

Westminster Prays

Mack Shieder	Chut Moody	Mary Ashley Barbot
Charlotte McPherson	Susan Odom	Hannah Warren
David Keller	Matthew Lamb	Joyce Ulm
Jerry Brown	Kalaila Martin	Marilyn Bardsley
Lisa Wilcox	Terry Hall	Ronald Beach
Walter Russell	Lydia Crosby	Vickie Kelly
Irene Grafton	Jan Erickson	Kathy Day
Ruth Hewett	Julia Moody	Denise Park
Harold Fountain	John Pack	Bobby Wall
Billy McCue	Dot Daniels	David Adams
Josh Higgins	Rebekah Broome	Beryldean Winter
Allene Baranes	Speck Daniels	Steve Hollingsworth
Gary Woods	Charles Reeves	Martha Woods
Derek Fountain	Sally Minnick	Pierre McGowan
Torrie Dingler	Gene Lundgrin	Bob Bean
Dawn McMillan	Elliott Brouner	Stacey Edge
Bob Foster	Vera Shelor Terry	John Oliver
Sue Johnson	Susan Baltic	Barbara Kinard
Lynn Rice-See	Mary Jane Gilliam	Esmá Harris
Ken Caldwell	Lynn Gilliam	KC Miller
Britney Rast	Joe Smith	JoAnn West
Kitty Kenney	Aileen Wiese	Cary Alexandre
Mildred Dewitt	Jill Lundgrin	Hal Jonsson
Thomas Weir	Jane Small	Jack Eades
Jule Ann Hoffman		

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	Mike Cotham
Cameron Motley	Justin Forte	Joe Campbell	Mike Mann
Jeremy Rundall	Patrick Lucas	Kevin Griggs	

Friend of the Week

Chut Moody
1318 New Castle Street
Charleston, SC 29407

Church Family

John and Dee Bee Wright
Bobbie Yandle
David and Patricia Yandle

Mission of the Week

Hands of Christ
1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29407

College Student of the Week

Claire Winkles
27 Fitzroy Drive
Charleston, SC 29414

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, December 11

9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Second Sunday Social
4:00 pm	Youth Angel Tree Shopping
7:00 pm	Stated Session Meeting
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Monday, December 12

10:00 am	Hooks and Needles
6:00 pm	PW Circle 1, Taffy Tamblyn's home

Tuesday, December 13

7:30 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Town and Country
10:00 am	PW Circle 5, Johnnie Harvey's home
10:30 am	PW Circle 4, Covenant Hall, Room 4
7:00 pm	Handbell Choir

Wednesday, December 14

6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday Church Family Dinner—Breakfast
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Friday, December 16

4:00 pm	SAM's Drop-In, The Seay's home
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Saturday, December 17

6:30 pm	SIMS, Paul and Laura Patrick's home
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Sunday, December 18

9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
4:00 pm	Youth Angel Tree Shopping
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

WESTMINSTER SESSION

<u>CLASS OF 2017</u>	<u>CLASS OF 2018</u>	<u>CLASS OF 2019</u>
Chris Camburn	Lindy Coleman	Ann Froneberger
Robert Dadin	Brad Earnst	Johnnie Harvey
Jim Frye	Priscilla Holtzclaw	Nancy Parrish
Donna Purcell	Mark Patrick	Rita Livingston
Jerry Smoak	Charlie Powell	Henry Shepard
Patty Stokes	Carole Russell	Chuck Towne

Clerk-Priscilla Holtzclaw

Treasurer-Betsy Williams Assistant Treasurer-Patty Stokes

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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

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 11, 2016

11:00 am

PRELUDE

In Dulci Jubilo

PAUL MANZ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

The Akery Family
Matthew, Natasha, Eleanor, Jane

Leader: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor,
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

People: **We wait for you with expectation.**
Come, Lord Jesus!

◆ HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 2 Come, Thou Almighty King ITALIAN HYMN

◆ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, your Son, the Word, has been with you from the beginning, and through him you created all that exists. It is by your Word that you have called us forth, and it is through him that we have been redeemed. Father, we confess that it is in your Word that we live and move and have our being. Please forgive us when we try to live apart from you, apart from your influence, apart from your will, and apart from your Word. Keep us in him, we pray.

◆ SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

◆ ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

◆ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Gloria in excelsis Deo!

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FRENCH CAROL

◆ SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please greet your neighbor with the peace of Christ.

ANTHEM An Antiphonal Noel JOEL RANEY
Sunday School Children and Sanctuary Choir

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON Isaiah 9:6 PEW BIBLE O.T. PAGE 638
John 1:1 PEW BIBLE N.T. PAGE 91
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON His Name Shall Be Called: Everlasting Father Pastor Daniel

◆ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH FROM THE NICENE CREED (381)

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

◆ HYMN NO. 83 Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus STUTTGART

PRAYER AND 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 PERSONAL COMMITMENTS

OFFERTORY Of the Father's Love Begotten DAVID WILCOCKS
Sanctuary Choir

◆ 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. 104 O Lord, How Shall I Meet You
VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

◆ BENEDICTION AND BENEDICTORY RESPONSE

We sing together: Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
His name is called Emmanuel;
God with us, revealed to us;
His name is called Emmanuel!

◆ POSTLUDE From Heaven Above to Earth I Come J.S. BACH

◆ Those who are able, please stand.

Liturgist is Emmy Stokes.

Acolytes are Maggie Bednarczyk and Olivia Niblock.

Children's Church volunteers are Gina and KC Miller.

Visitor's Table: Jenny Fulwiler

ARE YOU A GUEST who has been attending Westminster and would like to take a step forward in faith? We would love the chance to speak with you about what it means to be Christian, what it means to be Presbyterian, and what it means to be a member at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Please check the "Desire a Call" box on the black Friendship Pad or speak with someone at the Visitor Table in the narthex after the service.

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.

Parents who need to step out of the sanctuary for a while to tend to the needs of infants or small children can find privacy down the hall in the church parlor or in the church nursery.

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

Hearing devices and large print hymnals are available in the narthex.

For more information about Westminster:

- Check out our website www.westminstercharleston.org
- Plan to attend WPC 101 a three-week information class held quarterly during the Sunday school hour.

THE SEASON OF ADVENT

ADVENT is the Latin word for "coming." For Christians it refers to the church season that prepares for the coming of Jesus Christ as God in human flesh - the incarnation. We celebrate his humble birth, his coming to us now, and his coming again in glory at the end of time.

The round shape of the Advent Wreath is a symbol of God's never-ending love for us. The evergreens represent everlasting life, and the purple candles are for him who comes royally as King of kings and Lord of lords. The pink candle is for the joy of the season, and in the center of the wreath is the white Christ candle lit on Christmas Eve.

The Christmas tree is decorated with lights and chrismons. Lights remind us that Jesus is the light of the world. Chrismons are symbols that illustrate aspects of the Christian faith.

EXCITING NEWS!

The Westminster Session and the Presbytery's Commission on Ministry have heartily endorsed Priscilla Holtzclaw to be trained as a Certified Lay Pastor. Over the next 4 years, she'll be taking classes in Bible, Theology, Worship, and Preaching at the SC Lay School. At the end of the training, she'll be examined by the COM and then available for pulpit supply and other duties at churches in our Presbytery. We rejoice as Priscilla seeks to follow and serve the Lord and the church on this new adventure.

FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

December 18 A Service of Lessons and Carols
The Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 25 Luke 2:1-20 Christmas Morning A "come as you are"
informal gathering for worship

January 1 Isaiah 9:7 The Greatness of His Government
Matthew 4:23-25
The Lord's Supper