



**First Westminster Presbyterian Church**  
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 10:45AM Rev. Jason Elliott June 7, 2026

Building relationships and connecting with others is important to us! We want to stay connected with those who virtually stay connected with us and also those who we see on a regular basis! If you could please scan the QR code above and complete the quick form, it would greatly help us as we update our contact information. Even if you believe we may have your information, please complete as we are cross checking what we have in Power Church. We thank you for all of your time, commitment, and support to First West!

We are so excited to share that we are now streaming our 10:45AM service in multiple locations of the church. For those of you with little ones, you can always catch the service LIVE on the television in the nursery located on the first floor. Also, the service is LIVE in the fellowship hall downstairs on the big screen. Also, our youth leaders have access to the service on a television in our Christian Education wing upstairs.

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**PRELUDE**

Denise Truax

**WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 51:10

Lucas Lyons

**HYMN**

“Hear the Good News of Salvation”

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**PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** Loving God, we humbly ask for your forgiveness. Open our eyes and soften our hearts that we may faithfully serve you as we should. Fill us with the gift of love that we may love others.

**MOMENT FOR SILENT MEDITATION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON: RESPONSE:** Friends, believe the Good News in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE**

**THE APOSTLES’ CREED** (Traditional) 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.

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

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.

### SCRIPTURE: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

<sup>9</sup> As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. <sup>10</sup> And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. <sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>12</sup> But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup> Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

<sup>18</sup> While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." <sup>19</sup> And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup> Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, <sup>21</sup> for she was saying to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." <sup>22</sup> Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that moment. <sup>23</sup> When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, <sup>24</sup> he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup> But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. <sup>26</sup> And the report of this spread through all of that district.

**SERMON** "Mercy Seekers" Rev. Jason Elliott

**SPECIAL MUSIC** Erik Lucas

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**\*BENEDICTION/ DISMISSAL**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHANCEL FLOWERS** Flower vases this morning are in loving memory of Barbara Sweeney by William and Mark Sweeney and in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Wheatley by William and Mark Sweeney.

**MISSION CANS-** This week's mission can donations will go to Pastor's Discretionary.

**VBS** This year's Vacation Bible School will be held here June 9, 10 & 11 from Noon – 3pm. Lunch will be provided. This year's theme is "Galaxy – Launching on a Mission of God's Love." Come join us and bring a friend!

**WEDNESDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** begins at 10:00 am in the Café.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY** for men and women is held in the Café from 7:00 – 8:00 pm.

**HELEN MARTIN BIBLE STUDY/PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN** will meet in the Fireside Room Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:30. All ladies are invited to join us. You may bring a sandwich or salad

**SESSION** will meet here in the Café Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at 6:30 pm.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JOE PORTER** will be held here Tuesday, June 16, 2026. The time will be announced. You are also invited to attend the luncheon downstairs following the service.

**YARN GROUP** Our group of crocheters and knitters will meet in the Fireside Room Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup> from 10am – Noon. Bring your project and join us!

**BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES-** Birthdays: Amy Bordash (6/9), Brian Lash (6/9), Debbie Degenring (6/11), Cora Watkins (6/12), Josh Costlow (6/13), Zach Costlow (6/13), Delaney Davis (6/13) and Jon Laughlin (6/13).

*Love God Love Others*