

# Celebration of Worship

January 30, 2022

9:30 A.M.

## Prelude

## Reflection

"I received word of understanding how the Spirit of Wisdom was the Mother of children...I was in the spirit speaking these words to the glory of God: I know Thee by revelation, Oh Thou Mother, Thou Spirit of Wisdom; I was begotten in Thee and brought forth, though I knew Thee not. They that have revelation must live it, that they may see the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Oh, how I love Thee, my Mother!"

Rebecca Cox Jackson (1795-1871) was born into a free family in Pennsylvania

## Welcome and Announcements

## Ringling of the Bell

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

## Call to Worship

Leader: In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

**People: In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.**

Leader: Be to me a strong fortress to save me, for you are my rock and my refuge.

**People: For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust. My praise is continually of you.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

**Hymn** *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* # 482

## Prayer of Confession

**People: If love is patient, why are we irritable? If love is kind, why are we hostile? If love is not jealous or boastful, why do we flaunt our achievements in the presence of others? O God, in Jesus you have shown love which forgives imperfection; only in him can we forsake childish ways. Forgive our lack of love, and have mercy upon us.**

Moment for Quiet Contemplation

## Words of Assurance

Leader: Remember that God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. God sent Christ in order to fulfill the law. Now we walk according to the Spirit, who bears witness with our spirit that we are God's children. Friends, claim your legacy; we are forgiven.

## Gloria Patri

## A Litany of God's Care

Leader: Eternal God who gives us life, who feels our inhale and exhale all in the same breath,

**People: anchor us in your assurance.**

Leader: May our exhaustion collapse into your arms,

**People: to be held, to be lifted, to be known in our wholeness.**

Leader: May we rest in the alignment of this moment,

**People: in the abundance of you and our right to belong.**

Leader: O Liberator of Loneliness, who cuts down privilege and re-centers the margins, you have shown us how

**People: to be free is to be beloved.**

Leader: Because there is strength in vulnerability and wisdom in intimacy,

**People: to be free is to be beloved.**

Leader: As white blood cells rally to a cut and mushrooms cleanse the forest ground,

**People: to be free is to be beloved.**

One: Like the midwife catching a baby and a chaplain sitting vigil with the dying,

**People: to be free is to be beloved.**

One: Because we are found in the web that lifts us, not the bootstraps that bind us down,

**People: to be free is to be beloved.**

Leader: Where the City of God is irresistible and its sweetness of justice satisfies,

**People: to be free is to be beloved.**

Leader; Because resurrections never go unwitnessed and they heal the brokenhearted,

**People: to be free is to be beloved.**

Leader: As species with needs and offerings who give and receive alike,

**People: we are not meant to live this life alone.**

Leader: So let us hold fast to our God in between us,

**People: to the collective of care alongside us today. Amen.**

## A Social Distant Passing of the Peace

(Children in PreK through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade are dismissed to the Shine Program)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Hymn** *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* # 316

**Scripture Readings** *Jeremiah 1:4-10*  
*Luke 4:21-30*

**Anthem** *The Gift of Love* arr. Hal Hopson  
Chancel Choir

Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire,  
And have not love, my words are vain as sounding brass and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess and striving so my love profess,  
But not be given by love within, the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come Spirit, come, our hearts control. Our spirits long to be made whole.  
Let inward love guide every deed. By this we worship and are freed. Amen.

**Scripture Reading** *I Corinthians 13:1-13*

**Sermon** *“Not Just Wedding Words”*  
Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

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

**Offering**

Please place your offering in the plates at the exit doors,  
mail your gifts to the church, or click the WPC website ‘Give’ button

**Doxology and Blessing of the Offering**

**Hymn** *I Will Come to You*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

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### Memory Verse

*In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth...  
God saw all that he had made and it was very good.  
Genesis 1:1, 31*

### Lectionary Passages

	<u>Today, January 30<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Next Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup></u>
Old Testament	<i>Jeremiah 1:4-10</i>	<i>Isaiah 6:1-13</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalm 71:1-6</i>	<i>Psalm 138</i>
New Testament	<i>I Corinthians 13:1-13</i>	<i>I Corinthians 15:1-11</i>
Gospel	<i>Luke 4:21-30</i>	<i>Luke 5:1-11</i>

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether in person or by Live Streaming.
2. SUNDAY SERVICES continue to be live-streamed. You can watch them live at 9:30 or 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. Please worship at home if showing symptoms or testing positive. It is recommended that everyone get the full dose of one of the approved vaccinations, wear a properly fitted high quality mask, such as the kn95, and practice good social distancing.
4. THE ANNUAL MEETING of Webster Presbyterian Church has been called by Session for today, January 30<sup>th</sup>, in the Sanctuary after the worship service for the purpose of receiving and approving the 2021 annual reports of the governing bodies and organizations of the church, receiving the 2022 church budget approved by Session, electing the 2022 members at large for the 2022 All-Church Nominating Committee, and bringing forth any other appropriate business to the congregation.
5. COPIES OF THE 2021 ANNUAL REPORT are available on the Welcome Table in the Narthex.
6. ADULT ED. - Join us following the worship service:  
Today - No Class. The Annual Meeting of the Congregation.  
Next Wednesday - “Caring for Creation & Worshipping the Creator,” a discussion of our Christian contribution to environmental sustainability as individuals and as a church.
7. SESSION IS INVITING ALL MEMBERS to participate in small group meetings as part of a mission study leading to the beginning of the pastoral nominating process. These meetings will take place in February. More information is in the February *Pathway*. Sign-ups begin in the Narthex today, or contact Tony Hubbard for more information.
8. WEBSTER HOPE HOUSE is collecting body lotion, chapstick, shaving cream, mouthwash, dental floss, liquid laundry detergent, cleaning products, spaghetti sauce in jars, coffee and hot chocolate. Drop off times at the house next to Holy Trinity Church are: Mon. 5-7pm, Tues. 10-noon, Weds. 3-5pm, Thurs. 5-7pm.

### **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.

### **Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty**

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near.  
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the amen sound from His people again  
Gladly, for aye we adore Him..

### **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.

### **Breathe on Me, Breath of God**

Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life anew,  
That I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,  
Until with Thee I will one will to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly Thine,  
Until this earthly part of me glows with Thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,  
But live with Thee the perfect life of Thine eternity.

### **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.

### **I Will Come to You**

I will come to you in the silence;  
I will lift you from all your fear.  
You will hear my voice; I claim you as my choice.  
Be still and know I am here.

I am hope for all who are hopeless;  
I am eyes for all who long to see.  
In the shadows of the night, I will be your light.  
Come and rest in me.

Refrain: Do not be afraid, I am with you.  
I have called you each by name.  
Come and follow me; I will bring you home;  
I love you and you are mine.

I am strength for all the despairing,  
Healing for the ones who dwell in shame.  
All the blind will see; the lame will all run free,  
And all will know my name. Refrain:

I am the Word that leads all to freedom;  
I am the peace the world cannot give.  
I will call your name, embracing all your pain.  
Stand up, now walk and live! Refrain:

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Sunday, January 30

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Live-streamed
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Annual Meeting in the Sanctuary

### Monday, January 31

- 7:00 P.M. Mission Study Small Group Leadership Training on Zoom  
Rachel Circle in the Youth Room  
Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Memorial Rooms

### Tuesday, February 1

- 9:30 A.M. Women's Bible Study in Room 9/10
- 5:30 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 650 in the Memorial Room
- 6:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 454 in the Social Room

### Wednesday, February 2

- 6:45 A.M. Men's Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant
- 7:00 P.M. Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room  
Adult Ed. "Caring for Creation" on Zoom

### Thursday, February 3

- 7:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study on Zoom
- 9:00 A.M. Glory Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 6:00 P.M. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

### Saturday, February 5

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom  
Scout Event in the Social & Memorial Rooms
- 3:00 P.M. Court of Awards in the Social Room & Sanctuary

### Sunday, February 6

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Live-streamed
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Mission Study Small Group in the Sanctuary & Social Room

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