



WEBSTER GROVES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

45 West Lockwood Ave. ♦ Webster Groves, MO 63119

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5th Sunday of Easter ♦ May 7, 2023 ♦ 9:30 a.m.

Our Mission:

We seek to live Christ's love, welcome all people,
and joyfully serve God.



As the music begins, let us use this time for quiet reflection and prayer, so that we, individually and as a great crowd of witnesses, may prepare ourselves to reaffirm our faith as the people of God.

✦ *When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.*

Gathering for God's Word

PRELUDE

“Kanonische Sonaten”

Georg Philipp Telemann

2. Adagio

3. Allergo

Lia Fairbanks, Cassie Fischer, violin

WELCOME AND COMMUNITY LIFE

Rev. Ed Zumwinkel

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Betsy Wacker

L: Please rise in body or spirit.

Let us offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God,
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

P: Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

✦ OPENING HYMN

“Praise His Holy Name”

Darlene Zschech

Chorus

We're gonna praise His holy name

We're gonna praise His holy name

Lift Him up above the heavens

We're gonna praise His holy name (repeat Chorus)

Verse

Lord I want to thank You

For everything You've done

Way beyond my wildest hopes and dreams

Gonna lift my hands and sing out loud

And praise His wonderful name (return to Chorus)

Continued >>

Bridge

Choir: *Hallelujah, All: Hallelujah*

Choir: *Glory to Almighty God, All: Glory to Almighty God*

Choir: *Hallelujah, All: Hallelujah*

Choir: *Glory to Almighty God, All: Glory to Almighty God (repeat Bridge)*

(return to Chorus to sing twice)

Ending

Lift Him up above the heavens

We're gonna praise His holy name

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✦ CALL TO CONFESSION

L: Whoever believes in Christ will not be put to shame.

Confident in this promise,

let us confess our sin before God and one another.

✦ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: Let us pray:

P: Almighty God,

your word offers freedom from sin,

but we confess that we have not obeyed your word.

We have harbored malice toward our enemies;

we have been deceitful in our relationships;

we have been insincere in our commitments;

through gossip we have slandered our friends.

Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance.

Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk

that we may grow into the joy of salvation

through Jesus Christ. Amen.

✦ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Sisters and brothers, once you were not a people, but now you are God's people;

once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

✦ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

L: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

P: And also with you.



Proclaiming God’s Word

SCRIPTURE CONVERSATION

Matt Miller

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Betsy Wacker

L: Let us pray:

Lord,
 as we listen to your holy Word,
 open our hearts to the power of your Spirit,
 call us out of darkness,
 and lead us into your marvelous light. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Pew Bible pgs. 505-506
 Betsy Wacker

¹In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me.

²Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.

³You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name’s sake lead me and guide me,

⁴take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge.

⁵Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.

¹⁵My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

¹⁶Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

L: The word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

“Kanonische Sonaten”

Georg Philipp Telemann

1. Vivace

Lia Fairbanks, Cassie Fischer, violin

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and ⁵like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." ⁷To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner," ⁸and "A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

L: The word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Rev. Ed Zumwinkel

Responding to God's Word

The Sacrament of Baptism

Eloise Lane Booker

Linnea Claire Byers

William Anthony Tinsley Miller

Eliza Jane Thompson

Public Profession of Faith

Joseph Donald Demko, III

Matthew Stephen Figura

Clara Rose Gatewood

PRESENTATION

L: Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ:

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,

baptizing them in the name of the Father,

and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit,

and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.

And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age. *Continued >>*

L: Hear also these words from holy scripture:
As many of you as were baptized into Christ
have clothed yourselves with Christ.

**P: There is no longer Jew or Greek,
there is no longer slave or free,
there is no longer male and female;
for all are one in Christ Jesus.**

For those being baptized:

E: On behalf of the session,
I present Eloise Lane Booker, [Linnea Claire Byers,
William Anthony Tinsley Miller, and Eliza Jane Thompson]
to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Elder Lily Johnston

Putting your whole trust
in the grace and love of Jesus Christ,
Eloise Lane, [Linnea Claire, William Anthony, and Eliza Jane]
do you desire to be baptized? If so, say, "I do."

C: I do.

The presider addresses the congregation:

L: Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ,
promise to guide and nurture
Eloise Lane, [Linnea Claire, William Anthony, and Eliza Jane]
by word and deed, with love and prayer?

Matt Miller

P: We do.

L: Will you encourage them to know and follow Christ
and to be faithful members of his church?

P: We will.

For those previously baptized who are making a public profession of faith:

E: Joseph Donald Demko, [Matthew Stephen Figura,
and Clara Rose Gatewood] are presented by the session
for the reaffirmation of the baptismal covenant.

Elder Lily Johnston

They now desire to profess their faith publicly
and to accept greater responsibility
in the life of the church and God's mission in the world.

Addressing the candidates, the presider says:

L: We rejoice that you now desire to declare your faith
and to share with us in our common ministry.
In Baptism you were joined to Christ
and made members of his body.
In the community of the people of God
you have learned of God's purpose
for you and for all creation.
You have been nurtured at the table of our Lord
and called to witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

L: Trusting in the gracious mercy of God,
do you turn from the ways of sin
and renounce evil and its power in the world?

C: I do.

L: Who is your Lord and Savior?

C: Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

L: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple,
obeying his word and showing his love?

C: I will, with God's help.

L: Will you devote yourself
to the church's teaching and fellowship,
to the breaking of bread and the prayers?

C: I will, with God's help.

APOSTLES' CREED

L: And now let us say what we believe.

**P: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead. *Continued >>***

**P: On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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.**

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

L: Blessed are you, O Lord our God:

In countless ways, from generation to generation,
you reveal your great love for the world
and bless us with signs of your grace.

We praise you that through the waters of the sea,
you led your people Israel out of bondage,
into freedom in the land of your promise.

We praise you for sending Jesus Christ your Son,
and for the baptism of his death and resurrection
through which you set us free from sin and death.

We praise you for the gift of your Holy Spirit,
given to all nations and people
so that all who call on your name might be saved.

L: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit
upon us and upon this water,
that this font may be your womb of new birth.

May all who pass through these waters
be delivered from death to life,
from bondage to freedom,
from sin to righteousness.
Bind them to the household of faith
and guard them from all evil.
Strengthen them to serve you with joy
until the day you make all things new. *Continued >>*

L: Through the Lord Jesus Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
we bless you, God of glory,
now and forever. Amen.

THE BAPTISM

L: Eloise Lane, [Linnea Claire, William Anthony, and Eliza Jane]
I baptize you
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved,
clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness,
humility, meekness, and patience.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

L: O Lord, uphold Eloise Lane, [Linnea Claire, William Anthony, and Eliza Jane]
by your Holy Spirit.
Give them your gifts of grace:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,
the spirit of joy in your presence,
both now and forever. **Amen.**

L: Gracious God, by water and the Spirit
you claimed us as your own,
cleansing us from sin, and giving us new life.
You made us members of your body, the church,
calling us to be your servants in the world.
Renew in Eloise Lane, [Linnea Claire, William Anthony, and Eliza Jane]
the covenant you made in their baptism.
Continue the good work you have begun in them.

Send them forth by the power of your Spirit
to love and serve you with joy,
and to strive for justice and peace in all the earth,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** *Continued >>*

L: Eloise Lane, [Linnea Claire, William Anthony, Eliza Jane,
Joseph Donald, Matthew Stephen, and Clara Rose]
remember your baptism and be thankful,
and know that the Holy Spirit is at work within you.

C: Thanks be to God.

WELCOME

E: Eloise Lane, [Linnea Claire, William Anthony, and Eliza Jane]
through your baptism you have been received
into the one holy catholic and apostolic church.
Joseph Donald, [Matthew Stephen, and Clara Rose]
by professing your faith publicly,
you have expressed your intention
to grow in the covenant God made with you in your baptism.

Elder Lily Johnston

May the Spirit continue to strengthen and sustain all of you
in the worship and mission of the church. **Amen.**

L: The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

L: Let us unite our hearts in prayer, saying,
God of resurrection, hear our prayer.

For the church throughout the world,
that all who profess to honor the risen Lord
may be faithful in their witness
and courageous in their testimony to the way of Jesus;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

For the governments of the world and its leaders.
that the nations may dwell in peace,
that good will prevail over strife,
and people of faith may freely worship as their hearts direct;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

For rain and sun in proper measure,
and for abundant food and water
for all who dwell upon the earth;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.** *Continued >>*

L: For the sick and those in need,
and for any who are oppressed by wounds of the soul;

JOYS AND CONCERNS

God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

For our neighbors
that we may live together in amity,
and that strangers among us
may find us to be hospitable friends;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

For our enemies,
that their sins may be forgiven them
and that they may find your peace;
God of resurrection, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God,
your Son promised to grant whatever we ask in his name.
By your Holy Spirit
empower us to minister to the world as his faithful disciples
that our work may testify to what we pray
and show forth your eternal glory,
through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Legacy Giving Sunday

Jim Wood, Endowment

OFFERING INVITATION

Betsy Wacker

L: As people of God, let us offer ourselves and the fruit of our labor
for God's work in the world.

OFFERING

(For those not using the offering plate, your offering can be made
by texting ALMS to 73256 or using the QR code to the right)



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place”
Chancel Choir

Daniel Kallmann

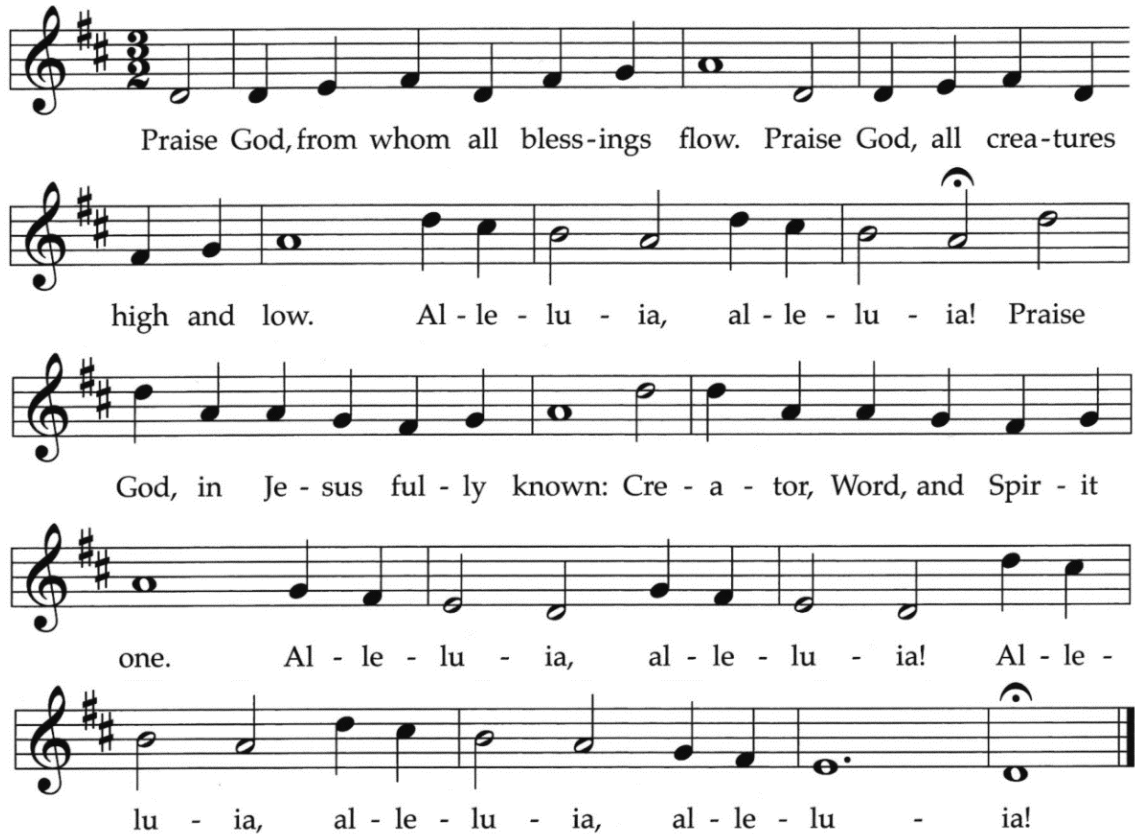
Words for reflection:

*How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Host to me.
My soul is longing and fainting the courts of the Lord to see.
My heart and flesh are singing for joy to the living God.
How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Host to me. Continued >>*

*Even the sparrow finds a home where he can settle down,
and the swallow she can build a nest where she may lay her young
within the courts of the Lord of Host, my King, My Lord, and my God.
And happy are those who are dwelling where the song of praise is sung.*

*And I'd rather be a door-keeper and only stay a day,
than live the life of a sinner and have to stay away.
For the Lord is shining as the sun, and the Lord is like a shield;
and no good thing does God with-hold from those who walk the way.*

♠ DOXOLOGY #60 “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” LASST UNS ERFREUEN



Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures
high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise
God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it
one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

♠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Betsy Wacker

L: Let us pray:
Almighty God,
receive the gifts we bring in gratitude for your astounding goodness.
Make our lives to be an acceptable offering
in union with our risen Lord, who lives and reigns with you forever. **Amen.**

Sending

♠ CLOSING HYMN #301

“Let Us Build A House”
(see music in back of bulletin)

TWO OAKS

✠ CHARGE

L: Go forth to serve in the name of our risen Lord.

✠ BLESSING

L: May Jesus Christ, the way, the truth, and the life, be with you.

May the Spirit empower you to serve in Christ's name.

May God, who raised Christ from the dead,

keep you forevermore. **Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

“Paeon”
Shawn Portell, organ

Peter Hurford

Welcome to WGPC

- **FRIENDSHIP PADS:** Please sign the friendship pads located at the end of each pew.
- **CHILDREN ARE ALWAYS WELCOME IN WORSHIP:** The nursery (designed for children from newborn through three) is open from 8:30-11:45 a.m. But if you need to step out of the Sanctuary, the new Gathering Spot (formerly the front office) will be open with a comfy place to relax with toys, books, coffee, and a live-stream of the worship service.
- **COMMUNION:** Everyone is invited to participate in Communion including children and the unbaptized.
- **ASSISTIVE DEVICES:** Hearing devices, large print hymnals, and cushions are available. One of our ushers will be happy to assist you.
- **WELCOME BAGS:** If you are a visitor or know someone who might be interested in WGPC, please pick up a red welcome bag at our Welcome Station in the main hallway or at the church entrances.

Those Who Serve Today

Liturgist: Betsy Wacker

Elder: Lily Johnston

Greeter: Linda and Tom McNeely

Ushers: Vicki and Richard Lane, Bill Schwartz,
and Allan Scott

Tech Team: Lia Fairbanks, Tom McNeely, Rob
Meyer, Spencer Roudebush, Joey Stokes,
and Dennis Wacker

Nursery Caregiving Team: Anna Stokes, Debbie
Goss, Tammy Graning, and Carrie Rao

Flower Deliverers: Brenda Dribin and Laurie
Goodfellow

Office Assistance: Leigh Porter



Online Worship: Our worship services are live-streamed and video recorded for viewing on our website (wgpc.org) and YouTube pages. Children's participation in the Scripture Conversation indicates implied parental consent to be recorded.

Resources: Some prayers and liturgical texts for worship are provided by: Westminster John Knox Press from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year B, Volume 1 © 2012; Westminster John Knox Press from Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year B, Volume 2 © 2018; Westminster John Knox Press from Book of Common Worship © 2018

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May 7, 2023 Announcements

WORSHIP

Dr. Rev. Susan Andrew's Retirement

Sunday, May 14, 9:30 a.m. Worship followed by reception in Fellowship Hall

You are invited to help celebrate the retirement of Rev. Dr. Susan Andrews next Sunday. Pastor Susan will be preaching the Word of God that day, and a reception will follow Worship. We will all miss having Pastor Susan here, so it is with thanksgiving that we wish her joy and peace in the next steps of her journey. See you there!

FELLOWSHIP



SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, May 21 WGPC Church Picnic

Food, Fun, Family Activities

(following Worship)

and End-of-the-Year Youth Party

(5:00 – 6:30 p.m.)



Music in a Great Place, 2022-2023 26th Season, Upcoming Events

Terminally Hip: A Cappella Vocal Ensemble

Sunday, May 21, 2023

*1:00 p.m. concert in the WGPC Sanctuary
(following the church picnic)*



Terminally Hip is a jazz a cappella quartet featuring singers who have over 150 years of performing experience between them! Their repertoire ranges from jazz standards to

contemporary favorites. The four members consist of three music teachers (two retired) and a professional actor. They have been singing together in various capacities for the past 15 years. To hear a sample, visit amaliasings.com/terminally-hip.

MISSION

We Need Trivia Lovers!!

Friday, May 12, at First Congregational Church of Webster Groves, 10 Lockwood Ave., 63119

Doors open at 6:15 p.m.; trivia begins at 7:00 p.m.

The Mission Outreach Commission has sponsored a table for eight participants, but right now our table is EMPTY! Are you a trivia expert? Or are you horrible at



trivia but looking for a fun night to support our mission partner? Either way we need you! If you are interested, please talk to Sara Yates or Beth Kazlauskas this morning, or you can email Beth at bok@wgpc.org.

International Institute Donation Drive

Saturday, May 13, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Drop off at the Institute's garage, 2983 Louisiana Ave., 63118, (between Arsenal St. and Pestalozzi St.)

When Afghanistan fell in 2021, St. Louisans stepped up with donations to furnish apartments for Afghan refugees. In 2022, the International Institute resettled over 800 newly-arrived people from Afghanistan, Iraq, Myanmar, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Guatemala, Ukraine, and others. The Institute's "store of donations" has run dry, so we are once again asking St. Louisans to "live the gospel message" by donating items so new immigrants can be welcomed into fully furnished-apartments, thus, easing financial burdens. For a list of needed items and more details, please use the link found in the Friday Flash.

Social Advocacy Film Club: *East Lake Meadows*

Tuesday, May 9, 7:30 p.m. via Zoom

Join the Social Advocacy Film Club to discuss the documentary *East Lake Meadows: A Public Housing Story* which follows the rise and fall of a public housing development in Atlanta and raises questions about how our society concentrates and isolates those who have low incomes from essential services. The film can be viewed through PBS or on YouTube (for \$3.99 in HD). Jeff Buck, WGPC congregation member and Executive Director of Sanctuary in the Ordinary, will join the discussion to share his insights and experiences with housing policy and discuss how his organization is addressing affordable rental housing.

View Nancy Holmes' Slideshow Online!

On Sunday, April 23, Environmental Stewardship honored Nancy Holmes with the WGPC Earth Care Award in appreciation of her ministry of creating thousands of beautiful cards for our congregation featuring her stunning photos of flowers and nature. You can view a slideshow of her amazing work at wgpc.org/ministries/environmental-stewardship/. Thank you, Nancy for sharing your gift and love of nature with us!

Give-A-Meal-A-Month Menu for May

Help provide a healthy meal for those served by Webster-Rock Hill Ministries. Simply purchase a bag of items on the menu below and drop it off in the Mission Hub this month. May's menu is: a family size can of soup, box of whole grain crackers, canned green beans (low or no salt), a can of mixed fruit (lite or in juice), and a box of cereal. Additional needs: baby food.

Environmental Stewardship's May Focus: Garbage Disposal and Air Quality

According to ecomyths.org, food waste accounts for 22 percent of what is sent to landfills, impacting the quality of our air and other natural resources. The Environmental Stewardship Committee reminds us that composting (rather than disposing) garbage:

- keeps food waste from ending up in landfills where it generates the greenhouse gas methane;
- decreases the resources needed to purify our drinking water; and
- turns waste into valuable nutrients for gardens, yards, and our earth.

The Missouri Botanical Garden can answer composting questions at greenresources@mobot.org, and there are composting services available (like compoststl.com).

SUNDAY ADULT EDUCATION

See the Friday Flash for the current Zoom link for Sunday Adult Education classes

Coffee and Conversation with the Lectionary
Sundays, 8:30-9:15 a.m. in the Parlor and by Zoom
Participants will consider Biblical texts used in the day's worship and explore historical settings and the people and issues involved. Leaders: Jeff Buck, Deb Grossman, and Pete Putnam.

An Apology for the Sin of Racism: A PC(USA) Statement

Today, May 7, 10:45 a.m. in the Parlor and by Zoom
The second of our two-part series on the PC(USA) "Apology to African Americans for the Sin of Slavery and Its Legacy." Today's lesson includes a meditative group reading of the Litany of Repentance from the Apology led by Diane McCullough, WGPC member and an author of the Apology.

Ruben Rosario Rodriguez Book Launch

Tuesday, May 9, 12:00 to 1:30 p.m.
Anheuser-Busch Auditorium, Cook Hall, on the Campus of St. Louis University, 3684 Lindell Blvd.
Rev. Dr. Ruben Rosario Rodriguez, professor of theological studies at St. Louis University, was a popular speaker at a WGPC Faith Formation series last year. You are invited to the launch of his new book entitled *Theological Fragments: Confessing What We Know and Cannot Know about an Infinite God*. The event will feature a panel discussion with three distinguished university theologians followed by a reception. Reservations are not required; the launch can also be viewed online using the link found in the Friday Flash.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

Sunday School

Sundays, 10:45-11:45 a.m. in Room 210
Children pre-k through 5th grade gather for "Follow Me," a curriculum based on practices Jesus did and taught us to do as faithful followers. Each class also features music that prepares the children to sing in worship services throughout the year.

Celtics and Agape

Sunday Evenings, Youth Lounge

- Celtics, (6th through 8th grade), 4:00-5:30 p.m.
- Agape (9th through 12th grade), 5:00-7:30 p.m.
- Shared meal, 5:00-5:30 p.m.

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FAITH FORMATION

FAITH FORMATION THIS WEEK <i>(see full details that follow)</i>	
Sunday	Thursday
<p>Coffee and Conversation 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>Litany of Repentance from the Apology for the Sin of Racism 10:45 a.m.</p> <p>Sunday School 10:45 a.m.</p> <p>Celtics 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>Agape 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Disciples' Bible Study 10 a.m.</p>

Youth today are seeking answers. Centered in Jesus Christ, Celtics and Agape ministries provide safe space for spiritual discussion as well as fellowship and fun while developing friendships. From 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. each week, all youth come together to break bread with a meal provided by church members. Interested in providing a meal? Please contact Cherstin Byers at chb@wgpc.org for details.

OPPORTUNITIES DURING THE WEEK

Men's Bible Study

Tuesdays, May 16 and 30, 7:00-8:00 a.m., in the Parlor and by Zoom

Facilitated by Rev. Dale Kuhn. For info and dates, contact Frank Bloemke at ekmeolb@gmail.com.

Disciples' Bible Study

Thursday Mornings, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. in the Parlor and by Zoom

This lively and interactive group will explore the Gospel of Matthew. Facilitated by Rev. Susan Andrews.

Wednesday Evening Book Study

3rd Wednesday of the Month, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the Parlor and by Zoom

Discussion of *An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith* written by Barbara Brown Taylor. For more info, contact Rev. Susan Andrews at sra@wgpc.org.

Theology on Tap

Wednesday, May 24, 7:00 p.m. at C.J. Mugg's, 101 W. Lockwood, 63119

Monthly informal conversations about faith and life. Facilitated by Scott Lyon. For more info, contact Scott at sjlyon33@gmail.com.

Keep Up To Date! Sign Up to Receive the Emailed Friday Flash

To learn about upcoming events with access to direct links for sign-ups and other resources, add your email address by visiting at wgpc.org/announcements/.

Deadlines for the Bulletin and Friday Flash

Please submit announcements by the end of Tuesday prior to the desired Sunday. For the bulletin, contact Barb Fischer at baf@wgpc.org. For the Friday Flash, contact Cherstin Byers at chb@wgpc.org. **If you would like your announcement to appear in both, please be sure to email both Barb and Cherstin.**

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Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)
 C7 F C F B^b C Dm

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
 F C F Dm7 Gm C

safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
 strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
 wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
 wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
 vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
 Gm C7 B^b F Am Dm

how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)
 Gm C F B^b

vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

Continued >>

Refrain

(D) (G) (F#7) (Bm) (Em) (Bm)
 F B^b A7 Dm Gm Dm

love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:

(F#m) (Em) (D) (Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)
 Am Gm F Gm C7 F B^b F

all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

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