

Celebration of Worship

October 6, 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 *Allemande from Suite in G Minor* Zipoli

Words of Welcome

Announcements

Reflection

Nancy deClaisse Walford

“We each have our own “kindredness” based on blood ties, but we also share in a covenant community with God in Jesus. We come from kindred families from different places and times, but our ultimate kindredness is assured through our mutual share in the promises of God.”

Ringin of the Bell

Gathering Song *Be Still for the Presence*

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

Come, bow before Him now with reverence and fear.

In Him no sin is found; we stand on holy ground.

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

Call to Worship

Leader: O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

People: We proclaim your name to the whole human family.

Leader: We praise you in the midst of this congregation.

People: O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Leader: Let us continue to praise our majestic Creator.

Hymn *Gather Us In* Insert

Invocation

Leader: Lord, we come to you today with so many things on our hearts. You call us to be in a relationship of trust and love with you, and you offer healing to us for those portions of our lives that are broken and injured. Help us to be open to your mercy and healing love. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

All: Sovereign God, who are we humans that you pay any attention to us? And yet you have entrusted us to care for all of creation.

We confess the times we have thought too highly of ourselves and the ways we have twisted our charge to care for creation into permission to dominate and subdue it. We confess the same human tendencies to dominate and subdue other people. It is easy for us to ignore or take for granted our own privilege rather than seeking to dismantle unjust systems of supremacy. Your desire is for peace, but so often we choose comfort and call it peace. Remind us of who we are and whose we are. Remind us of our interdependence with creation and our dependence on you, our Creator. Set our hearts and minds on your will, made known to us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Moment of Silence

What does it mean to be part of the Body of Christ?

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news: the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all children of the one God. Jesus is not ashamed to call us his beloved siblings and family. Our sin is forgiven; we are made one with Christ and with each other.

All: Thanks be to God!

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.

Passing of the Peace

Children's Time

Scripture Reading *Hebrews 1:1-4*

Anthem *For Everyone Born* arr. Sandra Eithun
Alleluia Bells

For everyone born, a place at the table; for everyone born, clean water and bread,
A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star overhead.

And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace.
Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy!

Scripture Reading *Psalms 133*

Sermon *How Good It Is*
Pastor Nadia Mullin

Sharing Joys and Concerns and Lighting of Prayer Candles

Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (Debts/debtors)

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: Holy God, we trust in the provision of your love and the abundance of your grace. May the gifts we offer sow seeds of peace and justice. Enable us to use them according to your will until each child finds welcome and all of creation is healed and reconciled to you. Amen.

Hymn *Come to the Table of Grace* Insert

Service of Holy Communion Insert

Hymn *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past* # 210

Benediction

Postlude *Prelude in E Minor BWV 548a* J.S. Bach

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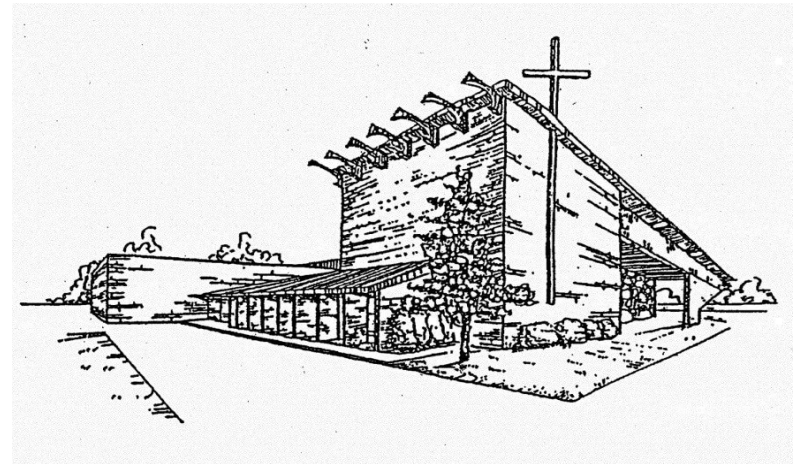
Memory Verse

*I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where will my help come?
My help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth.
Psalm 121:1-2*

Lectionary Passages

	October 6	October 13
Old Testament	Job 1:1; 2:1-10	Job 23:1-9, 16-17
Psalms	Psalms 26	Psalms 22:1-15
New Testament	Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12	Hebrews 4:12-16; 2:5-12
Gospel	Mark 10:2-16	Mark 10:17-31

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Service of Holy Communion

Invitation

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. You have made from one every nation and people to live on all the face of the earth. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy

(Sung)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest; hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death and resurrection, you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. He commissioned us to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth and to make disciples of all nations, and today his family in all the world is joining at his holy table.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pastor: Pour out your Holy spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. Renew our communion with your Church throughout the world, and strengthen it in every nation and among every people to witness faithfully in your name. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

The Distribution of the Elements

You will be receiving the elements in your seats today.

When you receive the bread, hold it so we can all partake together at the same time.

Please do the same with the cup after you receive it.

Gluten-free elements are available upon request to the server.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

All: Most loving God, you have given us a share in the one bread and the one cup and made us one with Christ. Help us to bring the joy of your salvation to the whole world. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, October 6 - World Communion Sunday

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary & Live-streamed
- 10:45 A.M. Adult Ed. Discussion on Compassion & Conviction in Rm 9/10
- 5:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 617 in Room 9/10

Monday, October 7

- 6:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 752 in the Memorial Room
- 6:45 P.M. Scout Troop 262 in the Social Room and Sanctuary
- 7:00 P.M. Session Meeting in Room 9/10

Tuesday, October 8

- 9:00 A.M. Women's Bible Study in Room 9/10
- 1:00 P.M. Garden Club in the Memorial Room
- 5:15 P.M. TOPS Meeting in Room 9/10
- 6:00 P.M. Girl Scouts Service Team in the Social Room
- 7:00 P.M. Trustees' Meeting in Room 9/10

Wednesday, October 9

- 6:30 A.M. Breakfast & Bible Study at Golden Boys' Restaurant
- 1:00 P.M. Naomi Circle in the Memorial Room
- 5:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 715 in the Memorial Room
- 5:30 P.M. Nar-Anon Meeting in Room 9/10
- 6:00 P.M. Girl Scout Troop 105 in the Memorial Room
- 7:00 P.M. Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

Thursday, October 10

- 7:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study on Zoom
- 9:00 A.M. Glory Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 10:00 A.M. King Circle in the Memorial Room
- 6:00 P.M. Alleluia Bells Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

Friday, October 11

- 10:30 A.M. Book Study on Zoom

Saturday, October 12

- 9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom (link below)
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8020641367?pwd=VnlXcDITWjZIS2dONE96dmVFeVB4dz09&omn=88328754973>
ROC Ringers in the Sanctuary

Sunday, October 13 - Stewardship Sunday

- 9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary & Live-streamed
- 9:45 A.M. Shine Program for Children in PreK through 5th Grade
Youth Christian Ed. in the Youth Room
- 10:45 A.M. Stewardship Presentation in the Social Room
- 2:30 P.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel

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>
2. ADULT ED. at 10:45
- Today as we think about how to engage in the political process in a faithful, informed and effective manner, we will use the book *Compassion and Conviction* to explore a framework for dealing with current political issues.
3. STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY is next week. Come and hear about 'Why We Give' and the 2025 Budget next Sunday, October 13th. The session will be immediately following the service in the Sanctuary. Important information will be shared regarding the finances of the church. It will be carried on Youtube and Facebook.
4. HURRICANE HELENE - the Mission Committee has voted to send \$1500 from our Mission Gift fund to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, who is one of the first responders to aid victims of this massive storm.
5. KENYA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS' FUND: We will be sponsoring 5 very needy Kenya students for their high school education in 2025 and would appreciate your voluntary donations to support this worthy cause. Please mark your donation as being for the "Kenya HS Students' Fund".
6. THE SPIRITUAL NURTURE COMMITTEE (SNC) has been approached by a few people who would like to be part of a Small Group. If you are interested in forming new, becoming part of, or are open to adding to your current Small Group, please be in touch with one of us on the SNC: Bob Blakey, Nancy Duquette, Barb Hach.
7. HEART & HAND has sewing kits to make pillowcases for families at the Open Door Mission's Coldwater House for mothers and children. Kits can be found on the table in the hallway outside the church office. Thank you to all who are able to complete one or more.
8. ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP – Our fall highway clean-up activity will be Saturday, October 19th, at 10:00 AM. Sign up today in the Narthex or contact Mark Pipal at 690-7217 or pipalmw@yahoo.com. Both “pickers” and driver are needed, and we will be done in less than two hours. Come join in this hands-on component of our mission efforts.
9. HOPE HOUSE needs for this month include coffee, sugar, flour, canned goods (beets & pineapple), condiments (ketchup/mustard/mayo), cooking oil, toiletries, laundry soap, dish soap, baby wipes and diapers (size 6), socks for men/women/children and clothes for toddlers (both boys and girls). The collection barrel is located in the upper Narthex.