



West End

presbyterian church

**The Fourteenth Sunday after
Pentecost: Ordinary Time**

We are now in the season
after Pentecost, known as
"Ordinary Time." Having
celebrated the gift of the
Holy Spirit to the Church
at Pentecost, Ordinary
Time signals the interim
of the Church until Christ
comes again in glory. Jesus
is faithfully advancing
His Kingdom in the
power of His Spirit in this
season. We anticipate the
consummation of all things
when Christ comes in His
glory as King of all.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP & Communion

JESUS PERCEIVING

Heal us, Emmanuel, hear our prayer;
We wait to feel Thy touch;
Deep-wounded souls to Thee repair,
And Savior, we are such.

Our faith is feeble, we confess
We faintly trust Thy Word;
But wilt Thou pity us the less?
Be that far from Thee, Lord!

She, too, who touched Thee in the press
And healing virtue stole,
Was answered, "Daughter, go in peace;
Thy faith has made thee whole."

Like her, with hopes and fears we come
To touch Thee if we may;
O send us not despairing home;
Send none unhealed away.
--from "Heal Us, Emmanuel", William Cowper (1799)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hebrews 4:14-16

The First Word

We believe that God always
initiates with sinners, so
we begin worship with His
Word: His invitation to us to
gather in His name.

Since then we have a great High Priest
who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God,
let us hold fast our confession.

**For we do not have a high priest
who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but One who in every respect has been tempted
as we are, yet without sin.**

Let us then with confidence
draw near to the throne of grace,
that we may receive mercy
and find grace to help in time of need.

Invocation

Asking God to be with us.

INVOCATION

SONG OF ADORATION

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - migh - ty!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore Thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide Thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - migh - ty!

Ear - ly in the mor - ning our song shall rise to Thee.
 cas - ting down their gol - den crowns a - round the glas - sy sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see,
 All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and migh - ty!
 che - ru - bim and se - ra - phim fal - ling down be - fore Thee,
 on - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and migh - ty!

God in three Per - sons, bles - sed Tri - ni - ty!
 Who wert and art, and e - ver - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bles - sed Tri - ni - ty!

Adoration

The God who meets with us in worship is good and powerful. We recognize His greatness and remember His amazing works together in song.

"And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, 'Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!'"

Revelation 4:8

John Bacchus Dykes
 Reginald Heber.
 TUNE: NICAEA.
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Welcome

We are glad you have joined us this morning! If you are visiting our church for the first time, or are a regular attendee or church member, we encourage you to use our online or paper [Keep in Touch form](#) to introduce yourself, request prayer, or request more information about our church. Following the service, please introduce yourself to Pastor Steve Shelby either in the Gallery or on the front sidewalk.

STORIES FROM THE CHURCH: Jesus IS AT WORK IN HIS CHURCH

Mike Glasgow

OLD Testament Reading

Ezekiel 36:22-28

Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God....

MINISTRY OF PRAYER

OFFERING

The offering isn't just about money. Our response to the Gospel goes much deeper; God demands our whole selves. The act of giving in worship is a part of offering ourselves as "living sacrifices" to God (Romans 12:1).

You can place your offering and/or tear-off as the plates pass. Please visit www.wepc.org/giving or scan the QR code for online giving options, or mail your offering to the church office (9008 Quioccasin Road, Henrico, VA, 23229).



JESUS, LOVER OF MY SOUL

*"You have
been...a refuge
for the needy
in his distress."
Isaiah 25:4*

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1. Je - sus, Lo - ver of my soul, let me to Thy bo - som -
2. Oth - er re - fuge have I none, I help-less, hang on -
3. Thou, O Christ, are all I want, here more than all I -
4. Plen-teous grace with Thee is found, grace to co - ver all my -



— fly, while the near - rer wa - ters roll, while the
— Thee; leave, oh leave me not a - lone, sup -
— find; raise the fal - len, cheer the faint, heal the
— sin; let the heal - ing streams a - bound; make and



temp-est still is — high: hide me, O my Sa - vior, hide,
port and com - fort — me! All my trust on Thee is stayed, all
sick and lead the — blind. Just and ho - ly is Thy name; I am
keep me pure with - in. Thou of life the foun - tain art;



'till life's storm is — past, safe in - to the
help from Thee I — bring; co - ver my de -
all un - right - eous - ness; false and full of
let me take of — Thee; spring Thou up with -



ha - ven guide, re - ceive my soul at — last.
fense - less head in the sha - dow of Thy — wing.
sin I am, Thou art full of truth and — grace.
in my heart, for all e - ter - ni - ty.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP (10:30am)

Children, age 4 through 2nd grade, will be dismissed prior to the sermon for a Bible Lesson, activity, and fellowship. Pick up from Room 121. www.wepc.org/grow/children

SCRIPTURE Reading

Mark 5:24b-34

^{24b}And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. ²⁵And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, ²⁶and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. ²⁸For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well." ²⁹And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my garments?" ³¹And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, 'Who touched me?'" ³²And he looked around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. ³⁴And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

Sermon

A Worship Guide with sermon questions is posted each Sunday at <https://wepc.org/worship/sermons-media>. You can also find the sermon audio on [Apple Podcasts](#) and [Spotify](#) under "West End Presbyterian Church RVA."

PREPARATION FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after supper He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred, and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

from the Book of Common Prayer

Confession & Encouragement

Often we find that our hearts worship something other than God. In confessing our sins, the Holy Spirit probes our hearts and minds and graciously shows us what we mistakenly believe will give us life. Jesus is good to lead us from sorrow over our sin to the sweetness of His grace.

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Isaiah 53:4-6

Surely He has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed Him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.
But He was pierced for our transgressions;
He was crushed for our iniquities;
upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with His wounds we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—every one—to his own way;
and the Lord has laid on Him
the iniquity of us all.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

West End Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin and heart-idols, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the Gospel, to participate in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us. The Elders presiding over the Supper are praying for you as the congregation participates in the sacrament.

At each communion station, grape juice is served in purple cups, wine is served in clear cups, and gluten-free bread is served in a separate tray. For a list of ingredients in the wafers, see www.wepc.org/communion.

If your child is ready to make a public profession of faith in Jesus Christ, please contact the WEPC office.

Songs of Response to God's Grace

GOD BE MERCIFUL TO ME

*"Have mercy
on me, O God,
according to Your
steadfast love."
Psalm 51:1*

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1. God,	be	mer - ci - ful	to me, _____	on Thy grace	I
2. My	trans -	gres - sions	I con - fess, _____	grief and guilt	my
3. I	am	e - vil,	born in sin; _____	Thou de - sir - est	
4. Bro -	ken,	hum - bled	to the dust _____	by Thy wrath and	
5. Gra -	cious	God, my	heart re - new, _____	make my spi - rit	



rest my plea; _____	plen - teous	in com - pas - sion	Thou, _____
soul op - press; _____	I have	sinned a - gainst Thy	grace _____
truth with - in. _____	Thou a - lone	my Sav - ior	art, _____
judge - ment just, _____	let my con - trite	heart re - joice _____	
right and true _____	cast me not	a - way from Thee, _____	



blot out my trans - gres - sions	now; _____	wash me, make me
and pro - voked Thee	to Thy face; _____	I con - fess Thy
teach Thy wis - dom	to my heart; _____	make me pure, Thy
and in glad - ness	hear Thy voice; _____	from my sins, O
let Thy Spi - rit	dwell in me; _____	Thy sal - va - tion's



pure with - in, _____	cleanse, O cleanse me	from my _____ sin. _____
judge - ment just, _____	speech - less, I Thy	mer - cy _____ trust. _____
grace be - stow, _____	wash me whit - er	than the _____ snow. _____
hide Thy face, _____	blot them out in	bound - less _____ grace. _____
joy im - part, _____	stead - fast make my	will - ing _____ heart. _____

"Come to me, all
you who are weary
and burdened, and
I will give you rest."
Matthew 11:28

JESUS I COME

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1.Out of my bon - dage, sor - row and night, Je-sus I come,
2.Out of my shame - ful fail - ure and loss, Je-sus I come,
3.Out of un - rest and ar - ro - gant pride, Je-sus I come,
4.Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Je-sus I come,



Je-sus I come_ In - to Thy free - dom, glad-ness, and light Je-sus I
Je-sus I come_ In - to the glo - rious gain of Thy cross, Je-sus I
Je-sus I come_ In - to Thy bless - ed will to a - bide, Je-sus I
Je-sus I come_ In - to the joy and light of Thy home, Je-sus I



come to Thee, Out of my sick - ness in - to Thy health,
come to Thee. Out of earth's sor - rows in - to Thy balm,
come to Thee. Out of my - self to dwell in Thy love,
come to Thee. Out of the depths of ru - in un - told,



out of my want - ing and in - to Thy wealth, out of my
out of life's storms_ and in - to Thy calm, out of dis -
out of de - spair in - to rap - tures a - bove, up - ward for -
in - to the peace of Thy shel - ter - ing fold, ev - er Thy



sin_ and in - to Thy - self,_ Je-sus I come to Thee.
stress in - to jub - i - lant psalm, Je-sus I come to Thee.
ev - er on wings like a dove,_ Je-sus I come to Thee.
glor - i - ous face to be - hold,_ Je-sus I come to Thee.

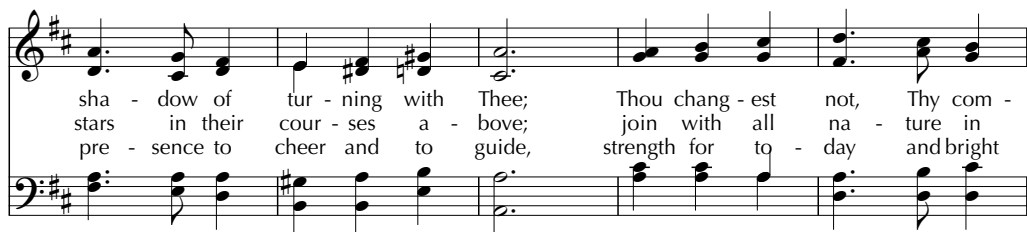
GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

"Great is Your
faithfulness"
Lamentations
3:23

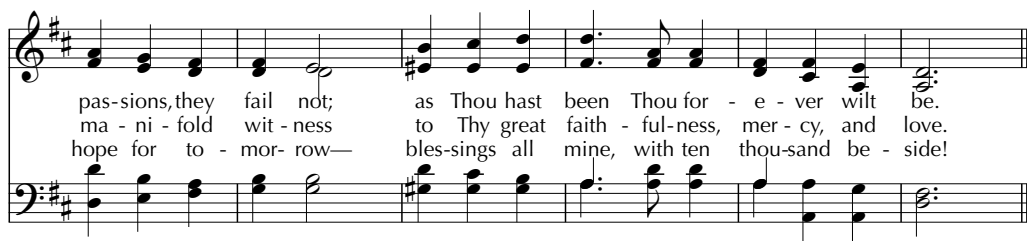
Thomas O.
Chisholm
(1923); Tune:
FAITHFULNESS,
William Runyan
(1923). Public
Domain



1 Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no
2 Sum - mer and win - ter and spring-time and harv - est sun, moon, and
3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, Thy own dear



sha - dow of tur - ning with Thee; Thou chang - est not, Thy com -
stars in their cour - ses a - bove; join with all na - ture in
pre - sence to cheer and to guide, strength for to - day and bright



pas-sions, they fail not; as Thou hast been Thou for - e - ver wilt be.
ma - ni - fold wit - ness to Thy great faith - ful-ness, mer - cy, and love.
hope for to - mor - row— bles-sings all mine, with ten thou-sand be - side!



Great is Thy faith - ful-ness! Great is Thy faith - ful-ness! Mor - ning by



mor - ning new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed Thy



hand hath pro - vi - ded. Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, Lord, un - to me!

*"Let everything that
has breath praise the
LORD." Psalm 150:6*

Text: Thomas Ken
(1709) Tune: OLD
HUNDREDTH
(Bourgeois, 1551)

What does "doxology" mean?

It's derived from
two Greek words
meaning "glory"
and "word." A
doxology, then, is
a spoken word or
song that ascribes
glory to God.
Today's doxology
calls all of creation
to praise God
as the source of
all blessing and
acknowledges His
Trinitarian (three-in-
one) nature.

The Last Word
God always has
the last word in
our worship. For
those who are in
Christ Jesus, these
are always words of
blessing.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all bles - sings flow; Praise Him, all crea - tures
here be - low Praise Him a - bove ye heavn - ly host; Praise
Fa - ther Son and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Benediction

*A team is available for prayer at the front of the Sanctuary following the
9 AM & 10:30 AM services.*

Pastor Steve Shelby preached today's sermon and administered the Lord's Supper. **Elder B-J Huff** led worship. **Trey & Jen Wickham, Sarah Shrader, Pat Reynolds, Doug Cherrington, Worship Arts Director Becca Wethered, and Jamison Taggart** led this morning's congregational singing. **Jay Smith and Luke Andrews** managed today's audio and video live stream. **Deacon Brian Zollinhofer** managed the in-house video system.

Sermon Notes

Announcements

ADULT MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/adults

Sunday Morning Discipleship: 9 AM

- **We Believe: A Study of the Nicene Creed**
Sundays through Nov 23 / Room 35
What do you believe? The Nicene Creed was the first unifying statement of what Christians hold to be true and, to this day, defines orthodox Christian doctrine. Seekers, skeptics, new Christians, and long-time believers are encouraged to join us as we contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints. Led by Ruling Elders Mark Crutcher and Changjwok Deng. Contact: Chang (changjwok@wepc.org)
- **Marriage: What Did You Expect?**
Sundays through Oct 12 / Room 810
Every marriage has something in common: challenges. When a marriage is built upon shared expectations fostered through commitment, they can experience challenges with confidence, knowing that will lead to growth and greater intimacy. This class is based on Paul Tripp's book *Marriage: 6 Gospel Commitments Every Couple Needs to Make*. Contact: Matt (matt@wepc.org)

HOW TO LIVE: Wednesday Night Fellowship

Through Nov 12 / 6 - 7:30 PM / WEPC Chapel
Life is complex. The New Testament book of Philippians provides us with straightforward spiritual guidance in light of the essential teachings of Christianity. For anyone that would like to grow as they learn what it means to follow Jesus. Led by Kevin Greene, Changjwok Deng, and Becca Wethered. Questions? Contact: Kevin (kevin@wepc.org)

Women's Ministry

www.wepc.org/grow/women

Fall Wellspring & Restore Bible Studies:

Wellspring: Tuesdays AM

Restore: Wednesdays PM

Join us for this year's study "SHE IS..." Women as God's Image-Bearers. All women are welcome. **Register Now!** Contact: Brice Bowman (brice@wepc.org)

Young Adult Fellowship Meal

Meets every other Thursday / 6:30-8 PM / FH

Next Meeting: September 25

Young Adults at WEPC is a space to grow in your faith and connect with others. We meet every other Thursday night in the Fellowship Hall for a meal and discussion. Contact: Matt (matt@wepc.org)

The Table Fellowship & Prayer

Fridays / 12-1 PM / Room 810

The Table is an informal gathering to pray and fellowship as a church, open to anyone that would like to attend. We'll have a short devotional, pray for the needs of the church and each other, and eat lunch together. Please bring a packed lunch. No need to RSVP. Contact: Matt (matt@wepc.org)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/grow/children

Sundays:

- **9 AM:** Nursery (infant-3 years old)
- **10:30 AM:** Nursery (infant-3 years old) & Children's Message or Worship (4 years-1st grade; Children's Worship does not meet on the 1st Sunday of the month.
- **Nursing Mom's Room** (service audio available during both services)

Wednesdays (beginning September 17 @ 6 PM):

- **Club 4/5:** 4th & 5th graders will gather for a special time of fellowship, games, and diving deep into the Word together.
- **No Kids' Club for K-3rd Grade:** Because of changes in our volunteers' availability, we not hosting a program for K-3rd graders.

Volunteers Needed:

9AM Sunday School

- 1 Kindergarten Teacher, 1 Kindergarten Helper

9AM Nursery

- 5 Nursery Volunteers

YOUTH MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/grow/youth

- **Youth Sunday School:** September 14 / 9 AM
- **Youth Group:** Sep 17
Middle School: 6-7:30 PM
High School: 7:30-9 PM
- **Cereal Bowl:** September 19
- **HS Overnight:** October 3-4
- **MS Movie Night:** October 10

NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH MINISTRY

www.wepc.org/neighborhood

WEPC 8K & Half Marathon Training Team

Join our WEPC training group for the 8k and Half Marathon on Saturday, November 15. All levels are welcome: runners, joggers and walkers. Our group runs on Saturday mornings at 8am. Sign up [here](#)! Contact Changjwok Deng (changjwok@wepc.org)

Language of the Month

Language of the Month is a fun churchwide exercise to learn new words in another language. This month we will learn Arabic. Visit the "Life in the Neighborhood" bulletin station (near the church offices) to grab your learning resources: September Calendar and Bookmarks.

Fruitful Fridays

Oct 17, Nov 14, & Dec 12 / 4-6 PM
N.O. will begin to offer a monthly Afterschool Enrichment Program for our K-5 neighbors which will introduce kids to new and fun learning experiences this fall focused on music. For musicians who have awesome rhythm or those who just love kids - we'd love your help! To volunteer, contact Talya (talya@wepc.org).

GENERAL INFORMATION

Deacons of the Week

Stan Cover, Chris Perry, Taylor Miller, & Chris May

WEPC Fall 2025 Conference: *Swing Low: The Story of the Black Church in the United States*

September 27 / 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM / FH
The history of African American Christians tells the story of Jesus-followers compelled to pursue spiritual growth and social change to God's glory. Join us to be encouraged by the dynamic witness of the Black church in the United States. Led by author Walter Strickland. Register now at wepc.org/swinglow.

Mapping the Wilderness Conference

November 8 / 9 AM -3 PM / City Church
This workshop looks to reinvent and refresh our approach to sharing the Gospel. Learn more at www.evangelizetoday.com, and register at <https://tinyurl.com/4pn893vy>
Hosted by the James River Presbytery. Contact: Kevin Greene (kevin@wepc.org)

Join a Small Group!

Small groups are starting up in September. They are a great way to make a big church seem small, meet people, and get into the Word. Please fill out the [interest form](#) or contact Joy (joy@wepc.org) if interested.

Mercy Ministry:

Deacon Assistant Training Opportunity

September 21 / 12 PM / WEPC Library
Our mercy ministry brings glory to God by addressing the material needs of those in the church and the surrounding community in a biblically sound, compassionate, wise, and effective manner. Women & men are invited to join us for a four-week training class at 9 AM Sundays this Fall. To RSVP for the interest lunch, or for more information about the Deacon Assistant role, contact Pastor Kevin Greene (kevin@wepc.org).

Barnabas Basic Training

November 8 / 9AM - 4PM / Veritas School
Join us for an introduction to the foundational principles of The Barnabas Model, which considers the human heart and human relationships within a Biblical framework. Cost is \$110 (\$15 optional lunch). [Register now](#). Scholarships and ministry rates available. Contact: Kim (kjohnson@barnabasrva.org)

Questions Jesus Asked Spotify Playlist

Check out the [Questions Jesus Asked Spotify Playlist](#). You can find it by searching "Questions Jesus Asked" or "West End Presbyterian Church RVA + playlists."

DivorceCare Group Fall 2025

DivorceCare is a 13-week Christ-centered program addressing the complexity of life when facing marital separation or divorce. OUR FALL 2025 CLASS IS FULL at WEPC. For inquiries or help in finding another location, contact: Matt Osenga (Osengam@hotmail.com)

Follow Us on Social Media!

Find us on Facebook and Instagram @wepcrva.

FOOD PANTRY

www.wepc.org/mercyministry

Food Items Needed

Please continue to check our weekly list to help keep the shelves stocked for our neighbors.

Keep in Touch

Especially if this is your first Sunday with us —welcome!



Date: _____

Name: _____

Children's Names: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Who invited you to WEPC? How did you first hear about us?

◇ Check if this is NEW contact information for you.

Please check the appropriate boxes:

- | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| ◇ Visitor | Age: |
| ◇ Male | ◇ 20 or younger |
| ◇ Female | ◇ 21-26 |
| ◇ Single | ◇ 27-34 |
| ◇ Student (Grade ____) | ◇ 35-49 |
| ◇ Student (College) | ◇ 50-64 |
| ◇ Married | ◇ 65 and older |
| ◇ Parent | |
| ◇ Widowed | |

I would like info about:

- ◇ WEPC
- ◇ Women's Ministry
- ◇ Men's Ministry
- ◇ Young Adult Ministry
- ◇ Childrens Ministry
- ◇ Youth Ministry
- ◇ Adult Classes
- ◇ Small Groups
- ◇ Neighborhood Outreach
- ◇ Becoming a member of WEPC
- ◇ Other: _____

◇ Please include me on the WEPC email list.

◇ I am interested in learning more about becoming a Christian.

Prayer Requests:

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment, and forgiving me. I run from my sins—my old life living for myself—and receive you as Savior. Amen.