

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		

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

Ruth McSweeney
1145 Southgate Drive
Charleston, SC 29407

Church Family

Betsy Williams
Dan and Elyn Winkles
Joshua, Claire

Mission of the Week

Russian Church Partnership
Church of Transfiguration
Perm, Russia

College Student of the Week

Sara Stansell
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Normal, Illinois 61761

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 4

9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Membership Committee, Room 4
4:30 pm	Youth at Holiday Festival of Lights
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Tuesday, December 6

7:00 pm	Handbell Choir
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Wednesday, December 7

6:00 pm	Preschool Committee, Room 4
6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday Church Family Dinner—Spaghetti
6:45 pm	Finance Committee, Parlor
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Thursday, December 8

3:00 pm	Senior Adult Ministries, Brookgreen Gardens
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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

WESTMINSTER SESSION

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

CLASS OF 2019

Ann Froneberger
Johnnie Harvey
Nancy Parrish
Rita Livingston
Henry Shepard
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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 4, 2016

11:00 am

PRELUDE Prepare the Royal Highway MICHAEL BURKHARDT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcoming New Members

Donna Purcell

LIGHTING THE ADVENT WREATH

The Bednarczyk Family
David, Christine, AJ, Maggie

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. 88

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL

Stanzas 1,5,6, and 7

At this time, youth and children who want to participate in
hanging the greens may exit to the Narthex.

◆ LITANY FOR HANGING THE GREENS

Leader: On this second Sunday of Advent, we decorate the
sanctuary with symbols that point us toward the hope we
have in Jesus Christ. The greenery, the wreaths, the
poinsettias, the tree, the lights, and the ornaments all
have special meaning that remind us of the coming of
the Lord.

People: **As we are at work preparing this sanctuary, may God
be at work preparing our hearts. Come, Lord Jesus!**

Leader: We hang wreaths of evergreen to signify the eternal
reign of Jesus Christ.

People: **For to us a child is born, to us a son is given.
Of the increase of his government and peace
there will be no end.**

Leader: We place poinsettias, known as the Flower of the Holy
Night, to signify the star of Bethlehem.

People: **Wise men followed a star to Bethlehem so that they
might worship the new born Savior.**

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Leader: We place a tree, adorned with lights, to signify the One who brings light to our darkness, healing to our brokenness, and peace to all who receive him.

People: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."

Leader: We hang chrismons: stars, crosses, triangles, the "alpha" and the "omega" to remind us of the Trinity and the incarnation.

People: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Leader: We worship God and give thanks for the blessings of the coming King.

People: Come, Lord Jesus!

◆HYMN NO. 134 Joy to the World ANTIOCH

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

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND PERSONAL COMMITMENTS

OFFERTORY Three Christmas Chants DAN EDWARDS
Handbell Choir

◆DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDRETH

**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

SCRIPTURE LESSON Isaiah 9:6 PEW BIBLE O.T. PAGE 638
Mark 6:45-51 PEW BIBLE N.T. PAGE 41

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON His Name Shall Be Called: Mighty God 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.**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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**

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

◆HYMN NO. 92 While We Are Waiting, Come WAITING

◆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 Hail to the Lord's Anointed MICHAEL BURKHARDT

◆ Those who are able, please stand.

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.

TODAY WE SHARE THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER.

All who profess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to share in the bread and the cup. Elders will serve the congregation seated in the pews; you may partake as soon as you are served. WPC is a safe place for those in recovery - we serve grape juice only. Gluten free bread is available in the center of the juice tray. Children are invited to the table provided they've had instruction at home or in Westminster's worship prep class (1st grade).

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Today, we are glad to welcome new members to Westminster; Jamie and Kelly Vaughn and their sons, Jake (3 years old) and Grady (17 months old).

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.

Liturgists are Lauren Smoak and Dee Bee Wright.

Acolytes are Hannah Patrick and Callie Reineke.

Children's Church volunteers are Stacy and Michael Patrick.

Visitor's Table: Mona Gilbert