

Celebration of Worship

October 10, 2021

9:30 A.M.

Prelude

Reflection

Webster Presbyterian Church has been called by God and organized to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, to minister to the needs of members of the congregation, the community and the world, and to promote peace and justice in the world so that all may come to know Jesus Christ, to love him, to serve him, and to enjoy him forever.

Statement of Purpose, Mission & Ministry - Webster Presbyterian Church Bylaws

Welcome and Announcements

Ringling of the Bell

Song *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit* # 398

Call to Worship adapted from *Hebrews 4:12-16*

Leader: The word of God is alive and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it can judge our thoughts and the intentions of our hearts.

People: We cannot hide, for we are naked and laid bare to the one whom we must render an account.

Leader: Let us hold fast to our confession before Jesus who was tested as you and I, and yet was without sin.

People: We approach the throne of grace with boldness so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in our time of need.

Prayer of Invocation

All: O God, you sowed the seeds of justice when you created this world. Though your bountiful creation has enough for everyone, it is hardly divided fairly. There are those who struggle to get their daily bread each day, and then there are those who have more than they can use in their lifetime. May we remember that all we have comes from you and that you have entrusted to us all that we have. May we take your commandments to heart so we can do as Jesus asks of us. Grant that we, O God, use this hour to work in our ministries to end this disparity. Amen.

Song *Thy Word*

Prayer of Confession

All: Almighty and Holy One, we cannot begin to count all our possessions. We have things in our closets, our attics, and our basements. We have things tucked away in boxes we haven't opened in years, and still we acquire more. We have so much stuff, and yet there are those in our communities who can fit all their worldly possessions in a shopping cart. We know that you, O God, will defend the poor and come to them in their need. But we, O God, need your forgiveness, for we are more attached to our things than we willingly acknowledge. Help us confront our attachment to possessions and things more honestly so we can share our own abundance more equitably. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Leader: We draw false and fleeting comfort from our material things. True comfort comes from God's love for us and by responding with that same love to family, friend, neighbor and stranger. By God's love we are forgiven. Let us do likewise. Amen.

Gloria Patri

A Socially Distant Passing of the Peace

(The Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

Hymn *Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak* # 426

Scripture Readings *Micah 6:8*
Isaiah 58:6

Special Music *Blessed Assurance* arr. Dobrinski
Alleluia Bells

Scripture Reading *Luke 6:35-38a*

Sermon *Stewards of God*
Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

Apostles Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven. He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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

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

Doxology and Blessing the Offering

Hymn *Blessed Assurance* # 341

Benediction

Postlude *Reverberations* Sallie Lloyd

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MEMORY VERSE

The Lord lives! Praise be to my Rock!

Exalted be my Savior!

Psalm 18:40

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, October 10th</u>	<u>Next Sunday, October 17th</u>
Old Testament	<i>Amos 5:6-7, 10-15</i>	<i>Isaiah 53:4-12</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalm 90:12-17</i>	<i>Psalm 91:9-16</i>
New Testament	<i>Hebrews 4:12-16</i>	<i>Hebrews 5:1-10</i>
Gospel	<i>Mark 10:17-31</i>	<i>Mark 10:35-45</i>

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There's A Sweet, Sweet Spirit

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place,
and I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord.
There's a sweet expression on each face,
and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet Heavenly Dove,
stay right here with us, filling us with Your love.
And for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise:
Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
when we shall leave this place.

Thy Word

Refrain:

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
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When I feel afraid, think I've lost my way,
Still You're there right beside me.
And nothing will I fear as long as You are near.
Please be near me to the end. Refrain:

I will not forget Your love for me, and yet
My heart forever is wandering.
Jesus be my guide and hold me to Your side,
And I will love You to the end. Refrain:

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.

Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in living echoes of Thy tone;
As Thou hast sought, so let me seek Thine erring children lost and lone.

O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wandering and the wavering feet;
O feed me, Lord, that I may feed Thy hungering ones with manna sweet.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious things Thou dost impart;
And wing my words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a
heart.

O fill me with Thy fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word, Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me, just as Thou wilt, and when, and where,
Until Thy blessed face I see, Thy rest, Thy joy, Thy glory share.

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.

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels, descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether by Zoom or in person.
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. SERVICE GUIDELINES FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP –
Masks are required in the church building.
ALL ARE WELCOME. No reservations needed.
4. ADULT ED. - Following worship
Today - A video by Adam Hamilton on 'Generosity' followed by discussion in the Sanctuary and on Zoom as a kickoff to the Fall stewardship program.
Next Sunday - "Putting God First" - A stand-alone Bible Study in Room 9/10.
5. CONTRIBUTIONS to the new "Ngcokovane Kenya High School Students" fund are being accepted. Please make your check out to "Webster Presbyterian Church" and put the name of the fund on the memo line of your check. Thank you!
6. HEART AND HAND has pillowcase kits for volunteers to sew available across the hall from the office. When finished, they will be donated to Afghan refugees in our area. Thank you for helping with this project.
7. THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE is looking for individuals to serve as Elders, Deacons, and Trustees for 2022. Please consider this opportunity and contact Kathy Barbehenn or Georgia Hubbard if you are interested.
8. CHURCH WORKDAY is this Saturday, October 16th, from 9 a.m. to noon. Trustees would appreciate your help with both inside and outside work to prepare the church for the winter months ahead.
9. WINTER CLOTHING for Cameron Community Ministries: Collections will begin next Sunday, October 17th. Please look for more details then.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, October 10

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on Zoom
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Stewardship Sunday Kickoff in the Sanctuary and on Zoom

Monday, October 11

- 7:00 P.M. Garden Club in the Memorial Room

Tuesday, October 12

- 9:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study in Room 9/10
- 5:00 P.M. TOPS in Room 9/10
Girl Scout Leaders in the Social Room
- 7:15 P.M. Trustees' Meeting in Room 9/10

Wednesday, October 13

- 6:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant
- 1:00 P.M. Naomi Circle in the Memorial Room
- 6:00 P.M. Nominating Committee in Room 9/10
- 7:00 P.M. Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

Thursday, October 14

- 7:30 A.M. Bible Study on Zoom
- 9:00 A.M. Glory Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 10:00 A.M. King Circle at the home of Barb Hach
- 5:30 P.M. Girl Scout Troop in the Memorial Room
- 6:00 P.M. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 6:30 P.M. Youth Committee in the Youth Room

Friday, October 15

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

Saturday, October 16

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom
Church Workday
- 2:00 P.M. Brucker Celebration in the Social Room

Sunday, October 17

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on Zoom
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Bible Study – Putting God First - in Room 9/10