



The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church

“An Inclusive Church Family Loving, Sharing, and Serving Christ.”



October 13, 2024

A TIME TO GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*All who are able, please stand. **Bold** print denotes congregational response

WELCOME

EXCHANGE OF GREETINGS

PRELUDE

Bruce Xu, organ

A TIME OF PRAISE AND PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good,
for God's steadfast love endures forever.

from Psalm 136:1-3

O give thanks to the God of gods,
for God's steadfast love endures forever.

O give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for God's steadfast love endures forever.

Let us worship God!

*HYMN OF PRAISE 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and merciful God, we often wonder what we must do to be right with you. The gospel tells us what you have done for us in Jesus Christ to make us right with you. We establish rules and try to follow them to win your love. You call us to trust in your grace and promises in Jesus Christ. We strive for security by piling up the things of this life. Jesus says, "Come, follow me." Lord, forgive our self-centeredness that seeks our well-being while we ignore the needs of others. Forgive our relying on ourselves rather than accepting fully Jesus's call to discipleship. Help us to seek your kingdom and righteousness first in our lives.

(Silent prayer of confession) Through Jesus Christ, amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

based on 1 Timothy 1:15

Children of God, hear and believe the good news:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE 581

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

ANTHEM

Let Songs of Praise Begin

Gordon Young (1919-1998)

WCPC Sanctuary Choir

Jonathan Aigner, director

Bruce Xu, organ

A TIME OF PROCLAMATION

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Stephanie Keiser

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 175

Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 10: 17 – 31

STATEMENT OF FAITH

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

from "A Brief Statement of Faith"

A TIME OF PROMISE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

FAITH IN ACTION

Mission Volunteer Appreciation

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**OFFERTORY**

Bruce Xu, organ

***DOXOLOGY 606**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

11:00 Sue Davis

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT 697**

Take My Life

HENDON

BENEDICTION*POSTLUDE**

Bruce Xu, organ

If you are interested in learning more about The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church you can contact our pastor, Rev. Dr. David Jones, at djones@wcpc-tx.org.

CHILDCARE FOR WORSHIP

Childcare, for children under 5, is provided during both worship services. Room 100 in the Children's Education Building for the 8:30 service and in the Hendricks Building (building to your right across the parking lot as you leave the sanctuary) during the 11 am service. After the children's message staff will be available to take children over to the nursery rooms or you can walk them too. WCPC believes worship for children is important to spiritual formation, children of all ages are encouraged and welcome in worship. The Parlor (a room with a viewing window and restroom to the right as you enter the worship space) is available if you need a place for busy toddlers to roam, continue a meltdown, or privacy to diaper, etc.

STEPHEN MINISTERS AVAILABLE FOR PRAYER

Following worship, a Stephen Minister will be available to pray with you. They will be at the front-right side of the sanctuary. Our Stephen Ministers are trained in compassionate listening and confidentiality. There is no need too large or too small to request prayer.

2024-2025 FLOWER CALENDAR

Please stop by our table in the courtyard during October and November to sign up for your special date for 2025 Sanctuary Flowers. This coming year we will offer the option of donating a plant instead of flowers for the Sanctuary. A floral arrangement is \$75 and a plant is \$35. Make your check payable to WCPC and Write Sanctuary Flowers on your check and the date you reserved on the memo line. (Sanctuary Flowers-DDMMYY) Payment is made out the time of signing up. If you wish to donate flowers for 2024 or 2025, please contact Carol Palmquist at 281-367-5166 or RNPalmquist@aol.com. Thank you for adding to the beauty of our sanctuary.

ONLINE GIVING INFORMATION

- 1 – Use this quicklink <https://secure.accessacs.com/access/oglogin.aspx?sn=110917&f=1&a=1000.00>
- 2 - Text to give <https://www.wcpc-tx.org/text-to-give/>
- 3 – Give online using MyWCPC <https://secure.accessacs.com/access/memberlogin.aspx?sn=110917>
Using a credit card, you can make a one-time contribution or set up a recurring charge using our secure online payment process.
- 4 – Mail in your Contribution Address is: 4881 W. Panther Creek Dr, The Woodlands, TX 77381
- 5 – Give using your Paypal Account office@wcpc-tx.org

TREASURER’S REPORT THRU AUGUST 2024

	August MTD	Yr to Date
Revenues	\$ 121,721	\$ 701,209
Expenses	<u>\$(165,135)</u>	<u>\$(839,069)</u>
Net Total	\$ (43,414)	\$(137,860)
Planned Reserve Transfers	<u>\$ 4,292</u>	<u>\$ 34,333</u>
Total	\$ (39,122)	\$(103,527)



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Sunday Worship: 8:30am and 11:00am Sunday School (all ages): 9:45am-10:45am

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. David F. Jones Associate Pastor: The Rev. Laura R. Grice

