

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, January 6
 8:45 am Worship Service
 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship Service
 7:00 pm AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Tuesday, January 8
 10:00 am Circle 5, Parlor
 10:30 am Circle 4, Carol Mattox's home
 7:00 pm Handbell Choir

Wednesday, January 9
 10:00 am Staff Meeting, Pastor's Office
 6:00 pm Wonderful Wednesday
 Church Family Dinner - Spaghetti
 6:30 pm Back Pack Buddies, Covenant Hall
 6:30 pm Membership Meeting, Room 4
 6:45 pm Presbyterian Women's Council, Parlor
 7:00 pm Sanctuary Choir
 7:00 pm AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Thursday, January 10
 7:30 am Men's Bible Study, Covenant Hall
 5:30 pm Neighborhood Meeting, Covenant Hall

Sunday, January 13
 8:45 am Worship Service
 9:45 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Worship Service
 12:00 pm Second Sunday Social, Covenant Hall
 12:15 pm Mission Committee, Room 4
 12:45 pm Worship Committee, Parlor
 5:00 pm All Youth
 7:00 pm AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

WESTMINSTER SESSION

<u>CLASS OF 2019</u> Ann Froneberger Nancy Parrish Rita Livingston Henry Shepard Chuck Towne John Wright	<u>CLASS OF 2020</u> Robert Coker Eric David Brenda Haile George McAbee David Purcell Sally Rogers	<u>CLASS OF 2021</u> Allyn Bruce John Dounian Norman Hook Dale Norman Paul Patrick Betsy Williams
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 Mrs. Alicia Crosby, Preschool Director

Westminster Prays

Chut Moody	Julia Moody	Jack Eades
Lydia Crosby	Andrew Deleston	Summer Garris
David Keller	Walter Russell	Mary Ashley Barbot
Frances McLean	Jan Erickson	Diane Fitzgibbon
Mary Forbes	Dan Mills	Allyn Bruce
Emily Campbell	Dart Willer	David Kerr
Johnnie Harvey	Jennie Simmerman	John Lange
Jule Ann Hoffman	Mable Switzer	Doug Shealy
Simms Daniels	Barry VanDeventer	Jule Ann Hoffman
Jack Bennett	Hal Jonsson	Charles Howell
Mary Beshere	Graham McKinney	Bruce Yarnall
Doris Fox	Jennifer Los	Jeffrey Jones
Bill Lawson	Mike Hill	Leroy Gaillard
Daryn Baker	John Ligon	Edna Tarbert
Nelson Davis	Marilyn Bardsley	Sara Williams
Sue Knight	Daniel Dounian	Thom Penney
Robbie Yarnall	Joan Frye	Betsy Williams
Sara McCoy	Carol Cummings	

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	Sullivan McMahan
Justin Forte	Mike Mann	Joe Campbell	Scott Johnson
Jeremy Rundall	Kevin Griggs	Kyle Dillon	

Friend of the Week

Jule Ann Hoffman
 1900 Ashley Crossing Dr. 207
 Charleston, SC 29414

Mission of the Week

Healing Farms
 703 Yew Street
 Charleston, SC 29407

Church Family

David and Lesa Grayson
 Andrew Grayson
 Ruth Haupt

College Student of the Week

Alexis Friedrichs
 2272 Rice Pond Road
 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.



Westminster Presbyterian Church

*Worship on the Lord's Day
 Epiphany of the Lord*

January 6, 2019

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. 143

**Angels, from the realms of glory,
 wing your flight o'er all the earth;
 you, who sang creation's story,
 now proclaim Messiah's birth:
 come and worship, come and worship,
 worship Christ, the newborn king!**

**Sages, leave your contemplations;
 brighter visions beam afar;
 seek the great desire of nations;
 you have seen his natal star:
 come and worship, come and worship,
 worship Christ, the newborn king!**

♦ WORD OF PRAISE

JOHN 1:1-5, JOHN 8:12

Leader: In the beginning was the Word,
 and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
 He was with God in the beginning.

**People: Through him all things were made;
 without him nothing was made that has been made.**

Leader: In him was life, and that life was the light of mankind.
 The light shines in the darkness,
 but the darkness has not understood it.

**People: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world.
 Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness,
 but will have the light of life.**

♦ PRAYER

♦ SONG OF PRAISE From All That Dwell Below the Skies NO. 327

CONFESSION

◆ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

PSALM 51, PSALM 72

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out our transgressions. Wash away all our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. For we know our transgressions and our sin is before us. We sin against you when we do not stand up for the weak. We sin against you when we choose to hoard our own gifts instead of sharing them with those in need. We sin against you when our words and actions are not Gospel led. Forgive us Lord, create in us a pure heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us.

◆ DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

◆ SONG OF RESPONSE

No. 447

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to 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

Dee Bee Wright

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Isaiah 60:1-6

PEW BIBLE O.T. PAGE 690

Matthew 2:1-12

PEW BIBLE N.T. PAGE 2

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

There are gifts and then there are gifts!

Pastor Lissa

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

◆ SONG

All Hail to God's Anointed

No. 149

◆ 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.

PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE AND THE MORNING OFFERING

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Little Drummer Boy

Bill McSweeney, Marshall Ward, Chase Towne. Nancy Parrish

◆ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING OUT

◆ SENDING SONG

The First Nowell

No. 147

◆ BLESSING

◆ Those who are able, please stand.

Worship Leader is Olivia Towne.

The rosebud in the Sanctuary is given to the glory of God and in celebration of the birth in Texas of Riley Marie Skeens-Troung, granddaughter of Donna and Eric David.

The rosebud in the Sanctuary is given to the glory of God and in celebration of the birth of Jaxson Sage Rushton, parents Mark and Lynsey Rushton, grandparents, Tony and Nita Rushton.

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 and worship worksheets are available for preschool and elementary age children in the narthex. During the 11:00 am worship service, children five and under can be taken to the children's building for Wee Church (2-3 years old) or Children's Church (4-5 years old) following Time for Children. Children may be picked up after worship.

Hearing devices, magnify sheets, 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 two-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).

DO YOU FEEL GOD CALLING YOU TO JOIN THE WESTMINSTER FAMILY?

Here's how you can do it.

1. Fill out a New Member Form (found on the Visitor's Table in the narthex) and return it to the church office.
2. Pastor Daniel or someone from the Membership Committee will quickly be in touch, providing an opportunity individually or with a group to learn more about the church.
3. On a Sunday morning, you'll attend a meeting with the Session for reception into membership. We'll handle paperwork if you're transferring from another church or arrange baptism if you've never been baptized.
4. That same Sunday morning, you'll be introduced to the congregation during worship.

Questions? Please check the "Desire a Call" box on the black Friendship Pad or speak with someone at the Visitor's Table in the narthex after the service.

FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

Today	Isaiah 60:1-6 Matthew 2:1-12	There are gifts and then there are gifts! <i>The Lord's Supper</i>
January 13	Acts 17:1-15	Eagerness!
January 20	Acts 17:16-34	Religious!
January 27	Acts 18:1-23	Protected!