

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

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	Patty Snider
Mary Forbes	Terry Hall	Martha Fox
Emily Campbell	Charles Beck	John Linville
Johnnie Harvey	Jack Eades	Frances McLean
Logan Gause	Mable Switzer	Gloria Purcell
Jane Small	Andy Copenhauer	Sherry Carder
Sue Johnson	James Ella Collins	Ryan Roberson
Susie Pell	Kate Pennekamp	Roy Hoffman
Simms Daniels	Daniel Harms	Joan Leon
Jerry Smoak	Eleanor Grayson	Nekedra Lumar
Sam Fritz	Judy Family	Jennie Simmerman

Prayers of Sympathy and Support are extended to
The family and friends of Inez Mitchum, who passed away on
September 30, 2017.

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

Jack Eades
2439 Pristine View Drive
Charleston, SC 29414

Church Family

David and Lauren McCullough
Emma
Jonathan and Mary McGuirt

Mission of the Week

Healing Farms
703 Yew Street
Charleston, SC 29407

College Student of the Week

Mark Gore, Jr.
2022 Prince Alan Court
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) Yes ___ No ___

Name of person making request _____

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

Please keep us updated.

Sunday, October 8

8:45 am	Worship Service
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:15 pm	Second Sunday Social, Covenant Hall
12:45 pm	Worship Committee, Parlor
5:00 pm	Mid High Youth Group
6:00 pm	Senior High Youth Group
7:00 pm	Guatemala Mission Meeting, Room 4
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Monday, October 9

10:00 am	Hooks and Needles, Room 4
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Tuesday, October 10

7:30 am	Men's Bible Study, Covenant Hall
10:00 am	Staff Meeting, Pastor's office
10:00 am	Circle 5, Parlor
10:30 am	Circle 4, Covenant Hall, Library
7:00 pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, October 11

6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday Church Family Dinner - Fried Fish
6:00 pm	Preschool Committee, Room 4
6:15 pm	Christian Education Committee, Room 3
6:30 pm	Mission Committee, Room 1
6:45 pm	Finance Committee, Parlor
7:00 pm	Associate Pastor Nomination Committee, Room 3
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Sunday, October 15

8:45 am	Worship Service
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
3:00 pm	Trunk or Treat
5:00 pm	Deacons Meeting, Room 4
6:00 pm	Stated Session Meeting, Room 4
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

WESTMINSTER SESSION

CLASS OF 2018	CLASS OF 2019	CLASS OF 2020
Lindy Coleman	Ann Froneberger	Robert Coker
Brad Earnst	Nancy Parrish	Eric David
Priscilla Holtzclaw	Rita Livingston	Brenda Haile
Mark Patrick	Henry Shepard	George McAbee
Charlie Powell	Chuck Towne	David Purcell
Carole Russell	John Wright	Sally Rogers

Clerk-Priscilla Holtzclaw

Assistant Clerk - Rita Livingston

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

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 8, 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.

♦CALL TO WORSHIP

FROM PSALM 46

Leader: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

**People: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.**

Leader: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**People: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.**

Leader: "Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!"

**People: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.**

Leader: The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**People: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.**

♦HYMN NO. 687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

CONFESSION

◆PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. Yet we confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We are more interested in ourselves than you or others. But you are the God of mercy, and we turn to you for forgiveness and new life. Help us to trust your power over death that we may know the joy of abundant life given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.

◆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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON II Timothy 3:14-4:5 PEW BIBLE N.T. PAGE 213

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Our Reformed Heritage
Sola Scriptura: Scripture Alone

Pastor Daniel

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

◆SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 458

Thy Word Is a Lamp Unto My Feet THY WORD

◆AFFIRMATION OF FAITH THE WESTMINSTER LARGER CATECHISM (1649)

Question 1: Why do men and women exist?

Answer: The main reason why men and women exist is to glorify God, and fully to enjoy him forever.

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Question 2: How can humankind know that there is a God?

Answer: The fact that humans can think rationally, and the evidences that we can see in the world declare plainly that there is a God; however, his Holy Spirit working with and through God’s word is the only sufficient and effective way by which God reveals himself to men and women for their salvation.

Question 3: What is the Word of God?

Answer: The holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, the only rule of faith and obedience.

Question 4: How do we know that the Scriptures are the Word of God?

Answer: The Scriptures show themselves to be the Word of God, by the power, purity and unity of their message which is to give all glory to God; by their reasonableness and their power to convince and convert sinners, to comfort and build up believers to salvation. However, the only way that men and women are fully convinced that the scriptures are the word of God is by the Spirit of God bearing witness by and with the Scriptures in their hearts.

Question 5: What is the main teaching of the Scriptures?

Answer: The main teaching of Scripture is to tell us what men and women are to believe about God; and to explain what duty God requires of each person.

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

Robert Dounian

◆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. 462 I Love to Tell the Story HANKEY

◆BLESSING

◆ Those who are able, please stand.

Worship Leader is Alison Macleod.

SECOND SUNDAY SOCIAL TODAY

Please join us in Covenant Hall immediately following the 11:00 worship service for our Second Sunday Social luncheon.

DISCIPLESHIP BIBLE STUDY FOR MEN

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." Pastor Daniel will lead the group; All are welcome!

FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

The 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Protestant Reformation is this month! In a 5-week sermon series, we’ll learn about the five mottos or solas (in Latin) that capture the core of Reformed theology.

Today Sola Scriptura (“Scripture alone”):

The Bible alone is our highest authority.

Oct. 15 Solus Christus (“Christ alone”):

Jesus Christ alone is our Lord, Savior, and King.

Oct. 22 Sola Gratia (“grace alone”):

We are saved by the grace of God alone.

Oct. 29 Sola Fide (“faith alone”):

We are saved through faith alone in Jesus Christ.

Nov. 5 Soli Deo Gloria (“to the glory of God alone”):

We live for the glory of God alone.

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.