

Celebration of Worship

August 7, 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

Welcome and Announcements

Reflection *Frank Tuoti, Author of "So You Want to Be a Mystic"*
"When we surrender our dogged control by becoming silent, we allow the Holy Spirit to pray in us and become our prayer."

Ring of the Bell

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

Call to Worship

Leader: God calls us here today.

People: We bring our full selves to God: our strengths and our weaknesses.

Leader: God calls YOU here today.

People: We offer all we are to God: our talents and our inadequacies.

Leader: God calls every part of us to bring divine love and light into the world!

People: We respond to that call, trusting that God is at work within us. Amen.

Invocation

Leader: God of the Past, Present and Future, seldom do we know what You'll ask of us each day. Many times we are in the moment when we feel the nudging of Your spirit to act. As we spend time in Your house today, may our souls be aligned with You, so that we may readily respond when you call!

Hymn *God of Grace and God of Glory* # 420

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

All: Gracious God, You have created a world of abundance and flourishing. Every resource, every gift, every product originates from the generosity of Your creation and the creativity You have bestowed upon us. Forgive us for misuse and overuse of Your gifts. Reveal our miserly attitudes toward the plentiful trove of resources You have entrusted to our care. Sow generosity in us, reveal abundance to us, and enable flourishing through us. Amen.

Words of Grace

Leader: Every good and perfect gift comes from above. Grace is such a gift; mercy is another. Transformation and new life descend freely from the Most High to all who would receive it. Receive the assurance of God's grace and compassion as precious treasure made available to all.

Gloria Patri

Passing of the Peace

Scripture Readings *Isaiah 1:1, 10-20*
Psalms 50:1-8, 22-23

Hymn *Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning*

Scripture Reading *Luke 12:32-40*

Sermon *Your Treasure, Your Heart*
Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

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

Service of Holy Communion

Pastor: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God! They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God. Our Savior invites those who trust him to sit at the table in the kingdom of God. As we come to the Lord's table, let us humble our hearts and be open to the call of Your Spirit.

People: Compassionate God, have mercy on us, we pray.

Pastor: Let us examine ourselves: our thoughts, our actions, our motives, and our attitudes toward others.

People: O Holy God, have mercy and forgive us our shortcomings.

Pastor: Help us to remember our responsibility to our families and our neighbors, our stewardship to You, to all you have created, and the work You have given to our hands.

People: O Living God, we stand in need of Your grace, strength, and mercy.

Pastor: As we eat the bread which represents Your body, which is the True and Living Bread, open our eyes to recognize the intimacy that You yearn to share with us.

People: O Loving God, teach us to love You above all else.

Pastor: As we drink the cup which represents Christ's blood shed for us, we thank You for the new covenant, "Love ye one another," which is written in our hearts. Let us rejoice because our names are written in heaven.

People: Tender Father and Mother, may Your great sacrifice of redeeming love renew us for loving service and sacrifice for others.

Pastor: May this Lord's Supper energize every area of our lives and enable us to transcend our circumstances, our inadequacies, and our enemies.

People: God who sees us, touch and empower us so that our lives will be renewed.

Pastor: We praise You, O God, who made us Your own people through the death and resurrection of Your Son, our Lord.

All: Abide in us, Savior and Redeemer. Fill us with the life-giving power of Your Spirit, now and forever.

Prayer

Sharing of the Bread and the Wine

The Words of the Institution

Pastor: The Lord Jesus, on the night of his arrest, took bread, and after giving thanks to God, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, he took the cup, saying: "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord. Now all the people say,

People: Amen, Amen, and Amen.

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

Benediction

Postlude

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 of Grace and God of Glory # 420

God of Grace and God of glory, on Thy people pour Thy power.
Crown Thine ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the facing of this hour,
For the facing of this hour.

Lo! The hosts of evil round us scorn Thy Christ, assail Thy ways!
From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage for the living of these days,
For the living of these days.

Cure Thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to Thy control.
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal,
Lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal.

Set our feet on lofty places, gird our lives that they may be
Armored with all Christ-like graces, pledged to set all captives free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage that we fail not them nor Thee,
That we fail not them nor Thee!

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.

Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning; keep your lamps trimmed and burning;
Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, for the time is drawing nigh.

Refrain: Sisters, don't grow weary; brothers, don't grow weary;
Children, don't grow weary, for the time is drawing nigh.

It's our faith makes us happy; it's our faith makes us happy;
It's our faith makes us happy, for the time is drawing nigh. Refrain:

We are climbing Jacob's ladder; we are climbing Jacob's ladder;
We are climbing Jacob's ladder, for the time is drawing nigh. Refrain:

Every round goes higher, higher; every round goes higher, higher;
Every round goes higher, higher, for the time is drawing nigh. Refrain:

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.

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MEMORY VERSE

*"I am the way, the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me."
John 14:6*

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, August 7th</u>	<u>Next Sunday, August 14th</u>
Old Testament	<i>Genesis 15:1-6</i>	<i>Jeremiah 23:23-29</i>
Psalms	<i>Psalms 33:12-22</i>	<i>Psalms 82</i>
New Testament	<i>Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16</i>	<i>Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2</i>
Gospel	<i>Luke 12:32-40</i>	<i>Luke 12:49-56</i>

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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 ARE NEEDED BY NEXT SUNDAY 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 Narthex.
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.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

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

Tuesday, August 9

- 5:00 P.M. TOPS Meeting in Room 9/10
7:00 P.M. Trustees Meeting in Room 9/10

Wednesday, August 10

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

Thursday, August 11

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

Saturday, August 13

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