

## Westminster Prays

Mack Shieder	Chut Moody	Mary Ashley Barbot
Charlotte McPherson	Terry Garrett	Kristi Atkinson
David Keller	Esmā Harris	Susan Odom
Martha Garrett	Jeff Reeves	Brian Moody
Hannah Warren	Jerry Brown	Walter Russell
Bill Noonan	Irene Grafton	Matthew Lamb
Lydia Crosby	Ruth Hewett	Kalaila Martin
Tami Russell	Harold Fountain	Robert Seiber
Billy McCue	Dot Daniels	Jan Erickson
Josh Higgins	James Shumate	Brittany Michael
Carol Walsh	Allene Baranes	Nancy Smoak Penley
Gary Woods	Speck Daniels	Rachel Mallard
Rebekah Broome	Clif Green	Lisa Wilcox
Nancy Nunn	Vickie Kelly	Page English
Sally Minnick	David Morris IV	Vern Norman
John Ligon	Carolyn Brunnick	John Niblock
Derek Fountain	David Madden	Ike Eisenhower
Jordan Cassady	Joyce Ulm	Torrie Dingler
Carol Cummings	Beryldean Winter	Jean Marie Pages
Julia Moody	Al Hudson	Ladd Brearley
Allan Dapore	Bill Hamilton	

### Prayers of Sympathy and Support are extended to

Gina Miller and family upon the death of her father in Virginia.

### Serving in the Armed Forces

Jay Gilbert	Baxter Smoak	James Burnley	Robert Georgen
Lauren Smoak	David Ferguson	Andrew Krisel	Edward Stikeleather
Joshua Fincher	Ryan Depew	Tillman Reeves	Roy Selvidge
Cameron Motley	Justin Forte	Joe Campbell	Mike Mann
Jeremy Rundall	Patrick Lucas	Dylan Lewis	Kevin Griggs
Mike Cotham			

### Friend of the Week

Charles Griffin  
998 Lake Hunter Circle, Villa 1  
Mt. Pleasant, SC 29464

### Church Family

Daniel Grafton  
Emily Grafton, William, Charles  
Olivia Grafton

### Mission of the Week

One Eighty Place  
35 Walnut Street  
Charleston, SC 29403

### College Student of the Week

Claire Winkles  
119-A Wentworth Street  
Charleston, SC 29401

### Prayer Request

Please complete and place in the offering plate.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please pray for \_\_\_\_\_

About \_\_\_\_\_

Should this request be listed in the bulletin? (permission of individuals required) Our prayer groups pray for publicized and non-publicized names. Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Name of person making request \_\_\_\_\_

## This Week at Westminster

### Sunday, March 20

9:15 am	Prayer Group, Pastor's office
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Palm Sunday Worship Service
5:00 pm	Bible 101, Parlor
5:00 pm	Deacons Meeting, room 4
5:00 pm	Mid High Youth Group
7:00 pm	Senior High Youth Group
7:00 pm	Stated Session Meeting, room 4

### Tuesday, March 22

9:50 am	Staff Meeting, Pastor's office
6:00 pm	Youth Handbell Rehearsal
7:00 pm	Handbell Rehearsal

### Wednesday, March 23

6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday Church Family Dinner, Pepper Steak
6:30 pm	Backpack Buddies, Covenant Hall
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, March 24

7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship and Communion
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### Friday, March 25

7:00 PM	Good Friday Worship and Tenebrae
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### Saturday, March 26

10:00 am	Easter Egg Hunt
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### Sunday, March 27

9:15 am	Prayer Group, Pastor's office
10:00 am	Youth Mission Pancake Breakfast, Covenant Hall
11:00 am	Easter Worship Service

### WESTMINSTER SESSION

#### CLASS OF 2016

Allyn Bruce  
Mary Fulmer  
Sara McCoy  
David Morris  
Debbie Redmon  
Betsy Williams

#### CLASS OF 2017

Chris Camburn  
Robert Dadin  
Jim Frye  
Donna Purcell  
Jerry Smoak  
Patty Stokes

#### CLASS OF 2018

Lindy Coleman  
Brad Earnst  
Priscilla Holtzclaw  
Mark Patrick  
Charlie Powell  
Carole Russell

Clerk-Dick Patrick

Treasurer-Betsy Williams

Assistant Treasurer-Patty Stokes

### Westminster Presbyterian Church

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Rev. Dr. Daniel L. Smoak, Pastor

Mr. Robin Zemp, Director of Music

Mrs. Janie Bruce, Director of Children and Youth Ministries

Ms. Anne Camburn, Business Administrator

Mrs. Nita Rushton, Office Administrator

Mrs. Alicia Crosby, Preschool Director

Mrs. Pam Smith, Preschool Assistant Director



## WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### WORSHIP ON THE LORD'S DAY

PALM AND PASSION SUNDAY

March 20, 2016

11:00 am

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Joyful, Joyful DALLAS BLAIR

INTROIT Entrance into Jerusalem WES CAMERON

◆CALL TO WORSHIP FROM MATTHEW AND LUKE

Leader: When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And as he rode along, most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying:

**People: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!**

Leader: And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting,

**People: Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!**

◆PROCESSIONAL HYMN NO. 196 All Glory, Laud, and Honor  
VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

### ◆PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful Lord, we join voices in praise to you, gladly proclaiming you as our King, yet we have not followed your rule. We are more inclined to look for ways to fulfill our desires than to accomplish your will. We strive to extend our influence more than we seek your kingdom. Forgive us for saying one thing while living another. Help us by your Spirit to walk in the way of the cross, loving you with all of our hearts and loving our neighbors as ourselves.**

### ◆SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

### ◆ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

◆GLORIA PATRI GREATOR EX  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

◆SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE  
The peace of Christ be with you.  
**and also with you.**  
*Please greet your neighbor with the peace of Christ.*

LET THE CHILDREN COME Janie Bruce  
*Children five years and younger are invited to go to Children's Church in the Sunday School building.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 27:32-50 PEW BIBLE N.T. PAGE 32  
Leader: The Word of the Lord.  
**People: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM When I Survey the Wondrous Cross GILBERT MARTIN  
*Sanctuary Choir*

SERMON From Exaltation to the Cross Pastor Daniel

◆HYMN NO. 221 O Sacred Head, Now Wounded PASSION CHORALE

◆AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE HEIDELBERG CATECHISM (1563)  
*This section of the Catechism further explains what The Apostles' Creed means by Jesus "suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;"*

- Q. What do you understand by the word "suffered"?
- A. **That during his whole life on earth, but especially at the end, Christ sustained in body and soul the anger of God against the sin of the whole human race. This he did in order that, by his suffering as the only atoning sacrifice, he might set us free, body and soul, from eternal condemnation, and gain for us God's grace, righteousness, and eternal life.**
- Q. Why did he suffer "under Pontius Pilate" as judge?
- A. **So that he, though innocent, might be condemned by a civil judge, and so free us from the severe judgment of God that was to fall on us.**
- Q. Is it significant that he was "crucified" instead of dying some other way?
- A. **Yes. This death convinces me that he shouldered the curse which lay on me, since death by crucifixion was accursed by God.**

Q. Why did Christ have to go all the way to death?

A. **Because God's justice and truth demand it: only the death of God's Son could pay for our sin.**

Q. Why was he "buried"?

A. **His burial testifies that he really died.**

Q. What further advantage do we receive from Christ's sacrifice and death on the cross?

A. **Through Christ's death our old selves are crucified, put to death, and buried with him, so that the evil desires of the flesh may no longer rule us, but that instead we may dedicate ourselves as an offering of gratitude to him.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

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**

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Were You There LYNN PETERSON

◆DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

◆PRAYER OF DEDICATION

◆HYMN NO. 215 What Wondrous Love Is This WONDROUS LOVE

◆BENEDICTION

◆BENEDICTORY RESPONSE  
Christ, We Do All Adore Thee THEODORE DUBOIS

POSTLUDE Awake, My Heart, with Gladness RAYMOND HAAN

◆ Those who are able, please stand.

Guest Musician is Susan Messersmith, trumpet.

Liturgist is Tom Livingston.

Acolytes are Henry Earnst and Cole McLaughlin.

Children's Church volunteers are Mary and Shawn Fulmer.

Visitor Table: Eric and Donna David

The flowers in the Narthex are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband Jack, her grandson Brent, and her brother Jim, all who had birthdays in March, by Carol Mattox.



Today we celebrate **The Triumphal Entry of Jesus Christ** into the city of Jerusalem. He came as humble King, riding a donkey. Our Lord's entry prompted the crowds to praise Him with the shouts of Hosanna! - Hebrew meaning "save now!" So this morning we also join together to praise Christ with our joyful Hosannas!

We also turn to **The Passion of Jesus** and its meaning. From the cross, Jesus cried out Psalm 22: "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Taking the burden of the cross and being forsaken by God means in Christ, we will never be abandoned.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER ACTIVITIES

**Maundy Thursday Worship and Communion\* 7:00 pm Thursday**

*We come together to remember the night Jesus was betrayed and arrested.*

*Pastor Daniel is preaching, and we'll share the Lord's Supper.*

**Good Friday Worship and Tenebrae\* 7:00 pm Friday**

*Our choir will lead us in a service of darkness that focuses on the final hours of Jesus' life.*

**Easter Egg Hunt 10:00 - 11:00 am Saturday**

*The whole family is invited! Easter story, crafts, and egg hunt.*

*Be sure to bring your Easter basket!*

**Easter Sunday Sunday Morning**

Youth Mission Pancake Breakfast at 10:00 am

Easter Worship at 11:00 am.\* *The tomb is empty and death is defeated!*

*Praise God for the victory we have in Jesus, and hear what difference the resurrection makes for us today.*

\*Nursery provided

**Welcome to Westminster**

We are delighted that you have joined us today and hope you will find a home here. Visitors are encouraged to stop by the welcome table in the narthex for more information about Westminster.

We have wonderful caregivers in our nursery who will lovingly care for your child and will provide you with a pager should they need to contact you. Our ushers can assist you in finding the nursery.

Worship bags are available for preschool and elementary age children in the narthex.

Hearing devices are available in the narthex.

For more information about Westminster, please call the church office 766-8311.