WESTMINSTER

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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"THE GRASS WITHERS, THE FLOWER FADES, BUT THE WORD OF OUR GOD WILL STAND FOREVER."

- ISAIAH 40:8 -

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Monday – Thursday, $9:00~\mathrm{AM}-4:00~\mathrm{PM}$; Friday, $9:00~\mathrm{AM}-12:00~\mathrm{PM}$ Please silence your cell phones before the service begins.

Guest WIFI Password: matthew633 † Those who are able, please stand.

Morning Worship

Prelude Ms. Bertha Dykstra

How Can I Keep From Singing
(Lowry, arr. Shackley)

The Solid Rock

(Hymn #459, arr. Thygerson)

Welcome and Announcements Preparation for Worship

Hast Thou Not Known, Hast Thou Not Heard (Trinity Psalter Hymnal #228, vv. 1, 2)

Hast thou not known, hast thou not heard that firm remains on high the everlasting throne of him who formed the earth and sky?

Art thou afraid his pow'r shall fail when comes thine evil day? And can an all-creating arm grow weary or decay?

† Call to Worship

Ezra 8:21-22; Psalm 26:2-3

Leader: Humble yourselves before God and seek him, for the hand of God is for good on all who seek him.

All: Prove me, O Lord, and try me; test my heart and my mind. For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in your faithfulness.

† Hymn of Adoration

O Love of God, How Strong and True

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† Invocation and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name.

Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth,

As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

† Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell*; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;** the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*this refers to the realm of the dead, not the place of punishment.

**"catholic" means "universal" church, the true church in all times and places.

† Gloria Patri #572

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Call to Repentance

Hebrews 3:12-13, pg. 1002

Silent Confession of Personal Sins

Corporate Confession of Sin

Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD! Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great. Turn to me and be gracious to me, for I am lonely and afflicted. The troubles of my heart are enlarged; bring me out of my distresses. Consider my affliction and my trouble and forgive all my sins. Amen. (Taken from Psalm 25:6-8, 11, 16-18)

Assurance of Pardon

Hebrews 9:27-28, pg. 1006

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 12:10-13:1, pg. 799

† Psalm For God Alone My Soul Awaits

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Prayer of Intercession and Dedication

Mr. Joe Steele

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Come, Thou Fount

(Hymn #429, arr. E. Butler)

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of the Word of God

Mr. Joe Steele

"The Crucified Prophet, Priest, and King"

Luke 23:26-43

pg. 884

† Hymn of Response Abide with Me

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† Benediction

† Doxology

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† Postlude Ms. Bertha Dykstra

C Major (G.B. Polleri)

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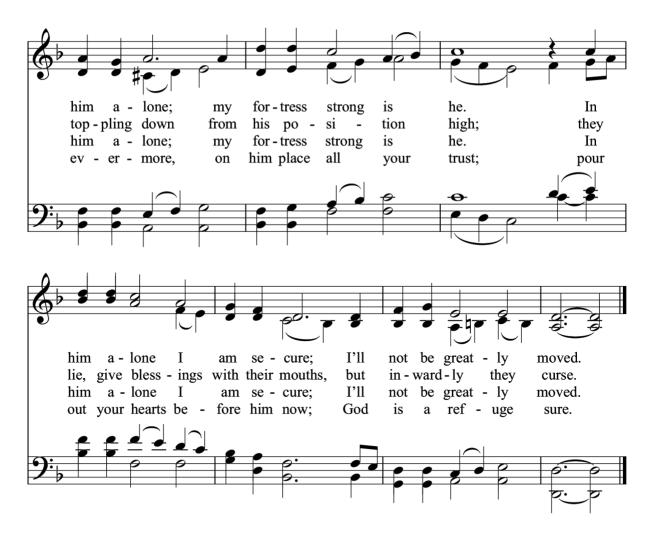


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For God Alone My Soul Awaits





- 5. 9Those lowly born are but a breath, those high born but a dream; together weighed on balances, they're lighter than a breath.
 10So put no trust in robbery, nor hope in bribing schemes, and though your riches may increase, set not your heart on them.
- 6. ¹¹For God has truly spoken once; he twice to me made known: that strength and pow'r belong to God and unto him alone; ¹²and steadfast love and grace, O Lord, belong to you as well, for you will render to a man according to his work.

Abide with Me



Evening Worship

Prelude Ms. Bertha Dykstra Jesu, Our Joy, We Adore Thee (arr. J. Rouse) Praise God, O Servants of the Lord (Hymn #113B, arr. Grotenhuis) Welcome and Announcements + Call to Worship Psalm 63:1-4 Leader: O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; My flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. People: Leader So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. People: So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands. All: Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing † Hymn of Adoration #429 † Invocation Encouraging One Another with Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs Psalm of the Month #11B The Lord Is My Refuge Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder † Hymn #286 Westminster Larger Catechism Q. 36, pg. 943 **Confession of Faith Prayer of Intercession** Mr. Stacy Murphree **Offertory** What Sacred Fountain Freely Spring (I. Hannah, arr. M. Rice) Proclamation of the Word of God Mr. Stephen St. John "They Shall Wash" Exodus 30:17-21, 38:8 pg. 70 † Hymn of Response Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me #452 Benediction † Doxology #567 † Postlude Ms. Bertha Dykstra

O God, My Joy (P. Keew, arr. R. Coleman)



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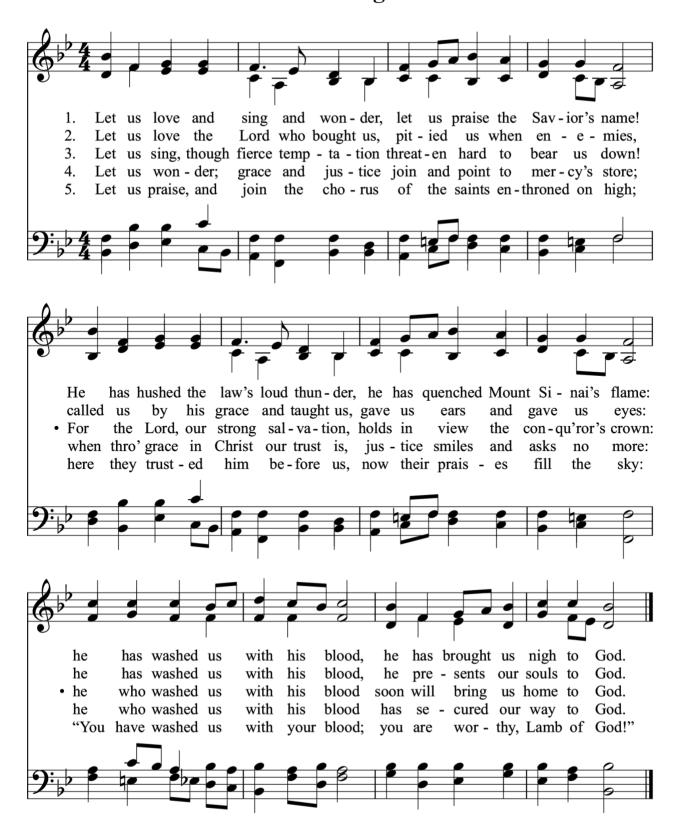
The Lord Is My Refuge



John Goris, 2004; alt.
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Hymnal Committee, 2004

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Joseph Funk, A Compilation of Genuine Church Music, 1832
Harm. Dale Grotenhuis, 1985
Harmony © 1987, CRC Publications



Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me



Augustus M. Toplady, 1776 Alt. Thomas Cotterill, 1815 TOPLADY 7.7.7.7.7. Thomas Hastings, 1830

Welcome guests! We are delighted that you have come to worship with us here at Westminster. We pray that God will bless you richly through the service and the welcome of our congregation and that you will worship with us again soon. For more information about the church, please stop by the Welcome Desk in the Lobby.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Wednesday Evening Activities</u>: No activities this week due to the Missions Conference. <u>Meal For Missions Conference</u>: Corralejos. \$6/person. Friday, October 17, 5:15pm in the church lobby. Please register on Realm, Blue Sheet or by emailing the church office no later than October 14.

<u>Missions Conference</u>: Please join us October 17-19 for our 2025 Missions Conference. If you know you will need nursery services, would like for your children to participate in the Children's Conference, or would like to volunteer to help with the Children's Conference or Nursery during the conference, please sign up on the Blue Sheet.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month: As members of WPC, let's take the opportunity to honor and build up our faithful pastors and their wives with life-giving words of encouragement, prayers, and tangible acts of love. Be on the lookout for a Take-Them-A-Meal sign up from the Women's Ministry Team for each pastors' family, and stop by the table in the narthex for books & brochures related to supporting, honoring, and praying for our pastors as well as blank notecards for letters of encouragement. Please prayerfully consider how the Lord might be leading you to specifically bless our faithful pastors and their families during the month of October!

<u>Lincoln Village Workday:</u> The Outreach Team is holding a church wide morning workday at Lincoln Village on <u>October 25 (date has been changed from the 11th)</u> at 8am to support Lincoln's housing program and school. Attendees will need to be prepared to do anything along the lines of cleaning, home maintenance, yard work, or demolition. Please RSVP with Christopher Thompson at <u>Christopher.23thompson@gmail.com</u> by Wednesday October 22, and let him know if you have any questions.

<u>Scottsboro-area WPC visitors and members:</u> You are invited to a gathering on Sat, Nov 8th at the Veteran's Memorial Park at 1616 Heroes Drive, Scottsboro. Bring your own lunch and plan to join us for a time of fellowship! Please let John or Elizabeth Davis know if you plan to attend by emailing them at <u>johnwdavis@duck.com</u> by Sun, Nov 2nd.

<u>Carol Sing</u>: Come sing carols with us for the residents of Regency Retirement! December 11. Please meet in front of the short building at 4:45pm to start singing at 5. Be prepared that we may be walking through the halls with our music this time! Contact Jacqueline Bryant for any questions and to RSVP.

Book Table: The Student and Children's Ministry team selects new books every month for parents, students, and all those interested in learning. The book theme for October is

Reformation & Missions. This table is in the narthex near the nursery area. Donations are appreciated for any books selected.

The WPC session invites all members and friends of WPC to join together in paying off our debt by the end of the 2025 calendar year. We currently have a balance of \$200,000, and paying off the debt will enable us to increase our ministry in a variety of ways. The session and the Strategic Planning Committee have been working on these plans, and they intend to bring a report with recommendations/plans to the January 2026 Congregational Meeting. You may give in the following ways:

To donate via check, please include "Building Fund" in the memo line. If you give online, use our normal online giving portal and select "Gathering / Building". Should you prefer to donate shares of stock from a brokerage account, please contact the church office, and we will provide you with the necessary information.

2025 Upcoming Events

- October 17–19: Missions Conference
- October 25: Church-wide Lincoln Village Workday
- November 13: Young Adult Friendsgiving
- December 11: Carol Sing @ Regency
- March 27-28, 2026: Parenting Conference

Sunday School for Youth and Children:

3-year-olds:	Nursery Pre-K	4 th Grade:	WCA 108
4-year-olds:	WCA 105	5 th -6 th Grade Girls:	WCA 210
Kindergarten:	WCA 100	5 th -6 th Grade Boys:	WCA 211
1st Grade:	WCA 101	7 th -8 th Grade Girls:	WCA 207
2 nd Grade:	WCA 102	7 th -8 th Grade Boys:	WCA 209
3 rd Grade:	WCA 103	9 th – 12 th Grade:	WCA 206

Sunday Servants

	This Week: 10/12/25	Next Week: 10/19/25
Coffee Fellowship	Team Cochrane	Team Stegman
Evening Prayer	Stacy Murphree	Scooter Johnson
Head Usher	David Mansfield	Steve Stegman
	AM: Grayson Schmidt,	AM: Lauren Stingily, Eva
	Monica Zylstra, Natalie	Benton, Mary Katherine
	Knight, Nicole Perrin, Sandy	Keel, Kristen Branscomb,
	Myers	Cassady Robey, Karlie
Nurcery	SS: Julia Hammond, Alex &	Branscomb, Elizabeth Carter
Nursery	Kristen Thompson	SS: Bethany Finch, Megan
	PM: Peter Schmidt, Sarah	Korman
	Rapp, Karen Hodge	PM: Katy Kirkwood,
		Elizabeth Steele, Jessica
		Nuckols, Nathan Olon
Sexton Counter	David Knight	Christopher Thompson
Sound Booth	AM: Eric Fulcher	AM: James Pearce
	PM: Christopher Thompson	PM: Michael Patterson

WPC's Age and Stage Adult Discipleship Classes are organized in age groupings to encourage relational connections among people experiencing similar life circumstances.

College Age	Respectable Sins This class, based on Jerry Bridges' book, helps us battle common sins	Jim Roberts Meets in WCA 110 School Building
20s and 30s	Biblical Parenting This class explores what the Bible teaches about marriage, family, and parenting	Stephen St John Meets in WCA 104 School Building
40s and 50s	Being God's Steward A study of what God's Word says about money and possessions	Stacy Murphree Meets in the WPC Library Upstairs in the Church Building
60 Plus	Respectable Sins This class, based on Jerry Bridges' book, helps us battle common sins	Eric Fulcher Meets in WPC Room 1 Upstairs in the Church Building

Other WPC Adult Discipleship Classes include a cross generational class that blends people from all stages of life and our own "seminary lite" BASIC Institute Class.

Cross Generational	1 and 2 Chronicles, Esther This is an in-depth study of these Old Testament history books.	Robert Benton Meets in WPC Room 2 Upstairs in the Church Building
BASIC	Systematic Theology 102 This is a seminary-lite class that focuses on the Doctrine of God, Man, and Christ.	Cliff Smith Meets in the WPC Commons Upstairs in the Church Building



OCTOBER 17-19, 2025

You are invited to participate in our 2025 Missions Conference which will help us focus on taking the gospel forth to the world. Our speaker is the Rev. Jamie Pelpon, son of WPC-supported missionaries Jim and Marianna Pelpon. Jamie now serves as the Minister of Missions at First Presbyterian Church in Jackson, Mississippi.



Conference Schedule

Friday, October 17

5:15-6:25 pm - *Dinner

Corralejos in church lobby (\$6/person, \$24 family cap. Sign up on blue sheet or by emailing the church office)

6:30-7:30 pm - ♦ Session 1

Adults' session: missionary report by Jae Park (S. Korea) and 1st message from Jamie Peipon

*Kids' session: report by Michael Carter (Japan)

Saturday, October 18 8:30-8:55 am – Coffee & Pastries – Meet the Missionaries

9:00-10:15 am - \$Session 2

Adults' Session: missionary report by Luke Stannard (Germany) and 2nd message from Jamie Peipon

*Kids' Session through 11:45: reports by Dylan Halter (Germany), Ben Church (Uganda), Kelley Murphree and Marcus Nobles (RUF)

10:30-11:45 am - ♦ Session 3

Adults' session: Missionary reports by Michael Carter (Japan), Emanuel Tinev (Bulgaria church), and Dylan Halter (Germany)

*Kids' session: See above

TBD pm - *Dinner with Missionaries in homes

(Sign up by October 5 on blue sheet or by emailing the church office)

Sunday, October 19

9:30-10:45 am - ♦ Session 4 - Worship 3rd message from Jamie Pelpon

11:05 am-12:00 n − ♦Session 5 − Missionary reports

Adults' session Missionary reports by Rebecca S (Central Asia), Ben Church (Uganda) and Jamie and Jackie Gildard (France)

Kids' session: reports by Rebecca S (Central Asia) and Jim and Marianna Peipon (Global Medical Outreach)

12:30 pm - *Lunches in Homes

(Sign up by October 5 on blue sheet or by emailing the church office)

6:00 pm - ♦Session 6 - Worship

Missionary report by Jim and Marianna Peipon (Global Medical Outreach) and 4th message from Jamie Peipon

- Indicates registration required sign up on the blue sheet or by emailing the church office
- Indicates childcare is available

QUESTIONS? Email office@wpc-hsv.org or call 256-830-5754



SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Lincoln Village

Downtown Rescue Mission

Church Wide Work Day - 10/25 - 8am

Annual Celebration - 10/16 @ 6:30pm

Shoot for Shelter - Oct. 24th

Misc Volunteer needs - 7 days a week

Huntsville Assistance Program

HSV Pregnancy Resource Center

Volunteers needed for:

- 1) Food sorting and shelving
- 2) Disinfecting storage rooms
- 3) Grocery bagging
- 4) Financial Assistance Hotline

Good News Club

Tiny Toes 5k - 10/4/25

Volunteers needed for:

- 1) Baby Boutique Upkeep
- 2) Male and Female client advocates
- 3) Provide meals
- 4) Knit/crochet infant hats/clothes

6 Child Evangelism Fellowship

We have an elementary school team that meets on Mondays during the school year at 2:15pm. Volunteers to work with kids and teach Bible lessons are always needed!

- 1) Madison Street Festival
- 2) One time Party clubs
- 3) Miscellaneous other opportunities

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Questions?

Jeremiah 29:7

If you would like to learn more please contact Pastor Duncan or a member of our Outreach Ministry Team.

But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

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<u>October 12 – October 19, 2025</u>

Morning Worship: 9:30 AM Sunday School: 11:10 AM Evening Worship: 6:00 PM

Sunday, October 12, 2025

4:30 PM - Adult Discipleship Team Meeting

Tuesday, October 14, 2025

7:00 AM - Men's 'Holiness' Book Study @ WPC

7:00 AM - Men's 'The Reason for God' Book Study @ Blue Plate Cafe

9:15 AM - Women's Prayer Time @ WPC

10:00 AM - Women's Bible Study @ WPC

12:00 PM - Men's Abraham Book study @ WPC

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

10:00 AM - Crown Club @ WPC

11:30 AM - Women's Bible Study @ WPC

Thursday, October 16, 2025

6:30 PM - Women's Bible Study @ WPC

6:30 PM - Men's 'Themes from Hebrews' Book Study @ WPC

Friday, October 17, 2025

5:15 PM - Missions Conference Meal @ WPC

6:30 PM - Missions Conference Session 1

Saturday, October 18, 2025

8:30 AM - Meet The Missionaries - Coffee & Pastries

9:00 AM - Missions Conference Session 2

10:30 AM - Missions Conference Session 3

Sunday, October 19, 2025

9:30 AM - Missions Conference Session 4

11:05 PM - Missions Conference Session 5

6:00 PM - Missions Conference Session 6

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