

WILLIAMSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 13, 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

“This is the day the Lord has made, let us be glad and rejoice in it.”

Our day is a precious gift from God, that His light shines upon,
no matter the troubles of the world, we shall embrace with joy and grace.

THE GATHERING

PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

PASTORAL GREETING AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE Earth and All Stars arr. Shepard
 Westminster Ringers

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The way of the Lord is a refuge for the blameless, but it is the ruin of those who do evil.

People: The name of the Lord is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

Leader: No one can be established through wickedness, but the righteous cannot be uprooted.

People: The name of the Lord is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

Leader: Whoever speaks prudently finds what is good, and blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord.

People: The name of the Lord is a fortified tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.

Leader: There is no wisdom, no insight, no plan that can succeed against the Lord.

People: Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish your plans.

*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.

***HYMN 314**

Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness

CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Leader: We come before Christ as the community of faith, asking for forgiveness in the face of chaos and uncertainty.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Iona Community) (Unison)

O God, gladly we live and move and have our being in you. Yet always in the midst of this creation-glory, we see sin's shadow and feel death's darkness: around us in the earth, sea and sky, the abuse of matter; beside us in the broken, the hungry and the poor, the betrayal of one another; and often, deep within us, a striving against your Spirit. O Trinity of love, forgive us that we may forgive one another, heal us that we may be a people of healing, and renew us that we also may be makers of peace. Amen.

A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

***KYRIE**

Lord, Have Mercy

Schubert

The musical score is written for two systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (bass clef). The key signature is D major (two sharps). The first system contains the lyrics: "Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy;". The second system contains the lyrics: "Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy." The piano part provides harmonic support with chords and moving lines, including some sustained notes in the bass.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

*GLORIA

O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer

STUTT GART

O my soul, bless your Re-deem-er; all with-in me bless God's name;

bless the Sav-ior, and for-get not all God's mer-cies to pro-claim.

The musical score is written for two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in 4/4 time. The melody is in the Treble clef, and the bass line is in the Bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes.

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

Christian Oh

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

God of wisdom, you have given us your word to guide us through this chaotic and confusing world. Grant us clarity so that we may create communities of peace and love in your name, Amen.

FIRST LESSON: *I Kings 19:3-9a* (CEB)

³Elijah was terrified. He got up and ran for his life. He arrived at Beer-sheba in Judah and left his assistant there. ⁴He himself went farther on into the desert a day's journey. He finally sat down under a solitary broom bush. He longed for his own death: "It's more than enough, LORD! Take my life because I'm no better than my ancestors." ⁵He lay down and slept under the solitary broom bush.

(Scripture continues on the next page.)

Then suddenly a messenger tapped him and said to him, “Get up! Eat something!” ⁶Elijah opened his eyes and saw flatbread baked on glowing coals and a jar of water right by his head. He ate and drank, and then went back to sleep. ⁷The LORD’s messenger returned a second time and tapped him. “Get up!” the messenger said. “Eat something, because you have a difficult road ahead of you.” ⁸Elijah got up, ate and drank, and went refreshed by that food for forty days and nights until he arrived at Horeb, God’s mountain. ⁹There he went into a cave and spent the night.

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

MEDITATION I

Stephen Rosene

MEDITATION II

Katie Lee

PSALM 74:1-3, 18-23 (Unison)

God, why have you abandoned us forever?

Why does your anger smolder

at the sheep of your own pasture?

Remember your congregation

that you took as your own long ago,

that you redeemed to be the tribe of your own possession—

remember Mount Zion, where you dwell.

March to the unending ruins,

to all that the enemy destroyed in the sanctuary.

So remember this, LORD:

how enemies have insulted you,

how unbelieving fools have abused your name.

Don’t deliver the life of your dove to wild animals!

Don’t forget the lives of your afflicted people forever!

Consider the covenant!

Because the land’s dark places are full of violence.

Don’t let the oppressed live in shame.

No, let the poor and needy praise your name!

God, rise up! Make your case!

Remember how unbelieving fools insult you all day long.

Don’t forget the voices of your enemies,

the racket of your adversaries that never quits.

SECOND LESSON: *James 1:2-8* (CEB and GW)

²My brothers and sisters, be very happy when you are tested in different ways. ³You know that such testing of your faith produces endurance. ⁴Endure until your testing is over. Then you will be mature and complete, and you won't need anything.

⁵If any of you needs wisdom to know what you should do, you should ask God, and he will give it to you. God is generous to everyone and doesn't find fault with them. ⁶When you ask for something, don't have any doubts. A person who has doubts is like a wave that is blown by the wind and tossed by the sea. ⁷A person who has doubts shouldn't expect to receive anything from the Lord. ⁸A person who has doubts is thinking about two different things at the same time and can't make up his mind about anything.

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Thanks be to God!

MEDITATION III

Hayley Scheir

²My siblings, think of the various tests you encounter as occasions for joy. ³After all, you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. ⁴Let this endurance complete its work so that you may be fully mature, complete, and lacking in nothing. ⁵But anyone who needs wisdom should ask God, whose very nature is to give to everyone without a second thought, without keeping score. Wisdom will certainly be given to those who ask. ⁶Whoever asks shouldn't hesitate. They should ask in faith, without doubting. Whoever doubts is like the surf of the sea, tossed and turned by the wind. ⁷People like that should never imagine that they will receive anything from the Lord. ⁸They are double-minded, unstable in all their ways.

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Thanks be to God!

MEDITATION IV

Ellie Renshaw

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 79

Light Dawns on a Weary World

TEMPLE OF PEACE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: FROM THE CONFESSION OF BELHAR(Unison)

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. We believe that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways: in that we love one another; that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another; together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ; that we need one another and upbuild one another, admonishing and comforting one another.

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

Pie Jesu
Abby Comey, soprano

Gabriel Fauré (1845–1924)

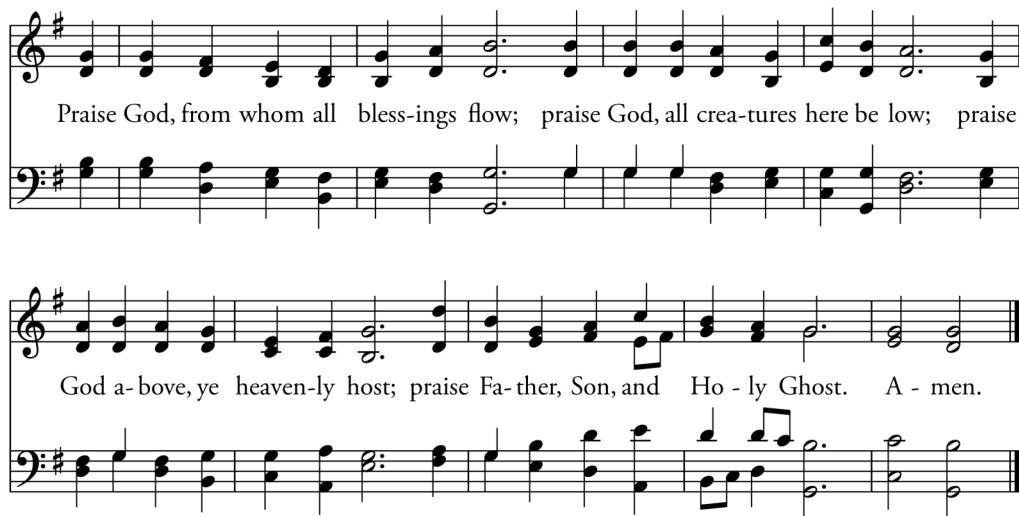
Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis requiem sempiternam.

Holy Lord Jesus, grant them eternal rest.

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here be low; praise
God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*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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*HYMN 306

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata Festiva

Ritter

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 by Betsy Anderson.
Sending God's love and peace to all on Valentine's Day and
remembering her husband Alvin Anderson's birthday this month.

❧ THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY ❧

PASTORS

John E. Morgan, Pastor/Head of Staff
Rachel Hébert, Associate Pastor for Community Care
Pam Hrnccir, Covenant Pastor for Congregational Care

MUSIC MINISTRY

Christopher Bechtler, Director of Music Ministries
Norman Elton, Organist and Assistant Director of Music

COLLEGIATE MINISTRY

Westminster Ringers
Abby Comey, Matthew Heidel, Zackery Johnson, Katie Lee, Alyssa Mitchell,
Christian Oh, Ellie Renshaw, Stephen Rosene, Hayley Scheir, Sophie Vandevander

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

Christian Oh

GREETERS

9:30am Harley Stewart
11:00am John Due

USHERS

9:30am Pat Underwood, Anne Nicastro, Nick Nicastro, Rebecca Caprio
11:00am Bob Bolstad, Rick Cheston, Sarah Houghland, Rebecca Caprio

***WILLIAMSBURG LANDING USHERS**

Terry Backus

***WINDSOR MEADE USHER**

Paul Hotinger

AUDIO AND VIDEO TECHNICIANS: Mike Squire and John Schoenberger

*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 be 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: Jo Ann 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, February 13 – Saturday, February 19, 2022

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

The WPC Family extends its deepest Christian sympathy and prayers to:

- Kathy and Al Kruschwitz on the death of their son, Brandon Johnson, who died suddenly on Wednesday, February 2, 2022. A Celebration of Life Service was held in Stevenson Hall on Saturday, February 12, 2022.
- The family of WPC member, Lee Johnson, who died on Friday, February 4. A memorial service will be held at a later date.
- Amanda and Robert Waggoner and family on the recent death of her father.
- Judy and Jack Lassiter and family on the recent death of her mother.

Please continue to pray for:

- Ivy Johnson, Buddy Puller, Jack Wasson, Arnie Cole, Ann Snead, Mary Jo Siclari, Richard Eichhorn, Charlene Grabowski, sister-in-law of WPC member, Kelly (Jim) Kirkpatrick; and Richard Frieze, 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 continue to be affected by the COVID-19 in our local community, the United States and around the World.

❧ SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT ❧

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2022

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation for the purpose of electing Ruling Elders, Deacon, Trustees and At-Large Members of the Nominating Committee, and approval of the terms of call for John E. Morgan, Pastor and Rachel Hébert, Associate Pastor for Community Care, will be held on Sunday, February 27, 2021.

It will be a hybrid meeting beginning at 10:40am in the sanctuary and on ZOOM.

The ZOOM log-in information will be available next week.

All members of WPC are invited to attend.

❧ Announcement ❧

- **USHERS AND GREETERS NEEDED FOR WORSHIP SERVICES. CAN YOU HELP? Please visit the tables in the Elevator Lobby area between services TODAY 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).
- **The Souper Bowl of Caring is back in-person on TODAY, Sunday, February 13!** Be a part of the movement that is sharing God's love with those in need. Every year, our awesome WPC youth greet you at church in the Narthex and in the back hallway on the morning of "The Big Game" (this year, Sunday, February 13) with large soup pots to collect money to donate to a program of their choosing. This year, the youth have raised the bar and chosen THREE WPC outreach programs to support with the Souper Bowl of Caring funds: The Crockpot Ministry, The Summer Meals for Kids Program, and the Leave Behind Bags.

As we are still in the middle of a pandemic, donations to local food programs are still so very critical. Please consider using one of the "cashless offering" options listed on another page in the bulletin (use the QR code in the bulletin, or visit the church's website). All checks (whether mailed to the church or donated in person on the 13th) should be made out to WPC with "Souper Bowl of Caring" on the memo line.

- **The Open Door Concert Series welcomes organist Raul Prieto Ramirez for a free concert at 4:00pm on Sunday, February 20.** Raul travels from San Diego, California, where he presides over the Spreckels pipe organ in Balboa Park, the world's largest outdoor organ. His concert will feature classic organ repertoire combined with his own thrilling arrangements of other works, from Bach to Freddie Mercury. It is sure to offer something for everybody! More information is available at mywpc.org/concerts.

- **FISH Monthly Food Collection:** The WPC Christian Outreach Ministry is resuming its monthly (third Sunday) food collection for the FISH food pantry. **The first Sunday will be February 20!** Although FISH is moving to its new location on Second Street, it is still accepting food donations. FISH seeks non-perishable food items; currently they are in need of *boxed cereal, canned beef stew and soups, and applesauce, as well as dishwashing liquid and laundry detergent*. Please place your food donations in or near the red shopping cart located by the rear entrance. Christian Outreach thanks you for your generosity to our food insecure neighbors.
- **Back by popular demand! Lent through Easter grab and go bags!** The Christian Education Committee is again offering grab and go Lent/Holy Week/Easter bags that will include fun, meaningful and joyful activities for ALL ages! **Bags will be available for pickup on Saturday, February 26, from 9:30-11am in the back parking lot.** This will be a drive-through pickup, and a CE volunteer will bring your bag(s) out to you! To accommodate everyone that wants a bag, and to make sure that enough bags are prepared, registration is REQUIRED. To sign up, please go to:
<https://mywpc.shelbynextchms.com/external/form/dd24e972-5796-457a-824a-f82e0531534f>
- **JOIN OUR CHURCH FAMILY! Please join us for our New Membership Orientation on Sunday, February 27 at 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 Hrnir (757-508-4668; phrnir@mywpc.org).
- **The next meeting of the book club will be Monday, February 28, 2022, at 2:00pm on ZOOM.** We will discuss *Strings Attached: One Tough Teacher and the Gift of Great Expectations*, by Joanne Lipman and Melanie Kupchynsky. For more information, or to receive the Zoom link, please contact Ellen Peters (ellenbpeters@gmail.com).
- **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).

✧ OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS ✧

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13

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
Family Matters Class / LL012
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
1:30pm Williamsburg Youth Orchestra Rehearsal / Stevenson Hall and Sanctuary
3:30pm Williamsburg Youth Orchestra Concert / Sanctuary

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

9:00am DISCIPLE: Under The Tree of Life / LL010 and ZOOM
7:00pm Hunger and Homelessness Mtg / Online

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

10:00am DISCIPLE Bible Study / ZOOM
10:00am Communication Ministry / ZOOM
1:00pm Staff Mtg / ZOOM
6:00pm Stephen Ministers Training / ZOOM
7:00pm AA Wmsbg. Tuesday Night Big Book Study / LL049

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

11:00am Worship Ministry / ZOOM
6:00pm Genesis Ringers / Bell Room
6:00pm UKirk Campus Ministry / UKirk Rm
6:30pm Admin. Mtg / ZOOM
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

4:30pm Carol Choir and Junior Choir / Children's Choir Room
7:00pm Christian Outreach / LL010
7:30pm Westminster Ringers / Bell Rm

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

1:00pm Kenneth Taylor Graveside Service / Cedar Grove Cemetery
5:00pm Gerrity-Barnett Wedding Rehearsal / Sanctuary
5:30pm Winter Homeless Shelter Support / James River Baptist

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

4:00pm Gerrity-Barnett Wedding / Sanctuary

✧ NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP ✧

FEBRUARY 20, 2022 - 7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The sermon, "Joseph Saves" is based on Genesis 45:3-11, 15.

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

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