

Celebration of Worship

May 14, 2023

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

Moment for Mission

Reflection

Henri Nouwen

“Saintliness means living without division between word and action.”

Ringling of the Bell

Song *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine* # 341

Call to Worship

One: God listens to us!

All: God hears the sound of our prayers! Praise God!

One: God does not reject our prayers.

All: God does not withhold faithful love from us. Praise God!

Invocation

All: Holy One, we come before You in awe, for You have promised never to leave us. Ever. It is an awesome thing! Even when we feel most lost and alone, still You are with us: Your Spirit is there, as comforter, advocate, friend. Help us to know and celebrate Your presence with us always. Amen.

Hymn *God Is Here* # 461

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

All: Forgiving One, unseen yet known, we hear the world speak in power and in greed and we hear You speak in love and grace. May our lives be lived in the echo of Your voice: when we are persuaded by the want that leads to hurt, the hankering that leads to greed, the yearning that leads to selfishness; when we are persuaded by the spin that becomes truth, the belief that becomes dogma, the fear that becomes intolerance. Forgive us for following the wrong way and may we turn again and follow You.

Moment of Silence

Word of Grace

One: No one has seen God. Yet Jesus has shown us God. Jesus is the assurance of God's forgiveness. So know, friends, that through faith in Jesus the Christ, all our sins are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Gloria Patri

Children's Time

Passing of the Peace of God

Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* # 376

Old Testament Lesson *Psalm 66:8-20*

Anthem *Cantabile* Emily Li
Alleluia Bells

New Testament Lessons *I Peter 3:13-22*
John 14:15-20

Sermon *Blood, Bone and Sinew Discipleship*
Rev. Dr. Carson O. Mouser

Affirmation of Faith

All: We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

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 *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* # 377

Benediction

Postlude



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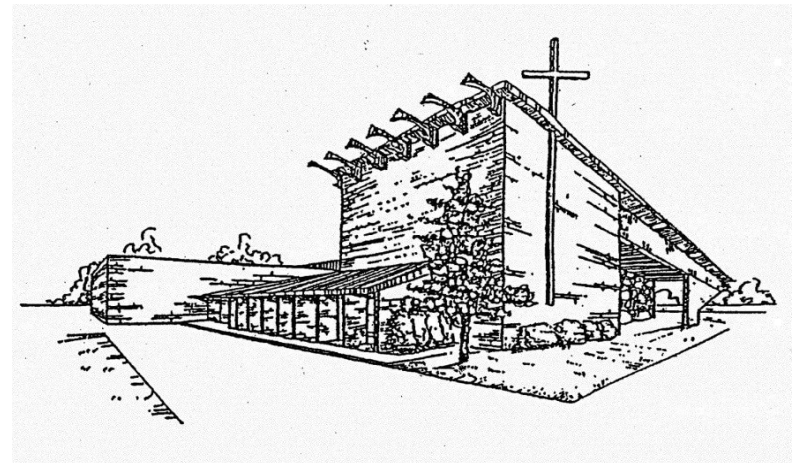
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living and sharing the love of God
through faith and action,
welcoming all.*

Blessed Assurance

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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. Refrain:

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. Refrain:

God Is Here

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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!

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.

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, all Thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, Thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love Thou art.
Visit us with Thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit; let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning, Alpha and Omega be,
End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty to deliver, let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing, serve Thee as Thy hosts above.
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing, glory in Thy perfect love.

Finish, then, Thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee.
Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

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.

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

377

You have come up to the lakeshore,
Looking neither for wise nor for wealthy.
You only wanted that I should follow.

Refrain:

O Lord, with Your eyes You have searched me,
And, while smiling, have called out my name.
Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me,
Now with You I will seek other seas.

You know that I own so little,
In my boat there's no money nor weapons,
You'll only find there my nets and labor. Refrain:

You need the caring of my hands.
Through my tiredness, may others find resting.
You need a love that just goes on loving. Refrain:

You, who have fished other oceans,
Ever longed for by souls that are waiting,
My dear and good friend, as thus You call me. Refrain:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether in person or by live-streaming. 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/UCzM5thYxua2HQSPF6P71wA>
 THIS SERVICE IS LIVESTREAMED on YouTube and Facebook. Participation in and/or observation of the service implies acknowledgement that your image may be seen on the stream at the time of the service and in the future, as the services are saved for future viewing.
2. ADULT ED. will not meet today
 NEXT WEEK join us following the worship service in Room 9/10 or on Zoom to discuss the topic "Does Prayer Really Heal People?".
3. SPRING WORKDAY is this coming Saturday, May 20th, beginning at 8:00. Join the Trustees to help spruce up the church and grounds to make them a welcoming place to visit and worship. Refreshments will be provided.
4. THE JUNE PATHWAY DEADLINE is this coming Saturday. Please include all items for the summer, since this is the last newsletter until September. Articles should be brought to the church office or sent to both jchippero@websterpres.org and ghubbard@websterpres.org to ensure they are received.
5. YELLOW ROSE SUNDAY, when gifts will be dedicated, is next Sunday, May 21st. Envelopes are in the chair racks for donations to the WPC Endowment Fund honoring or remembering those who have made a difference in our lives as Christians. See the May Pathway for details.
6. SPRING AND SUMMER CLOTHING COLLECTION for Cameron Community Ministries continues through the month of May. New and gently used men's (especially needed), children's and women's clothing can be placed in the blue plastic collection tubs in the Narthex and upper hallway. Nothing in your closets? Consider purchasing one or more items at places like Savers, Goodwill, etc. Thank you!

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MEMORY VERSE

*"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction
 And faithful in prayer."
 Romans 12:12*

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, May 14

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary & Live-streamed
- 9:45 A.M. Shine Program for Children in PreK through 5th Grade
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel

Monday, May 15

- 4:00 P.M. Spiritual Nurture Committee on Zoom
- 6:30 P.M. Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social Room
- 7:00 P.M. Mission Committee in Room 9/10 and on Zoom

Tuesday, May 16

- 9:00 A.M. Women's Bible Study in Room 9/10
- 5:00 P.M. TOPS Meeting in Room 9/10
- 6:30 P.M. Deacons' Meeting in Room 9/10

Wednesday, May 17

- 6:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study at Golden Boys' Restaurant
- 6:30 P.M. Scout Troop in the Social Room

Thursday, May 18

- 7:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study on Zoom
- 3:30 P.M. Book Club in Room 1
- 6:00 P.M. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

Friday, May 19

- 10:00 A.M. Heart and Hand in the Memorial Room
- 10:30 A.M. Book Club on Zoom
- 2:30 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 752 in the Social Room

Saturday, May 20 - June Pathway Deadline

- 8:00 A.M. Spring Workday
- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom

Sunday, May 21

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary & Live-streamed
- 9:45 A.M. Shine Program for Children in PreK through 5th Grade
- 10:30 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed. Discussion on Prayer and Healing in Room 9/10 & Zoom
- 3:00 P.M. Worship at Cherry Ridge
- 4:00 P.M. Youth to the Club House Fun Center
- 5:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troops 489 & 617 in the Memorial Room and Room 9/10

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LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, May 14^h</u>	<u>May 21st</u>
Old Testament	<i>Ezekiel 34:1-7a</i>	<i>Isaiah 45:1-7</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalms 66:8-20</i>	<i>Psalms 68:1-10, 32-35</i>
New Testament	<i>Acts 17:22-31</i> <i>1 Peter 3:13-22</i>	<i>Acts 1:6-14</i> <i>1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11</i>
Gospel	<i>John 14:15-21</i>	<i>John 17:1-11</i>