

THE LORD’S DAY WORSHIP

The First Day of May, Two Thousand Eleven
MORNING WORSHIP
Ten O’Clock

Interim Minister — Dr. Guy L. Richardson
Minister to Youth and Families — The Reverend Mr. Richard E. Owens, III

The Bible is the means by which God, by the power of the Holy Spirit, reveals Himself to His people. We respond to His grace by praising Him through praying, singing, reading, and preaching the Bible.

The Greetings and Announcements

The Preparation for Worship and Instrumental Prelude

Introit — “Gloria Patri”

The Call to Worship

‡The Hymn No. 310 — “Rejoice, the Lord is King”

‡The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

The Old Testament Reading and Pastoral Prayer

Deuteronomy 5:6-21.....John Downs

‡The Hymn No. 521 — “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

*Anthem — “Surely He Hath Borne Our Grievs”

Surely, he hath borne our griefs and hath carried our sorrows away.
He was wounded for our transgressions, and with his stripes we all are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray, each has turned to his own way.
And the Lord has laid upon him the iniquity of all.
Surely, he hath borne our griefs and hath carried our sorrows away.
He was wounded for our transgressions, and with his stripes we all are healed.

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — 1 Samuel 3:20-4:11 (Pew Bible 227)

The Sermon — “God-In-The-Box”.....Dr. Guy L. Richardson

‡The Hymn No. 500 — “Rock of Ages” (Stanzas 1-2)

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

‡The Hymn No. 500 — “Rock of Ages” (Stanzas 3-4)

‡Benediction

*Children depart for Little Worship at the conclusion of the Anthem.
‡Congregation standing.

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

The Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 5:6-21

⁶ *“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. ⁷ “You shall have no other gods before me. ⁸ “You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁹ You shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, ¹⁰ but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. ¹¹ “You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. ¹² “Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. ¹³ Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁴ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. ¹⁵ You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day. ¹⁶ “Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God commanded you, that your days may be long, and that it may go well with you in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. ¹⁷ “You shall not murder. ¹⁸ “And you shall not commit adultery. ¹⁹ “And you shall not steal. ²⁰ “And you shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ²¹ “And you shall not covet your neighbor's wife. And you shall not desire your neighbor's house, his field, or his male servant, or his female servant, his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.’*

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

SUNDAY, MAY 1

8:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
9:15 a.m. Prayer in the Fireside Room
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship: Dr. Guy L. Richardson
Little Worship: Rob and Amber Joiner
11:20 a.m. Sunday school for all ages
1:30 p.m. No Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY, MAY 3

9:30 a.m. Women’s Discipleship Group (Cathy Adams’ home)
8:00 p.m. Young Adult Sunday School Men’s Discipleship Group

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

6:00 p.m. Men’s Discipleship Group will meet in the Library
Women’s Discipleship Group will meet in the Choir Room
Youth Ministry – Jr. High & Sr. High
Children’s Ministry
Nursery Available

THURSDAY, MAY 5

6:30 a.m. Men’s Bible Study (at the church)

SUNDAY, MAY 8

8:45 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
9:15 a.m. Prayer in the Fireside Room
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship: Dr. Guy L. Richardson
Little Worship: Dustin and Joie Blount
11:20 a.m. Sunday school for all ages
1:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAY COVERED DISH LUNCHEON. We will *not* have our covered dish luncheon next Sunday, May 8th so that we can enjoy Mother’s Day with our families. Our next luncheon will be on June 12th.

WESTMINSTER FINANCIAL SECRETARY. We are currently searching for a financial secretary to replace the retiring Harris Coleman. If you are interested, or know of someone who might be interested, please turn in the appropriate resumé or contact information to Debbie McCuan at the church office.

INQUIRER’S CLASS TODAY. An Inquirer's Class will meet this morning in the Sanctuary for those wanting to know more about WPC and the Presbyterian Church in America. This will be a 6 week study during the Sunday school hour led by Gene Stansel and Trey O'Brien. If interested please call the church office.

LITTLE WORSHIP. This morning children ages 4-5 may remain in the sanctuary or be dismissed to attend Little Worship at the conclusion of the Anthem. Those who are scheduled to teach Little Worship for May are: May 1 – Rob & Amber Joiner; May 8 – Dustin & Joie Blount; May 15 – Stephen & Kim Pillow; May 22; May 29 – Neil & Allison Pillow. The Lesson Book is in the church office on the top shelf of the book case. Please return it to the office each Sunday

CHOIR REHEARSAL. The choir will rehearse at 8:45 a.m. only, during the weeks of May 8 through June 12. There will be no afternoon rehearsals during that time.

**THE CALL TO WORSHIP
(FROM PSALM 118)**

Pastor—This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

People—*Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, give us grace!*

Pastor—Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

People—*We bless you from the house of the Lord.*

Pastor—*The Lord is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.*

People—*You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will praise you.*

Pastor and People—Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

**GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO CONFESSION, REPENTANCE,
AND RECONCILIATION**

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

**GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO PROFESSION OF FAITH
THE APOSTLE'S 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.

*Universal, world-wide.

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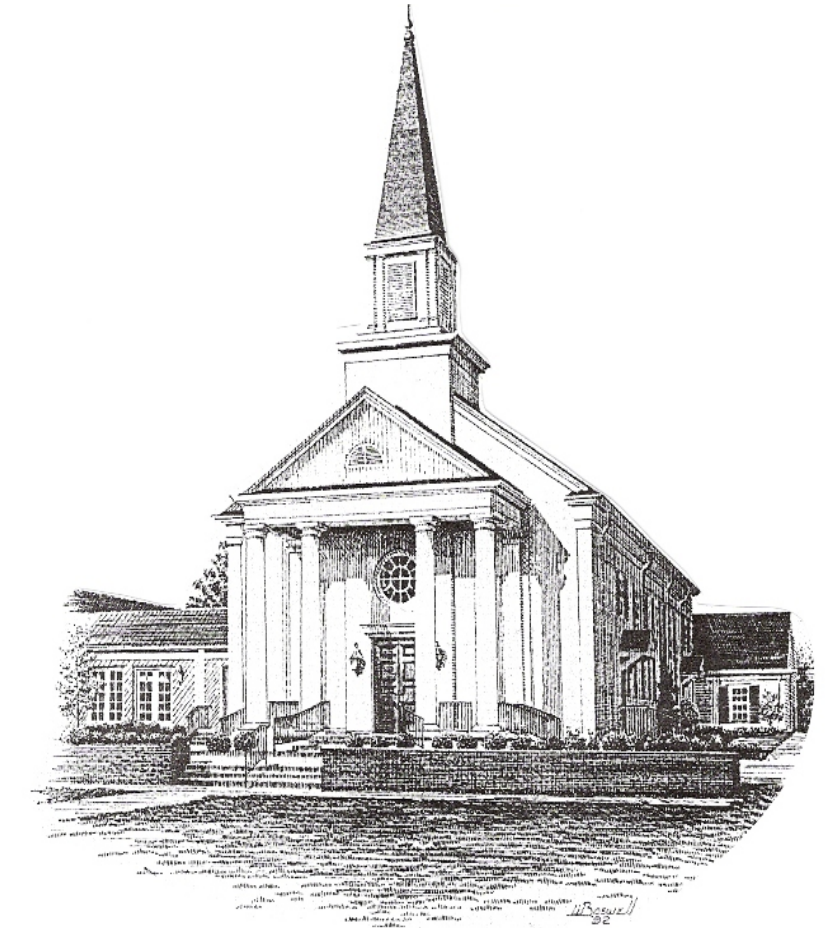
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