



# WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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June 26, 2022

Worship Service

8 AM & 11 AM

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**As you enter, begin to worship quietly. Please silence your phone.**

FOR REFLECTION: "The parables of Jesus were like missiles launched against the kingdom of darkness in men's hearts. They were 'timed' to destroy the self-confidence of men and women, and to overcome all opposition to their conversion to Christ. They were calculated to bring people to a point of decision. That is why their central theme is the way in which the kingdom of God is established in the world" (Sinclair Ferguson).

PRELUDE

*Fanfare and Processional  
Nimrod*

K. Chapman  
E. Elgar

Percussion Ensemble Frank Dodd, organ

TIDINGS OF THE CHURCH

Dr. Walker

CALL TO WORSHIP: \* Psalm 105:1–4, 7

**Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples! Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice! Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually! He is the Lord our God.**

SILENT PRAYER/INVOCATION

(8:00) Dr. Light, (11:00) Rev. Collins

**HYMN 310 \***

*Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

DARWALL/arr. S. Metzger

CONFESSION OF SIN \* Led by the Pastor

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE: \* Zephaniah 3:14–17

Pastor: This is the grace of God for our salvation.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

CONFESSION OF FAITH: \* *The Apostles' Creed*

**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.**

*\* The word catholic means universal*

SONG OF PRAISE: \* *All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above* Hymn 4, stanza 1

**All praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation, the God of wonders, pow'r and love, the God of our salvation! With healing balm my soul he fills, the God who every sorrow stills. To God all praise and glory!**

COVENANT BAPTISM (11:00)

**Evan Josiah Irl Hayward**, son of John and Heidi Hayward, born May 2, 2022.

COMMISSIONING OF KINGDOM BUILDERS & YAKAMA SHORT-TERM MISSION TEAMS (11:00)

INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

*There Is a Balm in Gilead*

arr. L. Larson

There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole; there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul. Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain. But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again... 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." Don't ever feel discouraged for Jesus is your friend; and if you look for knowledge he'll ne'er refuse to lend...

Words: Traditional Spiritual; Jeremiah 8:22 | Music: Traditional Spiritual; arr. Lloyd Larson

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Peter Achor & Jim Casler, vocalists    Frank Dodd, piano

**HYMN 437 \***

*O God, to Us Show Mercy*

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SCRIPTURE LESSON: Mark 4:21–34 (Pew Bible Page 839)

SERMON

***The Future of the Kingdom of God***

Dr. Chris Walker

#9 in a Series on Mark—*Take Up Your Cross: Jesus' Sacrifice, Our Calling*

**HYMN (overleaf) \***

*In Christ Alone*

BENEDICTION \*

POSTLUDE

*“Maestoso” from ‘Organ’ Symphony No. 3*

C. Saint-Saëns

Percussion Ensemble Frank Dodd, organ

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\*Worshippers, please stand if physically able.

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## **At the Morning Worship Service:**

**Organist:** Frank Dodd

**Percussion Ensemble:** Jonathan Hagen, Kieran McFall, Corbin Walter

**In Christ Alone** is our June *Hymn of the Month*. Over the past twenty years, the musical partnership of Keith Getty and Stuart Townend has defined the genre of the modern hymn. Dating from 2001, “In Christ Alone” was the first hymn they co-wrote. It is a credal hymn in the way it declares the whole life of Christ and what that means for those who put their faith in Jesus. The final stanza of the hymn arrives at the power, assurance, and hope that all believers experience now and in the future.

**The Yakama short-term mission team** is commissioned at the 11 AM service today. July 2–9, Mark Thudium and Elaine High lead Ben Barrall, Josh Hagan, Joel Kasereka, Pierce Leaman, Kieran McFall, AJ & Grace Rodman, Dan, Elsa, Mia, Justus & Liesel Rogers, Michael Rogers, Michelle Thudium, Todd & Nadia Walter, Heidi & Troy Weidler, Kyle & Christian Wenger.

The team partners with Sacred Road Ministries, WA, to provide community repairs and a children’s VBS on the Yakama Indian Reservation.

**Kingdom Builders** is also commissioned at the 11 AM service today. Matt Collins and Melissa White lead Avena Allgyer, Heidi Barrall, Luke Bodene, Evangelyne Fanus, Martin Grim, Emily & Lauren Helms, Thomas High, Nora Kellum, Liam, Margo & Michael Kieffer, Bella Krueger, Robyn McWilliams, Lewis Rogers, Theo Rogers, Camille Rohal, Kennedy Scotten, Kate Umbarger, Nora Waldo, Alana Walker, Corbin Walter, Greta & Luke Wenger, Justus York.

Kingdom Builders, July 13–16, is designed to introduce junior high youth to short-term missions at the local level. Participants are given opportunities to put their faith into action by engaging in service projects throughout Lancaster County and Westminster Church while receiving ministry training and hearing missions trip testimonies from older youth and adults.

**Commit to pray or give** at [westpca.com/outreach/short-term-missions](http://westpca.com/outreach/short-term-missions).

# In Christ Alone

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found He is my light my strength, my song; This cor - ner lone! - Who took on flesh; Full-ness of God in help - less babe! This gift of ground His bo - dy lay, Light of the world by dark - ness slain; Then burst - ing life, no fear in death - This is the pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first

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stone this sol - id ground, firm through the fierc-est drought and storm. What heights of love and right-eous-ness, scorned by the ones He came to save; 'Til on that forth in glo-rious Day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He cry to fin - al breath, Je - sus com-mands my des - tin - y. No pow'r of

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love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv-ings cease! My com - for - ter, my all in cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is - fied; For ev' - ry sin on Him was stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me; For I am His and He is hell, no scheme of man, can e - ver pluck me from His hand; 'Til He re - turns or calls me

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all, here in the love of Christ I stand.  
laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.  
mine- bought with the pre-cious blood of Christ.  
home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

2. In Christ a -  
3. There in the  
4. No guilt in

## Visitors

**Welcome visitors:** Please complete the Connect Card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate. You will receive an informational, one-time mailing.

**Connections class** is held the first and second Sunday of each month. This monthly, two-week informal session is offered for visitors and those who desire an informative introduction to the life and ministry of Westminster Church—without obligation. *Connections* is located in the library (located across the Gathering Space), 9:30–10:30 AM.

## Everyone

**Help us minister to you;** complete a Connect Card each week you worship with us.

**Hearing devices** to use in the sanctuary are available from the ushers.

**Sanctuary flowers** are contributed by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Menges, II, in memory of Harry's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Job F. Menges, Sr., and Eileen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Yost; and by Frank and Deloras Ammerman in loving memory of Deloras' father, Gene Flippo, who died June 30, 1989.

## Outdoor Evening Worship Service: 6 PM

Dr. Tucker York preaches on Revelation 2:8–11, *The Crown of Life*. Songs of praise will be led by the Caddick family.

## United in Marriage

**The marriage of members** Lyric Williams and Caleb Sneller took place in our sanctuary on June 18, 2022. Pray for the couple as they begin their new life together.

# Ministry Highlights

- **Seeking Out-of-This-World Crew for Space Probe VBS!** There are many ways to serve: registration, crafts, recreation, kitchen, classroom helpers and more! We need teachers for 2/3-year-olds, 5-year-olds, kindergarten, and 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades. Volunteer at the registration desk or [westpca.com/vbs-volunteer](http://westpca.com/vbs-volunteer). Please contact Mary Jo ([rizzo@westpca.com](mailto:rizzo@westpca.com)) with questions. *Volunteers, don't forget to register your children for childcare.*
- **Facility Manager position:** We seek a full-time Facility Manager to perform maintenance, safety, and management tasks to preserve the cleanliness, safety, and upkeep of the church facilities. Those interested should send inquiries and a resume to Michael Ploutz ([ploutz@westpca.com](mailto:ploutz@westpca.com)) **by TODAY**. A job description is available at [www.westpca.com/job-opportunities](http://www.westpca.com/job-opportunities). Our goal is to begin this new position by mid-summer.

***Please note the church office summer hours:***

Monday–Thursday, 8 AM–4 PM

Friday, 8 AM–noon

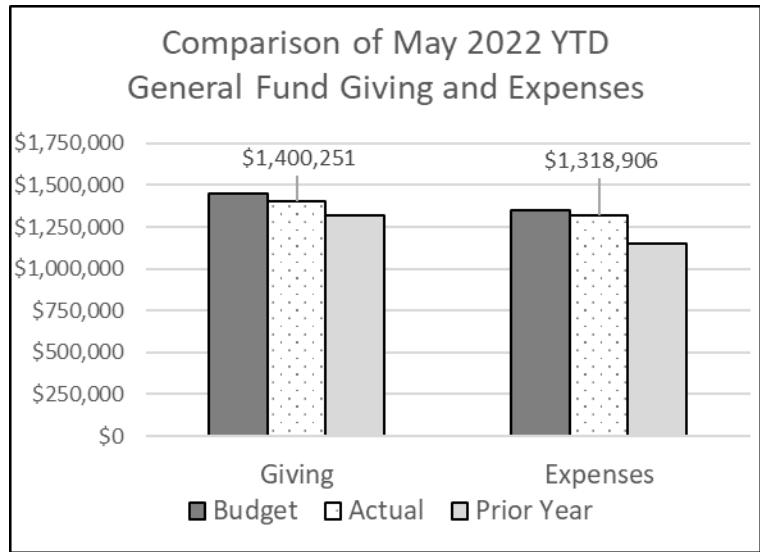
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## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Reprinted with corrected Budget Expenses

Financial Stewardship Report  
Year-to-Date Through May 2022

<u>May 2022</u>		<u>Giving</u>		<u>Expenses</u>
Budget	\$	1,447,500	\$	1,349,870
Actual	\$	1,400,251	\$	1,318,906
Prior Year	\$	1,321,268	\$	1,150,221



## Pastoral Staff

Dr. Christopher Walker  
*Senior Pastor*

Dr. John Light  
*Senior Associate Pastor*

Dr. Tucker York  
*Executive Pastor/Missions*

Dr. David Kieffer  
*Associate Pastor/Discipleship &  
Outreach*

Dr. Barry Cureton  
*Associate Pastor/Shepherding &  
Visitation*

Rev. Matthew Collins  
*Associate Pastor/Youth*

Dr. Michael Rogers  
*Pastor Emeritus*

### WE EXIST TO:

**GLORIFY** and enjoy the living God by striving for worship that is pleasing to Him.

**NURTURE** believers of all ages to become mature disciples of Jesus Christ: rooted in the doctrines of Scripture, zealous in prayer, holy in character, and committed to one another.

**PROCLAIM** good news of faith in Christ by words of witness and deeds of mercy, in Lancaster County and to all nations of the earth.



Worship: 8 AM & 11 AM, 6 PM Sunday School: 9:30 AM

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