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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.



#### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### **Prelude**

**Call to Worship\*** Philippians 2:9, 11; Psalm 118:22-23 Leader: God has highly exalted his Son and bestowed on him the name that is above every name. Come and confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!

People: The stone that the builder rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

**Hymn of Praise\***"For Your Gift of God the Spirit"
Trinity Hymnal #339

**Prayer of Praise and Invocation\*** 

Reading of the Law James 4:1-10

### **Prayer of Confession**

All: O most great, most just and gracious God; You are of purer eyes than to behold iniquity; but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all that repent and believe in him. We confess that we have all sinned and come short of the glory of God. We have neglected and abused your holy worship. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have not sought first your kingdom. You have revealed your wonderful love to us in Christ and offered us pardon and salvation in him; but we have turned away. We have run into temptation; and the sin that we should have hated, we have committed. Have mercy on us, most merciful Father! In your Son is our salvation, in your promises our hope. Take us for your children and give us the Spirit of your Son, and in the end receive us into your glory, through Jesus Christ our only Savior. Amen.

**Hymn of Contrition\*** 

"From My Sin, O Hide Your Face (Psalm 51D)" (see screen)

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

Zechariah 3:1-5

Leader: "Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to accuse him. And the LORD said to Satan, "The LORD rebuke you, O Satan! The LORD who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! Is not this a brand plucked from the fire?" Now Joshua was standing before the angel, clothed with filthy garments. And the angel said to those who were standing before him, "Remove the filthy garments from him." And to him he said, "Behold, I have taken your iniquity away from you, and I will clothe you with pure vestments." And I said, "Let them put a clean turban on his head." So they put a clean turban on his head and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the LORD was standing by."

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

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

**Hymn of Testimony**"How Sweet and Awesome is This Place"
Trinity Hymnal #469

**Introduction of New Members** 

**Congregational Prayer** 

**Sermon**Matthew 22:1-14
Pastor Phil Amaismeier
"The Call of the Kingdom"

Hymn of Response\* "All I Have is Christ" (see screen)

**Benediction\*** Ephesians 1:17-19

Leader: "that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might."

### **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 <u>washingtonpres.org/give</u>.

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

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### THIRD THURSDAY THEOLOGY

Join our Third Thursday Theology book club! We gather on the third Thursday of each month to discuss a few chapters from a book we are reading together. Pastor Mike provides a discussion guide in advance. Now is a great time to join because we will begin John Murray's *Redemption Accomplished and Applied* this Thursday, March 20. Contact Pastor Mike for more information, a book, and the schedule for upcoming discussions.

### **WPCA MISSIONS CONFERENCE**

The 7<sup>th</sup> annual WPCA Missions Conference will be held Sunday, March 30. The event will begin with an international potluck meal at 5:00 p.m., with leaders from local and international ministries supported by WPCA speaking at 6:00 p.m. The keynote speakers will be Charles and Irene Tchimou, who are ministering in West Africa.

#### SAVE THE DATE: PRESBYTERY MEN'S RETREAT

The Pittsburgh Presbytery is hosting a Men's Retreat at Ligonier Camp & Conference Center the weekend of April 25-27. Save the date now and look for more information in coming weeks.

#### THIS WEEK

# Tuesday, March 18

• Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

## Wednesday, March 19

• Prayer Meeting: 10:00 a.m.

• Pioneer Clubs: 6:00 p.m.

• Youth Group: 6:00 p.m.

# Thursday, March 20

• 3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs. Theology: 7:30 p.m.

## Sunday, March 23

• Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

• Worship: 10:30 a.m.

#### **COMING SOON**

Sunday, March 30 Missions Conference

Sunday, April 13 Church Potluck (new date!)

> Friday, April 18 Good Friday Service

Fri, Apr 25-Sun Apr 27 Men's Retreat

> Saturday, May 3 Ladies Tea