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Welcome to
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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

November 8, 2026 | 10:30 a.m.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSIONS MOMENT — Scott & Ruth Hill and Operation Christmas Child

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP — Psalm 95:1-2

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

*HYMN OF PRAISE — *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*
The Sing! Hymnal #5

*PRAYER OF PRAISE AND INVOCATION

READING OF THE LAW — Colossians 3:12-17

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Almighty and most merciful God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, that we have not loved You with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength, and that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We beg You, O God, to forgive what we have been, to help us to amend what we are, and by Your mercy to direct what we shall be, so that we may henceforth walk in the way of Your commandments and do those things which are pleasing in Your sight, through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON — Colossians 1:21-22

Leader: 21 And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, 22 he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him

*HYMN OF CONFIDENCE — *But for the Cross of Christ*
The Sing! Hymnal #169

PRAYER OF THANKS & RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

HYMN OF TESTIMONY — *My Worth Is Not in What I Own*
The Sing! Hymnal #285

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SERMON — Judges 7:1-8:21
Pastor Mike Bowen — "The Gideon Cycle, #2"

*HYMN OF RESPONSE — *Our God Will Go Before Us*
The Sing! Hymnal #326

*BENEDICTION — Romans 16:20

Leader: 20 The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

SUNDAY MORNING INFORMATION

Visitor? Please complete a visitor card and place it in the offering plate so our elders can connect with you. Thanks 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. For those who need to step out of the sanctuary, the worship service is livestreamed in the Fellowship Hall downstairs.

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

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.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sun. Nov. 8	
Mon. Nov. 9	
Tues. Nov. 10	7:00 p.m.: Storyline of the Bible
Wed. Nov. 11	10:00 a.m.: Prayer Meeting 5:30 p.m.: Youth Choir 6:00 p.m.: Pioneer Clubs / Youth Group
Thurs. Nov. 12	6:00 p.m.: Young Adult Fellowship 6:00 p.m.: Football Dinner
Fri. Nov. 13	
Sat. Nov. 14	
Sun. Nov. 15	9:30 a.m.: Sunday School 10:30 a.m.: Worship Service

EVENTS

THANKSGIVING POTLUCK – The annual Thanksgiving Potluck will be immediately after the service concludes today. Turkey and gravy are provided. Please plan to join us!

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP – YAF will meet at the Lesters this Thursday, November 12, at 6:00 p.m. for dinner and fellowship.

FOOTBALL DINNER – To celebrate the Little Prexies playoff win and support the team, the Local Ministries Committee is hosting a Football Dinner on Thursday, November 12, starting at 4:45 p.m. We need volunteers to set up, serve, clean up, and especially to bring prepared dishes. Please check the Information Table to sign up, or contact Sara Cox for more details.

EXPLORING CHURCH MEMBERSHIP CLASS – There will be an Exploring Church Membership class at the church on Saturday, November 21 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. This class is designed to help non-members get to know us better. We will explain what we believe and why we do what we do. The goal is to answer any questions you have about our church and for us to get to know you better. If you are interested, please talk with Pastor Mike or one of the other elders.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY – The Tuesday morning study will be on hiatus and will next meet on November 24.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES – The Missions Awareness Committee is once again collecting filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Our goal this year is 100 boxes! For ideas on how to pack a box, visit the OCC Table in the foyer or contact Donna Menkel. Please remember to include $10 to cover shipping costs for each box. Completed shoeboxes can be placed under the coat rack and are due next Sunday, November 15.

ADULT CHOIR SCHEDULE – The Adult Choir will rehearse this afternoon according to the following section schedule:

- 3:45-4:30 p.m.: Sopranos and Altos
- 4:30-5:00 p.m.: Small Group
- 5:00-5:45 p.m.: Tenors and Basses

For a complete list of this week's events and meeting times, see the Weekly Calendar on the back of this sheet.