



The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church

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



April 14, 2024
Third Sunday of Easter

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

(inspired by Psalm 4)

The Lord hears us when we call:

Come, let us put our trust in God.

The Lord fills our hearts with gladness:

Come, let us sing God's praises with shouts of joy!

The Lord grants peace to our weary souls:

Come, let us rest by the quiet waters of God's grace.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 248

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Risen Christ, we are often troubled by our doubts. But you are not troubled by them. You do not require perfect understanding. Instead, you reveal yourself to us again and again that we might come to know you. Forgive us when our doubts keep us stuck, when fear prevents us from loving all creation as you call us to do. Help us to accept the peace you so graciously offer to us. Have mercy on us when we hoard or hide it, when we fail to offer it to others. Renew us and make us whole that in this world of strife we may be bearers of your peace. (Silent prayers of confession) In resurrection hope we pray, **Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Children of God, we are claimed by God,
forgiven of our sins and set free for love.

Alleluia! Amen

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE 581

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

ANTHEM

Hark, Ten Thousand Harps and Voices

Craig Courtney (b. 1948)

WCPC Sanctuary Choir

Jonathan Aigner, director

Bruce Xu, organ

A TIME OF PROCLAMATION

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Susan Duncan

*HYMN OF PREPARATION 247

Now the Green Blade Rises

NOEL NOUVELET

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 3: 1 – 19 and Acts 4:5-12

STATEMENT OF FAITH

(Romans 8:1, 28, 38, 39)

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen

 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

"Keeping the Family Promise"

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Bruce Xu, organ

*DOXOLOGY 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Bruce Xu, organ

THOUGHTS FOR REFLECTION

As you go out from this place, remember that "Christ has no body but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes with which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body... Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

(Teresa of Avila)

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 FLOWER CALENDAR

THE 2024 Flower Calendar is open. You may reserve your special date by contacting Carol Palmquist at RNPalmquist@aol.com or 281-367-5166. Make your check payable to WCPC for \$75 and write Flowers and the date for your flowers on the memo line. Flowers: mm\dd\2024. Payment is due at time of sign-up. You may put the check in the offering plate or mail in to church office attn: Flowers. Thank You!

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 March 2024

	<u>March</u>	<u>Yr to Date</u>
Revenues	\$ 125,932	\$ 276,445
Expenses	\$ (115,741)	\$ (293,923)
Net Total	\$ 10,191	\$ (17,479)
Planned Reserve Transfers	\$ 4,292	\$ 12,875
Total	\$ 14,483	\$ (4,604)



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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

