Celebration of Worship

January 28, 2024

9:30 A.M.

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

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Ringing of the Bell

Song 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.

Call to Worship

Leader: Come! Let us give thanks to the Lord with our whole hearts.

People: Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Leader: Glory be to the One whose wonders are to be remembered.

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Leader: The Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

People: Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Leader: The Lord feeds the righteous with truth.

People: Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

Leader: Come! Let us give thanks to God.

Hymn When Morning Gilds the Skies # 487

Prayer of Invocation

Leader: Almighty God, Light from Light, who commands the universe and all that is made, your Word is the power that makes whole what is broken, the force of good, and the food of peace. Teach us now as you taught in the synagogue. Heal us now so that in all that we say and do, the freedom we have in you may be for others, too. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

People: Holy and all-powerful God, who commands all spirits, comforts those in distress, and casts out destructive forces, we confess that we are unable to do your will. We protect what is familiar and reject what is unknown. We admire those with courage, but excuse ourselves when we falter. We forget that you are always with us, and that with you all things are possible. Forgive us, lead us, make us new. Remove our desire to heed false prophets, and show us your way. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Moment of Silence

What is the Holy One casting out today in your presence?

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The God who made you and knows your every thought hears you now and forgives you all your sin. You have been redeemed through Jesus Christ, God's son, our Savior, who is Alpha and Omega, all in all.

People: In Jesus' name, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

Gloria Patri # 579

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.

Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Time

Hymn Jesus Calls Us See insert

Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Anthem Praise and Reflection Mary Kay Parrish

Alleluia Bells

Scripture Reading *I Corinthians 8:1-13*

Sermon Are You Living by Knowledge, or Love?

Minister Jarmani Dozier

Affirmation of Faith

I believe in an innovative God who does not wait for us to find ourselves, but comes seeking the lost and calling us into a new way.

I believe in Jesus of Nazareth as God's crucial initiative, that when he calls us to follow, Christ also gives us the power to become, both in creed and deed, the children of the living God.

I believe in the Spirit by whom Jesus still comes to us, calling us to follow him into an obedience which is true liberty and to a humble service which is the fruit of holy friendship.

I believe in the church as the fellowship of Christ's people, called to respect and support one another through joys and tribulations as we travel the road towards the "promised land" of God's future.

Because Christ has called me, in this I truly believe. Amen.

Sharing Joys and Concerns and Lighting of Prayer Candles

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer Invitation to the 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. Thank you!

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.

Blessing of the Offering

All: For Earth, which you have molded; for creatures and animals, plants, water, air and fire; for Jesus who died and rose again; for the breath of life, we give you thanks, O God. Let these gifts be used for good wherever there is need, in the name of all that you have first given us, especially Christ Jesus, your son, our Savior. Amen.

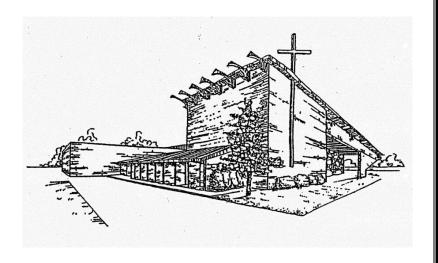
Hymn Jesus, Lover of My Soul # 303

Benediction

Choral Response

Postlude Rondo Passacaglia Cynthia Dobrinski

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When Morning Gilds the Skies

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When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries: May Jesus Christ be praised! Alike at work and prayer to Jesus I repair: May Jesus Christ be praised!

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find: May Jesus Christ be praised! Or fades my earthly bliss? My comfort still is this: May Jesus Christ be praised!

Let earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resound:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Let air and sea and sky from depth to height reply:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song through all the ages long:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

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Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly, While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high. Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm of life is past, Safe into the haven guide; O receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none; hangs my helpless soul on Thee; Leave, ah! Leave me not alone; still support and comfort me. All my trust on Thee is stayed; all my help from Thee I bring. Cover my defenseless head with the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want; More than all in Thee I find.

Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick and lead the blind.

Just and holy is Thy name. I am all unrighteousness;

False and full of sin I am. Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin.

Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.

Thou of life and fountain art; freely let me take of Thee.

Spring Thou up within my heart; rise to all eternity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us, whether in person or by live-streaming.

You can live-stream 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.

- 2. ADULT ED. today at 10:45 in Room 9/10:
 - Discussion of Brian McLaren's book We Make the Road by Walking, chapters 25 & 26.
- 3. BLANKET SUNDAY, a special offering for Church World Service to buy \$10 blankets for needy folks throughout the world, will continue through Sunday, February 11th. Please prayerfully consider donating to this worthy cause using the special envelopes in the chair racks.
- 4. THE WILLIAMSON COME-UNITY CENTER has run out of winter hats and mittens/gloves for the families they support. The Deacons are sponsoring a hat and mitten/glove drive for both children and adults through 02/11. We know that the stores will quickly be out of this type of thing. If you notice a supply and are able to donate, it would be appreciated. There is a box in the Narthex through February 11th. If you have any questions, please contact Doreen Clark.
- HEART AND HAND would love to have help sewing incubator covers for the NICU at Rochester Regional Health. Kits are available in the hallway outside the church office.
- 6. BRIGHT YELLOW "WELCOME" CARDS can be found in the chair racks. These are available for visitors to fill out so we can better connect with them. We will no longer be passing the Friendship Pads down the aisle. If you are sitting near someone new, please be sure to greet them and hand them a card.

Lectionary Passages

	Today, January 28tht	February 4 th
Old Testament	Deuteronomy 18:15-20	Isaiah 40:21-31
Psalm	Psalm 111	Psalm 147:1-11, 20c
New Testament	I Corinthians 8:1-13	I Corinthians 9:16-23
Gospel	Mark 1:21-28	Mark 1:29-39

Memory Verse

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

Romans 15:13

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, January 28

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary & Live-streamed
- 9:45 A.M. Shine Program for Children in PreK through 5th Grade
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed. Book Discussion in Room 9/10

Monday, January 29

6:30 P.M. Boy Scout Court of Awards in the Social Room

Tuesday, January 30

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

Wednesday, January 31

- 6:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study at Golden Boys' Restaurant
- 7:00 P.M. Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

Thursday, February 1

- 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 in the Sanctuary

Friday, February 2

- 9:30 A.M. Flying Club in the Social Room
- 10:30 A.M. BFF Book Discussion on Zoom
- 5:10 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 510 in the Social Room

Saturday, February 3

9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom ROC Ringers' Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

Sunday, February 4

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary & Live-streamed
- 9:45 A.M. Shine Program for Children in PreK through 5th Grade
- 10:00 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed. Video & Discussion "Cultivating Spiritual Renewal" Family Ringers in Room 3/4

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