

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
Joe Smith	Julia Moody	JoAnn West
Speck Daniels	Dot Daniels	Jenna Baskin
Mary Forbes	Terry Hall	Patty Snider
Emily Campbell	Charles Beck	Martha Fox
Johnnie Harvey	Jack Eades	John Linville
Logan Gause	Mable Switzer	Frances McLean
Jane Small	Andy Copenhauer	Gloria Purcell
Carol Mattox	Sue Johnson	Alice Denmead
Susie Pell	Donna Purcell	Dart Willer
Simms Daniels	Kate Pennekamp	James Ella Collins
Jerry Smoak	Daniel Harms	Ryan Roberson
Sam Fritz	Inez Mitchum	Sherry Carder
Eleanor Grayson	Roy 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	Kevin Griggs	Kyle Dillon	Sullivan McMahan

Friend of the Week

Speck Daniels
1363 S. Edgewater Drive
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission of the Week

Food Pantry
1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29407

Church Family

Henry and Dot Maiers
John Martschink
Mary Martschink

College Student of the Week

Ben Foster
1412 Gadwall Way
Seneca, SC 29678

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, September 17

8:45 am	Worship Service
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
5:00 pm	Deacons Meeting, Room 4
5:00 pm	All Youth Group
5:30 pm	Ice Cream Social, Covenant Hall
6:00 pm	Stated Session Meeting, Room 4
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Tuesday, September 19

7:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
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Wednesday, September 20

6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday Church Family Dinner - Spaghetti
6:15 pm	Training for Reading Buddies, Room 4
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Sunday, September 25

8:45 am	Worship Service
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
5:00 pm	Mid High Youth Group
6:00 pm	Senior High Youth Group
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

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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

THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 17, 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. 701

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,
pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving,
I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

◆ CALL TO WORSHIP

From PSALM 119

Leader: Joyful are people of integrity,
who follow the instructions of the LORD.

People: Joyful are those who obey his laws and search for
him with all their hearts. They do not compromise
with evil, and they walk only in his paths.

Leader: You have charged us to keep your commandments carefully.

People: Oh, that my actions would consistently reflect
your decrees! Then I will not be ashamed when
I compare my life with your commands.

Leader: As I learn your righteous regulations,
I will thank you by living as I should!
I will obey your decrees. Please don't give up on me!

People: How can a young person stay pure?
By obeying your word. I have tried hard to find you—
don't let me wander from your commands.
I have hidden your word in my heart,
that I might not sin against you.

SONG OF PRAISE NO. 458

**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.**

**When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way,
still you're there right beside me.
Nothing will I fear as long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end.**

CONFESSION

◆PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear Heavenly Father, you have given us the great gift of your Word, and instead of treasuring it, we cast it aside. We don't seek your guidance in Scripture as we should. We are more prone to be influenced by what we read in the paper or see on television than we are to be shaped by your Word. Lord, we ask for your forgiveness and pray that you would make us a people dedicated to knowing you through the study, meditation, and memorization of the Scriptures. Reveal yourself and your purpose for us as we learn together. We ask in Our Savior's name and for his sake. Amen.

(Silent Personal Confession)

◆DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

◆AWESOME GOD

No. 616

**Our God is an awesome God;
who reigns from heaven above
with wisdom, power, and love;
our God is an awesome God!**

◆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

Janie Bruce

SPECIAL MUSIC

Liebestraum
Parker Waldrop

FRANZ LISZT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 18:1-8

PEW BIBLE N.T. PAGE 81

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Pray Without Ceasing

Pastor Daniel

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

◆HYMN NO. 465

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

◆DECLARATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AND THE MORNING OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

◆SONG OF THANKSGIVING NO. 647

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.

And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"

And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"

Give thanks. Give thanks.

◆PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING OUT

◆SENDING SONG NO. 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

◆BLESSING

◆ Those who are able, please stand.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Bruce and Robbie Yarnall's 60th Wedding Anniversary.

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.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL TODAY

Join us for an Ice Cream Social and get the scoop from our PCUSA missionaries Al and Ellen Smith. Today at 5:30 pm until 7:00 pm in Covenant Hall. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the breezeway outside Covenant Hall. Contact Ann Froneberger at a.fronie@hotmail.com for more information.

ACOLYTE TRAINING TODAY

Acolyte Training is today from 12:00 pm until 3:00 pm. Open to all first time acolytes 3rd through 6th Grade. Lunch will be provided.

YOUTH GROUP TODAY

Join us as we play some Bible Trivia games and enjoy an ice cream party together. All youth (6th grade - 12th grade) will meet together in Room 3 of Covenant Hall, 5:00- 7:00 pm.

WESTMINSTER'S FAMILY RETREAT

Westminster's Family Retreat at Bethelwoods, Friday, October 20, 2017 through Sunday, October 22, 2017. Families of all shapes and sizes are welcome! Join us as we discover how we work together to be the body of Christ! Laura and Felipe Matias, missionaries from Brazil, will be assisting in the leadership of the retreat! The cost is \$50 per person and includes lodging and meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday). Children 3 and under are free, To sign up, please pay in full to the church office. Deadline is Sunday, October 1, 2017. For more information contact Janie Bruce 843-766-8311 or jbruce@westminstercharleston.org.

FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

Today	Luke 18:1-8	Pray without Ceasing <i>Wyatt Teitsort Baptism (11:00)</i>
Sept. 24	Luke 18:9-14	Pride and Humility
Oct. 1	Luke 18:15-17	Let the Children Come <i>Children's Sunday World Communion Sunday</i>