



West End  
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# WEPC Lectionary Project: Union with Christ

In this 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year of West End Presbyterian Church, we are using the Scripture readings recommended by the Revised Common Lectionary as a framework for our corporate worship, and our personal and family devotion. The Lectionary gives us access to the whole counsel of Scripture and these texts are a means for us to grow in our understanding of our union with Christ.

## WEPC Weekly Readings

To subscribe to a daily email of these readings, register online at [wepc.org/lectionary](http://wepc.org/lectionary).

### July 14, 2019 | Fifth Sunday After Pentecost: Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 30:9-14  
*The LORD Will Delight in Prospering You*

Psalms 25:1-10  
*Teach Me Your Paths*

Colossians 1:1-14  
*The Gospel Fruit & Inheritance*

Luke 10:25-37  
*Go and Do Likewise*

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### Reflection on Sunday, July 14

#### Monday

Job 24:1-8  
*Why?*

James 2:1-7  
*Show No Partiality*

#### Tuesday

Proverbs 19:1-17  
*The Poor*

1 John 3:11-17  
*Brother in Need*

#### Wednesday

Ecclesiastes 9:13-18  
*One Sinner Destroys Much Good*

Matthew 25:31-46  
*Judgment*

#### Daily

Psalms 25:11-20  
*I Take Refuge in You*

### Preparation for Sunday, July 21

#### Thursday

Genesis 12:10-20  
*Abram Defends Himself*

Hebrews 5:1-6  
*Christ Did Not Exalt Himself*

#### Friday

Genesis 13:1-18  
*Peaceful Resolution*

Ephesians 3:14-21  
*His Spirit in Your Inner Being*

#### Saturday

Genesis 14:1-16  
*Abram Rescues Lot*

Luke 8:4-10  
*Seed & Soils*

#### Daily

Psalms 15  
*He Who Walks Blamelessly*

# PASTOR'S NOTE

Dear Ones,

The Parable of the Good Samaritan may be one of the best known parables of Jesus. For centuries Christians and non-believers have used it as an example of doing mercy for the needy. It is true that believers in Jesus should be doers of mercy and not just bloggers or tweeters about serving the needy. "Slacktivism" is rampant today.

Nevertheless, the context of this story is of someone trying to justify themselves.

There is only one way to get justified and it only comes through faith in Jesus.

Warmly,  
Steve

Sunday Worship Services: 9 AM and 10:30 AM  
Children's Sunday School: 9 AM

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## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP & COMMUNION

### **Fifth Sunday after Pentecost: Ordinary Time**

We are now in the season after Pentecost, known as "Ordinary Time." Having celebrated the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church at Pentecost, Ordinary Time signals the interim of the Church until Christ comes again in glory. Jesus is faithfully advancing His Kingdom in the power of His Spirit in this season. We anticipate the consummation of all things when Christ comes in His glory as King of all.

### **YOU LIKEWISE**

"It is only when we have found in Christ the pity and the healing which we need, that we shall go forth into the world with love as wide as His."  
– Alexander Maclaren

"Those who believe they have pleased God by the quality of their devotion and moral goodness naturally feel that they and their group deserve deference and power over others. The God of Jesus and the prophets, however, saves completely by grace. He cannot be manipulated by religious and moral performance--He can only be reached through repentance, through the giving up of power."  
– Tim Keller

## CALL TO WORSHIP

*Colossians 1:10-14*

### **The First Word**

Because we believe God initiates with sinners, we begin worship with His Word: His invitation to us to gather in His name.

Walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him:  
bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;  
being strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might,  
for all endurance and patience with joy;  
giving thanks to the Father,  
who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

**He has delivered us from the domain of darkness  
and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son,  
in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.**

## INVOCATION

# SONG OF ADORATION

## TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS

*Turn your eyes upon Jesus,  
Look full in His wonderful face,  
And the things of earth  
Will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace.*

*"You have said, 'Seek my face.' My heart says to you, 'Your face, LORD, do I seek.'"— Psalm 27:8*

Helen H. Lemmel (1922)

O soul, are you weary and troubled?  
No light in the darkness you see.  
There's light for a look at the Savior  
And life more abundant and free.

## Welcome

*Visitors, we are glad you are here. Following the service, please join Pastor Steve Shelby for coffee in the Gallery.*

## COMMISSIONING (10:30AM)

### Mission to Harrow, London, England (July 19–28)

Albert Blackburn	Grant Cornwell	Emma Hennesey	Eliza Oberle
Mollie Bowman	Sarah Cornwell	Abok Kawaj	Alden Sweeney
Abbie Campbell	Tim Cornwell	Eleanor Musser	Eliza Sweeney
Georgia Collier	Sophia Cubahiro	Olivia Musser	Maya Sweeney
Abby Cornwell	Melissa Daniels	Peter Musser	Sarah Tisdale
Alex Cornwell	Celia Hearn	Rebecca Musser	Catherine Wilks
Denton Cornwell	Meredith Hearn	Rob Musser	Emily Wilks

*Kevin Shaffer led this morning's commissioning.*

*This team of high school students and leaders will partner with WEPC supported missionaries and local believers to minister to South Asian families through a week long Gospel-centered Kids' Club and Teen Club in outreach to the surrounding community served by New Life Suwarta Sangat, the multicultural church plant in Harrow.*

# OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Deuteronomy 30:9-14*

The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all the work of your hand, in the fruit of your womb and in the fruit of your cattle and in the fruit of your ground. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, as he took delight in your fathers, when you obey the voice of the LORD your God, to keep his commandments and his statutes that are written in this Book of the Law, when you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul. For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.

# MINISTRY OF PRAYER

To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

*Psalm 25:1-10. Of David.*

**O my God, in You I trust;  
let me not be put to shame;  
let not my enemies exult over me.**

Indeed, none who wait for You shall be put to shame;  
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

**Make me to know Your ways, O Lord;  
teach me Your paths.**

Lead me in Your truth and teach me,  
for You are the God of my salvation;  
for You I wait all the day long.

**Remember Your mercy, O Lord, and Your steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.**

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;  
according to Your steadfast love remember me,  
for the sake of Your goodness, O Lord!

**Good and upright is the Lord;  
therefore He instructs sinners in the way.**

He leads the humble in what is right,  
and teaches the humble His way.

**All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,  
for those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.**

*Pray for Our Church, Our City, and the World. This week:*

- For West End Presbyterian Church: For grace to remember the Lord's mercy and steadfast love.
- For the governments and governing bodies of Metropolitan Richmond. For the boards of supervisors, councils, and administrators of Charles City, Goochland, New Kent, Powhatan, Ashland, Petersburg, and Hopewell.
- For WEPC Mission Partners Matt & Jenn Irvine serving with Serge in London, and for congregation New Life Suwarta Sangat in Harrow.

## OFFERING

The offering isn't just about money. Our response to the Gospel goes much deeper—God demands our whole selves. The act of giving in worship is a part of offering ourselves as “living sacrifices” to God (Rom. 12:1).

*If you missed today's offering and wish to give, or if you would like to submit your tear-off, the elders at the front of the sanctuary who are available for prayer following the service will be glad to receive them.*

## SONG OF PRAISE

### LORD, I NEED YOU

Lord, I come, I confess,  
Bowing here I find my rest.  
Without You I fall apart,  
You're the One that guides my heart.

*Lord, I need You, Oh, I need You  
Every hour I need You!  
My one defense, my righteousness  
Oh God, how I need You!*

Where sin runs deep your grace is more,  
Where grace is found is where You are,  
And where You are, Lord, I am free:  
Holiness is Christ in me.

Teach my song to rise to You,  
When temptation comes my way.  
When I cannot stand, I'll fall on you—  
Jesus, You're my hope and stay.

*“Hear, O Lord, and answer  
me, for I am poor and  
needy.” – Psalm 86:1*

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## SCRIPTURE Reading

<sup>25</sup> And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>26</sup> He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" <sup>27</sup> And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." <sup>28</sup> And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

*Luke 10:25-37*

<sup>29</sup> But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" <sup>30</sup> Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup> Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup> So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup> But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. <sup>34</sup> He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. <sup>35</sup> And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' <sup>36</sup> Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" <sup>37</sup> He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

## Sermon

*A Worship Guide with sermon notes and recordings is posted each Sunday at [wepc.org/sermons](http://wepc.org/sermons).*

# PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

*I Corinthians 11:23-26*

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*from The Book of Common  
Prayer*

### **Confession & Encouragement**

Often we find that our hearts are worshipping something other than God. In confessing our sins, the Holy Spirit probes our hearts and minds and graciously shows us what we mistakenly believe will give us life. Jesus is good to lead us from sorrow over our sin to the sweetness of His grace.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us.**

*Silent Confession*

## WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

*II Corinthians 8:9*

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich.

# THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

West End Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin and heart-idols, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the Gospel to participate in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us.

*Wine is in the outer ring of the communion tray, grape juice is in the inner rings. All bread is gluten-free.*

*Please come forward as you are ready to participate in the Lord's Supper individually, with a friend, or as a family.*

*If you need special assistance and are not able to come forward for Communion, raise your hand and we will come to you at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper.*

*Elders & Deacons are glad to pray for your children who have not yet become communing members. If your child is ready to make a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ, please mark today's tear-off or contact the WEPC office.*

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GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT TRANSFORMS US BY HIS GRACE

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## SONGS OF RESPONSE TO GOD'S GRACE

### COME TO THE FEAST

Go to the highways and hedges,  
Go to the farthest of fields,  
Go and compel, the sick and the well,  
For our Father's house will be filled.

Go to the streets of the city,  
Bring in the crippled and blind,  
All who would taste this banquet of grace  
Must come and waste no more time.

*Come to the Feast, come to the Table,  
The great and the least, the rich and the poor,  
Come to the Feast, come to the Table,  
Come and hunger no more.*

In the robe of the Lamb you'll be covered  
Dressed in His pure righteousness  
For all of your guilt, His blood—it was spilt  
So, come, by your Father be blessed.

*"Go out to the highways and hedges and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled." – Luke 14:23*

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## BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE

1. Before the throne of God above,  
I have a strong, a perfect plea,  
A great High Priest whose name is "Love,"  
Who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on His hands,  
My name is written on His heart;  
I know that while in heav'n He stands  
no tongue can bid me thence depart.  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

2. When Satan tempts me to despair,  
and tells me of the guilt within,  
upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end to all my sin.  
One with Himself I cannot die,  
My soul is purchased by His blood;  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
with Christ, my Savior and my God.  
With Christ, my Savior and my God.

3. Behold Him there! the risen Lamb,  
my perfect, spotless Righteousness,  
the great unchangeable I AM,  
the King of glory and of grace!  
Because the sinless Savior died,  
my sinful soul is counted free;  
For God, the Just, is satisfied  
to look on Him and pardon me.  
To look on Him and pardon me.

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"When Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God."— Hebrews 10:12*

## BLESSED ASSURANCE

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation purchase of God,  
Born of His Spirit washed in His blood

*This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long;  
This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Savior all the day long.*

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight!  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy whispers of love.

3. Perfect submission—all is at rest,  
I in my Savior am happy and blest;  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

*"I will sing praise to my God as long as I live." —Psalm 146:2  
Text: Fanny Jane Crosby Tune: Phoebe Palmer Knapp*

# DOXOLOGY



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.

*"Let everything that has breath praise the LORD."  
– Psalm 150:6*

*Text: Thomas Ken (1709)  
Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH  
(Bourgeois, 1551)*

## What does "doxology" mean?

It's derived from two Greek words meaning "glory" and "word." A doxology, then, is a spoken word or song that ascribes glory to God. Today's doxology calls all of creation to praise God as the source of all blessing and acknowledges His Trinitarian (three-in-one) nature.

# BENEDICTION

## The Last Word

God always has the last word in our worship. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing.

*After the service, the Elders are available at the front of the sanctuary to pray with you or for you, and to answer questions about the sermon or West End Presbyterian Church.*

*Pastor Steve Shelby preached today's sermon. Pastor Kevin Greene led worship. Music was led by Worship Arts Directors Taylor Barnett & Tiffanie Chan, along with Robin Huff, Andrew Bogle, Tyler Pease, Karl Kuder, and Luke Smith.*