



# Order of Worship

## God the Father Calls Us to Worship Him

### **The Twenty-fourth 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**

*Blessed are the Pure in Heart*

"For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." --*I Samuel 16:17*

"The impure in heart cannot see any need of being born again. They say, 'We admit that we are not quite all that we should be, but we can easily be made all right'...But if the unrenewed man's heart were pure, he would see that his nature had been an evil thing from the beginning...and his heart would cry out to be delivered from itself." --*Charles Spurgeon*

### **Call to Worship**

*Hebrews 10:19-23*

Since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, His body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God:

**Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith,**

having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

**Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful.**

### **Song of Adoration**

#### **Be Thou My Vision**

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought by day or by night  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord  
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son  
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise  
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always  
Thou and Thou only be first in my heart  
High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art

High King of heaven, my victory won  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun  
Heart of my own heart whatever befall  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all

*"Jesus Christ is all." Colossians 3:7*

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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.*

### **Old Testament Reading**

*Psalms 24:1-5. A Psalm of David.*

The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof,  
the world and those who dwell therein,  
for he has founded it upon the seas  
and established it upon the rivers.  
Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?  
And who shall stand in his holy place?  
He who has clean hands and a pure heart,  
who does not lift up his soul to what is false  
and does not swear deceitfully.  
He will receive blessing from the LORD  
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

### **The Ministry of Prayer**

#### **Declaration of Faith**

*The Nicene Creed, Council of Nicaea, 325AD*

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth  
of all things visible and invisible.  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,  
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of  
the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both  
the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.  
And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and  
glorified; who spoke by the prophets;  
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;  
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;  
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## 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

### Let Us Be Known

Por la gloria del Padre  
Por la gloria del Jesús  
Por la gloria del Espíritu  
Que alegría sea nuestra motor

Qué alegría sea nuestra motor  
En cada lugar y corazón canta el Señor  
Que de nuestras vidas abundar en esperanza  
Qué alegría sea nuestra motor...

Por la gloria del Padre  
Por la gloria del Jesús  
Por la gloria del Espíritu  
Que alegría sea nuestra motor

Let us be known by our love  
Let every word and every deed honor the Son  
Let our light shine, in every eye  
Let us be known by our love...

For the glory of the Father  
For the glory of the Son  
For the glory of the Spirit  
Let us be known by our love

"Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God." – 1 John 4:7  
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## Children's Message (10:30AM)

Emily Meeks, WEPC Children's Ministry Director

## God the Son Renews Us through His Word

### Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:8

<sup>8</sup>"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

### Sermon

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

## God the Holy Spirit Transforms Us by His Grace

### Confession of Sin

Father of glory, our hearts cannot be hidden from Your sight. Our blind self-pity, self-serving and self-justifying are laid bare before Your eyes. Have mercy upon us, most merciful God. Grant us the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Christ, so that the eyes of our hearts might be enlightened. Help us to know the hope to which Jesus called us, the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints, and the immeasurable greatness of His power toward us. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silence

### Words of Encouragement

1 John 3:1-3

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

### Songs of Response to God's Grace

#### Take My Life

Take my life and let it be  
Consecrated, Lord, to Thee  
Take my hands and let them move  
At the impulse of Thy love  
At the impulse of Thy love

Take my feet and let them be  
Swift and beautiful for Thee  
Take my voice and let me sing  
Always, only for my King  
Always, only for my King

Take my silver and my gold  
Not a mite would I withhold  
Take my moments and my days  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my will and make it Thine  
It shall be no longer mine  
Take my heart, it is Thine own  
It shall be Thy royal throne  
It shall be Thy royal throne

"These are they which follow the Lamb... they are without fault before the throne."  
Revelation 14:4-6  
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### **We Are Not Overcome**

Flesh will fail, and bones will break  
Thieves will steal, the earth will shake  
Night will fall, the light will fade  
The Lord will give and take away...

*Because of His great love  
We are not overcome  
Because of His great love  
We are not overcome*

Put no trust in the earth  
In the sod you stand upon  
Flowers fade into dust,  
The Lord will make a place for us...

Have no fear for your life  
Turn your cheek, turn your cheek  
Bear the yoke of love and death  
The Lord will give life and breath...

*"Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed." Lamentations 3:22  
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### **Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)**

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed...

*My chains are gone, I've been set free  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love, amazing grace*

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures...

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here below  
Will be forever mine...

*"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." Ephesians 2:8-9  
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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 Kevin Greene*** led worship. ***Robin Huff, Pastor Kevin Greene, Worship Arts Director Becca Wethered, Patrick Wininger, Rachel Becker, Deacon Karl Kuder, and Deacon Jason Weippert*** led this morning's congregational singing. ***Andy Becker, Chris May, and Rob MacBride*** managed today's audio and video live stream. ***Deacon Brian Zollinhofer*** 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 School** [www.wepc.org/grow/adults](http://www.wepc.org/grow/adults)

9:00 AM

- Series on Advent / Library
- Series on Discipleship / Rm. 21

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

Learn more about WEPC & church membership / Nov. 12-14

**Parenting Class: Parenting in Anxious Times**

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

Wednesdays through Nov 17 / 6-7:30PM / Library

**Third Saturday Mature Singles Fellowship**

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

Next Meeting: November 20 / 4-5:30PM

**Wednesday Night Fellowship: How Worship Changes Us**

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

Wednesdays through Nov 17 / 6-7:30PM / Chapel

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

- **Wellspring & Restore Bible Studies:**  
Tuesday AM & Wednesday PM / [Join us!](#)

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

Dec 5: Lunch, Worship, & Prayer

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

#### **9 AM**

- Nursery (infant-3 years old)--upstairs
- Preschool Quest (4 & 5 years old)--downstairs
- Sunday School (K-5)--downstairs

#### **10:30 AM**

- Nursery (infant-3 years old)--upstairs

#### **Wednesdays 6-7:30PM**

- Kids Club

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

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

**STEP Christmas Store**

Collecting donations of new, unwrapped gifts for children living in Gilpin Court. For more information on suggested items or volunteering, please visit [our website](#). Donations due at WEPC on Sunday, Nov. 28.

**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 each month / 12PM / Chapel

**Interested in Welcoming Afghan Immigrants?**

WEPC is forming a team to help welcome & support Afghan immigrants resettling in our community. Contact [Changjwok Deng](#) or [Lori Bowman](#) if interested in hearing more!

**Worship Arts Ministry**

**Prayer & Worship Night: Learning to Lament**

[wepc.org/prayerworshipnight](http://wepc.org/prayerworshipnight)

TODAY / 4-5:30PM / WEPC Courtyard

**WrapAround Ministry** [www.wepc.org/wraparound](http://www.wepc.org/wraparound)

- **Rising to the Challenge: A Foster Care Event**  
TONIGHT / 6-8PM / West End Assembly of God  
Join us for an evening of celebration and encouragement as we hear from author, speaker, and foster/adoptive dad, Jason Johnson! [Register here!](#)

If you'd like to be more involved with WrapAround, a ministry serving foster families and families in crisis, please contact Ali Fogarty at 804.363.2579 or [wraparound@wepc.org](mailto:wraparound@wepc.org).

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

**Friendsgiving** TONIGHT/ 6-8PM / Fellowship Hall / [RSVP Here!](#)

**Youth Sunday School:** 9AM / Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday Night Youth Group**

- **Middle School:** 6-7:30PM / Gym
- **High School:** 7:30-9PM / Gym

**General Information**

**Nursery Volunteers Needed**

Contact Children's Ministry Director, [Emily Meeks](#)

**Fiscal Year Giving Report (as of 10/31/21):**

Operating gifts YTD: \$ 645,568.37

Forecasted gifts YTD: \$ 664,937.34

% of expected budget received: 97.09%

**Counseling**

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