

# Celebration of Worship

September 27, 2020

9:30 A.M.

## *Thought for Reflection*

“The words of Jesus can keep us erect and confident in the midst of the turmoil of the end-time. They can support us, encourage us, and give us life even when everything around us speaks of death. Jesus’ words are food for eternal life. They do more than give us ideas and inspiration. They lead us into the eternal life while we are still being clothed in mortal flesh. When we keep close to the word of Jesus, reflecting on it, ‘chewing’ on it, eating it as food for the soul, we will enter even more deeply into the everlasting love of God.’

From: Bread for the Journey by Henri Nouwen

## Prelude

## Welcome

## Announcements

## Meditation

Max Lucado

“Grace is the voice that calls us to change and then gives us the power to pull it off.”

## Ringing of the Bell

## Invocation

Leader: Holy and gracious God, let us be open to your presence among your people, those gathered for worship, and all of your people throughout your creation. May we receive you fully and respond to you wholeheartedly. Amen.

## Call to Worship

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God.

**People: May our worship reflect God’s glory.**

Leader: The firmament proclaims God’s handiwork.

**People: May we see each other as the handiwork of God. May our prayer and praise, our singing and proclamation project the love of God.**

Leader: Let us Worship God.

**Opening Hymn**     *Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun*     #423

## Prayer of Confession

**All: Gracious God, we too often focus on the difference among us, rather than celebrating what we share in common. Forgive us. Help us to remember we are siblings to all of humanity, each and all of us created in your image. When we choose conflict, redirect our thoughts and actions to your love and your call to love each other. Amen**

## Moment of Silence

## Assurance of Grace

Leader: As children of God, we are loved tenderly. God longs to bring us into God’s embrace. By the life and love of Jesus, you are forgiven and free.

## Gloria Patri

## Children’s Time

## Special Music

*Go Down, Moses*     Arr. Jeffrey Honoré  
Alleluia Bells

## Scripture Readings

*Exodus 17:1-7*  
*Philippians 2:1-13*

## Scripture Reading

*Matthew 21:23-32*

## Sermon

*What Gives You the Right ?*  
Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

## Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

## Offering

Mail in your gifts or  
click the ‘Give’ button on the WPC Website

## Closing Hymn

*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*     # 446

## Benediction

## Postlude

## Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Does its successive journeys run.  
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore  
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Him shall endless prayer be made  
And praises throng to crown His head.  
His name, like sweet perfume shall rise  
With every morning sacrifice.

## Gloria Patri

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

## Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Glorious things of thee are spoke, Zion city of our God;  
God, whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for a blest abode.  
On the rock of ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living water springing from eternal love,  
Well supply thy sons and daughters and all fear of want removed.  
Who can faint while such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage?  
Grace, which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear,  
For a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near.  
Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,  
Safe they feed upon the manna which God gives them when they pray.

## LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, September 27<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Next Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup></u>
Old Testament	<i>Exodus 17:1-7</i> <i>Psalm 78:1-4 12-16</i>	<i>Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20</i> <i>Psalm 19</i>
New Testament	<i>Philippians 2:1-3</i> <i>Matthew 21:23-32</i>	<i>Philippians 3:4b-14</i> <i>Matthew 21:33-46</i>

## MEMORY VERSE

*"The Lord [says], I have loved you with an everlasting love;  
I have drawn you with loving kindness."  
Jeremiah 31:3*

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Sunday, September 27

9:30 A.M. Worship Service on Zoom  
10:15 A.M. Church of God by Faith –in the Chapel  
3:00 P.M. Youth Fellowship Road Rally

### Monday, September 28

7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Parking Lot  
Mission Committee, in Room 9/10

### Tuesday, September 29

10:00 A.M. Women's Bible Study on Zoom  
5:00 P.M. TOPS in the Parking Lot

### Wednesday, September 30

6:30 A.M. Men's Breakfast/Bible Study at the Golden Boys  
Restaurant  
7:00 P.M. Adult Christian Ed. on Zoom

### Thursday, October 1

7:30 A.M. Men's Study on Zoom  
6:00 P.M. Bell Rehearsal in the Sanctuary  
7:00 P.M. Stewardship and Finance in Room 9/10

### Friday, October 2

10:00 A.M. Book Study on Zoom

### Saturday, October 3

9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom  
10:00 A.M. Rt. 250 Clean-up

### Sunday, October 4

9:30 A.M. Worship Service on Zoom  
10:15 A.M. Church of God by Faith – Chapel  
1:00 P.M. Zoom Meeting of the Congregation

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today.
2. IN-PERSON WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY has resumed on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. It is requested that you make a reservation to attend. You may do so by calling the church office and speaking to Georgia, or by leaving a message on the answering machine before noon the Saturday.
3. SUNDAY SERVICES will continue to be live-streamed.  
You can watch them live at 9:30 using:  
Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/200521841> The password is **worship**.  
or Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>  
Or you can watch them later at your leisure using:  
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>  
or YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzm5-thYxua2HQSPF6P71wA>
4. THE SESSION has called a Meeting of the Congregation of Webster Presbyterian Church on October 4, 2020 for the purpose of consenting or declining to consent Rev. Dr Eileen Borduin Vanderzwan's request for the Dissolution of her call to Webster Presbyterian Church. Check your email this week for a Zoom link to the meeting.
5. NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS - Going forward this fall, the office will be open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The office will be closed on Mondays and Fridays.
6. AS WE BEGIN reopening the church, we are seeking individuals who have ideas and gifts to make worship services accessible for our congregation. If you are interested in acting as a liturgist, or providing special music or technology support on site, please contact Todd Fargo (tfargo@gmail.com), or Alissa Mayer (candamayer@rochester.rr.com).
7. CHURCH COMMITTEES AND GROUPS can now meet in person in our church building. Please contact Georgia in the main office to have the time and location of your meeting added to the church calendar
8. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY has resumed its 10:00 Tuesday morning sessions via Zoom. Tune in for Knowing Jesus Again. All women of the church are invited to participate. The Zoom link:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85736775467?pwd=cTVkcUcvTGRQTXRQdEdlY0NuVzhmdz09> Password: bible.
9. WHAT'S NEW IN RECYCLING? Join us this Wednesday at 7 p.m. to hear Tina Verna Stevens from the Monroe Department of Environmental Services talk with us on this and related topics. You are guaranteed to learn something new to help us all in taking care of God's earth! Any questions, contact Connie Rice at 703-0618 or [connie56rice@gmail.com](mailto:connie56rice@gmail.com). The link is:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3983403172?pwd=Y110TXIzYkp2UHhIOXIIam9uL0FsZz09> Password: worship
10. ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING collections are being taken now, instead of in the spring as has been our past practice. See the link below for an insert on this most worthwhile effort. Checks can be mailed to the church, with OGHs in the memo line, or you can visit the church website and look for the link "Give" on the Home Page.  
[https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/site\\_media/media/uploads/2020\\_ogh\\_s/oghs20\\_buidling\\_god's\\_household\\_bi\\_b&w.pdf](https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/site_media/media/uploads/2020_ogh_s/oghs20_buidling_god's_household_bi_b&w.pdf)
- 11.. HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP of Route 250 is this coming Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10-3, beginning at 10:00 A.M.. To volunteers please contact Mark Pipal, 787-4301 or [pipalmw@yahoo.com](mailto:pipalmw@yahoo.com)). With sufficient volunteers, the clean-up will be completed in well less than two hours and a good community service will have been accomplished. Please bring your own facemask.
12. DID YOU GET OUR EMAIL? This past week the Technology Committee created a new email distribution list of Members only. While most our church emails will still be sent to the broader WPC community, some information pertains to members only and we don't want to clutter everyone's inboxes with unnecessary emails. **If you are a member of WPC and did not receive an email on 9/17/20 from the Church Office, please contact the office at [wpc@websterpres.org](mailto:wpc@websterpres.org) to get your address added to the correct distribution list.** The information from the 9/17/20 email was also sent by US Postal Service the next day so you should have the information from that email even if you did not receive it in your inbox. We apologize if anyone was mistakenly taken off the list!

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