

The Worship of God

Sunday, January 26, 2025

The 3rd Sunday after Epiphany

Chiming of the Hour & Prelude

Musicians

Welcome & Invocation

Pastor

Call to Worship (Colossians 1:15-17)

Unison: “The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.”

*Hymn: “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” #43 (CH)

First Scripture Lesson

Romans 1:18-25

18 The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, 19 since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. 20 For since the creation of the world God’s invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse. 21 For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22 Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools 23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals and reptiles. 24 Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. 25 They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised. Amen.

*Gloria Patri “Glory Be to the Father” #813 (CH)
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

Offertory

Musicians

*Doxology

“Old Hundredth” #815 (CH)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Musical Worship

Musicians

Children’s Time

“Jesus Loves Me” #185 (CH)

(Pennies for Jesus; Children are dismissed to Children’s Church)

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

Pastor/Congregation

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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Guess the Hymn

Phillip Rodgers

Second Scripture Lesson

Psalms 19

1 The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
2 Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.
3 They have no speech, they use no words; no sound is heard from them.
4 Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.
In the heavens God has pitched a tent for the sun. 5 It is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, like a champion rejoicing to run his course.
6 It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is deprived of its warmth. 7 The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy, making wise the simple. 8 The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to

the eyes. 9 The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous. 10 They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb. 11 By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

12 But who can discern their own errors? Forgive my hidden faults. 13 Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me. Then I will be blameless, innocent of great transgression. 14 May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Pastor: This is the Word of God for the People of God!

ALL: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sermon

“The Heavens Declare!”

Pastor

Responding to God’s Word

The Apostles’ Creed

Affirmation of Faith

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.

*Hymn:

“All Creatures of Our God and King” #63 (CH)

Announcements and Opportunities for Service

Benediction

Pastor

Postlude

Musicians

West Point Presbyterian Church



“The Church of the Covenant”

Established 1837

Rev. Gerald W. (Jerry) Ledbetter, Pastor

Announcements:

~ **Sunday School gathers NEXT SUNDAY at 10:00 AM!**

~ **We have sign-up sheets** in the Narthex for volunteers to assist in worship and fellowship during 2025! Head Usher, Liturgist, and Third Sunday Hosts!

~ **Every First Sunday** we hold a **Unity Worship Service** with our friends from the First Baptist Church of West Point. The service rotates back-and-forth between the churches. Our next Unity Service will be held on **February 2nd in the Sanctuary of West Point First Baptist Church**. The service begins at **10:30 AM**. Please join us as we seek to further the Kingdom of God.

~ **Presbyterian/Baptist Women's** next meeting will be Wednesday, February 5th in the Gold Room of First Baptist Church. Dinner will be provided. Please let LaChelle Jones know if you plan to attend.

WELCOME: *Grace and peace to you in the name of Jesus Christ, and welcome to West Point Presbyterian Church! At WPPC, we are Seeking, Serving, and Sharing...*

Seeking... to Nurture Lifelong Christian Disciples.

Serving... the Congregation, Community & World in the Name of Jesus Christ.

Sharing... God's Love in the Reformed Tradition.

What in the Bible is this?

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Sponsored by Dr. Dan Bass and the Stanley Sunday School Class.

