



Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Preparation for **Worship**

Open unto me—light for my darkness, courage for my fear, hope for my despair.
 Open unto me—peace for my turmoil, joy for my sorrow, strength for my weakness.
 Open unto me—wisdom for my confusion, forgiveness for my sins, love for my hates.
 Open unto me—thy Self for my self. Lord, Lord, open unto me! Amen.

Howard Thurman

Gathering and Preparing for **God's Word**

Welcome and Announcements

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Minute for History: WPC@75

Roger Gower

Prelude "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

arr. Kelsey

Introit 11:15a "Ubi Caritas et Amor"

Berthier

* Call to Worship Ephesians 2:13-14, 17, 19-20

Leader: In Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

People: For he is our peace; he came and proclaimed peace to those who were far off and peace to those who were near.

Leader: So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God,

People: built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.

All: Let us worship God!

* Hymn No. 394 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" WESTMINSTER ABBEY

* Prayer of Confession
Holy God, we know that our pride often gets the better of us. Far too often, we put a wall around our hearts, and only open the door for those we love, or those we respect, or those we want to please. But you have asked us to open our hearts to all people, to let the walls and barriers that divide us tumble. Have mercy on us for being selfish when we should have shared. Forgive us for being haughty when you asked for humility. Give us faith to trust your loving-kindness, so that we would be eager to forgive, working daily for righteousness, reconciliation, and peace. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

* Assurance of Pardon
Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

* Gloria Patri (Hymnal, No. 581)
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.

Children's Choir Anthem 11:15a "God Is Here Today" Trenney

The Sacrament of Baptism 11:15a James Harvey Cleveland, V

Congregational Response "Baptized in Water" BUNESSAN

Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the
 sign of Christ our King; born of the Spir - it, we are God's
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

Children in K5 - first grade are invited to leave for Children's Church.

Hearing **God's Word**

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson, 2 Kings 5:1-14 p. 293

Gospel Lesson, Luke 7:1-10 p. 839

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Barriers"

Responding to **God's Word**

* Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

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.

Choral Call to Prayer 11:15a "In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful" Berthier

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer
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.

Offering Solo 9a "Give Me Jesus" arr. Hayes
 Anthem 11:15a "Hear Me Redeemer" Mallicone

* Doxology (Hymnal, No. 606)
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication
 * Hymn No. 372 "O for a World" AZMON

* Charge and Benediction
 * Choral Response 11:15a "To God All Glory" Glaser
 * Postlude "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" Page

*All who are able may stand

Leading Worship **this Morning**

Ben Dorr, *preaching*
 Leigh Stuckey, *liturgist*
 Talitha Allen, *sponsor*
 Nancy Smith, *organist/pianist*
 Mark Kemp (9a), Grace Honohan (11:15a), *soloists*
 Junior & Senior Choristers (11:15a)
 Martha Gower, pianist
 Bill Taylor (9a), Fred Carpenter (11:15a), *lay readers*
 Paul Grier (9a), Brandon Coker (11:15a), *head ushers*
 Caroline Clark, Durden Collins, Kevin Lancaster,
 Tony Atkins, Jeff Beck, (9a), *greeters*
 Mae Todd Mullins, Ben Edwards, Mary Ashmore,
 Talitha Allen, Rob Morgan, (11:15a), *greeters*
 Graham Wallner (9a), Capitola Riley, Cam Warren (11:15a), *acolytes*

WORSHIP NOTES

NURSERY

Childcare is available for infants through four-year kindergarten. Our nurturing staff of experienced caregivers and parent volunteers offers a welcoming environment to all children.

CONNECT WITH WESTMINSTER

Looking for ways to be involved? Please complete a Connection Card from the Ritual of Friendship pad and place it in the offering plate to express interest or sign up for an opportunity.

WELCOME TO WPC!

Please fill out a name tag and find more information about WPC at the Welcome Table in the Atrium. First time visitors are also invited to take home a WPC mug.

Join Us in Welcoming

BAPTISM

This morning at the 11:15a worship service, we welcome into our fellowship James Harvey Cleveland, V, son of Harvey & Greta Cleveland.

MEMBERSHIP@WPC

INTERESTED IN JOINING WESTMINSTER?

Visitors interested in learning more about Westminster and joining the church are invited to attend our New Member Class from 9-10:30a on Sunday, February 20. Those who attend the class are invited to become members during the 11:15a worship service that same day or on a future new member Sunday. Childcare is available. Please contact Julia Watkins (jwatkins@wpc-online.org) at 232-2424 to learn more and RSVP.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OPEN MINDS • Education@WPC

Here at Westminster we proclaim a thoughtful Christianity that seeks challenge and comfort, and always looks for the ways old stories can renew new faith, from our youngest disciples to our most seasoned.

Elementary, Middle, and High School Class Locations

4K thru Elementary: Bottom level (1st floor):

4K and 5K	Room 104
1st and 2nd Grade	Room 107
3rd, 4th, and 5th Grade	Room 125

The Middle and High School rooms are upstairs in the 300 hallway:

Grades 6, 7, and 8	Youth Suite "main"
Grades 9-12	Youth Suite "games"

Adult Classes

Adult faith formation is a central part of the life of Westminster. Join us to explore the ways Scripture disrupts, builds up, and interacts with modern discipleship, and to explore familiar stories more deeply. This quarter will run for six weeks, ending March 16. Adult classes meet at 10a on the 200 Hall. New this semester:

Abraham: A Life of Faith

Room 209 and streaming live at wpc-online.org

Building on the earliest stories of Genesis, we will now turn our focus to Father Abraham – an iconic ancestor of three faiths, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Themes of call and covenant, critical to Protestant faith and Jewish identity, will be explored, alongside a close reading of more difficult stories: Hagar and Ishmael, Sodom and Gomorah, the binding of Isaac, and Abraham's children.

Led by Associate Pastor Leigh Stuckey

Welcome the Stranger: Justice, Compassion, and Truth in the Immigration Debate

Room 212

Examine the complex root causes and potential solutions for immigration through a biblical, historical, and political lens. This discussion-based class is offered in partnership with World Relief, a global Christian humanitarian organization whose mission is to empower the local church to serve the most vulnerable, specifically refugees and other immigrants. The class will culminate with opportunities to volunteer in service of refugees in and around Greenville.

Led by Walter Hinton and Nikki Grumbine and Associate Pastor Julia Watkins

Nikki Grumbine, a retired textile marketing executive, is a board member (and former board president) of Friends of the Reedy River (FoRR). In 2019 she received the Clean Water Champion Award in recognition of her work with FoRR. Nikki is a past and newly-elected elder here at Westminster.

Walter Hinton is a well-respected attorney in Greenville with expertise in aviation and maritime law. He is active in the Heritage Lecture Committee and the Theology Reading Group. Walter is a past elder at Westminster.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 13 - 20, 2022

Sunday, February 13

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Souper Bowl of Caring

9:00a	Worship Service Witness & Service Committee Meeting
10:00	Sunday School Confirmation Class
10:55	Session Meeting
11:15	Worship Service
2:00p	New Elder Training Souper Bowl of Caring Canned Food Drive
4:00	Baptism Class
4:30	WoW Leadership Planning Meeting

Tuesday, February 15

10:00a	Foothills Presbytery Meeting
12:00p	Al-Anon Group Meeting
6:00	Circle 7

Wednesday, February 16

2:15p	WPC Kids Afterschool
2:45	It's Elementary
4:30	Junior & Senior Choristers
7:00	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, February 17

7:00p	Youth Parent Workshop
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Friday, February 18

Weekday School closed

Sunday, February 20

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

9:00a	Worship Service New Member Class
10:00	Sunday School
10:55	Session Meeting
11:15	Worship Service
12:30p	Stated Session Meeting

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WOMEN OF WESTMINSTER CIRCLES

Tuesday, February 15

- **Circle #7**, 6p at home of Terri LeGrand (16 N. Brookwood Dr., 29605) Circle Chair: Talitha Allen (bewt29617@bellsouth.net).

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From the Pews, Zach Weaver

If you asked me offhand what I have unwavering faith in, I'd probably say my oldest child refusing to wear a coat, my youngest not wanting to go to a dance class we paid for, my wife, Genevieve, rejecting the first two dinner suggestions I make, and my belief that all groceries can be carried into the home on one trip. This week's scripture gives a much more pertinent example as it relates to our faith in God and the power of Christ. In the Faith of the Centurion passage, a Roman Centurion sent a group of elders to Jesus to ask for healing of the Centurion's dying servant. On his way to the Centurion's home, Jesus was met by the Centurion's friends. The friends brought a message from the Centurion that he did not come because he did not believe he was worthy of having Jesus in his home. Instead, the Centurion simply asked Jesus to say the word that the servant would be healed, and the Centurion had faith that it would be done. Jesus marveled at the man's faith and healed the servant.

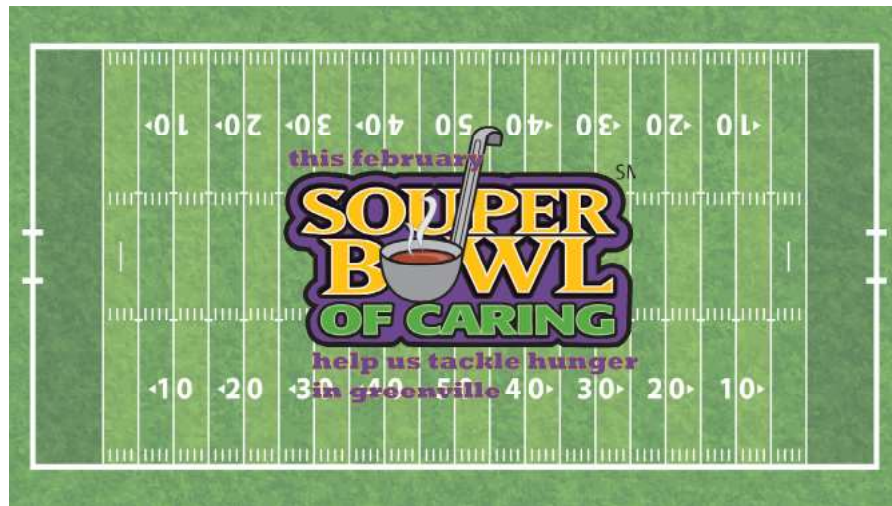
My first question in reading this passage: What led the Centurion to the point of such absolute faith? Although a Roman, the Centurion was said to have built the synagogue of the elders, an uncommon practice for someone who was not Jewish. Something must have led him to do that and develop complete faith in Christ.

When I think more deeply about such faith, I have complete belief that God has led me to exactly where I'm supposed to be. There have been many series of events where I've asked why something is happening; surely, this can't be what God intended for me. When I practiced law in Miami, I accepted a new job at a very large law firm. It seemed perfect for me in terms of people and practice area. Genevieve even got me a plaque with my name and the firm's name for my desk. A comically bizarre series of events, however, resulted in a conflict of interest with one of the firm's largest clients, which prohibited me from taking the new job. People sent me bourbon and very nice letters, but I was beyond disappointed. I had a lot of questions for God then. But that turned out to be the best thing that could have happened for my career. It ultimately led Genevieve and me back to Greenville where I spent my formative years working for the late, great Howard Boyd. I wouldn't trade those experiences for any job I could have had.

My mom has often quoted Psalm 16, saying that "the lines have fallen to [her] in pleasant places." That rings true as I get older. It's not easy to have absolute faith. But if you look back, it's hard to argue that God has a plan and eventually gets you where you're supposed to be. Makes it easier to think like a Centurion.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

February 13th, 2022



Join our Youth as we collect food and monetary donations for United Ministries! During Worship this Sunday, February 13th, our youth will be present to collect monetary donations. Then, that afternoon from 2-3:30p, Youth will collect non-perishable food items at WPC. Middlers will be in the Weekday School back carpool circle, and Senior High will be in the front parking lot.

Monetary donations:

in Worship

or Give Today on WPC website

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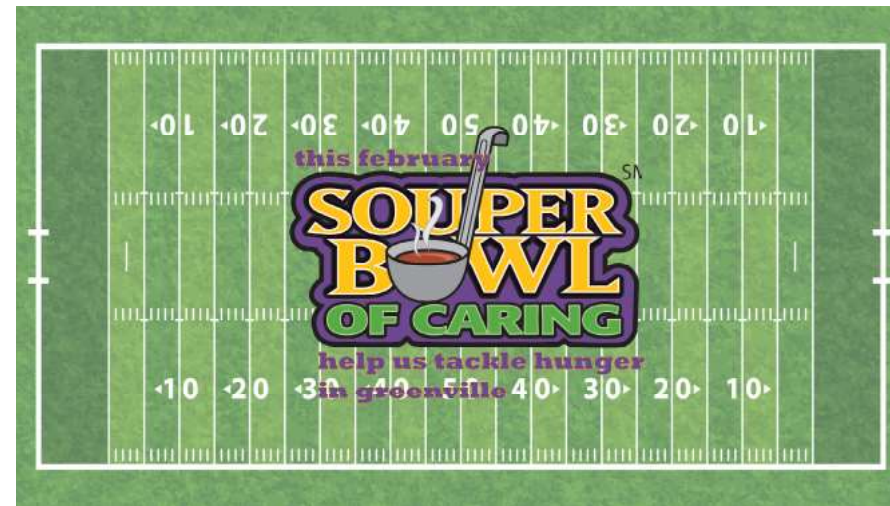
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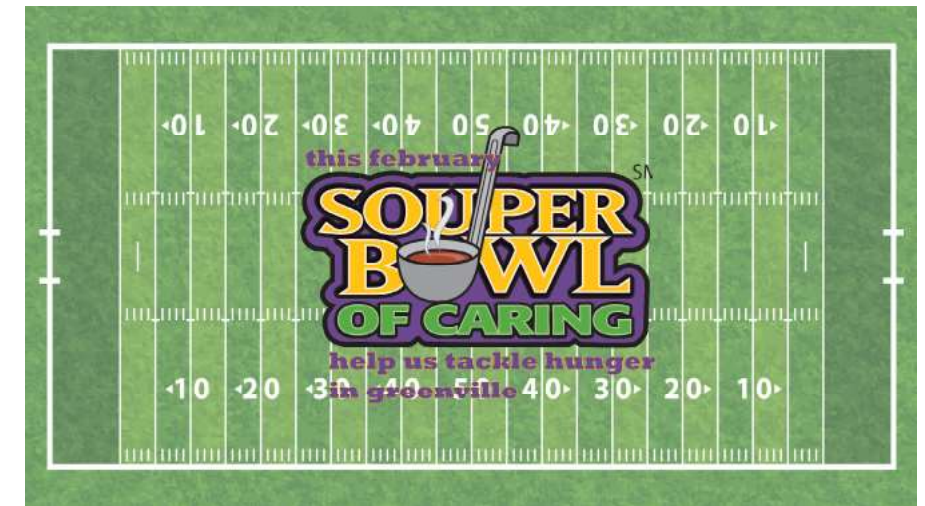
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During this period, the church's first mortgage was paid off and the building fund was showing a healthy cash balance. With 650 members on the roll, WPC again turned its eyes toward building. On November 19, 1961, the church formally moved ahead with groundbreaking for new administrative offices, an additional education building, and a new sanctuary.

I was 12 years old and remember standing in front of the crowd of my fellow members as the Northwest Cornerstone (beside the "Ten Commandments" doors) was dedicated. This cornerstone contains several important items of historical significance to Westminister.

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