



First Westminster Presbyterian Church
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 10:45AM Rev. Jason Elliott December 22, 2024

Building relationships and connecting with others is important to us! We want to stay connected with those who virtually stay connected with us and also those who we see on a regular basis! If you could please scan the QR code above and complete the quick form, it would greatly help us as we update our contact information. Even if you believe we may have your information, please complete as we are cross checking what we have in Power Church. We thank you for all of your time, commitment, and support to First West!

We are so excited to share that we are now streaming our 10:45AM service in multiple locations of the church. For those of you with little ones, you can always catch the service LIVE on the television in the nursery located on the first floor. Also, the service is LIVE in the fellowship hall downstairs on the big screen. Also, our youth leaders have access to the service on a television in our Christian Education wing upstairs.

To give to First Westminster online,
 scan this QR code or go to
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The Church service is archived to our website
www.firstwestminster.org under the “watch” tab.
 Stay connected with us on Facebook, YouTube and Instagram!

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

4th **SUNDAY ADVENT READING/CANDLE LIGHTING** Pietro Family

HYMN “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” See insert/#9

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Loving God, we humbly ask for your forgiveness. Open our eyes and soften our hearts that we may faithfully serve you as we should. Fill us with the gift of love that we may love others.

MOMENT FOR SILENT MEDITATION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: RESPONSE: Friends, believe the Good News in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

BAPTISM

SPECIAL MUSIC “Do You Hear What I Hear?” Isaiah Ramsey

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

THE APOSTLES’ CREED (Traditional) 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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

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.

SCRIPTURE: Luke 1:39-45 (46-55)

³⁹ In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰ where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴²and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³ And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴ For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵ And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord."

⁴⁶ And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord,⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, ⁴⁸for he has looked with favor on the lowly state of his servant. Surely from now on all generations will call me blessed, ⁴⁹ for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name; ⁵⁰ indeed, his mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. ⁵¹ He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. ⁵² He has brought down the powerful from their thrones and lifted up the lowly; ⁵³ he has filled the hungry with good things and sent the rich away empty. ⁵⁴ He has come to the aid of his child Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, ⁵⁵ according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

SERMON "Through it All" Rev. Jason Elliott

SPECIAL MUSIC "It Is Well" Glory Dami

*BENEDICTION/ DISMISSAL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S GREETERS: The Teramana Family & Becky Salonica

CHANCEL FLOWERS this morning are in loving memory of all of our Loved Ones who have passed. If you would like to sponsor flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, please call the office for available dates. Flowers are \$25 a vase.

MISSION CANS- This week's mission cans will go to Soles4Christ.

BAPTISM This morning Rev. Elliott will baptize Cal John Campbell. Cal was born to Sean & Kayla Campbell on July 29, 2024. His maternal grandparents are John & Kelly Prokapakis and his paternal grandparents are Scott & Becky Campbell. May God bless you always!

CANDLE LIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE We hope you will join us Tuesday, December 24th, at 7:00 pm for our Christmas Eve Service.

OUR PLACE SENIOR CENTER will resume their regular schedule Tuesday, January 7, 2025.

WEDNESDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY will resume Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at 10:00 am in the Café.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY will resume Wednesday, January

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK - *Anniversaries:* Jared & Rachael Andes (12/28) *Birthdays:* Kylie Davis (12/22), Bridgette Nobbe (12/22), Grayson Berardino (12/23), Susan Jordan (12/24), Victoria Hasak (12/27) and Vaida Louk (12/28).

Love God Love Others