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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,
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easytithe.com/firstwest



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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 148:1,5

Chase Corrigan

***HYMN**

“Go, Tell It on the Mountain”

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

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 2:41-52 And Colossians 3:12-17

⁴¹ Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover.

⁴² And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. ⁴³

When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents were unaware of this. ⁴⁴ Assuming that he

was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵ When they did not find him,

they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. ⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them

questions. ⁴⁷ And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸ When his parents saw him they were astonished, and his mother

said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously looking for you." ⁴⁹ He said to them, "Why were you searching

for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"⁵⁰ But they did not understand what he said to them. ⁵¹ Then he went down with them and came

to Nazareth and was obedient to them, and his mother treasured all these things in her heart.⁵² And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years and in divine and

human favor.

¹² Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one

another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe

yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in

one body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing

psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the

Father through him.

SERMON

"Young Jesus in the Temple"

Rich Cunningham

*BENEDICTION/ DISMISSAL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S GREETERS: The Ramsey Family and Joia Rose & Jocelyn Pugh

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 Presbyterian Women/Helen Martin Bible Study.

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 8, 2025 at 7 pm in The Café.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK - *Birthdays:* Joe Yanok (12/29), Becky Johnson (12/30), Bill Johnson (12/30), Mary Baker (1/1), William Bertram (1/2), Morgan Strachan (1/2), Mary Chipps (1/4) and Amanda Hinkle (1/4).

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