins are pardoned; the penalty for your rebellion is paid.

## Songs of Response to God's Grace

### 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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### In Tenderness He Sought Me

In tenderness He sought me  
Weary and sick with sin  
And on His shoulders brought me  
Back to His fold again  
While angels in His presence sang  
Until the courts of heaven rang...

*Oh, the love that sought me!  
Oh, the blood that bought me!  
Oh, the grace  
That brought me to the fold of God  
Grace that brought me to the fold of God*

He died for me while I was sinning  
Needy and poor and blind  
He whispered to assure me  
"I've found thee; thou art Mine"  
I never heard a sweeter voice  
It made my aching heart rejoice...

Upon His grace I'll daily ponder  
And sing anew His praise  
With all adoring wonder  
His blessings I retrace  
It seems as if eternal days  
Are far too short to sing His praise...

*"Great are your tender mercies, O LORD." Psalm 119:156  
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### O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!  
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free  
Rolling as a mighty ocean  
In its fullness over me  
Underneath me, all around me  
Is the current of Thy love  
Leading onward, leading homeward  
To Thy glorious rest above

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!  
Spread His praise from shore to shore  
How He loveth, ever loveth  
Changeth never, nevermore  
How He watches o'er His loved ones  
Died to call them all His own  
How for them He intercedeth  
Watcheth o'er them from the throne

O the deep, deep love of Jesus!  
Love of every love the best  
Tis an ocean vast of blessing  
Tis a haven sweet of rest  
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!  
Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me  
And it lifts me up to glory  
For it lifts me up to Thee

*"How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ." Ephesians 3:18  
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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. **Worship Arts Director Becca Wethered, Robin Huff, Patrick Winger, Stanton Coman, Deacon Karl Kuder, Rachel Becker and Luke Smith** led this morning's congregational singing. Prelude music provided by **Tim Blackburn. Andy Becker, Elder Mike Perzanowski, and Elder Tim Sinclair** managed today's audio and video live stream. **Scott Dicken** 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.

#### **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)

###### **Discipleship Podcast** [www.wepc.org/adults](http://www.wepc.org/adults)

A Study of the Book of Acts  
Episodes post every Friday through September 30

###### **Love God & Love Neighbor: A Study in Ephesians**

[www.wepc.org/grow/adults](http://www.wepc.org/grow/adults)  
Wednesdays through Aug 18 / 7-8 PM

###### **Third Saturday Mature Singles Fellowship**

[www.wepc.org/MASfellowship](http://www.wepc.org/MASfellowship)  
Next Meeting: August 21 / 4-5:30 PM

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

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

**Nursery:** 10:30 AM

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

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

###### **Come Meet Another of WEPC's Global Missions Partners!**

WEPC Adult Sunday Community / August 15 / 10:30AM

##### **Neighborhood Outreach Ministry** [www.wepc.org/neighborhood](http://www.wepc.org/neighborhood)

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

Second Sunday of every month / 12 PM / Chapel

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

**Youth Group:** 10:30 AM (Fellowship Hall)

###### **Check out our** [Upcoming Events!](#)

- **High School Movie Night:** Wednesday, August 4 / 6-9 PM
- **The Landing Summer Camp**

#### **General Information**

##### **Leading the Way**

The leadership of WEPC hopes to have most of the church's regular programs back up and running by the Fall. We need one another and we need your help. Fill out our [Member Service Survey](#) here and visit [Leading the Way | West End Presbyterian Church \(wepc.org\)](#) (see QR code) for more information.



##### **Elder & Deacon Nominations**

Members wishing to nominate a man for elder or deacon, please read 1 Timothy 3 and Titus 1 for the Biblical qualifications for these offices. Notify your nominee and then send his name, in writing, to either [ann@wepc.org](mailto:ann@wepc.org) or [steve@wepc.org](mailto:steve@wepc.org) by August 31.

##### **Counseling**

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

##### **WEPC Community Preschool is hiring!**

The preschool has assistant and teacher positions open for the 2021-2022 school year. Please contact our Preschool Director, [Casey Zollinhofer](#), for more information.