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**WPCA**  
**Washington Presbyterian Church**

**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 November 17, 2024 | 10:30 a.m.

O God, pardon all my sins, known and unknown, felt and unfelt, confessed and not confessed, remembered or forgotten. Help me to be a holy, happy person, free from every wrong desire, from everything contrary to Your mind. Grant me more and more of the resurrection life: may it rule me, may I walk in its power, and be strengthened through its influence.

## Welcome and Announcements

### Local Ministry Spotlight

Neighbor to Neighbor:  
Ciarra's Community Christmas Giveaway

### Prelude

### Call to Worship\*

Luke 24:34 & Exodus 15:21

Leader: *Sing to the Lord who has risen indeed!*

All: I will sing to the Lord, for He has triumphed gloriously! Alleluia!

### Hymn of Praise\*

*"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"*  
Trinity Hymnal #277

### Prayer of Praise and Invocation\*

### Reading of the Law

Colossians 3:1-9

### Prayer of Confession

All: Lord Jesus Christ, great was Your goodness in undertaking my redemption, in consenting to be made sin for me, in conquering all my foes. Great was Your love in manifesting Yourself alive, in showing Your sacred wounds, that every fear might vanish, and every doubt be removed. Great was Your mercy in ascending to heaven, in being crowned and enthroned there to intercede for me, there to help me in temptation, there to open the eternal book, there to receive me finally to Yourself. Great was Your wisdom in devising this means of salvation; bathe my soul in rich consolations of Your resurrection life.

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### Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 2:13-14

### Hymn of Testimony\*

*"Christ is Mine Forevermore"*  
(see screen)

### Prayer of Thanks and Receiving of the Tithes and Offerings

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

### Hymn of Hope

*"The Sands of Time Are Sinking"*  
Trinity Hymnal #546

### Congregational Prayer

### Sermon

Pastor Mike Bowen

### "The Life of Christ – Our Resurrection"

2 Corinthians 4:13-18

### Hymn of Response\*

*"On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand"*  
(see screen)

### Benediction\*

Romans 15:13

## SUNDAY MORNING INFORMATION

**Visitor? Please complete a visitor card** and place it in the offering plate so our elders can connect with you. Thank you for worshipping with us!

**Children's sermon note sheets** to help both older and younger children learn from the sermon at an age-appropriate level are available on the table in the back.

**A nursery** for children under age 5 is available downstairs. Families are welcome to keep their children with them in the service.

**The worship service** is livestreamed in the Fellowship Hall downstairs for any who need to step out of the sanctuary.

**Fellowship time** occurs each Sunday from 9:00-9:30 a.m.

**Sunday school classes** for adults and kids meet 9:30-10:15 a.m. January – November.

**If you would like someone to pray for you today**, speak to one of our elders who will listen and pray with you.

**If you would like to give**, you may place your offering in the plate or give securely online at [washingtonpres.org/give](http://washingtonpres.org/give).

**Sermon recordings** are available on most podcast apps under WPCA Sermons or on the Resources page of our website, [washingtonpres.org](http://washingtonpres.org). A **video recording** of today's service is on Vimeo: [vimeo.com/washpca](http://vimeo.com/washpca).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HOLIDAY CALENDAR

With the Christmas season coming soon, there are many events here at Washington PCA. Those events are listed on the back of this page (next to the Weekly Calendar) to help you know on what date certain events will occur. More information about specific events – such as time, location, and so on – will be announced as we get closer to a given event.

### NEIGHBOR 2 NEIGHBOR: THANKSGIVING MEAL

The Doubletree Hotel on Racetrack Road has asked Neighbor 2 Neighbor to help serve a free Thanksgiving dinner to the community. The meal will be served at the hotel on Wednesday, November 20, from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. If you can help for any amount of time during those six hours (or all six hours), please let Kim or Warren know.

### HOLIDAY DECORATING

Plan to stay after the worship service on Sunday, November 24 to help decorate the church for the Christmas season.

### CAROLING AT TRANSITIONS

Our annual evening of caroling will occur Wednesday, December 4, starting at 5:30 p.m. We will have pizza here at the church, walk down to Transitions for caroling, and then return for cookies after. Please sign up and, if able, bring cookies to share.

### DECEMBER BREAKFASTS

For the month of December, we will resume our tradition of meeting at 9:30 each Sunday for a fellowship breakfast instead of Sunday school. Sign-up sheets are on the information table.

### CHURCH CLEANING CREW

We are looking for an individual or family to join in cleaning the church in 2025! You would follow the church's cleaning routine one weekend per month. The work must be completed between Thursday and Saturday evening and it takes between one and two hours, and gets faster with practice! Please see Cory or Erica Goehring with questions or to express interest in this service opportunity.

### N2N: CIARRA'S COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS GIVEAWAY

Neighbor 2 Neighbor is requesting donations of new toys, toiletries, cleaning supplies, and diapers for their giveaway on December 20. If you're able to donate or would like more information, please contact Warren or Kim Champ.

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### WEEKLY CALENDAR

#### **Tuesday, November 19**

- Bible Study – 7:00 p.m.

#### **Wednesday, November 20**

- Prayer Meeting – 10:00 a.m.
- Pioneer Club – 6:00 p.m.
- Youth Group – 6:00 p.m.

#### **Sunday, November 24**

- Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
- Worship – 10:30 a.m.

### HOLIDAY EVENTS

**Wed. Dec 4:** Caroling at Transitions

**Sat. Dec 14:** Children's Christmas Party

**Sat. Dec. 14:** Secret Sister Party at Panera

**Wed. Dec 18:** Youth Group Christmas Party

**Sun. Dec 22:** An Evening of Lessons & Carols

**Tues. Dec 24:** Christmas Eve Candlelight Service