

ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD

Gathering

PRELUDE *When Morning Gilds the Skies* arr. Dan R. Edwards
Morning Has Broken arr. Mark Hayes & Douglas E. Wagner

WELCOME *Please sign the fellowship pad*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

How lovely is the house of the Lord.

How beautiful to be gathered in the presence of God.

How lovely is the dwelling place of the Lord.

How beautiful is the image of God we behold in one another.

Let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN *Here in This Place* #401

CALL TO CONFESSION

Even before we admit our sin, God promises to hear us with mercy. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

No words can express the depth of our need or reveal the extent of our sin. But you know us completely, O God. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. You rescue us from evil and clothe us with love. Humbly, we thank you; for no words can express our gratitude for the gift of your salvation. Amen.

(Prayers continue in silence)

SUNG RESPONSE *O Lord, Hear My Prayer* #471

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The news is so good we can scarcely believe it: God does not hold our sin against us but pours out abundant grace. Give thanks to God and by the Spirit's power share the gospel far and near: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

The Word

TIME WITH CHILDREN Children are invited to gather front
(Children ages 0-3rd grade will be in the Kid's Room. 4th-7th grade will be in the Blue Room. 8th-12th grade (Youth) will be in the Youth Room)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 65

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed, O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.

Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple. By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might. You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples. Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy. You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it. You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth. You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness. The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy, the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

New Testament Reading: Luke 18:9-14

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

SERMON "Humbled and Forgiven" Rev. Marta Ukropina

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from A Brief Statement of Faith
We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

*HYMN *O Savior, in This Quiet Place* #794

Responding to God's Word

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Precious Lord, Take My Hand (Hymn #834)* arr. Mark Hayes

*SUNG RESPONSE *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* #606
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Sending of God's Word

*CLOSING HYMN *Fight the Good Fight* #846

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Duke Street (Fight the Good Fight)* arr. John S. Dixon

**indicates those who are able may stand. Congregational responses are in bold...*

Faith + Works → Salvation

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Being God's People Adult Bible class on Deuteronomy 1-11 TODAY, through Oct. 30, 2022 (Sunday's after worship 11:15am). Led by Jack Maddex. Study guide and information was emailed or you can pick up a copy in the Meeting Room during the class.

Youth Groups meet tonight at church! We will be continuing the fun tradition of painting ceiling tiles in the youth room so please wear comfortable clothes you can paint in. Katie Stocks is our youth group visitor tonight. She will be sharing some of her beautiful art with us and talking about how she encounters God in art. You do not want to miss it. Thanks to the Wilgus family for dinner and Judy Coats for dessert! Schedule: **5:00-6:30: Junior Youth** (5th-7th grade) **6:00-7:30: Youth** (8th-12th grade) 6:00-6:30: Dinner for everyone

Next week, October 30th, is our Annual Trunk or Treat. It will be in the Harlow Parking Lot from 3-5PM. Candy donations are needed. You can bring your candy donations to the church office. We also accept other individual wrapped snacks or nonfood items (stickers, tattoos, pencils, etc) to hand out to the kids. Also, we are hoping a few more people can bring decorated car trunks. If you can bring your car and hand out candy, please email office@wpceugene.org. The more trunks, the more spooktacular our Trunk or Treat. This is a great outreach to our WPC kids, WPC Preschool and our Community! It is always well attended. If you are bringing a trunk, please plan on arriving by 2:30 to get set up as we will be closing that parking lot to traffic. If you are just attending Trunk or Treat, please park in the Coburg Lot and walk around as the Harlow Lot will be a safe zone for the kids.

Calling all Volunteers! Would you like to volunteer your time by helping with our amazing Youth Ministry? Did you know that one of the most important things to a young person's faith development is intergenerational relationships with people outside of their immediate family? We are looking to build our team to support our growing program. Volunteer positions include.

Youth Group Volunteer: This is a great job. You just volunteer to show up and get to know our amazing youth. You don't have to prepare anything! Just come and have fun. Our Youth Groups typically meet on Sunday evening about 2-3x a month.

Dessert Baker: At each youth group, we spend time in table fellowship! Everyone loves dessert. All you have to do is make (or buy) dessert. Let us know if you want to help and we will send you a list of available dates. If you would like, you can even join us for dinner!

Dinner Sponsor: Like the Dessert Baker, this position involves helping supply dinner. You can sign up to bring something simple like drinks or decide to partner with your friends and bring in a whole meal. If you would like, you can even join us for dinner! If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please reach out to Pastor Marta marta@wpceugene.org or simply email or call Brooke in the church office.

11/19 Holiday Bazaar— Westminster will be hosting our Annual Holiday Bazaar from 9am to 4pm. Come shop handmade and local artisan booths and the Treasure Shop

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday 10/23/2022

10:00 am Worship
11:00 am Coffee Hour: hosted by: Fellowship
11:15 am Jack Maddex's Adult Bible Study (Meeting Room)
5:00 pm AA Meeting (Meeting Room)
5:00 pm Junior Youth Group (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 pm Youth Group (Fellowship Hall)

Monday 10/24/2022

9:00 am Preschool
7:00 pm Boy Scouts Meeting

Tuesday 10/25/2022

9:00 am Preschool
11:00 am WPC Knitter's (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday 10/26/2022

9:00 am Preschool
9:15 am Preschool Chapel
8:00 am Men's Breakfast Group at Countryside Pizza & Grill
10:30 am Pioneer Quilters (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday 10/27/2022

9:00 am Preschool
9:15 am Preschool Chapel

Friday 10/28/2022- Church Office Closed

9:00 am Preschool

Saturday 10/29/2022- Church Office Closed

Leading in worship today:

Pastor: Rev. Marta Ukropina
Organist: Larry Brown
Usher/Greeter: Roger Keady, Sue Martichuski, Teri Yerton,
Larry McKaughan
Counters: Sandi Ash and Kyle Coats
Coffee Hour: Fellowship Committee

Next Sunday:

Pastor: Rev. David Ukropina
Organist: Larry Brown
Usher/Greeter: Gene Heinle, Don Hirst, Lin Hirst, Eileen Sanders
Counters: Gwen Childs and John OBrien
Coffee Hour: N/A

Papas Pizza Parlor is hosting a Pizza Day at Coburg Rd. Papas Pizza for Westminster Presbyterian Preschool on October 27, 2022! Grab a flyer in the Narthex and bring it to Papas Pizza and 50% of your purchase will go straight to our Preschool. The flyer is valid all day so make sure you pick one up!



**20th Sunday after Pentecost
October 23, 2022
10:00 am**

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