



West End

presbyterian church

**The Twentieth Sunday after
Pentecost: Ordinary Time**

We are now in the season after Pentecost, known as "Ordinary Time." Having celebrated the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church at Pentecost, Ordinary Time signals the interim of the Church until Christ comes again in glory. Jesus is faithfully advancing His Kingdom in the power of His Spirit in this season. We anticipate the consummation of all things when Christ comes in His glory as King of all.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP & Communion

IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE THERE ARE MANY ROOMS

"Christ's meaning is, that the heavenly inheritance is not only promised to us, but has been actually prepared; so that nothing is wanting but that we should take possession."

--*John Calvin*

"We are homesick most for a place we have never known-- the Father's house, prepared for us before the foundation of the world."

--*Madeleine L'Engle*

"He spares not His Son, but sends Him in quest of the exiles. He comes into the land of banishment, lies in an exile's cradle, becomes a banished man for them, lives a banished life, endures an exile's shame, dies an exile's death, is buried in an exile's tomb. He takes our place of banishment that we may take His place of honor and glory in the home of His Father and our Father. Such is the exchange between the exile and the exile's Divine Substitute."

--*Horatius Bonar*

CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 84:1-4. To the
choirmaster: according to
The Gittith. A Psalm of the
Sons of Korah.*

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.

How lovely is Your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!

**My soul longs, yes, faints
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy
to the living God.**

Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at Your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.

**Blessed are those who dwell in Your house,
ever singing Your praise!**

Invocation

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Asking God to
be with us.

Song of Adoration

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.

BE THOU MY VISION

Be Thou my Vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
Be Thou my Wis - dom, and Thou my true Word,
Be Thou my bat - tle shield, sword for my fight;
Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise,
High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

*"Whatever was
gained to me I now
consider loss for
the sake of Christ"*
Philippians 3:7

naught be - all else to me, save that Thou art -
I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
be Thou my dig - ni - ty, Thou my de - light;
Thou mine in - her - i - tance now and al - ways:
may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

Ancient Irish
Hymn (8th
century), trans.
Mary Byrne
(1905); Tune:
SLANE, Traditional
Irish melody.
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Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Thou my Great Fa - ther I Thy true son;
Thou my soul's shel - ter, Thou my high tow - er;
Thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pre - sence my light.
Thou in me dwell - ing and I with Thee one.
Raise thou me heav - n ward, O pow'r of my pow'r.
High King of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.
still be my Vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

WELCOME

We are glad you have joined us this morning! If you are visiting our church for the first time, or are a regular attendee 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 Steve Shelby either in the Gallery or on the front sidewalk.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 29:4-7, 10

Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.... For thus says the Lord: When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

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).



THE LORD OUR GOD IS GOOD



*"I will make all
my goodness
pass before you
and will proclaim
before you my
name 'The LORD.'"
Exodus 33:19*

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CHILDREN'S WORSHIP (10:30am)

Children, age 4 through 2nd grade, will be dismissed prior to the sermon for a Bible Lesson, activity, and fellowship. Pick up from Room 121. www.wepc.org/grow/children

SCRIPTURE READING

John 14:2

²In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

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

Then came the day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover." When the hour came, Jesus and His apostles reclined at the table. And He took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after the supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you... And I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me, a kingdom, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom."

from Luke 22: 7-30

CONFESSION OF SIN

**Almighty God,
You know our needs before we ask,
and our ignorance in asking;
set Your servants free
from all anxious thoughts about the future,
give us contentment with Your good gifts,
and confirm our faith
that as we seek Your Kingdom,
You will not let us lack any good thing;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Silent Confession of Sin

*Augustine of Hippo
(5th century)*

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

Hebrews 10:19-23

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

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. 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

WE ARE NOT OVERCOME (LAMENTATIONS 3)

*"Because of
the Lord's great
love we are
not consumed"
Lamentations
3:22*

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Flesh will fail_____ and bones will break; thieves will steal,_____ the earth will
Put no trust_____ in the earth, in the sod_____ you stand up-
Have no fear_____ for your life, turn your cheek,_____ turn your



shake. Night will fall,_____ the light will fade;_____ The Lord will give_____ and take a-
on. Flow-ers fade_____ in - to dust;_____ The Lord will make_____ a place for
cheek. Bear the yoke_____ of love and death;_____ The Lord will give_____ all life and

Chorus



way: Be-cause of His great Love, we are not o - ver - come!
us:
breath.



— Be-cause of His great Love, we are not o - ver - come!

"We know that for
those who love
God all things work
together for good, for
those who are called
according to his
purpose."
Romans 8:28

ALL MUST BE WELL



1. Through the love of God our Sav-ior, All will be___ well;
2. Though we pass through trib - u - la - tion, All will be___ well;
3. We ex - pect a bright to - mor row, All will be___ well;



Free and change-less is His fav - or, All___ is___ well;
Ours is such a full sal - va - tion, All___ is___ well;
Faith can sing through days of sor - row, All___ is___ well;



Pre-cious is the blood that healed us, Per-fect is the grace that
Hap - py still in God con - fid - ing, Fruit-ful if in Christ a -
On our Fa - ther's love re - ly - ing, Je - sus ev - 'ry need sup -



sealed us, _ Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us, All must be___ well.
bid ing, Stead-fast through the Spir-it's guid-ing, All must be___ well.
ply- ing, Yes, in liv - ing and in dy - ing, All must be___ well.

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(1847), alt. Matthew
Smith (2007); Tune:
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WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION

*"For a people shall dwell in Zion, in Jerusalem; you shall weep no more."
Isaiah 30:19*

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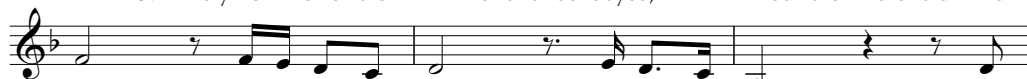
We will feast in the house of Zi- on, we will sing with our hearts re- stored. He has



done great things, we will say to - ge - ther, we will feast and weep no more.



1. We will not be burned by the fire; He is the LORD our
2. In the dark of night, be-fore the dawn, my soul, be not a -
3. Ev ery vow we've bro - ken and be -trayed, You are the Faith - ful



God. We are not con - sumed by the flood; up -
fraid! For the pro-mised mor - ning, o how long? O
One. And_ from the gar - den to the grave, bind



held, pro - tect - ed, ga - thered up!
God of Ja - cob, be my Strenght.
us to - ge - ther, bring sha - lom.

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

Text: Thomas Ken
(1709) Tune: OLD
HUNDREDTH
(Bourgeois, 1551)

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.

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.

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 Steve Shelby preached today's sermon and administered the Lord's Supper.
Elder B-J Huff led worship. Elder Chris Newlin, Sonya Smith, Doug Cherrington,
Pat Reynolds, and Jamison Taggart led this morning's congregational singing. Greg
Stiles and Deacon Tim Andrews managed today's audio and video live stream.
Deacon Brian Zollinhofer managed the in-house video system.*

Sermon Notes

Announcements

ADULT MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/adults

Sunday Morning Discipleship: 9 AM

- **We Believe: A Study of the Nicene Creed through Nov 23 / Room 35**

The Nicene Creed was the first unifying statement of what Christians hold to be true and, to this day, defines orthodox Christian doctrine. Seekers, skeptics, new Christians, and long-time believers are encouraged to join as we contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints. Led by Ruling Elders Mark Crutcher and Changjwok Deng. Contact: Chang (changjwok@wepc.org)

- **A Wise Parent through Nov 23 / Room 810**

Parenting is a profound privilege, yet looking beyond the demands of today can often feel overwhelming. In this class, you'll find space to reflect on Scripture, discovering guidance for how to love, nurture, and shape the children God has entrusted to your care. Led by Elders Richard Campbell and Matt Bouknight.

HOW TO LIVE: Wednesday Night Fellowship

Through Nov 12 / 6 - 7:30 PM / WEPC Chapel
The New Testament book of Philippians provides us with straightforward spiritual guidance in light of the essential teachings of Christianity. Led by Kevin Greene, Changjwok Deng, and Becca Wethered. Contact: Kevin (kevin@wepc.org)

Young Adult Fellowship Meal

Meets every other Thursday / 6:30-8 PM / Rm 810
Next Meeting: November 6
Young Adults at WEPC is a space to grow in your faith and connect with others. Join us for a meal and discussion. Contact: Matt (matt@wepc.org)

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 (matt@wepc.org)

Women's Ministry

www.wepc.org/grow/women

Wellspring & Restore Bible Studies:

Wellspring: Tuesdays AM / Restore: Wednesdays PM
Join us for this year's study "SHE IS..." Women as God's Image-Bearers. All women are welcome. Register Now! Contact: Brice Bowman (brice@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.
- **Nursing Mom's Room** (service audio available during both services)

Wednesdays: Club 4/5 / 6-7:30 PM

Volunteers Needed:

9AM Nursery (needed every 8 weeks)

- 5 Adult Nursery Volunteers

Sensory Room Volunteers Needed

We are looking to train a small team of people who have a heart to work with friends with special needs, specifically during the 1st service. Older teens are welcome. Contact: Audrey (audrey@wepc.org)

YOUTH MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/grow/youth

- **Youth Sunday School:** 9 AM
- **Youth Group:** October 29
Middle School: 6-7:30 PM
High School: 7:30-9 PM

Wraparound Ministry

www.wepc.org/outreach/wrap-around-ministry/

Diaper Drive--TODAY is last day to donate!

During October, Wrap Around will be collecting diapers for Little Hands Virginia, a local nonprofit dedicated to providing essentials to young children in need. Donations can be left in the bin in the church office area.

FOOD PANTRY

www.wepc.org/mercyministry

Food Items Needed

Please continue to check our weekly list to help keep the shelves stocked for our neighbors.

NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/neighborhood

Simple English Bible Study: The Parables of Jesus

2nd & 4th Sundays / 5-6:30 PM / Room 810
Next Meeting: TONIGHT!

Join us in the study of the parables of Jesus. Parables are short stories used by Jesus to teach spiritual truths and lessons about the Kingdom of God, God's nature, and how we should live. Contact: Changjwok (changjwok@wepc.org)

October Language of the Month: Spanish

Visit the "Life in the Neighborhood" bulletin station to grab your learning resources.

Fruitful Fridays

November 14 & December 12 / 4-6 PM
Join us as we offer a monthly Afterschool Enrichment Program for our K-5 neighbors which introduces kids to fun learning experiences focused on music. To volunteer, contact Talya (talya@wepc.org).

MISSIONS/MISSION PARTNERS

www.wepc.org/outreach/missions

STEP Richmond's Music & Celebration Event

November 1 / 2-5 PM / The Lodge @ Hope Church
STEP Richmond is hosting an event featuring multiple musical groups. The event is free of charge but registration is required at steprichmond.org/event.

Mapping the Wilderness Conference

November 8 / 9 AM - 3 PM / City Church
This workshop looks to reinvent and refresh our approach to sharing the Gospel. Learn more [HERE](#) and [REGISTER HERE](#). Hosted by the James River Presbytery.

Seeking Young Life Leaders at Godwin HS

WEPC Missions Partner YoungLife is seeking 1 male and 1 female volunteer to introduce adolescents to Jesus and help them grow in their faith. Contact Young Life West End Director Tracy Payne (traypay@gmail.com).

Barnabas Basic Training

November 8 / 9 AM - 4 PM / Veritas School
Join us for an introduction to the foundational principles of The Barnabas Model. [REGISTER HERE](#). Contact: Kim (kjohnson@barnabasva.org)

General Information

Deacons of the Week

Ed Bowman, David Creasy, Bryan Meeks, & Stephen Hunn

Daylight Savings Time ends on November 2!

Remember to set your clocks BACK one hour.

Ordination Service and Reception for Changjwok Deng

November 2 / 6 PM / Sanctuary
Please join us for a special ordination service and dessert reception for Changjwok Deng. Once ordained, Chang will be an Associate Pastor at WEPC. Everyone is welcome. **Please bring a dessert to share.**

Church Work Day

November 1 / 8 AM - 12 PM
Come help our Deacons with tasks around the buildings & grounds as we cleanup spaces and repair minor items. Ages 14+ welcome, donuts and water provided. Contact: [Matt Bouknight](mailto:Matt.Bouknight@wepc.org)

Inquirer's Weekend

November 7-9
For those interested in learning more about our church and the possibility of membership in the future. Click [HERE](#) for more information and time details. RSVP to Karen (karen@wepc.org) by November 3.

Hiring for ESL Nursery Coordinator

The Neighborhood Outreach Team is looking for an ESL Nursery Coordinator to manage ESL Nursery and care for little ones while their mothers learn English. It is a paid position for 10-12 hours a week, mostly Tuesdays/Thursdays. For a position description, visit our [website](#) and for more info, contact Heather Glissman (heatheresl@wepc.org)

DivorceCare: Surviving the Holidays

November 18 / 7-9 PM / Room 810
Join WEPC's DivorceCare group to find support and consider how to faithfully navigate the holidays after a marriage breakup. More info [HERE](#).

Follow Us on Social Media!

Find us on Facebook and Instagram @wepcrva.

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
- ◇ Young Adult Ministry
- ◇ Childrens Ministry
- ◇ Youth Ministry
- ◇ Adult Classes
- ◇ Small 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.