

## Westminster Prays

Chut Moody	Kalaila Martin	Kathy Day
Lydia Crosby	Beryldean Winter	Elliott Brouner
David Keller	Walter Russell	Bob Bean
Bob Foster	Jan Erickson	Sullivan Bull
Esma Harris	Julia Moody	JoAnn West
Joe Smith	Dot Daniels	Jenna Baskin
Speck Daniels	Terry Hall	Patty Snider
Charles Beck	Mary Forbes	Martha Fox
Emily Campbell	Jack Eades	John Linville
Johnnie Harvey	Mable Switzer	Frances McLean
Vickie Kelly	Logan Gause	Andy Copenhauer
Jane Small	Sue Johnson	Gloria Purcell
Carol Mattox	Donna Purcell	Alice Denmead
Susie Pell	Kate Pennekamp	Dart Willer
Simms Daniels	Daniel Harms	

### Prayers of Sympathy and Support are extended to

The family and friends of Doris Jeter, who passed away on July 22, 2017  
and  
Kitty Kenney and family upon the death of her daughter,  
Deanna Phipps, of Nashville, TN.

### 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	Kyle Dillon
	Sullivan McMahan		

### Friend of the Week

Warren Bonnell  
34 Manchester Road  
Charleston, SC 29407

### Mission of the Week

Water Missions International  
P.O. Box 71489  
North Charleston, SC 29415

### Church Family

Jim and Priscilla Holtzclaw  
Rebecca Housley  
Christopher, Matilda, Corbett  
Jamie and Heather Hulon  
Jay  
Harry and Joan Hutchins  
Peggy Inabinet

### 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) Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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

Requests ordinarily remain on the prayer list for about a month.

Please keep us updated.

## THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

### Sunday, July 30

8:45 am	Worship Service
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Christian Education Committee, Blue room
5:00 pm	HOC Concert, St. James Presbyterian Church
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

### Monday, July 31

5:00 pm Hands of Christ distribution—St. James Presbyterian

### Tuesday, August 1

5:00 pm Hands of Christ distribution—Yeamans Park Presbyterian

### Wednesday, August 2

5:00 pm	Hands of Christ distribution—Park Circle
6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday Church Family Dinner - Rotisserie Chicken
6:30 pm	Membership Committee, Room 4
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

### Thursday, August 3

5:00 pm Hands of Christ distribution—Park Circle

### Friday, August 4

5:00 pm Hands of Christ distribution—Zion Olivet Presbyterian

### Saturday, August 5

10:00 am Hands of Christ distribution—Zion Olivet Presbyterian

### Sunday, August 6

8:45 am	Worship Service
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

## WESTMINSTER SESSION

### CLASS OF 2018

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

### CLASS OF 2019

Ann Froneberger  
Nancy Parrish  
Rita Livingston  
Henry Shepard  
Chuck Towne  
John Wright

### CLASS OF 2020

Robert Coker  
Eric David  
Brenda Haile  
George McAbee  
David Purcell  
Sally Rogers

Clerk-Priscilla Holtzclaw

Assistant Clerk - Rita Livingston

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

THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 30, 2017

8:45 am

### GATHERING

Please greet each other warmly as the congregation gathers for worship.

Take a moment and sign your name in the friendship pad.

### WELCOME

### ◆ SONG OF PREPARATION

No. 288

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

### ◆ OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Gracious God, seeker of the lost:

draw your children back to your loving embrace,

restore us to our inheritance as daughters and sons,

and reconcile our hearts to you,

that we may become ambassadors

of your reconciling love to all the world.

Through Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.

### ◆ SONG OF PRAISE NO. 610

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

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### CONFESSON

### ◆ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, whose mercy is higher than the heavens,

wider than our wanderings, and deeper than all our sin:

Receive again your bewildered and broken people.

Forgive our folly and our excess,

our coldness to human sorrow,

and our passion for things of the moment.

Change our hearts and turn all our desires to your way,

that we may love what you love and do what you command;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Silent Personal Confession)

### ◆ DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

◆RESPONSE OF PRAISE

No. 443

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;  
precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,  
and leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

◆PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*Please share the peace of Christ with your neighbors.*

THE WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke15:11-32 PEW BIBLE N.T. PAGE 78

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON The Lost Sons Pastor Daniel

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

FROM PCUSA'S A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH (1983)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.  
In sovereign love God created the world good  
and makes everyone equally in God's image,  
male and female, of every race and people,  
to live as one community. But we rebel against God;  
we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments,  
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,  
accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature,  
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.  
We deserve God's condemnation.  
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.  
In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah  
chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth.  
Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel  
from the house of bondage. Loving us still,  
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.  
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,  
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,  
God is faithful still.

◆SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 418

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling SOFTLY AND TENDERLY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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**

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AND THE MORNING OFFERING

*Please come forward and place your offering in the offering plate.*

OFFERTORY Amazing Grace ANNIE L. PAGE

◆SONG OF THANKSGIVING God, We Honor You No. 709

**God, we honor you. God, we trust in you.  
God, we worship and adore you.**

**Take what we bring, offered to you.  
Teach us to show your abundant blessings.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.**

◆PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING OUT

◆SENDING SONG NO. 774 There Is Now a New Creation STUTTGART

◆BLESSING

◆ Those who are able, please stand.

Worship leader is Abby Grace McLaughlin.

**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](http://www.westminstercharleston.org)
- Plan to attend WPC 101 a three-week information class held quarterly during the Sunday school hour.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Today, at the 11:00 worship service we are glad to welcome new members to Westminster:

- Amy and Will Kuenzel, and their daughters, Jenna and Lana.
- Deborah Gladney

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR GUEST MUSICIAN MIKE SHETLER

Mike is presently a choir member at Westminster and part time resident of Nebraska. On Tuesdays he enjoys "music therapy" sessions on our fine instruments.

DISCIPLESHIP BIBLE STUDY FOR MEN MEETS ON AUGUST 8

Men of all ages: We meet on the second Tuesday of every month from 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. in Covenant Hall. Coffee and doughnuts provided. We're studying the life of David, described in the Bible as "a man after God's own heart." This month: Psalm 23. Pastor Daniel will lead the group. All are welcome!

HANDS OF CHRIST BENEFIT CONCERT

The Presbyterian Churches of James Island invite you to their annual Hands of Christ Benefit Concert on Sunday, July 30 at 5:00 p.m. The concert will be held in the sanctuary of St. James Presbyterian Church, 1314 Secessionville Road, James Island.

FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

Today	Luke 15:11-32	The Lost Son
August 6	Luke 16:1-13	Your Money or Your Life <i>The Lord's Supper</i>
August 13	Luke 16:14-18	Law, Kingdom, and Divorce
August 20	Luke 16:19-31	Now is the Time to Tell Someone About Jesus!
August 27	Luke 17:1-6	When You Are Tempted to Sin