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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

May 18, 2025 | 10:30 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Mission Trip Report

Aaron Hamilton

Prelude

Call to Worship*

Romans 15:11, 15:9

Leader: *Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol Him.*

People: I will praise you, O Lord, among the Gentiles, and sing to your name.

Hymn of Praise*

"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched"
(see screen)

Prayer of Praise and Invocation*

Reading of the Law

Titus 2:11-3:2

Prayer of Confession

All: Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being: You have made us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they rest in you. Give us purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, no weakness keep us from doing it; that in your light we may see light clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Titus 3:4-6

Leader: *"But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior..."*

Psalm of Testimony*

"As Pants the Deer (Psalm 42)"
(see screen)

Prayer of Thanks and Receiving of the Tithes and Offerings

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

Song of Preparation

"Come Unto Jesus"
(see screen)

Congregational Prayer

Sermon

Pastor Mike Bowen

Joshua 2:1-24

"Gentiles Welcomed!"

Song of Response*

"Here is Love, Vast as the Ocean"
(see screen)

Benediction*

Jude 1b-2

Leader: *"To those who are called, beloved in God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ: May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you."*

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.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOURTH SUNDAY DISCUSSION

The Fourth Sunday Discussion will be May 25 at 6:00 p.m. This month, we will cover various aspects of internet safety. We will consider challenges and potential dangers facing individuals and families and the tools available to us as we navigate the digital landscape.

END OF SCHOOL BASH

The Youth Group will celebrate the end of the school with a night of fun and fellowship at the Lester's. Come out on Friday, June 6 at 5:00 p.m. and hang around the fire, take a swim in the pool, and welcome summer.

VBS: CHILD SIGN UP

Vacation Bible School will be held June 16–19, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Children age 4 through Grade 5 are invited to attend the program. The sign up is now available on the Information Table.

DIRECTORY UPDATES

If you haven't checked your contact information for the directory, please do so this week. There is a copy on the Information Table where you can find your name and double check your information. If anything needs changed, added, or removed, you can mark it on there. Please put a check next to your name once you've double-checked it, so we know it's been reviewed. See Cliff Lester with any questions or concerns.

REMINDER: CHURCH CAMPING TRIP

The church camping trip will be July 18-20 at Ryerson Station State Park. If you are interested, campsites can be booked online now at <https://tinyurl.com/WPCACampout>. See Colleen DeJong for more information.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, May 20

- Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 21

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

Sunday, May 25

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

COMING SOON

June 6

YG End of School Bash

June 11

Church Picnic

June 16-19

VBS Week

July 18-20

Church Camping Trip