# WILLIAMSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 23, 2022

We gather in the name of Jesus Christ to worship God and by the power of the Holy Spirit do God's work in the world.

# PRAYER FOR PREPARATION

Holy God, weave praise into the fabric of our days so our lives become a blessing to others.

Weave peace into our words and deeds so hatred and anger are disarmed.

Weave love into our work so accomplishments are imbued with humility.

Weave kindness into our actions so the world becomes a joyous place to live.

Weave hope into every encounter so we may testify to God's continuing resurrection.

Weave songs into our worship so our morning might echo in praise to God. Amen .

# THE GATHERING PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

#### Pastoral Greeting and Concerns of the Church

Prelude on Praise to the Lord Walther

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather as God's people:

All: To seek direction in the living of our lives.

Leader: We gather as God's people:

All: To be still and hear what God would have us do.

Leader: We gather as God's people:

All: To be renewed, restored and recreated. Leader: We rejoice that we are God's people:

All: To serve, to love and to sing God's praise.

<sup>\*</sup>To all who are able, please stand as we offer God thanks and praise. **Bold type face** indicates that the congregation participates in word or song.



#### \*Call to Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sin as an offering of our trust in God's love and forgiveness for us.

#### \*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

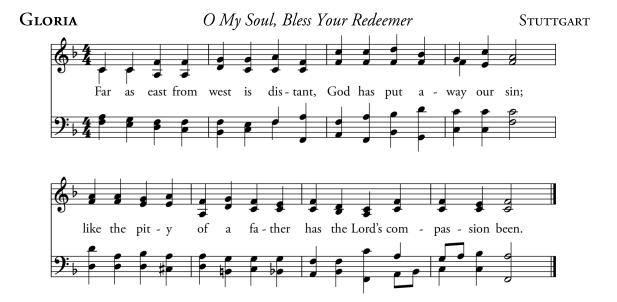
Merciful God, we go about our days failing to proclaim your saving power with our voices or with our actions. We do not live as ones saved, but rather as people filled with fear and doubt. We often choose what is expedient, not what is right. We close our eyes and ears to those who are in need, and close our hearts to those we claim to love. We are quick to hurt others, and slow to right our wrongs. Forgive us, O God, for all the ways we have not lived into our relationship with you. Amen.

#### A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER



#### \*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, "God does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us." In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.



SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

Rachel Hébert

# THE WORD

# Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Just as we see your wisdom and glory in nature around us, God, may we hear your Word for us in the words of these readings, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may be drawn closer to you. Through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

#### First Lesson: Luke 4:14-21

<sup>14</sup>Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. <sup>15</sup>He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. (Scripture continues on the next pages)

<sup>16</sup>When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,
19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

<sup>20</sup> And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup> Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

# This is the Word of the Lord! Thanks be to God!

# PSALM 19:1-10 (Responsive)

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God;

and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

People: Day to day pours forth speech,

and night to night declares knowledge.

Leader: There is no speech, nor are there words;

their voice is not heard:

People: yet their voice goes out through all the earth,

and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,

Leader: which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy,

and like a strong man runs its course with joy.

People: Its rising is from the end of the heavens,

and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hid from its heat.

Leader: The law of the Lord is perfect,

reviving the soul;

the decrees of the Lord are sure,

making wise the simple;

(Psalm continues on the next page.)

People: the precepts of the Lord are right,

rejoicing the heart;

the commandment of the Lord is clear,

enlightening the eyes;

Leader: the fear of the Lord is pure,

enduring forever;

the ordinances of the Lord are true

and righteous altogether.

People: More to be desired are they than gold,

even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey,

and drippings of the honeycomb.

#### Second Lesson: I Corinthians 12:12-31

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

<sup>14</sup>Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. <sup>15</sup>If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>16</sup> And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. <sup>17</sup> If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? 18 But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. <sup>19</sup> If all were a single member, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup> As it is, there are many members, yet one body. <sup>21</sup>The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup> and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; <sup>24</sup> whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, <sup>25</sup> that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup> If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

(Scripture continues on the next pages)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.

<sup>28</sup> And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup> Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup> Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup> But strive for the greater gifts.

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Body Language"

Pastor John E. Morgan

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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\*Hymn 317 In Christ There Is No East or West 1 In Christ there is no east or west, him no ev - ery - where their high com -Christ shall true 2 In hearts hands, dis - ci - ples the faith, what-e'er your of Christ now meet both and west; him meet 4 In east in south north, but great fel low or one nion find; his ser vice the mu is be. All chil dren the race may of south and north. All Christ - ly souls are ship of love through - out the whole wide earth. gold en cord close - bind ing hu - man kind. liv ing God are sure ly kin to me. through - out one in him the whole wide earth.

# \*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (Unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

#### **Offering**

Thank you for your continued faithful stewardship to WPC. May our offerings continue to help us be the light for our neighbors and our siblings in Christ all over the world. Offering envelopes can now be found inside the friendship register book.

We invite you to make your offering or pledge payment in one of the following ways:

- You may place your offering in the plates as you exit the sanctuary.
- Click the "Make Online Offering" button below the video window on the watch worship services page (www.mywpc.org/streaming/).
- Scan the QR code at the right to access the online offering form.
- Mail your offering to the church office.



OFFERTORY

There Is a Balm in Gilead

Spiritual

Refrain:

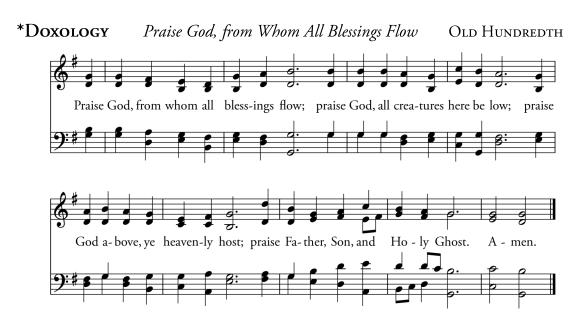
There is a balm in Gilead To make the wounded whole, There is a balm in Gilead To heal the sin-sick soul.

(Offertory continues on the next page.)

Sometimes I feel discouraged, And think my work's in vain, But then the Holy Spirit Revives my soul again. (Refrain)

Don't ever feel discouraged, For Jesus is your friend, And if you lack for knowledge, He'll not refuse to lend. (Refrain)

If you cannot preach like Peter, If you cannot pray like Paul, You can tell the love of Jesus And say, "He died for all." (Refrain)



\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

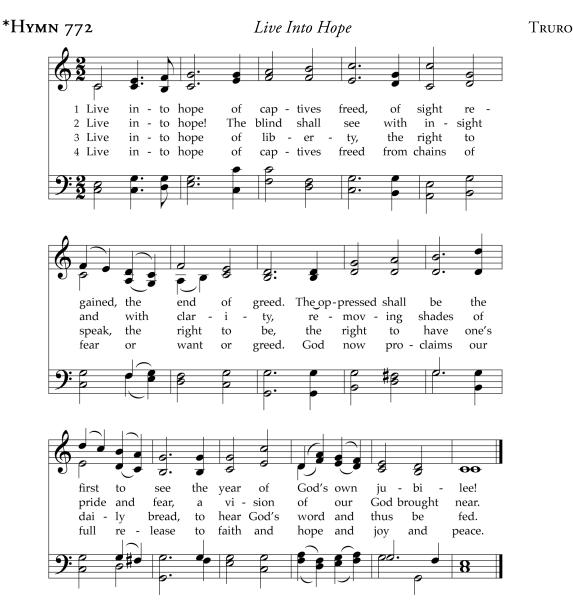
# GOING OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

#### \*Invitation and Lord's Day Greeting

We are glad you are worshipping with us today. If you are joining us online, please remember to 'sign' our online friendship register:

- Click the "Sign Friendship Register" button below the video window on the watch worship services page (www.mywpc.org/streaming/).
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#### \*Charge and Benediction

Postlude Allegro Walther

The service of worship concludes after the postlude. The music can be enjoyed or used as an opportunity for prayer. You may remain seated; if you wish to depart, please do so quietly and without disturbing those who choose to stay.

#### ≈ The Chancel Flowers ≪

The flowers this morning are given today to the glory of God and in memory of her husband, Bill Brink and sister, Sandra Ward, by Barbara Brink

#### ≈ Those Serving in Worship Today ≪

#### **Pastors**

John E. Morgan, Pastor/Head of Staff

Rachel Hébert, Associate Pastor for Community Care

Pam Hrncir, Covenant Pastor for Congregational Care

Music Ministry

Christopher Bechtler, Director of Music Ministries

Norman Elton, Organist and Director of Westminster Ringers

Chancel Choir

#### SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

Rachel Hébert

#### GREETERS

9:30am Stephanie McGuire

11:00am Jim Loy

#### **Ushers**

9:30am Anne Nicastro, Nick Nicastro, Pat Underwood, Rebecca Caprio

11:00am Bob Bolstad, Pat Murray, Rick Murray

#### LITURGIST

Scott Stabler

#### \*Williamsburg Landing Ushers

"As a precaution, live stream services are paused due to COVID."

#### \*Windsor Meade Usher

Paul Hotinger

Audio and Video Technicians: Dick Sahlen and John Schoenberger

<sup>\*</sup>Satellite campuses

# ➢ PRAYER CONCERNS, JOYS, & TOUCH NOTES

To share a joy or concern, please visit www.mywpc.org, select GET CARE on the menu bar, then PRAYER REQUEST from the drop-down menu. Complete the form and click SEND REQUEST on the bottom of the form. Per your instructions, your request will shared with our pastors, prayer chain or will be included in the worship bulletin. If the internet is not available to you, please call the church office (757) 229-4235 with your request.

The Prayer Chain Coordinator is: JoAnn Youhas (handbellringer@cox.net).

If you are in need of a pastor after hours or on the weekend with an emergency request, please contact the Pastor-on-Call listed below for this week. To reach a Pastor during the week, please call the church office.

# Sunday, January 23 – Saturday, January 29, 2022

Rachel Hébert (rhebert@mywpc.org; 757-903-5488)

#### Please pray for:

- Debbie Riley, Jack Wasson, Harmon Hoffman, Arnie Cole, Ann Snead, Mary Jo Siclari, Richard Eichhorn, Charlene Grabowski, sister-in-law of WPC member, Kelly (Jim) Kirkpatrick; Dick Curtin and Richard Friese, brother of WPC member Nancy Moul.
- Those who have recently lost loved ones, those recovering from various surgeries and our sick and shut-ins who are at home or facility bound.
- Those serving our country in the military services and their families.
- Those who have been affected by the recent tornados and fire in CO.
- Those who continue to be affected by the COVID-19 in our local community, the United States and around the World.

#### **≫** Announcement≪

- USHERS AND GREETERS NEEDED FOR WORSHIP SERVICES. CAN YOU HELP? Please visit the tables in the Elevator Lobby area between services today through February 6th to sign up to serve as an Usher or Greeter during February, March, and April. You can also sign up online by using this link https://signup.com/go/iGCDndF. Four ushers and one greeter are needed for each service. No previous experience is necessary. For more information, contact Rebecca Caprio, Usher Coordinator, (ushers@mywpc.org; 703-732-1830.
- Men's Bible and Bacon Breakfast: The Men's Bible and Bacon Breakfast will meet on Wednesday, January 26 at 7:30am in Stevenson Hall for bible study and fellowship. Because of COVID-19 precautions the men will not have a scrambled egg breakfast or coffee. Participation via Zoom teleconferencing is available for those who can not attend in person. New members please visit https://www.mywpc.org/groupfinder/group-detail/ce-mens-bible-and-bacon/ to be included to our mailing list. Rob Brown will send an email to all men on Monday January 27 with the latest information about the Wednesday meeting.

On January 26 the men will be studying chapter 8 of the Letter to the Hebrews. This is a wonderful opportunity for newer men to our congregation to meet longer time men. Join the men for fellowship and lively bible discussion.

• WPC Families in January: Back by popular demand, Zoom baking and recipe sharing! Everyone at WPC is invited to join us on Friday, January 28, starting at 5:30pm. Our group has had so much fun making soft pretzels and gingerbread houses together via Zoom, that we thought that we'd aim a little higher this year! Appetizers! We are going to make TWO different appetizers together (the first one quick, easy, and SUPER kid-friendly, and the second with a slightly "higher degree of difficulty"), and share our favorite app recipes while they bake.

Here are the links to the two appetizers we'll be making. For the second one, choose your favorite! Purchase the ingredients for either (or both!), and log in ready to bake!

<u>Click here</u> for the Mini Crescent Dogs Recipe - Pillsbury.com

Click here for the Crescent Ring Recipes

<u>Click here</u> to join us on ZOOM. If you have any questions, please contact Jodie Davis (jdavis@mywpc.org).

- "Warm Up Williamsburg": The Community of Faith Mission (winter shelter) is sponsoring its annual fundraiser, Warm Up Williamsburg, on Saturday, January 29. For a donation of \$35, contributors receive three 12 oz containers of soup (tomato, vegetable, and chili) donated by several local restaurants. There will be a "drive through" distribution of the soup between 10:30am 12:00pm on Saturday, January 29 at the Williamsburg Community Chapel. Buy your tickets at https://cofm.info.
- The Squares: Have you ever had an epiphany, a moment when it all came clear to you? Was it life changing? Using the story of The Walk to Emmaus in Luke 24:13-35 The Squares will consider these personal questions at their February 3, 7:30pm, meeting. If interested contact Gary Davis (gadavis90@gmail.com) for the ZOOM link.

- Volunteers needed for COFM Homeless Shelter February 18-19, 2022. James River Baptist on Centerville Road is hosting the COFM shelter from February 13-20. WPC will staff the shelter on Friday, February 18th beginning at 5:30pm and ending on Saturday February 19th at 7am. We need volunteers for the following tasks and times:
  - Shift 1, check in crew from 5:30 PM to 9 PM
  - Shift 2, dinner crew from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
  - Shift 3 overnight crew from 8:45 PM to 7 AM (the next day, Feb 19)
  - Shift 4 breakfast and check out crews on Feb 19 from 5:15 AM to 7 AM

Volunteers are also needed to make three dozen cookies each. Cookies require no special handling. Deliver in bulk and label container "Shelter Cookies."

If you can volunteer or have any questions, please contact Joe Avellar (javellar@yahoo.com; 757-897-1235).

- JOIN OUR CHURCH FAMILY! As we journey with God together, we pray the Spirit leads you to join WPC. Please join us for our New Membership Orientation on Sunday, February 27 from Noon 2pm in Stephenson Hall. This time together will provide us an opportunity to get to know one another and discover ways you can connect with the people and ministries of WPC. For more information and to sign up, please contact Pastor Pam Hrncir (757-508-4668; phrncir@mywpc.org).
- Mark your calendars now to attend the WPC Annual Town Hall Meeting on Saturday, February 12, 2022 on ZOOM, 10:00am-11:30am. Come hear 2021 highlights from all the church ministries and what is coming in 2022. Click here to join the ZOOM meeting.
- Care Giver Support Group: We are a seasoned group of caregivers of various ages who offer
  a safe place to speak, to hear, to vent and to discover healing through laughter and tears. As
  experienced listeners, we are mindful of life's transitions and trials when becoming a caregiver
  and all shared stories are kept confidential. Wherever you are in your care journey, we
  welcome you. We meet on the first and third Mondays of the month in room 123 (in the nursery
  hall) from 1pm 3pm. For more information, contact Barbara Stirling (412-770-6052;
  bstirling.gmail.com).
- The Crockpot Meals Ministry is a partnership between Greater Williamsburg Outreach Mission (GWOM), From His Hands, and local motel management to supply hot, self made Meals, for sheltered homeless families, locally Area Churches and individuals deliver meals every other Thursday morning to Pineapple Inn, Howard Johnson, and Travelodge on ByPass Road. Each family gets ingredients for 2 meals every other week.

This past year we have served 15 families with 38 children—8 new families have just arrived at Travel lodge with 17 children. Beginning January 20t we will be serving 24 families with a total of 55 kids. We need additional volunteers to serve these Families.

Please contact Hazel Whitney (757-221-0312; hazelwhitney@cox.net) for more information and/or to sign up for the program.

#### **≫ OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS ≪**

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 23**

9:00am-Noon Nursery / Nursery Rm located on the main level

9:30am Children and Youth Church School Classes / CE Wing

Fellowship Bible Study Class / LL009

Alpha Bible Class / ZOOM

9:30am In-person Worship / Sanctuary

9:30am Live-Stream Worship; visit mywpc.org to access

11:00am In-person Worship / Sanctuary

11:00am Worship / Broadcast on FM93.5 The Burg and AM740. or wmbgradio.com

11:00am Thoughtful Christian Bible Class / ZOOM

5:30pm Youth Group / Education Wing

**MONDAY, JANUARY 24** 

9:00am DISCIPLE: Under The Tree of Life / LL010 and ZOOM

2:00pm WPC Book Club / ZOOM

**TUESDAY. JANUARY 25** 

10:00am DISCIPLE Bible Study / ZOOM

1:00pm Staff Mtg / ZOOM

2:30pm From His Hands Meal Prep

6:00pm Stephen Minister Training / ZOOM

7:00pm AA Wmsbg. Tuesday Night Big Book Study / LL049

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26** 

7:30am Men's Bible & Bacon Study / Stevenson Hall and ZOOM 9:30am Presbyterian Women's Coordinating Team / Stevenson Hall

6:00pm Genesis Ringers / Bell Room
6:00pm UKirk Campus Ministry / UKirk Rm
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 27** 

4:30pm Carol Choir and Junior Choir / Children's Choir Room

7:00pm Christian Outreach Ministry Mtg / LL010

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

5:30pm WPC Families "The Family That Bakes Together" / Education Wing

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 29** 

> NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP ◆

JANUARY 30, 2022 - 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The sermon "The Greatest Gift" will be based on I Corinthians 13:1-13.

\*9:30am service is live-streamed on mywpc.org and YouTube.

\*\*11:00am service is broadcast on FM93.5 The Burg and AM740.