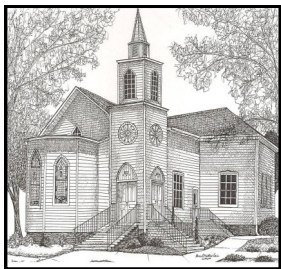


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NOVEMBER 2019

From the Pastor

“Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and save the lost.” ~Luke 19:9-10

Many of us grew up singing and hearing the children’s song about Zacchaeus:

Zacchaeus was a wee little man
and a wee little man was he!
He climbed up in a sycamore tree
for the Lord he wanted to see!

And when the Savior passed that way
He looked up in the tree
And said, 'Zacchaeus, you come down!
For I'm going to your house today!
For I'm going to your house today!'

There are some nuances that we miss in this story, though, if we just remember the cute song and don’t actually read where it comes from. The greatest of these nuances, in my opinion, is what Jesus has to say to those grumbling about him going to this sinner’s house: Salvation *has* come. By Jesus’ mere presence, and by Zacchaeus’ willingness to turn his life around, before Jesus even gets to the house, salvation has come.

November is a time for hospitality. Many of us will either travel to someone’s home or host meals at our homes. It can be a time to remember the saints before us, and it can be a time to celebrate those who gather with us. As we think about hospitality, are we making room for God in our homes? How does the fact that salvation has already come enter into your daily lives? How will you make room for holy conversations around your tables this month? Because if we believe what Jesus tells Zacchaeus, salvation has come. This free gift of grace that we have done nothing to deserve has already been given to us. How will you make room this month for the oppressed, the orphan, the widow? How will you make room for God?

I pray that you each have holy and sacred gatherings this month, and that you start your week with us at WPC. Together, we’ll talk about ways to make room for God in our daily lives, and how to share the Good News of salvation with those who desperately need something good to cling to.

Blessings,

Rev. Audrey

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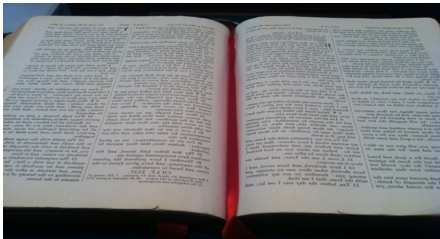
We are so blessed to have a loving and friendly church family! You are only a visitor once at WPC! If you do not have a church family, please consider joining us as we continue to be the hands and feet of Christ in our community!



We will celebrate Holy Communion on November 24th as we end the Christian Year with Christ the King Sunday.



Join us for SUNDAY SCHOOL!!! 10 am
You will receive a blessing!!



NOVEMBER SERMONS

November 3: “Salvation Came” Isaiah 1:16-20 and Luke 19:1-10

November 10: “The Living God” Haggai 2:1-9 and Luke 20:27-38

November 17: “These Things that You See” Malachi 4:1-3 and Luke 21:5-19

November 24: “The Image of the Invisible God” Jeremiah 23:1-6 and Colossians 1:11-20

COUNT YOUR
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NAME THEM ONE BY ONE.
COUNT YOUR
MANY BLESSINGS
SEE WHAT GOD HAS DONE.



Thank you God for
our awesome WPC
Family and Friends
and a beautiful
sanctuary in which
to worship!



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TREASURER’S REPORT

September receipts: \$ 11,320.26
expenses 11,167.95
+ 152.31

YTD receipts \$ 105,940.99
expenses 99,611.48
+ 6,329.51



Your giving to WPC directly affects the ministry and programs of our church. We are grateful for all that you give in your time,

November
Flowers



Big Foot In Town!!

Thank you to everyone who came out and helped with the Big Foot Festival! It was so great to be a presence in our community and to let everyone know about our wonderful church!

Special Musical Blessing!

We were blessed to have Christopher Hulsey and his beautiful family with us in worship! Christopher shared a gorgeous rendition of “How Great Thou Art” for our anthem. We thank him for sharing his talent with us!



MEET AT THE TABLE



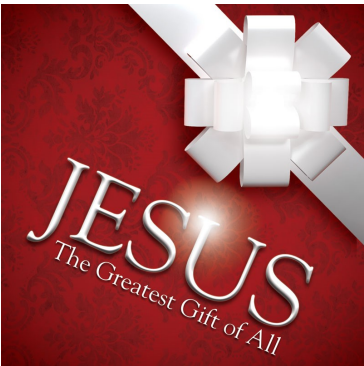
Join us the third Sunday of each

month, before and after Sunday School, for a time of fellowship coffee, and donuts! Get to know your friends in Christ!

Adult Choir

We are rehearsing for our annual Christmas cantata each Sunday after worship! We will be singing “The Greatest Gift”. We will also have some guest singers from Westminster Elementary school again this year! Mark your calendars for this Christmas Blessing!

CHRISTMAS CANTATA
DECEMBER 15, 2019



SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR HANGING OF THE GREENS!

DECEMBER 1, 2019 - 11:00 AM

It’s time to start thinking about Hanging the Greens in our beautiful sanctuary! It is such a special time to decorate God’s House to prepare to celebrate the Birth of our Savior! Don’t miss this extra-special service.

Remember our Shut-Ins and College aged kids!

Thank you to Shepherd Chuites for getting all the cards ready for our signatures and well wishes to our treasured members!



Church Beautification!

Have you noticed all the beautiful clean-ups and additions to our church grounds? Everything looks awesome! If you have a moment, thank John Merritt for contracting great folks in doing this great job! Not only does it look great, it was very cost effective! Thanks John!



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NOVEMBER CALENDAR DATES

PW Circles: November 4th
Dot's Kitchen: November 6th and November 12
Session reports due: November 13
Session meeting: November 17
Congregational Meeting: November 17
Holy Communion : November 24



PW CIRCLES Monday, November 4th



Don't miss your blessing! Join a Circle! Morning Circle will meet at 10 am and Evening Circle will meet at 5:30 pm in Gossett. Evening circle sisters are reminded to bring a little goodie to share!

WPC VISITATION TEAM



Our visitation team continues to be a blessing! Please remember to bring your gift cards for our college age students! There are 8 young adults in all. If you would like to join our team of servants, please contact Martha Brancazio.

Praying for You

Imogene Giles
Ruth Payne
Kathy Darnell
Mary Frances Mabry
Robbie McClure
(Marie Dunnam's brother)
Nancy Dougherty



Funny Church Signs



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

We will have a congregational meeting on **November 17th** to elect our elder nominees and approve Rev. Audrey's terms of call.



Feel God in every gentle touch.
See God in every happy face.
Hear God in every caring word.
Receive God's blessings every day of your life.

