

Welcome to
WOLF RIVER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
September 10, 2023
LORD'S DAY WORSHIP
Preparation for Worship

Prelude – as the piano begins to play, please prepare your hearts

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us into His Presence

Salutation

∫ Call to Worship the Lord.....Acts 1:8

∫ Invocation concluding with the Lord's Prayer

∫ Hymn of Praise.....#230 – Holy, Holy, Holy!

Repentance and Reconciliation

The Reading of God's Word.....Matthew 2:16-23

Catechism.....Westminster Shorter Catechism, Questions 45-46

45. Which is the first commandment?

A. The first commandment is, "Thou shalt have no other gods before me."

46. What is required in the first commandment?

A. The first commandment requireth us to know and acknowledge God to be the only true God, and our God, and to worship and glorify him accordingly.

Hymn of the Month.....Our Father Bless'd to Us Bestows (insert)

Prayer of Confession and Supplication

Assurance of Pardon.....Daniel 9:9

∫ Hymn of Preparation.....#326 – My Song Is Love Unknown

∫ = Please stand, if able

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The Ministry of Word and Sacrament

Sermon Scripture.....Luke 21:18-28

Sermon by Dr. Mark Winder....."Your Redemption Is Drawing Near"

Responding in Faith

Confession of Faith.....The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

∫ Psalm of Response.....#79A - God, the Nations Have Invaded

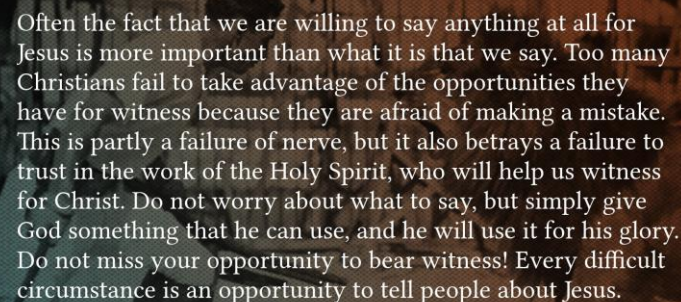
Worshipping God through Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving

∫ Benediction

∫ Psalm of Response....#134 – Come, Bless the LORD with One Accord

"The LORD Now bless you from above, From Zion in his boundless love; Our God, who heav'n and earth did frame, Blest be his great and holy name."



Often the fact that we are willing to say anything at all for Jesus is more important than what it is that we say. Too many Christians fail to take advantage of the opportunities they have for witness because they are afraid of making a mistake. This is partly a failure of nerve, but it also betrays a failure to trust in the work of the Holy Spirit, who will help us witness for Christ. Do not worry about what to say, but simply give God something that he can use, and he will use it for his glory. Do not miss your opportunity to bear witness! Every difficult circumstance is an opportunity to tell people about Jesus.

Philip Graham Ryken

Announcements

Beginning Sunday, September 24, we will be offering two Adult Sunday School Electives:

Pastor Champness will be teaching on Ecclesiastes. This will be a directed discussion course. For this to work, each person in the class will need to bring a Bible. Come and discover why all is not “vanity.” This class will meet in Sunday School Room 1 in the fellowship hall.

Pastor Mark will continue leading a discussion utilizing the book *Get Real* by John Leonard, in a practical application of principles learned in our evangelism class. This will be followed by a class on the beliefs and response to Islam. This class will meet in the auditorium.

Our Wednesday prayer meeting meets here at the church facility at 7pm. Currently, we are reviewing this week’s catechism, participating in a brief study of Medieval church history, and engaging in a time of prayer.



“**Orthodox**” (literally, “straight thinking”) signifies our holding steadfastly to the inerrancy of Scripture, not in a thoughtless faith, but one that recognizes God’s Word as the foundation for consistent “straight thinking.” “**Presbyterian**” signifies that we believe the Scriptures to teach that local church elders along with a pastor, form a “session” to care for the spiritual welfare of the members of the **Church**, while not presuming to interfere with their freedom of conscience in matters of Christian liberty.

Session

Ministers: Dr. Thomas S. Champness; Dr. Mark A. Winder

Elders: Dr. Warren Bennett; Mr. Paul O’Neal

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Meeting at the facilities of New Life Church
261 Collierville-Arlington Road, Collierville, Tennessee

Services:

Sunday School – 9:30am

Morning Worship – 10:30am

Prayer Meeting – Wednesdays 7:00pm

