



West End

presbyterian church

**The Fifth Sunday
after 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

LOVE IS WILD

“If anyone in Bethlehem wanted to explain to a stranger how Yahweh has loved His people in the covenant in which He betrothed Israel to Himself, all they would need to do would be to say four words: ‘as Boaz loves Ruth’.”

–*Sinclair Ferguson*

“Faith must be taught correctly,
namely, that by it you are so cemented to Christ
that He and you are as one person,
which cannot be separated
but remains attached to Him forever and declares:

‘I am as Christ.’ And Christ, in turn, says:

‘I am as that sinner who is attached to Me, and I to him.’

And by faith we are joined together in one flesh and one bone.”

–*Martin Luther*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 107:1-2

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.

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for He is good,
for His steadfast love endures forever!
Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
whom He has redeemed from trouble.

Invocation

Asking God to be with us.

INVOCATION

SONG OF ADORATION

THE LORD OUR GOD IS GOOD

The Lord our God is good. The Lord our God is good, full of
kind-ness and com-pas-sion, mer-ci-ful and just, the Lord our God is good.
1. Who else knows our deep-est pain, bears it as His own?____
2. Who takes His in-her-i-tance and gives it all a-way?____
Finds us in our na-ked shame, clothes and brings us home?____
Wel-comes guests to feast with Him who ne-ver can re-pay?____
The Lord our God is good. The Lord our God is good, full of
kind-ness and com-pas-sion, mer-ci-ful and just; the Lord our God is good.

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.

"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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DECLARATION OF FAITH

*The Apostles' Creed
(2nd century)*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

REFLECTING ON THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Heidelberg Catechism,
Q&A 58 (1563)*

How does "life everlasting" comfort you?

**Even as I already now experience in my heart the beginning of eternal joy,
so after this life I will have perfect blessedness such as no eye has seen, no
ear has heard, no human heart has ever imagined: a blessedness in which
to praise God forever.**

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.

New Testament Reading

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Ephesians 3:14-19

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

Epiphany is a season that helps us to pray for Christ's mission to the nations and the Church's role in proclaiming that Jesus is Lord.

Led by WEPC Elder Chris Newlin

This week, pray for West End Presbyterian Church as we endeavor to reach out with the Good News of Jesus Christ:

- **Evangelism:** *"I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes." Romans 1:16*
- **Mercy:** *For WEPC's Wrap Around Ministry, wepc.org/outreach/wrap-around-ministry*
- **Church Planting:** *For an African American led plant in the James River Presbytery, wepc.org/outreach/church-planting/african-american-church-planter-fund. For WEPC partner congregations Ray of Hope (Nepali) and Sudan Christian Fellowship (South Sudanese)*
- **World Mission:** *For the country of Uganda, and for Jenna & Boas Opedun serving with Serge alongside the local church in the city of Fort Portal. For the country of Turkey, and for OJ and his family as they serve in church planting and outreach in that country. wepc.org/outreach/missions*

OFFERING

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).



HOW HIGH AND HOW WIDE (HOW GREAT IS YOUR LOVE)

1. No eye has seen and no ear has heard and
2. Ob - jects of mer - cy who should have known wrath, we're

no mind has e - ver con - ceived. the glo - ri - ous things that
filled with un-speak - a - ble joy. Rich - es of wis-dom, un -

You have pre - pared for ev - ery - one who has be - lieved.
search - a - ble wealth, and the won - der of know - ing Your voice.

You brought us near and You called us Your own, and
You are our Treas - ure and our Great Re - ward, our

made us joint heirs with Your Son. How high and how wide, how
Hope and our glor - i - ous King!

deep and how long, how sweet and how strong in Your love! How

la - vish Your grace, how faith - ful Your ways, How great is Your love, O Lord!

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

Ruth 3:1-18

¹Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, should I not seek rest for you, that it may be well with you?" ²Is not Boaz our relative, with whose young women you were? See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. ³Wash therefore and anoint yourself, and put on your cloak and go down to the threshing floor, but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. ⁴But when he lies down, observe the place where he lies. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down, and he will tell you what to do." ⁵And she replied, "All that you say I will do." ⁶So she went down to the threshing floor and did just as her mother-in-law had commanded her. ⁷And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain. Then she came softly and uncovered his feet and lay down. ⁸At midnight the man was startled and turned over, and behold, a woman lay at his feet! ⁹He said, "Who are you?" And she answered, "I am Ruth, your servant. Spread your wings over your servant, for you are a redeemer." ¹⁰And he said, "May you be blessed by the Lord, my daughter. You have made this last kindness greater than the first in that you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich. ¹¹And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you ask, for all my fellow townsmen know that you are a worthy woman. ¹²And now it is true that I am a redeemer. Yet there is a redeemer nearer than I. ¹³Remain tonight, and in the morning, if he will redeem you, good; let him do it. But if he is not willing to redeem you, then, as the Lord lives, I will redeem you. Lie down until the morning." ¹⁴So she lay at his feet until the morning, but arose before one could recognize another. And he said, "Let it not be known that the woman came to the threshing floor." ¹⁵And he said, "Bring the garment you are wearing and hold it out." So she held it, and he measured out six measures of barley and put it on her. Then she went into the city. ¹⁶And when she came to her mother-in-law, she said, "How did you fare, my daughter?" Then she told her all that the man had done for her, ¹⁷saying, "These six measures of barley he gave to me, for he said to me, 'You must not go back empty-handed to your mother-in-law.'" ¹⁸She replied, "Wait, my daughter, until you learn how the matter turns out, for the man will not rest but will settle the matter today."

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

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

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.

Almighty God, together we confess that our attitudes and actions often do not reflect You. We strive for recognition and acclaim from others, growing bitter if we do not get it. We are preoccupied with our own concerns, ignoring others except when it serves our purposes. And our worship of You recedes when circumstances turn difficult. Together we repent from our sins and turn to You alone for forgiveness.

**Father, be glorified as You have claimed us as Your people.
Jesus, be glorified as Your death has atoned for our sin.
Spirit, be glorified as You conform us to the likeness of Christ.
Amen.**

Silent Confession of Sin

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Isaiah 44:22

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; Return to me, for I have redeemed you.

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

I SHALL NOT WANT

VERSE



1. From the love of my own com - fort, from the
 2. From the need to be un - der - stood, from the
 3. From the fear of ser - ving oth - ers, from the



fear of hav - ing no - thing, from a
 need to be ac - cept - ed from the
 fear of death or tri - al, from the



life of world-ly pas - sions, de - liv - er me, O
 fear of be - ing lone - ly,
 fear of hu - mil - i - ty,

REFRAIN



God. De - liv - er me, O God. And I



shall not want, no, I shall not want. When I taste Your good-ness I



shall not want. When I taste Your good-ness I shall not want

"The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want." Psalm 23:1

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*"To those who are
called, beloved in
God the Father and
kept for Jesus Christ."
Jude 1:1*

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1. The mor - ning comes and I can see the light of dawn, the signs.
2. An in this age of deep distress. I need Your peace here I
of spring, a qui - et voice speaks to my heart and tells
con - fess. The Spi - rit You so free - ly give, oh, let
me of the love of God. How sweet the days when I
Your love be where I live. And find me in the waves
3. To Je - sus I will e'er
am sure that good will con - quer, hope en - dure, and when
of doubt, come take my hand and pull me out, drown all
be - long, my life the sea You walk u - pon, Your Word,
my faith seems far too small still I am Yours and I
my an - xious thoughts and fears till all my trem - bling heart
a stea - dy place to stand, where I re - mem - ber who
am called: Be-lo - ved, be-lo - ved, You call me be-lo - ved. Be-lo -
can hear is: Be-lo - ved, be-lo - ved, You call us be-lo - ved. Be-lo -
I am: Be-lo - ved, be-lo - ved, we call You be-lo - ved. Be-lo -
- ved, be-lo - ved, to Je - sus I be - long.
- ved, be-lo - ved, to Je - sus we be - long.
- ved, be-lo - ved, to Je - sus we be - long.

HIS MERCY IS MORE

1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om -
 pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam? What
 rich - es of kind - ness He lav - ished on us. His

ni - cient, all know - ing, He counts not their sum. Thrown
 Fa - ther, so ten - der, is call - ing us home? He
 blood was the pay - ment; His life was the cost. We

in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore,
 wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor.
 stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford.

Our sins, they are ma - ny; His mer - cy is more. What

Praise the Lord _____ His mer - cy is

more. _____ Strong - er than dark - ness, new ev - 'ry morn Our

sins, they are ma - ny; His mer - cy is more.

"You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea."
 Micah 7:19

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

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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 Kevin Greene preached today's sermon and administered the Lord's Supper. **Pastor Changjwok Deng** led worship. **Trey Wickham, Sarah Shrader, Pat Reynolds, Doug Cherrington, Worship Arts Director Becca Wethered, and Jamison Taggart** led this morning's congregational singing. **Tim Drummond and Deacon Sean Winterhalter** managed today's audio and video live stream. **AJ Anonick** managed the in-house video system.

In the Christian year, we are now in the season of Epiphany. 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. The lighted orbs at the front of the WEPC sanctuary help us to celebrate and remember this Good News!

Sermon Notes

Announcements

ADULT MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/adults

Sunday Morning Discipleship: 9AM / Room 810

- **Why I Am a Presbyterian / Feb 15**
Join us as Pastor Steve Shelby shares with us a few reflections on what it means to be a Presbyterian.

Wednesday Night Fellowship

The Book of Jeremiah: Gladness from Sorrow

www.wepc.org/WNF

***No meeting Feb 18--Ash Wednesday**

Through March 25 / 6-7:30 PM / Chapel

The prophet Jeremiah's life was marked by grief and suffering, yet he knew the presence and perseverance of God. Join us as we grow in the wisdom, faithfulness, and compassion of Jesus Christ. Led by Kevin Greene, Matt Wilks, and Becca Wethered. Contact: Kevin Greene (kevin@wepc.org)

Women's Ministry

www.wepc.org/grow/women

- **Wellspring & Restore Bible Studies**
Wellspring: Tues AM / Restore: Wed PM
***No meeting Feb 18--Ash Wednesday**
All women are welcome to join us for our study "SHE IS..." Register [HERE](#) Contact: Brice Bowman (brice@wepc.org)
- **Stitch & Chat**
March 12 / 1-3 PM / Room 810
Bring your current needlework project (knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, embroidery, etc) and join other women to stitch and fellowship together! No RSVP needed, just come as you are! Contact: Brice Bowman (brice@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. We'll have a short devotional, pray for the needs of the church and each other, and eat a packed lunch together. Contact: Matt (matt@wepc.org)

DivorceCare Spring 2026

Through May 5 / 6:30-8:30 PM / Room 810

DivorceCare is a 13-week Christ-centered program addressing the complexity of life when facing marital separation or divorce. Register [HERE](#). Contact: Gordon Collier (gcollier.pss@gmail.com)

2026 March Madness Marriage Retreat

March 7 / 4-8 PM / Fellowship Hall

Come for an evening of fellowship, encouragement, and food. Join couples of all stages of marriage, as we are encouraged by our own Kevin and Kim Greene as they share how the Gospel affects our relationships. Childcare will be provided for children ages infant - 5th grade. Cost: \$50 (couple) / \$25 (individual) Register [HERE](#). Contact: Joy (joy@wepc.org)

YOUTH MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/grow/youth

- **Sunday School:** 9 AM / Youth Lounge
- **Youth Group:** ***No meeting Feb 18--Ash Wednesday**
Middle School: 6-7:30 PM
High School: 7:30-9 PM

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)
- **Nursing Mom's Room** (service audio available during both services)

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

***No meeting Feb 18--Ash Wednesday**

NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/neighborhood

Simple English Bible Study: The Parables of Jesus

February 22 / 5-6:30 PM / Room 810

**meets on the 2nd & 4th Sundays*

Join us in the study of the parables of Jesus. Contact: Changjwok Deng (changjwok@wepc.org)

10K Training Team

Training: Saturdays / 8-9:30 AM

Race Day: April 18

Join the Good News Can't Lose Team if you are interested in running, jogging, or walking the Monument Avenue 10k. A parent must accompany participants that are in elementary school or younger. Register [HERE](#) for the training team. Contact: Changjwok Deng (changjwok@wepc.org)

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.

General Information

Deacons of the Week

Ed Bowman, Taylor Miller, Jon Greenhill, & Stephen Hunn

Volunteers Needed For Tax Help Ministry

February 28 & March 21 / 10 AM - 12 PM

Ever used TurboTax, even a little? A group will meet at WEPC to help our neighbors file taxes (many of whom are not familiar with the filing process). No experience necessary- just a very basic understanding of taxes.

Contact: Nate Carroll (nate.carroll@gmail.com)

WEPC Christian Seasons Calendar & Devotions

Join us as we reflect on the story of Jesus and His Church through a calendar with Scripture, liturgical themes, and artwork from WEPC artists. Each WEPC household is gifted a calendar. For additional calendars, click [HERE](#) to purchase. To access the free devotional visit wepcchristianseasons.com.

Church Planting

La Gran Comisión Conference

March 10-11, 2026 / Stony Point Church

Our Presbytery is actively developing new Hispanic leaders and planting new churches that are reaching Richmond's Hispanic population! Join us for this bilingual (Spanish/English) Mission to North America gathering focusing on encouragement, relationships, practical tools, and teaching. Spanish/English packets are available in the Life at WEPC display in the WEPC Gallery. Register [HERE](#). Contact: Kevin Greene (kevin@wepc.org)

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, with options for 1-5 days! Enrollment packets available online (wepc.org/preschool) and in the WEPC office. Contact: Casey Zollinhofer (casey@wepc.org)

Lent & Easter 2026

www.wepc.org/lent-and-easter

"In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength." Isaiah 30:15

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18, and ends on the Saturday before Easter, April 4. Lent, a tradition from the early centuries of church history, is a season of preparation preceding the celebration of Easter, focused on repentance. Speaking biblically, to repent means to make a change in our attitudes, words, and lifestyle. Those who follow Jesus must learn that we must die before we rise. Beginning when we first trust Christ, and continuing throughout our lives, we turn more and more away from sin and self-centeredness and instead turn more and more to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Worship & Prayer Services

Ash Wednesday

February 18 / 6:30 PM / Sanctuary

This communion service will be an opportunity to worship God in light of the grace He gives His people to repent and trust Christ alone for hope and salvation. An offering will be taken for the WEPC Deacon's Fund.

Lamentations Prayer Service

March 1 / 7 PM / Chapel

Personal Retreat

March 21 / 8:30 AM-12:30 PM

Roslyn Retreat Center

Join us for a time alone in prayer, reflection, Scripture readings, and communion. Register [HERE](#). Contact: Kevin Greene (kevin@wepc.org)

Lent Prayer Walk

March 29 / 12:15-1:30 PM / Fellowship Hall

Join us for a quick snack and orientation on participating in a prayer walk. We will break into small groups, choose a prepared walking route in a neighborhood around the church, and spend 45 minutes together walking, observing, connecting, and praying. Contact: Lori Bowman (lori@wepc.org)

Holy Week Services

- Maundy Thursday / April 2 / 6 PM
- Good Friday / April 3 / 7 PM
- Easter Sunday / April 5 / 9 & 10:30 AM

WEPC Lent 2026 Playlist

Available February 18.

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.