



Westminster Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship for May 30, 2021

In-Person and Online at 11:00 am

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

Variations on "Old Hundredth"

AUSTIN LOVELACE

◆CALL TO WORSHIP

FROM I CHRONICLES 16

- One: Praise the Lord, all you nations.
Praise the Lord for his glory and strength.
- All: **Praise the Lord for the glory that belongs to him.
Bring an offering and come to him.
Worship the Lord because of his beauty and holiness.**
- One: All you people of the earth, tremble when you are with him.
The world is firmly set in place. It can't be moved.
- All: **Let the heavens be filled with joy. Let the earth be glad.
Let them say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!"**

◆INVOCATION

◆HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 268

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

◆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 online 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

◆ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

◆SONG OF RESPONSE

GLORIA PATRI

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

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

TIME FOR CHILDREN TO SHINE

Following Children's Time, children ages 3-5k will gather in the narthex with Mrs. Janie and then be led to the playground (weather permitting) or Covenant Hall for Children's Church with adult leaders. Parents may pick them up following the service.

ANTHEM

Be Glad, You Righteous
Sanctuary Choir

ROBERT POWELL

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Nehemiah 8:1-18

SERMON

Return, Rebuild, and Renew: Nehemiah's Life after Exile
vi. Life and Rejoicing

◆HYMN NO. 305

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

DARWALL'S 148TH

OFFERING

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Felipe and Laura Matias, Brazil

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.

◆BENEDICTION AND SENDING SONG

Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

We Sing Together:

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

◆*Please stand, if able*

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

Permission to podcast/stream the music in this service obtained from CCLI License #2778901

Acolytes are Katie Griggs and Manning Earnst.

Ushers are Carole Russell, Sandy Pell, Janie Daniels, Taffy Tamblyn.

Children's Church Volunteers are Janie Bruce and Katie Camburn.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AND MEETING OF THE CORPORATION

There will be a Called Meeting of the Congregation today Sunday, May 30 at 11:50 a.m. for the purpose of electing deacons, elders, and a nominating committee. We will meet in person at the end of the 11:00 worship service, and this ZOOM option is available for those who choose to participate virtually.

Enter the meeting id at www.zoom.us/join

Meeting ID: 867 718 0847

Passcode: 1776

Following the meeting of the congregation, we will also convene for a meeting of the corporation. These meetings, even when there is no business to conduct, are required annually under SC law.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY FOR MEN

Join us for Bible Study at 8:00-9:00 a.m. on the Second Tuesday of every month. (That's June 8, July 13, and August 10) We are meeting IN PERSON for breakfast at Trotters Restaurant at Town and Country Inn and Suites (2008 Savannah Highway). We're studying 2 Timothy; join us for the Fellowship and Encouragement!

June 8: 2 Timothy 3:1-9 Living in the Last Days

July 13: 2 Timothy 3:10-17 Be Different

August 10: 2 Timothy 4:1-8 No Regrets

WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER

- We are delighted you have joined us for in-person or online worship, and we hope you are encouraged and strengthened in the faith.
- The nursery is available for children 2 and under in the Preschool Building. We'll gather pertinent information upon check-in and be able to contact you during the service should a need arise.
- 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, family restroom, or in the church nursery.
- Worship bags and worship worksheets are available in the narthex for preschool and elementary age children.
- Following Time for Children (11:00 only) children ages 3-5k will gather in the narthex with Mrs. Janie and then be led to the playground (weather permitting) or Covenant Hall for Children's Church with adult leaders. Parents may pick them up following the service.
- Hearing devices, magnifying sheets, and large print hymnals are available in the narthex.
- 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
 - Pastor Lissa Long: 843-810-2232
- For more information about Westminster or to subscribe to our weekly ENews and email updates visit www.wpccharleston.org

VIRTUAL FRIENDSHIP REGISTER

Please let us know you're here by completing the Virtual Friendship Register. Simply scan the QR code with your smartphone camera to open or find on our website under the Quick Links, Virtual Friendship Register.



COVID PROTOCOLS FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP

Thank you for following these protocols which enable weekly in-person worship without interruption.

1. Hand sanitizer is available and should be used upon entering.
2. Following the guidance of the CDC and our concern for the most vulnerable, masks are encouraged for all and optional for those who have been vaccinated. We recognize some, especially youth and children, are not yet eligible to be vaccinated and we encourage their continued mask use.
3. Please allow ushers to seat you and your family. Socially distanced seating is available.
4. During Time for Children, the children will remain with their family in the pew. Following Time for Children at 11:00, adult leaders will lead children ages 3-5k to the Playground (weather permitting) or Covenant Hall for Children's Church. Parents may pick them up following the service.
5. Offering plates are at the entrances/exits to receive your offering.



Crown Him with Many Crowns 268

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,
 3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scap - ter sways
 4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time;

hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;

and hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 but down - ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 fair flowers of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

This text is so familiar that it is easy to miss all its paradox, mystery, suffering, and beauty; it rewards careful reading and meditation outside corporate worship. The tune's composer, chapel organist at Windsor Castle, had much experience in creating a royal sound.

305 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

1 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
 2 Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns su - preme,
 3 Let cour - age be our friend; let wis - dom be our guide,
 4 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!
 em - power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!
 as we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!
 For Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long!

In bold ac - cord, come cel - e - brate the jour - ney now and praise the Lord!

This text was the winner in a hymn competition sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Bicentennial Committee for the 1988–1989 observance, which had the theme “Celebrate the Journey.” The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) is appropriately celebratory.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO JOIN THE WESTMINSTER FAMILY?

Here's how you can do it.

1. Fill out the Virtual Friendship Register located at wpccharleston.org or using the QR code. You may also reach out by call or text to one of our pastors.
 2. Pastor Daniel, Pastor Lissa, 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? Speak with an usher or one of our pastors following the service.



FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

Return, Rebuild, and Renew: Nehemiah's Life after Exile

The Israelites had experienced a terrible time: the destruction of Jerusalem and the sacred temple, deportation to Babylon, and life as exiles among their enemies. But now they were permitted to come back to the ruins of their sacred city. It is time to Return, Rebuild, and Renew, learning about a new life prepared for them by God. Nehemiah is a book about life and rebuilding after exile: perfect for us as we climb back from the Covid pandemic.

Today	Nehemiah 8:1-18	Life and Rejoicing
June 6	Nehemiah 9:1-31	Life and Confession
June 13	Nehemiah 10	Life and Renewal
June 20	Nehemiah 12 & 13	Life and Patterns

JOIN US FOR DISCIPLESHIP!

ADULTS - Our study is called "Meeting the Spirit" facilitated by Pastor Daniel, Pastor Lissa, and Lindy Coleman. Join us on Sunday mornings 10:00 - 10:45 am on Zoom.

- Meeting ID: 856 1961 4490
- Passcode: 12345
- Dial in by phone: 646-558-8656

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

There is a new Sunday schedule with expanded options as we come back stronger and better from Covid.

9:00 – 9:45	Worship Service in the Sanctuary (nursery available)
10:00 – 10:45	Playground and Prayer for kids; Zoom Sunday School for Adults
11:00 – 11:45	Worship service in the Sanctuary (nursery available; Children's Church offered)

We're offering two options for worship, and at the 11:00 service, children ages 3-5k will depart for Children's Church after the Time for Children. They will go to the playground (weather permitting) or Covenant Hall. The nursery will be provided for children ages 2 and younger during both services. Covid protocols remain in effect for both services. The 11:00 am service will be livestreamed. During the 10:00 hour, children and parents will continue to gather on the playground for Prayer on the Playground. At the same time, a Zoom Sunday School class is offered for adults. (We know you may be early or late in logging on if you're attending in-person worship.) We're excited about the changes and are grateful for the volunteers who are in place to enable it to happen. All of it happens prayerfully as the Session seeks ways we can Return, Rebuild, and Renew our faith and commitment to the Lord and the church.

Westminster Prays

Carol Cummings	Meg Powell	Summer Garris	Andria Sanchez Freeman
Bill Myers	Keith Gordon	Mary Ashley Barbot	Chrissie Bosworth
Dart Willer	Shirley Seay	Doris Fox	Ginger Sieftring
Bill Pennekamp	Larry Salley	Joyce Aydlett	Martin Davis
Kate Pennekamp	John Ligon	Daryn Baker	Kevin Ritzel
Sara McCoy	Dot Dangerfield	Curtis Sponseller	Gloria Underhill
Love Moody	Lydia Crosby	Sean Fitzgibbon	Jeff Bryant
Karen Dangerfield	David Morris IV	Thom Penney	Barbara Johnston
Lisa Wilcox	Brian Carlow	Nikolai Fruth	Michael Morgan
Harold Fountain	Frances McLean	Allan Scott	Lydia Howell
Fran Ligon	David Kerr	Mary Martschink	Nita Rodemann
Nancy Plowden	Sharon Hutchinson	David Wiggins	Jean Isbell
Gary Brooks	Harper Croft	Jamie Brooks	Will Kuenzel
Steve Buddin	Deb Sloan	Ginger Greene	Jack Watson
Rosa Oswald	Bob Ferguson	Hanger Family	Janie Hammersmith
Rick Unger	Clif Green	Allene Buddin	Frank Painter
Pam Smith	Libba Johnson	Jerry Smoak	Jackie Epstein
Brenda DeSmet			

Friend of the Week

Dot Dangerfield
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Mission of the Week

Hooks and Needles
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College Student

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N. Charleston, SC 29406

Church Family

Tommye Owen
Cullen and Hilary Parrish
Cora, Hattie

WESTMINSTER SESSION

Class of 2021

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John Dounian
Norman Hook
Dale Norman
Michael Patrick
Paul Patrick

Class of 2022

Nancy Dixon
Sandra Pell
Kendall Ramsay
Carole Russell
Nathan Snider
Graham Wade

Class of 2023

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David Boyd
Earl Frasier
Brenda Gibson
Tim Platts
Nathan Ward

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