

Celebration of Worship

January 10, 2021

9:30 A.M.

Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Meditation

“Take a moment to listen to the still small voice of God within the bustle of the day which has begun. Find a quiet place where you can enjoy precious moments of peace in God’s presence. Sit quietly and listen to the sounds of the world around you, both outside and in the place where you are. Breathe slowly and rest in God’s presence.....”

Ringling of the Bell

Call to Worship

Leader: John the Baptist said, “Prepare the way.” So, how do we prepare our minds for worship?

People: We silence the inner critic. We let go of busy thoughts. We make space for God to speak.

Leader: How do we prepare our hearts for worship?

People: We bless all motions. We feel what we feel. We open ourselves up to be moved.

Leader: How do we prepare our bodies for worship?

People: We take in the scent, sight, and feel our space. We breathe in God’s mercy. We exhale God’s love.

Leader: How do we prepare our souls for worship?

People We wear our hearts on our sleeves. We trust that even now, God is with us.

People: What we practice in worship, we must live out in our daily lives. So prepare the way.

Leader: Let us worship God.

Opening Hymn Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized # 70

Prayer of Confession

All: We confess, God, that we wish that peace was something we could buy. We wish that peace could be ordered in a subscription service, found on a map, downloaded in an app, or voted for on a ballot. We wish that peace was as easy as a one-time choice when we are feeling our best. However, what we have found is that peace involves everyday decisions over and over, whether or not we are feeling our best. So today we confess that we need your help. Have mercy upon us, and in your love uphold us. Above all, teach us the meaning of repentance.

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news! God said to Jesus, “You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.” We have a high priest who is able to sympathize with our weakness, who has been tempted as we are, yet is without sin. In Christ’s name we may draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, and there find mercy and grace to help in time of need.

Moment of Silent Reflection

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.

Children’s Time

Remembering Loved Ones with Prayer

Scripture Reading *Genesis 1:1-5*
Acts 19:1-7

Hymn God Is Here! # 461

Scripture Reading *Mark 1:4-11*

Sermon The Foreground and the Background
Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

Offering Mail in your gifts or click the WPC website 'Give' button

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Blessing the Offering

Communion

Leader: God sent the world His only Son. Since God loved us so much, we too should love one another.

All: Let us love one another, since love comes from God.

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise to the Lord. God of all, we thank you for life and breath, for your created world, for the gifts of mutual love, witness and worship. Holy, holy, holy, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, O God most high!

The Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Wine

Leader: Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup You proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord, until he comes. With thanksgiving, let us offer God our grateful praise.

People: Amen

Closing Hymn The Church's One Foundation # 442

Benediction

Postlude

Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized

Christ, when for us You were baptized, God's Spirit on You came
As peaceful as a dove and yet as urgent as a flame.

God called You "My beloved Son," the suffering servant true,
Sent you the kingdom to proclaim God's holy will to do.

Straightway and steadfast until death You then obeyed God's call
Freely as Son of Man to serve and give Your life for all.

Baptize us with Your Spirit, Lord, Your cross on us be signed,
That, likewise in God's service, we may perfect freedom find.

God Is Here!

God is here! As we Your people meet to offer praise and prayer.
May we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share.
Here as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts
Wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

Here are symbols to remind us of our lifelong need of grace;
Here are table, font, and pulpit; Here the cross has central place;
Here in honesty of preaching, Here in silence, as in speech;
Here, in newness and renewal, God the Spirit comes to each.

Here our children find a welcome in the Shepherd's flock and fold;
Here as bread and wine are taken, Christ sustains us as of old.
Here the servants of the Servant seek in worship to explore
What it means in daily living to believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom, in an age of change and doubt,
Keep us faithful to the gospel; Help us work your purpose out.
Here, in this day's dedication, all we have to give, receive.
We, who cannot live without You, we adore You! We believe!

The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the word.
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace for evermore,
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth has union with God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, January 10th</u>	<u>Next Sunday, January 17th</u>
Old Testament	<i>Genesis 1:1-5</i>	<i>1 Samuel 3:1-20</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalms: 29</i>	<i>Psalms 139: 1-6, 13-18</i>
New Testament	<i>Acts 19: 1-7</i>	<i>1 Corinthians 6:12-20</i>
Gospel	<i>Mark 1:4-11</i>	<i>John 1:43-51</i>

MEMORY VERSE

"Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power."
Ephesians 6:10

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether by Zoom or in person. Those choosing to attend in person are reminded to make a reservation to attend by calling the church office and speaking to Georgia, or by emailing the church office by noon on Saturday.
2. SUNDAY SERVICES 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>
3. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION has been called by Session for Sunday, January 31, 2021 at 10:30 following the morning worship, in-person and on Zoom, for the purpose of:
 - 1) receiving & approving the Annual Reports of the governing bodies and organizations of the church;
 - 2) receiving the proposed 2021 church budget;
 - 3) electing a deacon and a trustee for 1-year terms
 - 4) bringing forward any other appropriate matters..
4. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY resumes this week with Max Lucado's DVD on GRACE as we look at "The Grace –shaped life."
"See to it that no one missis the grace of God." Hebrews 12:15 NIV
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82074090899?pwd=UkZtS0tuMlh1TnFOeGtjclJVTGV0dz09>
5. ADULT EDUCATION is this Wednesday, January 13, at 7:00 pm. Over the years, our image of Martin Luther King Jr. and what he spoke about has become fairly set and two-dimensional. In this session, Pastor Phil will help us understand more of who Dr. Kings really was.
<https://zoom.us/j/8020641367?pwd=VnlXcDITWjZIS2d0NE96dmVFeVB4dz09>
7. UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONALS for January/February are now available for pick-up from the bench outside the north entrance of the church.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Today, January 10

9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on Zoom

10:15 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel

4:00 P.M. Youth Fellowship in the Social Room

Monday, January 11

7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social Room/Memorial

Tuesday, January 12

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study on Zoom

5:00 P.M. TOPS in Room 9/10

7:00 P.M. Trustees in Room 9/10

Adult Education on Zoom

Wednesday, January 13

6:30 P.M. Men's Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant

7:00 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

Thursday, January 14

7:30 A.M. Bible Study on Zoom

11:00 A.M. Staff Meeting in the Memorial Room

6:30 P.M. Youth Committee in the Youth Room

Friday, January 15

9:00 A.M. Heart and Hand in the Social Room

10:30 A.M. Book Study on Zoom

6:00 P.M. Pine wood Derby in the Social Room

Saturday, January 16

8:00 A.M. Pine wood Derby in the Social Room

9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom