

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship for July 12, 2020

Online at 11:00 a.m.

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PRELUDE AND WORDS OF WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYER

Dear Lord,
You opened your mouth, uttered a word,
and creation sprang forth in abundance.
Let us now open our mouths in praise,
that we may bear fruit in every season
and be satisfied by your goodness,
for you, O God, are the source of all growth;
your grace abounds forever. Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, Forgive us for following our selfish desires rather than trusting that your way is always best. Convict us by your Spirit to invest our time and resources in ways that will bear good fruit that lasts forever. Till the soil of our souls that the seed you sow in us will produce a harvest that will glorify you and your Kingdom. Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

SONG OF RESPONSE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you

TIME FOR CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

SERMON

The Challenge of GROWTH

AFFIRMATION 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.

SONG OF RESPONSE

Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

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.

RESPONDING TO THE CHALLENGE OF THE GOSPEL

SENDING SONG

Lord, You Give the Great Commission

Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end."
Faith and hope and love restoring, may we serve as you intend,
and, amid the cares that claim us, hold in mind eternity:
with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

POSTLUDE

Leading the service today: Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Lissa Long, Pastor; Janie Bruce, Youth and Children; Robin Zemp, Music; Meg Dorsel, Video

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission" words by Jeffery W. Rowthorn
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WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER

We are delighted that you have joined us for online worship, and we hope you are encouraged and strengthened in the faith. If you have a prayer request or questions about faith, life, or being part of the Westminster family, we invite you to reach out by call or text to one of our pastors.

Pastor Daniel Smoak: 843-872-1001

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FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

Summer Series: The Challenge of the Gospel

Today	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	The Challenge of GROWTH
July 19	Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43	The Challenge of WEEDS
July 26	Matthew 13:31-35, 44-52	The Challenge of FOCUS
August 2	Matthew 14:13-21	The Challenge of TRUST
August 9	Matthew 14:22-33	The Challenge of FEAR
August 16	Matthew 15:21-28	The Challenge of FAITH
August 23	Matthew 16:13-20	The Challenge of KNOWLEDGE
August 30	Matthew 16:21-28	The Challenge of REBUKE

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.

Almighty God, Your Word Is Cast

1 Al-might - y God, your Word is cast Like seed in - to the ground;
 2 Let not the sly sa - tan - ic foe This ho - ly seed re - move,
 3 Let not the world's de - ceit - ful cares The ris - ing plant de - stroy,
 4 So when the pre - cious seed is sown, Your quick-'ning grace be - stow,

Now let the dew of heav'n de - scend And righ - teous fruits a - bound.
 But give it root in ev - 'ry heart To bring forth fruits of love.
 But let it yield a hun - dred - fold The fruits of peace and joy.
 That all whose souls the truth re - ceive Its sav - ing pow'r may know.

*Text: John Caswood, 1775-1852, alt.
 Tune: J. Day, Psalter, 1562*

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Westminster Prays

Joe Smith	Meg Powell	Summer Garris	Andria Sanchez Freeman
Carol Cummings	Keith Gordon	Mary Ashley Barbot	Chrissie Bosworth
Bruce Yarnall	Shirley Seay	Doris Fox	Ginger Sieftring
Bill Myers	Larry Salley	Joyce Aydlett	Martin Davis
Anna Lee Myers	John Ligon	Daryn Baker	Susie Cashion
Dart Willer	Jim Holtzclaw	Tootie Adams	Kevin Ritzel
Bill Pennekamp	Lydia Crosby	Curtis Sponseller	Gloria Underhill
Kate Pennekamp	David Morris IV	Sean Fitzgibbon	Jeff Bryant
Sara McCoy	Brian Carlow	Thom Penney	Rosalind Howell
Love Moody	Frances McLean	Nikolai Fruth	Barbara Johnston
Molly Griggs	David Kerr	Barbara Phipps	Michael Morgan
Karen Dangerfield	Chris Trasher	Allan Scott	Lydia Howell
Riley Nunes			

Prayers of Sympathy and Support are extended to
Lesa Grayson and family upon the death of her mother, Barbara Kinard.

Friend of the Week

Love Moody
1318 New Castle Street
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission of the Week

Hands of Christ
1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd.
Charleston, SC 29407

Church Family

John and Kristin Dounian
Robert, David, Daniel
Carolyn Drose

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Sally Rogers
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