



West End

presbyterian church

**The Fourth Sunday after the
Epiphany**

In the Christian year, we are now in the season of Epiphany. Epiphany is a time that helps us to remember Jesus as the long-awaited Hebrew Messiah and His mission to the nations. Epiphany has a particular focus on Jesus as the Light of the World and "God with us," and the Church's role in proclaiming that Jesus is Lord.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP & Communion

HOLD FAST

"You shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give."
--*Isaiah 62:2*

"The new name is not a title, but a new identity. It is a declaration that the person has been reshaped by God's grace and no longer carries the burden of their past mistakes."
--*Tim Keller*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leviticus 26:12-13

The First Word

We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His Word: His invitation to us to gather in His name.

I will walk among you and be your God,
and you will be My people.
I am the Lord your God.

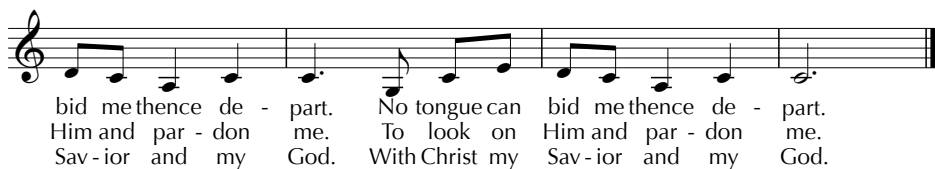
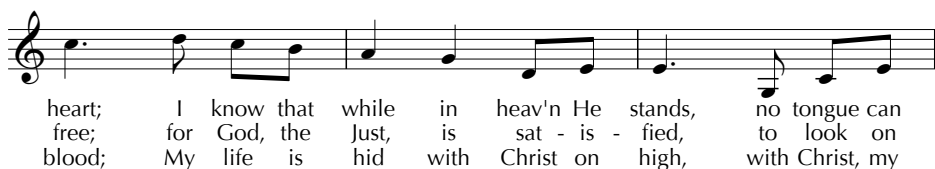
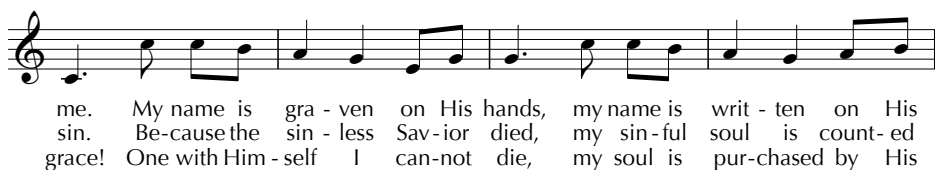
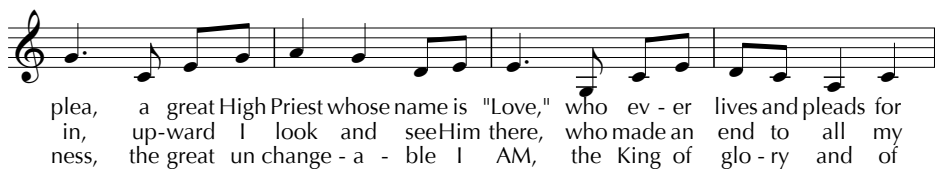
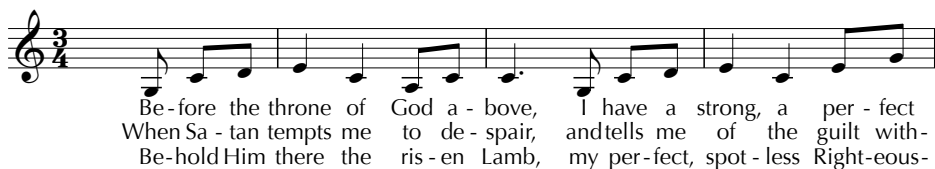
Invocation.

Asking God to be with us.

INVOCATION

SONG OF ADORATION

BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE



Adoration.

The God who meets with us in worship is good and powerful. We recognize His greatness and remember His amazing works together in song.

"These are they which follow the Lamb... they are without fault before the throne."
Revelation 14:4-5

Charitie Lees
Bancroft (1863);
Tune: Hubert Parry
(1916).
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Welcome

We are glad you have joined us this morning! If you are visiting our church for the first time, or are a regular attender or church member, we encourage you to use our online or paper Keep in Touch form to introduce yourself, request prayer, or request more information about our church. Following the service, please introduce yourself to Pastor Kevin Greene either in the Gallery or on the front sidewalk.

GOSPEL READING

John 6:48-58

"I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever."

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Led by Elder B-J Huff

Pray for God's advancing Kingdom. For our Church, City, and World. This week...

- **For West End Presbyterian Church:** For unity in our church body and for grace to use our gifts for God's glory.
- **For Metropolitan Richmond:** For the schools and educational institutions of Metropolitan Richmond. For families and households.
- **For God's World Mission:** For the country and churches of Peru. For WEPC Mission Partners Moises Buendia (pastor of La Iglesia Presbiteriana in Los Perales, Lima), and Santos Buendia (pastor of La Iglesia Presbiteriana in Piedra Viva, Punta Hermosa). wepc.org/outreach/missions

OFFERING

The offering isn't just about money. Our response to the Gospel goes much deeper; God demands our whole selves. The act of giving in worship is a part of offering ourselves as "living sacrifices" to God (Romans 12:1).


You can place your offering and/or tear-off as the plates pass. Please visit www.wepc.org/giving or scan the QR code for online giving options, or mail your offering to the church office (9008 Quioccasin Road, Henrico, VA, 23229).




O DAY OF PEACE

"The kingdom of the world has become the Kingdom of our Lord."
Revelation 11:15


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1.O day of peace that dim - ly shines_____ through all our
2.May swords of hate fall from our hands,_____ our hearts from
3.Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb,_____ nor shall the
4.Then e - ne - mies shall learn to love,_____ all crea-tures



hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to jus - tice, truth, and love,____
en - vy find re - lease, till by God's grace our war - ring world____
fierce de - vour the small; as beasts and cat - tle calm - ly graze,____
find their true a - ccord; the hope of peace shall be ful-filled,____



— de - li - vered from our sel - fish schemes.
— shall see Christ's pro - mised reign of peace.
— a lit - tle child shall lead them all.
— for all the earth shall know the Lord.

CHILDREN's Message (10:30am)

SCRIPTURE Reading

Revelation 2:12-17

¹²"And to the angel of the church in Pergamum write: 'The words of him who has the sharp two-edged sword.

¹³I know where you dwell, where Satan's throne is. Yet you hold fast my name, and you did not deny my faith even in the days of Antipas my faithful witness, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells. ¹⁴But I have a few things against you: you have some there who hold the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, so that they might eat food sacrificed to idols and practice sexual immorality. ¹⁵So also you have some who hold the teaching of the Nicolaitans. ¹⁶Therefore repent. If not, I will come to you soon and war against them with the sword of my mouth. ¹⁷He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, with a new name written on the stone that no one knows except the one who receives it."

Sermon

A Worship Guide with sermon questions is posted each Sunday at <https://wepc.org/worship/sermons-media>. You can also find the sermon audio on [Apple Podcasts](#) and [Spotify](#) under "West End Presbyterian Church RVA."

PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

from Matthew 26:17-29

On the first day of the Festival of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus. They did as He had directed them, and prepared the Passover. Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Gracious Father,
we confess that we have sinned against You
in our thoughts, words, and deeds.
You show us the Cross for our comfort,
but it is Your sight of it that secures our salvation.
Even when we are unable to behold it,
You behold it, and pass over us because of it.
The eyes of our hearts are often dim,
yet we are declared righteous
because Your eye sees Your atoning sacrifice with a steady gaze.
What a joy this is!
Merciful Father, renew our hearts so that we might see Christ,
take Him, receive Him, feed on Him, possess Him, and love Him
in light of His great love for us.
Grant us Your Spirit that we might worship You and seek You all our days.
In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

Silent Confession of Sin

Confession & Encouragement

Often we find that our hearts worship something other than God. In confessing our sins, the Holy Spirit probes our hearts and minds and graciously shows us what we mistakenly believe will give us life. Jesus is good to lead us from sorrow over our sin to the sweetness of His grace.

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

We wait for the blessed hope – the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, Who gave Himself for us to redeem us.

Titus 2:13-14

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

West End Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin and heart-idols, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the Gospel, to participate in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us. The Elders presiding over the Supper are praying for you as the congregation participates in the sacrament.

At each communion station, grape juice is served in purple cups, wine is served in clear cups, and gluten-free bread is served in a separate tray.

At the center aisle station, double-cups are also available, where the small gluten-free wafer is found in the bottom cup. Again, grape juice is in the purple cups and wine is in the clear cups. For a list of ingredients in the wafers, see www.wepc.org/communion.

If your child is ready to make a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ, please contact the WEPC office.

Songs of Response to God's Grace

MY SONG IS LOVE UNKNOWN



1. My song is love un - known, my Sa - vior's love to
2. He came from His blest throne, sal - va - tion to be -
3. They rise and needs will have, my dear Lord made a
4. Here might I stay and sing, no sto - ry so di -



me, love to the love - less shown, that
stow, but men made strange, and none, the
way. A mur - de - rer they saved, the
vine; ne - ver was love, dear King! Ne -



they might love - ly be. O who am I? That
longed - for Christ would know. O my Friend! My
Prince of life they slay. Yet stead - fast He to
ver was grief like Thine. This is my Friend, in



for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?
Friend in - deed, who at my need His life did spend.
suf - fering goes, that He His foes from thence might free.
Whose sweet praise I all my days could glad - ly spend.

*"But God shows
his love for us
in that while we
were still sinners,
Christ died for us."
Romans 5:8*

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*"The peace of God...
will guard your
hearts and your
minds in Christ Jesus"*
Philippians 4:7

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(1873); Tune: VILLE
DU HAVRE, Philip
Bliss (1876).
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IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

1. When peace, like a ri - ver, a - tten - deth my way, when
2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come. Let
3. My sin, O the joy of this glo - ri - ous thought! My
4. O Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the

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sor - rows like sea bil-lows roll; what - e - ver my lot, Thou hast
this blessed as - sur - ance con - trol; that Christ has re - gar - ded my
sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the Cross and I
clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall re - sound and the

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taught me to say, "it is well, it is well with my soul."
help - less es - tate and has shed His own blood for my soul. It is
bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
Lord shall de - scend, e - ven so, it is well with my soul!

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well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul). It is well, it is well with my soul.

HOLY FOREVER

And the an-gels cry,____ "Ho - ly." All cre-a-tion cries,____ "Ho -

ly." You are lift - ed high,____ Ho - ly, Ho-ly for-e - ver.

Hear Your peo-ple sing,____ "Ho - ly," to the King of Kings,____ "Ho -

ly." You will al-ways be____ ho - ly, ho-ly for-e - ver.

You will al-ways be____ ho - ly, ho-ly for-e - ver.

"Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

Revelation 4:8

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*"Let everything that
has breath praise the
LORD." Psalm 150:6*

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(1709) Tune: OLD
HUNDREDTH
(Bourgeois, 1551)

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise Him, all crea - tures
here be - low Praise Him a - bove ye heavn - ly host; Praise
Fa - ther Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

What does "doxology" mean?

It's derived from two
Greek words meaning
"glory" and "word."
A doxology, then, is a
spoken word or song
that ascribes glory to
God. Today's doxology
calls all of creation
to praise God as the
source of all blessing
and acknowledges His
Trinitarian (three-in-
one) nature.

The Last Word

God always has the last
word in our worship.

For those who are
in Christ Jesus, these
are always words of
blessing.

Benediction

*A team is available for prayer at the front of the Sanctuary following the
9 AM & 10:30 AM services.*

***Pastor Kevin Greene** preached today's sermon and administered the Lord's
Supper. **Elder B-J Huff** led worship. **Worship Arts Director Becca Wethered,**
Robin Huff, Chris Alberts, Ford Hendrix, and Mollie Bowman led this
morning's congregational singing. **Tim Drummond** and **Deacon Sean**
Winterhalter managed today's audio and video live stream. **Michael Whitman**
managed the in-house video system. **Children's Director Audrey Snyder** gave
the Children's Message at the 10:30 AM service.*

Sermon Notes

Announcements

ADULT MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/adults

Adult Sunday School: 9AM / Room 810

Batter My Heart / Feb 2

Join us as we look at the poetry of John Donne, a 17th century English writer and pastor. Donne uses beautiful verse to explore the topics of faith and mortality, helping us see even more clearly the beauty of the gospel. Led by Steve Shelby (steve@wepc.org).

1 Peter / Feb 9 - Apr 13

In times of suffering where do we find hope? 1 Peter reminds us that hope is offered in Jesus Christ. Join us as we learn that suffering is more than just hardship, it can be an opportunity to see and share the love of Christ. Led by Elder Chris Newlin and Matt Bouknight. (matt@wepc.org).

Young Adult Ministry

Meets every other Thursday / 7 PM

Next Meeting: February 13

Young Adults at WEPC is for those in their 20s & 30s looking for a space to grow in their faith and connect with others. Contact: Matt Bouknight (matt@wepc.org)

Wednesday Night Fellowship: The Cross-Shaped Life

www.wepc.org/WNF

Wednesdays through April 2 / 6-7:30 PM / Chapel
The Cross of Christ is the heart of God and the way we live as disciples. Led by Kevin Greene, Brian Wilcox, and Becca Wethered.
Contact: Kevin Greene (kevin@wepc.org)

Women's Ministry

www.wepc.org/grow/women

Wellspring & Restore Bible Studies

Join us as we continue studying the Sermon on the Mount. New women are welcome.
Wellspring: Tuesdays / 9:15-11:30 AM
Restore: Wednesdays / 6-7:30 PM
Contact: Brice Bowman (brice@wepc.org)

2025 Women's Retreat

www.wepc.org/grow/women

March 1 at 9 AM - March 2 at 11 AM
Roslyn Retreat Center

Registration is now open!

\$150 (Early Registration) through Jan. 31

\$180 (Late Registration) Feb. 1 - Feb. 14

Contact: Heather Oberle (hoberle@wepc.org)

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The Table Fellowship & Prayer

Fridays / 12 - 1 PM / Room 810

The Table is an informal gathering to pray and fellowship as a church, open to anyone that would like to attend. We'll have a short devotional, pray for the needs of the church and each other, and eat lunch together. Please bring a packed lunch. No need to RSVP. Contact: Matt Bouknight (matt@wepc.org)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/grow/children

Sundays

- **9 AM:** Nursery (infant-3 years old)
- **10:30 AM:** Nursery (infant-3 years old) & Children's Message or Worship (4 years-2nd grade; Children's Worship does not meet on the 1st Sunday of the month. Instead, there will be a Children's Message during the 10:30 AM worship service.)
- **Nursing Mom's Room** (service audio available during both services)

Kids Club

Wednesdays / 6-7:30 PM / Kindergarten-5th Grade
Join us for Bible teaching, games, crafts, and fellowship!

Volunteers Needed: 1-2 Female Nursery Workers for 9 AM Service (1x every 8 weeks)

YOUTH MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/grow/youth

- **Sunday School:** 9 AM / Youth Lounge
- **Youth Group:** February 5
- **Homework Time:** Tuesdays / 6-8 PM
- **SuperBowl Party:** Feb 9 / 6:15 PM

Parent/Teen Book Club

Sundays through Feb 23 / 12 PM / Youth Lounge
Join us as we discuss the book *Mere Christianity*. Bring your own lunch. Contact: Joy Andrews (joy@wepc.org)

NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/neighborhood

10K Training Team

Join the Good News Can't Lose Team if you are interested in running, jogging, or walking the Monument Avenue 10k on Saturday, April 12. Official training is each Saturday morning at 8AM, beginning February 8. Contact: Changjwok Deng (changjwok@wepc.org) if interested or with questions.

Simple English Bible Study

2nd & 4th Sundays / 5-6:30 PM / Room 810

Next Meeting: February 9

Join our multicultural community twice a month as we meet to study the Bible using the book of Acts. Contact: Changiwok Deng (changiwok@wepc.org)

MISSIONS

www.wepc.org/outreach/missions

Donations Needed for Bloom by PRC Richmond

WEPC Supported Missions Partner Bloom by PRC (Pregnancy Resource Center) is collecting donations of baby lotion, shampoo/body wash, petroleum jelly, and grooming sets. If you are interested in donating these items, there is a bin available outside the WEPC office during the month of February. Contact: Maren Judge (phillygirl54@verizon.net).

GENERAL INFORMATION

Deacons of the Week

Jon Greenhill, Davison Long, Luke Shrader, & Taylor Miller

Join us for the James River Presbytery Church Planting Summit!

TONIGHT! / 5:30-7:15 PM / City Church of Richmond

Interested in hearing more about our ministry of starting new churches across Metro Richmond and the surrounding region? Everyone is welcome to join us as we learn about church-planting initiatives, collaborate on future opportunities to reach communities with the Gospel, and pray for the Spirit's leading in multiplying congregations. Food and drink provided. RSVP: Kevin Greene (kevin@wepc.org)

Night to Shine 2025

February 7 / 6 PM / WEPC

Volunteers needed for decorating, snacks, set-up, clean-up, and parking. [Sign up here!](#) Contact: Blair Brown (blairmb@gmail.com) or Heather Jarvis (heather.p.jarvis@gmail.com). www.nighttoshinerva.com

FY24 Giving Statements

FY24 Giving Statements went out via email (if WEPC had an email for you on file) on Tuesday, 1/21/25. Please contact the church at finance@wepc.org if you did not receive it (or check your spam folder).

Inclement Weather Reminder

For updates on closings and delays, visit wepc.org or call the office at (804) 741-6562. You may also visit the "Community Closings" page at nbc12.com. In case of inclement weather on a Sunday morning, WEPC will meet for the 10:30 AM service.

2025 DivorceCare Men & Women's Group

Tuesdays, Feb 4 - Apr 29 / 7:30-9 PM / Room 810
Join us for a 13-week Christ-centered program addressing the complexity of life when facing marital separation or divorce. The program includes video teaching from over 50 leading Christian counselors, teachers, and pastors, group discussion, and personal Bible study. Register at www.divorcecare.org/findagroup, and click on the "More Info" tab for West End Presbyterian Church. Contact: Bryan Finch (Bryanlfinch@gmail.com) or Matt Osenga (Osengam@hotmail.com)

Inquirer's Weekend

February 21-23 / Fellowship Hall

wepc.org/about-us/learn-more

For those interested in learning more about our church and the possibility of membership in the future. Come meet our pastors and learn some foundations of Christianity, our church's worship, and opportunities for connection and service with others. Questions or to RSVP (due by Feb 17): Karen Howe (karen@wepc.org)

Fiscal Year Giving Report (as of 1/26/2025):

Operating gifts YTD: \$1,501,563.68

Forecasted gifts YTD: \$1,586,639.27

% of expected budget received: 94.64%

WEPC COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL

www.wepc.org/preschool

Enrollment Now Open!

If you're considering preschool for the upcoming school year, we'd love your little ones to join us at WEPC. Classes available for 1-5 year olds! For more information, visit wepc.org/preschool or contact Casey Zollinhofer (casey@wepc.org). Enrollment packets available online and in the WEPC office.

FOOD PANTRY

www.wepc.org/mercyministry

We have some CRITICAL food item needs. Please continue to check our [weekly list](#) or join a [Food Item Team](#) to help keep the shelves stocked for our neighbors.

Keep in Touch

Especially if this is your first Sunday with us —welcome!



Date: _____

Name: _____

Children's Names: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Who invited you to WEPC? How did you first hear about us?

◇ Check if this is NEW contact information for you.

Please check the appropriate boxes:

- | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| ◇ Visitor | Age: |
| ◇ Male | ◇ 20 or younger |
| ◇ Female | ◇ 21-26 |
| ◇ Single | ◇ 27-34 |
| ◇ Student (Grade ____) | ◇ 35-49 |
| ◇ Student (College) | ◇ 50-64 |
| ◇ Married | ◇ 65 and older |
| ◇ Parent | |
| ◇ Widowed | |

I would like info about:

- ◇ WEPC
- ◇ Women's Ministry
- ◇ Men's Ministry
- ◇ Childrens Ministry
- ◇ Youth Ministry
- ◇ Adult Classes
- ◇ Home Groups
- ◇ Neighborhood Outreach
- ◇ Becoming a member of WEPC
- ◇ Other: _____

◇ Please include me on the WEPC email list.

◇ I am interested in learning more about becoming a Christian.

Prayer Requests:

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment, and forgiving me. I run from my sins—my old life living for myself—and receive you as Savior. Amen.