



Westminster Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship for June 27, 2021

In-Person and Online at 11:00 am

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

Festival Voluntary

FLOR PEETERS

◆CALL TO WORSHIP

One: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make His face to shine upon us,
All: that your way may be known upon earth, your saving power among all nations.
One: Let the peoples praise you, O God! Let all the peoples praise You!
All: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.
One: Let the peoples praise you, O God! Let all the peoples praise you,
All: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, has blessed us.
One: May God continue to bless us as we worship and call on God's name.
All: Let us worship God!

◆INVOCATION

◆HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 612

We Praise You, O God

KREMSER

◆PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and loving God, hear our prayer. We know we do not always live as we ought; we turn away from you, from our neighbor, and from our true selves. We know we dim your light within us with our pride, our self-righteousness, and our need for control. We ask for the courage to tell you truthfully what we have done. We pray for forgiveness so that we can live with ourselves, with others, and with you. We know that you love us, that you do not abandon us, and that again and again you call us back to you; back to love, back to grace, back to your light. Forgive us, and make us aware of your precious treasure within each one of us; we pray, through Christ our Lord.

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.

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

The Whitener family: Benjamin, Myra, Noelle, and Ava

◆SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Please share the peace of Christ with your neighbor.

TIME FOR CHILDREN TO SHINE

Following Children's Time, children ages 3-5k will gather in the narthex with adult leaders 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.

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

II Corinthians 4:1-10

SERMON

We Have This Treasure

Dr. Woods

ANTHEM

Lord, You Give the Great Commission
Sanctuary Choir

JOHN FERGUSON

Choir: Lord, you give the great commission: "Heal the sick and preach the word."
Lest the church neglect its mission, and the gospel go unheard,
help us witness to your purpose with renewed integrity:
with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you call us to your service: "In my name baptize and teach."
That the world may trust your promise, life abundant meant for each,
give us all new fervor, draw us closer in community:
with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

Lord, you show us love's true measure: "Father, what they do, forgive."
Yet we hoard as private treasure all that you so freely give.
May your care and mercy lead us to a just society:
with the Spirit's gifts empower us for the work of ministry.

◆All: **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.**

SERVICE OF COMMISSIONING

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OFFERING

◆BENEDICTION AND SENDING SONG

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

We Sing Together:

**God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.**

**God be with you till we meet again; unseen wings protecting hide you,
daily manna still provide you: God be with you till we meet again.**

◆POSTLUDE

Epilogue

NORMAN GILBERT

◆*Please stand, if able*

Leading the service today: Donnie Woods, Pastor and General Presbyter; Dorothy Blackwelder, Pastor; Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Lissa Long, Pastor; Robin Zemp, Music; Meg Dorsel, Livestream.

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Acolyte is Manning Earnst.

Ushers are Allyn Bruce, Nathan Snider, John Dounian and son.

Children’s Church Volunteers are Lindy Coleman and Dee Bee Wright.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of
Dr. Priscilla Wilcox Holtzclaw on her commissioning as a Lay Pastor.

The rosebud in the Sanctuary is given to the glory of God
and in celebration of the birth of Easton Clyde Morgan on June 18, 2021,
proud parents Marvin and Catherine Morgan, and big sister Whitney Lyle.

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 adult leaders 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.
 - o Pastor Daniel Smoak: 843-872-1001
 - o 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.

A WORD ABOUT SEATING:

While the ropes have been removed from most of the sanctuary and seating is open, there are still a couple of reserved sections:

- The back right quadrant is available for those who prefer socially distanced seating. Please indicate your preference to an usher.
- A few other pews are reserved for ushers, latecomers, acolytes, and staff.

At the end of the service, those in the socially-distanced section will be dismissed first, followed by the rest of the congregation.

We Praise You, O God 612

1 We praise you, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
 2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and moth - ers;
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
 through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.
 and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,
 With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.

we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
 and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
 To you, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

The author wrote this text when only nineteen years old in response to a request from the organist of the Brick Presbyterian Church in New York City, who wanted another Thanksgiving text to sing to this Dutch tune. He regarded the usual text (see no. 336) as too full of conflict.

FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

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| July 4 | Ezekiel 2:1-5 | Being Set on Our Feet <i>Pastor Lissa Preaching, The Lord's Supper</i> |
| July 11 | Ephesians 1:3-14 | In God We Are Blessed <i>Pastor Priscilla Preaching</i> |
| July 18 | Ephesians 2:11-22 | In God's House <i>Pastor Billy Preaching</i> |
| July 25 | Ephesians 3:14-21 | In God We Have Strength <i>Pastor Lissa Preaching</i> |
| August 1 | Ephesians 4:1-16 | Worthy of God's Love <i>Pastor Billy Preaching, The Lord's Supper</i> |
| August 8 | Ephesians 4:25-5:2 | In God We Have Grace <i>Pastor Lissa Preaching</i> |
| August 15 | Ephesians 5:15-20 | In God We Give Thanks <i>Pastor Priscilla Preaching</i> |
| August 22 | Ephesians 6:10-20 | In God We Are Covered <i>Pastor Lissa Preaching</i> |

COMMISSIONING SERVICE

Today during the 11:00 worship service, Priscilla Holtzclaw will be commissioned as a Lay Pastor, serving Westminster on a part-time basis for the three months of Pastor Daniel's sabbatical. Priscilla's journey began years ago when the Session endorsed her to take classes at the South Carolina Lay School. She graduated in May after engaging in courses on theology, pastoral care, biblical studies, worship, and polity to name a few. Earlier this month she was examined by the Presbytery's Commission on Ministry (COM), and her covenant with Westminster was approved. Today, General Presbyter Dr. Donnie Woods (preaching) and COM co-moderator Rev. Dorothy Blackwelder join us for the commissioning service.

This is a good moment in the life of the church to celebrate God's faithfulness to the church and to Pastor Priscilla!

SAVE THE DATE: NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS STARTING JULY 11.

What a wonderful season for WPC! Rev. Billy Wade will be teaching an in-person Adult Sunday School class starting Sunday, July 11 in Covenant Hall at 10:00 a.m. The series will be themed Jesus' Stories: Those Who Have Ears to Hear, Let Them Hear. Bring your Bible, a friend, and a family member. Mark your calendars!

- July 11: A Sowing Lesson Mark 4: 1-20
- July 18: The Good Samaritan Luke 10: 25-37
- July 25: The Laborers in the Vineyard Matthew 20:1-16
- August 1: The Last Judgment Matthew 25:31-46
- August 8: The Prodigal Son Luke 15: 11-32

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.



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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

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| 9:00 – 9:45 | Worship Service in the Sanctuary (nursery available) |
| 10:00 – 10:45 | Playground and Prayer for kids; Sunday School for Adults (begins July 11) |
| 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 will continue to gather on the playground for Prayer on the Playground. At the same time, an in-person Sunday School class, beginning July 11 and taught by Billy Wade, is offered for adults.

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

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| 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 | Nita Rodemann |
| Fran Ligon | David Kerr | Mary Martschink | Jean Isbell |
| Nancy Plowden | Sharon Hutchinson | David Wiggins | Will Kuenzel |
| Gary Brooks | Harper Croft | Ginger Greene | Jack Watson |
| Steve Buddin | Deb Sloan | Allene Buddin | Janie Hammersmith |
| Rosa Oswald | Bob Ferguson | Jerry Smoak | Frank Painter |
| Dick Unger | Clif Green | Brenda DeSmet | Jackie Epstein |
| Pam Smith | Libba Johnson | Maryalice Vann | |

Friend of the Week

Eleanor Grayson
201 W. 9th North St. 19
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Mission of the Week

Scout Troop 79
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Church Family

Michael and Stacy Patrick
Ella, Hannah, Sarah, Sklyer
Amber Appell

WESTMINSTER SESSION

Class of 2021

Allyn Bruce
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

Matthew Akery
David Boyd
Earl Frasier
Brenda Gibson
Tim Platts
Nathan Ward

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