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Welcome to Washington
Presbyterian Church in America.

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire hope;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whoever will come —
this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ.



Washington Presbyterian Church Service of Worship

WPCA May 7, 2023 | 10:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Mission's Moment – Don Waltermeyer

Prelude

*Call to Worship (Responsive) – Psalm 103:1; Luke 1:46-47

Believers in Christ, bless the Lord; let all that is within you
bless his holy name!

**My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God
my Savior.**

*Hymn of Praise - Praise to the Lord, the Almighty #53

*Prayer of Praise and Invocation

Reading of the Law – Psalm 73:1-22

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**I, a poor sinner, acknowledge before you, my God and
Creator, that I have terribly and in many ways sinned
against you, not only outwardly, but much more with
inward blindness, unbelief, doubts, despondency,
impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, malice, and
other sinful affections, as you, my Lord and God, know well,
and I cannot deeply enough deplore. But I repent of these
things, and am sorry for them, and heartily ask you for
mercy, for the sake of your beloved Son Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon – Psalm 32:5

I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

*Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed #846

Prayer of Thanks and Receiving of the Tithes and Offerings

(Children under the age of 5 dismissed to the nursery if desired)

Hymn of Preparation *(Congregation sings while offering is being
collected)* – God Moves in a Mysterious Way #128

Congregational Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Sermon Hard Providences – Deliverance Delayed

Exodus 5:1-6:1 Pastor Mike Bowen

*Hymn of Response and Preparation - Whate'er My God Ordains is
Right See screen

Invitation to the Table

Lord's Supper (We offer Red Wine or White Grape Juice)

*Hymn of Praise: It Was Finished Upon That Cross (on the screen)

*Benediction - Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the
dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the
blood of the eternal covenant, ²¹ equip you with everything
good that you may do his will, working in us^[a] that which is
pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory
forever and ever. Amen.

SUNDAY MORNING INFORMATION

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If you would like to give, you may place your offering in the plate or give securely online at washingtonpres.org/give.

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