



# Westminster Presbyterian Church

## Order of Worship for June 6, 2021

In-Person and Online at 11:00 am

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

Prelude in G Minor

J.S. BACH

### ◆CALL TO WORSHIP

One: You are the Lord, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you.

All: **You have kept your promise, for you are righteous.**

One: You gave bread from heaven for hunger and brought water out of the rock for thirst.

All: **You gave your good Spirit to instruct. You sustained your people.**

One: You are gracious and merciful.

All: **Let us worship our Lord together.**

### ◆INVOCATION

### ◆HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 620

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

### ◆PRAYER OF CONFESSION

FROM A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH

As we say we trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father we forget. In your sovereign love you created the world good and made everyone equal in your image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But, as sinners, we forgot. We rebel against you and hide from you, our Creator. We ignore your commandments, we violate your image in others and ourselves. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. God of mercy, we pray for your forgiveness and everlasting grace. Redeem us.

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

O Lord, Have Mercy  
Sanctuary Choir

HAL HOPSON

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Nehemiah 9:1-31

SERMON

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

◆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.**

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

◆HYMN NO 507 Come to the Table of Grace

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



## 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](http://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.



# 620 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

(Psalm 103)

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his  
 2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his  
 3 Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our  
 4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be -

feet your trib - ute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for -  
 peo - ple in dis - tress; praise him still the same as  
 fee - ble frame he knows; in his hands he gent - ly  
 hold him face to face. Sun and moon, bow down be -

giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 bears us, res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space: Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

This free paraphrase of Psalm 103 gains much energy and conviction by including the double "Alleluia!" before the final line of text. That repeated four-note figure descending from the tune's highest note gives voice to the praise that the rest of the hymn evokes.

# Come to the Table of Grace 507

Capo 3: (D) (A) (Bm) (D7/A) (G)  
 F C Dm F7/C B<sup>b</sup>

1 Come to the ta - ble of grace. Come to the

(A) (D) (A) (D) (Em)  
 C F C F Gm

ta - ble of grace. This is God's ta - ble; it's

(D/A) (G) (D/A) (A7) (D) (G) (D)  
 F/A B<sup>b</sup> F/C C7 F B<sup>b</sup> F

not yours or mine. Come to the ta - ble of grace.

- 2 Come to the table of peace...
- 3 Come to the table of love...
- 4 Come to the table of hope...
- 5 Come to the table of joy...

The simple, formulaic nature of this song makes it especially suitable for use during the communion portion of the Lord's Supper. Because it can be learned readily and does not require reference to a printed source, it frees people to sing before and after receiving the elements.

## 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](http://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 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.

<b>9:00 – 9:45</b>	Worship Service in the Sanctuary (nursery available)
<b>10:00 – 10:45</b>	Playground and Prayer for kids; Zoom Sunday School for Adults
<b>11:00 – 11:45</b>	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

Harriet DaSilva  
201 W. 9th North St. 149  
Summerville, SC 29483

### Mission of the Week

Mary Ford Early Learning  
3180 Thomasina Mcpherson Blvd.  
Charleston, SC 29405

### Church Family

Frank and Pat Painter  
Nancy Parrish  
Rachel Parrish

## 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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