The West Alexander Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

108 Main Street, PO Box 303 West Alexander, PA 15376



Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. January 19, 2025

Welcome to Morning Worship Today's message will be delivered by Kable Dale

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Patty Johnson

(please stand, if able)

Hymn of Preparation 219 Surely the Presence

(please stand, if able)

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 36:7-9) Kable Dale

Leader: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

People: May all people take refuge in the shadow of

your wings.

Leader: We feast on the abundance of your house, and

you give us drink from the river of your delights.

People: For with you is the fountain of life; in your

light we see light.

(please stand, if able)

Hymn 43 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

(please be seated)

Call to Confession

Kable Dale

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Kable Dale

You have blessed us with a variety of gifts, Holy God, but we are reluctant to share. We hoard what is most valuable and make excuses for ourselves when called to share. The Spirit has blessed each of us uniquely, but we hide our light under a bushel and fail to rise to our potential. God, forgive us and embolden us. Help us to claim our gifts and put them to good use. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Believe the Good news, in Jesus Christ we are

forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

(please stand, if able)

Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, it is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Amen.

(please be seated)

Prayers of the People

Patty Johnson

The Lord's Prayer (Unison)

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.

Children's Message

(please remain seated)

Scripture Reading Luke 4:1-13 Kable Dale

Message The Wilderness Experience Kable Dale

The Offering Kable Dale

(please stand, if able)

Doxology-Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

(please be seated)
The Apostles' Creed*

Kable Dale

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 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 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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(please stand, if able)

Hymn 552 I Am Thine, O Lord

Benediction Kable Dale

Hymn of Praise 340 Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Postlude



As we behold the destruction of the Los Angeles wildfires, we offer this prayer:



O God, be merciful. Hold us as we grieve and pray. Be tender toward those who suffer and bring hope to the broken. We lament the devastating losses: whole neighborhoods, generations of memories, evidence of love and lives well-lived, all reduced to ash and rubble. Lord have mercy. We weep with those who weep: nursing mothers, medically fragile children, folks evacuating from assisted living facilities, people who will never go home again. Christ have mercy. We cry out at the injustice: insurance companies that canceled fire insurance policies just last week, and grifters circling like vultures around the vulnerable. Lord have mercy. We pray for relief: rain, torrents of rain, water to quench the fire and still air to stop its spread. Christ have mercy. We ask for an outpouring of love, compassion, and support: robust responses from dedicated and trustworthy leaders, neighbors who share what they have, strangers who become family, beauty among the ashes. Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy. Amen.

BY HALEY BALLAST

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RESURRECTION POWER BREAKFAST BANQUET



Save the date for the annual event to benefit the mission of Resurrection Power! Saturday, April 12 from 8:30-10:30 a.m. at

The Elks Lodge in Washington. See

the event brochure for full ticket and sponsorship info in the rear of the sanctuary.

Installation of Officers

will be held Sunday, January 26th.



The 2024 Per Capita fee will be collected during the month of January at \$50.00 per member. There are designated envelopes in the rear of the sanctuary.



1 Cor. 12:7 – "To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good."

Lectionary Readings for 2025

PCUSA now directs you to their website at:

Daily Devotion | Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

https://pcusa.org/daily/devotion#_tab_Morning

From here, you can simply select any day from a calendar and read the scripture verses displayed.

There are printed copies of the entire year available in the rear of the sanctuary as well as a .pdf version on the website. If you wish to have a copy emailed, please call the office to provide your email address.

Upcoming Services

Sunday, Jan 26 Message by Rev. Stammerjohn
Sunday, Feb 2 Message by Emily Dale

Events this week

Tuesday, 21– Deacon's Meeting 1pm Sunday, Jan 26—Sunday School 9:30am, Morning Worship 11am

Bulletin announcements must be submitted to the church office by Wednesday of each week!

Ongoing events:

Truck to Trunk — 2nd Wednesday of every month, 9-11 am, West Alexander Fair Grounds.

Golden Agers —Beginning in April, the 1st Thursday of each month, 12:00 noon, fellowship hall of West Alex Presb Church.

Opportunities to learn and grow with others

Children's Christian Education-Nursery-9:30 am Adult Friendship Class Choir Room-9:30 am Adult Praying Hearts Group Fellowship Hall- 9:30am

THE CHURCH DIRECTORY

Clerk of Session - Jane Noble 2025

The Session- Louis Winters, Karen Johnson, BobiJo McCuen

The Deacons- Kathy Morgan, CeCe Burig

The Trustees- Helen Buckholt, Will Noble

2026

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2027

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Staff & Church Information

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and Friends

Prayer Requests

To request prayer by the church, call or email the church office at wapc-admin@comcast.net or 724-484-7542. Praying Hearts Christian Education Class will receive your request and honor it. Also, Elder Jane Noble, Clerk of Session, 304.639.9148, and Deacon Kathy Morgan, 724.255.1845, welcome your prayer requests. Please tell us if your request is to be held in confidence or included in the Prayers for the People in morning worship.

Shut-ins and Military Information

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2024 Donation Statements have been printed and are available in the rear of the sanctuary. Please pick up your copy ASAP!

MY NOTES FROM TODAY:

Portions of today's service are credited to Teri McDowell Ott and the Presbyterian Outlook.