

West Hopewell Church is a movement of the gospel.

Our purpose is to fill our neighborhood and the city of Hopewell with the gospel of Jesus Christ, so that its people are transformed in every way: spiritually, socially, and culturally.

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2018

2020

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West Hopewell Presbyterian Church

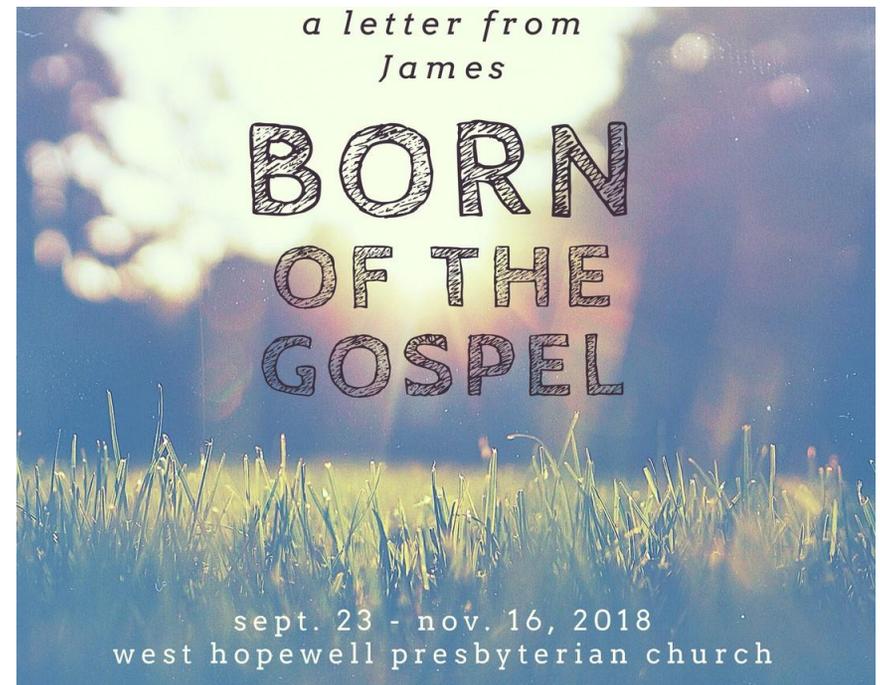
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WestHopewell
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Welcome!

We are glad you are worshipping with us this morning! If you are a new guest, we have two desires for you – to help you feel at home and for you to experience the love of God in Jesus Christ.

We are a community of people from all sorts of backgrounds. We want our church to be a place of discovery, growth, and healing - all of which the Gospel provides.

Nurseries are provided for infants through age four. If you feel comfortable enough to let us get to know you, please fill out a Comment Card and drop it in the offering plate during that portion of the service.

November 18th, 2018

Order of Service

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Reflection *Words - so innocent and powerless as they are, as standing in a dictionary, how potent for good and evil they become in the hands of one who knows how to combine them.*

Passages from the American Note-Books of Nathaniel Hawthorne (1868)
by Sophia Hawthorne

Prelude & Welcome

***Call to Worship** Psalm 18:30–31

*This God—his way is perfect; the word of the LORD proves true;
he is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.*

***For who is God, but the LORD?
And who is a rock, except our God?***

***Opening Hymn** "Come Thou Fount" #457

Prayers of Our Church

OLD TESTAMENT READING Ecclesiastes 7:13–22

[13] Consider the work of God: who can make straight what he has made crooked? [14] In the day of prosperity be joyful, and in the day of adversity consider: God has made the one as well as the other, so that man may not find out anything that will be after him. [15] In my vain life I have seen everything. There is a righteous man who perishes in his righteousness, and there is a wicked man who prolongs his life in his evildoing. [16] Be not overly righteous, and do not make yourself too wise. Why should you destroy yourself? [17] Be not overly wicked, neither be a fool. Why should you die before your time? [18] It is good that you should take hold of this, and from that withhold not your hand, for the one who fears God shall come out from both of them. [19] Wisdom gives strength to the wise man more than ten rulers who are in a city. [20] Surely there is not a righteous man on earth who does good and never sins. [21] Do not take to heart all the things that people say, lest you hear your servant cursing you. [22] Your heart knows that many times you yourself have cursed others.

Assurance of Pardon 2 Corinthians 12:9

My grace is sufficient for you, my power is perfected in weakness.

Corporate Confession of Sin

Father, we confess together as your people that our words do not always bring life. We can be quick to speak words that tear others down. We also withhold words of encouragement, praise, and honor. We do this so often we have begun to not even notice when it happens. Make us aware this week of how we use our words and why. Make us painfully aware and lead us in confession, repentance, and reconciliation.

Personal Confession of Sin

***Song of Grace** "Your Words Of Life"

Greetings and Announcements

Offering "Give Thanks To The Lord"

***Gloria Patri** #735

Sermon "Words Matter" James 3:1-11

***Closing Song** "How Great Is Our God"

***Closing Blessing** 2 Thessalonians 3:16

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.

***Please stand if you are able.**

Do you want someone to pray with you or for you? After the service, someone will be at the front by the banister to pray with anyone whom desires.

Next Week's Sermon

"Wisdom and Understanding" James 3:13-18

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