

# Celebration of Worship

July 31, 2022

9:30 A.M.

*We are followers of Jesus Christ, living and sharing  
the love of God through faith and action, welcoming all.*

**Prelude**                      *The Old Rugged Cross*                      *arr. John Innes*

## Welcome and Announcements

*A special Thank You to all of the volunteers who worked to provide a  
wonderful Vacation Bible School experience!*

**Reflection**    *John Main, English Benedictine Monk*

“In order to enter into the holy and mysterious communion with the  
word of God dwelling within us, we must first have the courage to  
become more and more silent.”

## Ringling of the Bell

**Song**                      *Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place*

## Call to Worship

Leader: Our Loving God gathers us from the east and the west, from  
the north and from the south.

**People: The Holy One is in our midst. Let us say so!**

Leader: We cried out to our God in the time of trouble and eased our  
distress.

**People: The Holy One is in our midst. God leads us on right  
paths.**

Leader: Our Provider satisfies our thirst and meets our needs.

**People: The Holy One is in our midst. Consider God’s steadfast  
love!**

## Invocation

Leader: Holy Love, we worship You as Your people. You tether us to  
You in righteousness and covenant. Reveal Your face to us.  
Let us see You in our midst, in our neighbors, and in  
ourselves. Clothe us in love and compassion, and  
continually fashion us as Your people for You are our God.  
Amen.

**Hymn**                      *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*                      # 422

## Prayer for Transformation and New Life

**All:** Gracious One, you have knit us together wonderfully. You  
have promised your abiding presence in our lives and  
have guided us with love. We turn away from you and  
toward the path to destruction and discord. We judge our  
neighbor rather than love them and we fail to even honor  
ourselves as your beloved creation. Amen.

## Words of Grace

Leader: The God of mercy reaches out to us with love and hope.  
The Holy One leads us when we wander and nourishes our  
hunger for the newness of life. In God, grace abounds  
freely, abundantly, and extravagantly.

## Gloria Patri

## Passing of the Peace

**Hymn**                      *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*                      # 383

**Scripture Readings**                      *Psalms 107:1-9, 43*  
*Colossians 3:1-11*

**Special Music**    *Pie Jesu*    *arr. Douglas Wagner*  
ROC City Ringers

**Scripture Reading**                      *Luke 12:13-21*

**Sermon**    *Be Rich Toward God*  
Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

## Responding to the Word

**All:** Eternal God, we give You thanks for Your goodness. We give  
You thanks that You set Your Scriptures before us. We pray,  
O God, open our eyes that we might marvel. Open our eyes  
and our hearts, that we might fully know what has been done  
for us. Open our eyes and our hearts that we might see Your  
Son...incarnate, crucified, risen.

## Prayers of the People and Lighting of Prayer Candles

**Prayer 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**                      *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*                      # 281

## Benediction

**Postlude**    *Capriccio*    *Kevin McChesney*  
ROC City Ringers

## Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;  
I can feel His mighty power and His grace.  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings; I see glory on each face.  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

## God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending # 422

God, whose giving knows no ending, from Your rich and endless store,  
Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door.  
Gifted by You, we turn to You, offering up ourselves in praise.  
Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, Your Son.  
All at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.  
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone.  
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at Your throne.

Treasure too You have entrusted, gain through powers Your grace conferred.  
Ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel Word.  
Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call.  
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving You by loving all.

## 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.

## My Faith Looks Up to Thee # 383

My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine.  
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away.  
O let me from this day be wholly Thine!

May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart,  
My zeal inspire.  
As Thou hast died for me, O may my love to Thee  
Pure, warm and changeless be a living fire!

While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread,  
Be Thou my guide.  
Bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away,  
Nor let me ever stray from Thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream  
Shall o'er me roll,  
Blest Savior, then in love, fear and distrust remove.  
O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!

## Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah # 281

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty, hold me with Thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more,  
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream doth flow.  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be Thou still my strength and shield.  
Be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside.  
Death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee.  
I will ever give to Thee.

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## MEMORY VERSE

*"So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen.  
For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."  
2 Corinthians 4:18*

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## LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, July 31<sup>st</sup></u>	<u>Next Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup></u>
Old Testament	<i>Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23</i>	<i>Genesis 15:1-6</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalms 49:1-12</i>	<i>Psalms 33:12-22</i>
New Testament	<i>Colossians 3:1-11</i>	<i>Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16</i>
Gospel	<i>Luke 12:13-21</i>	<i>Luke 12:32-40</i>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. FOR OUR CHILDREN - Children will remain in worship during the summer months. Worship bags containing puzzle sheets, story books and coloring pictures are available each Sunday in the back of the Sanctuary for children attending worship. These bags should be returned at the end of worship to be refilled for the following week.
4. SCHOOL SUPPLIES: We are again collecting school supplies for Williamson and Eastern Service Workers. Needs include: backpacks, flash drives, scientific calculators, spiral notebooks, notebook paper, composition notebooks, 3-ring binders, pocket folders, construction paper, markers, highlighters, colored pencils, crayons, pencil cases and sharpeners, pens, #2 pencils, large erasers, scissors, rulers, glue sticks, bottles of glue and facial tissue. If you wish, you can stop at the Apple Tree in the Narthex and take one or more apples to help with your shopping! Collection bins are located in the upper and lower Narthex. Please submit your donations by August 14<sup>th</sup>.
5. SUMMER MISSION - We are collecting for two projects this summer: Keeping Our Promise resettles refugees who have been our allies during wars in their countries, and Jennifer House provides housing, counseling, and additional help for women who have been incarcerated or otherwise disadvantaged. Please designate your gifts for "Summer Mission" in the memo line of your check, or use the small brown envelopes found in the chair racks.
6. SHARE YOUR TALENTS - There are many ways to be involved in helping with worship this summer:
  - Give a Children's Message the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. You can create your own, or a short, easy message will be provided for you to share with the children. Call Sally Turner (671-9045)
  - Be a Liturgist - Help during the service by leading the congregation in liturgy and reading scripture. Contact Bob Blakey (317-7523)
  - Provide Special Music - Share your vocal or instrumental talents to enhance the worship service. Call Lee Ann Daigle (889-0120)

## THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

### Sunday, July 31

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

### Monday, August 1

- 6:30 P.M. Session Meeting in Room 9/10

### Tuesday, August 2

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

### Wednesday, August 3

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

### Thursday, August 4

- 7:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study on Zoom

### Saturday, August 6

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom

### Sunday, August 7

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

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