



Westminster Presbyterian Church

Order of Worship for April 10, 2022

Palm Sunday

9:00 am

GATHERING

*Please greet each other warmly as the congregation gathers for worship.
Take a moment and sign the virtual friendship register.*

WELCOME

◆ SONG OF PREPARATION NO 197 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

◆ WORDS OF PRAISE

FROM MATTHEW AND LUKE

One: When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem.
And as he rode along, most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others
cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. As he was drawing near—
already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples
began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they
had seen, saying:

All: **Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!**

One: And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting,

All: **Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!**

◆ PRAYER

◆ SONG OF PRAISE NO. 196 All Glory, Laud and Honor VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

Refrain: All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One. (Refrain)

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayers and anthems before thee we present. (Refrain)

To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise. (Refrain)

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King! (Refrain)

CONFESSION

◆CONFESSING OUR SIN AND BROKENNESS

We are quick to speak of faith, but slow to live it. We shout "hosanna" as Jesus approaches, but we do not want him to come too close. We are quick to claim faith in Jesus as our Lord and Savior, but we are fickle, slow to live fully and everywhere as faithful disciples. We are quick to want the blessings of faithfulness, but we are slow to accept the pain and suffering of authentic Christ-like living. In your mercy, forgive our sin.

Silent Personal Confession

◆DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS AND HEALING

◆SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 447 We Are Forgiven

**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

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Please share the peace of Christ with your neighbor.

THE WORD

TIME FOR CHILDREN TO SHINE

Dale and Karen Norman

SPECIAL MUSIC

What Wondrous Love Is This
Nancy Parrish and Ava Whitener

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 22

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One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Worship: In the Dark

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

◆SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 223

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

We believe that God created all things. We believe that God is our protector. God listens to what we have to say. We believe in God because God believes in us. We believe that God is the only God. God is always looking over us and helps us to make decisions in our life.

We follow Jesus Christ the son of God. God sent His son Jesus to die on the cross so that all of our sins would be forgiven. Jesus' sacrifice pays for our debts and releases us from the penalty of sin. Jesus is a teacher for us. We believe we receive the Holy Spirit when we are open to Jesus being our Lord and Savior. The Holy Spirit is all around. The Holy Spirit renews us and gives us strength to answer God's call. The Holy Spirit helps us release all negative thoughts. At the end of the day, we are all God's children. The scripture is there for guidance.

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

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.

SENDING OUT

◆BLESSING

◆SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 606

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 praise him, all creatures here below;
 praise him above, ye heavenly host;
 praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

◆*Please stand, if able*

Leading the service today: Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Lissa Long, Pastor; Nancy Parrish, Music.

Ushers are Graham Wade, Joe Jeter, Regina Keene.

TODAY IS PALM SUNDAY!

All children are invited to process and wave palm branches during the first hymn. It's a celebration of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem at the beginning of Holy Week! Palms are provided; kids will gather in the narthex before the service. Adults are encouraged to participate as well by stepping into the aisle and joining the parade during the first hymn.

NEW HERE? MAKE SOME CONNECTIONS AT WESTMINSTER

Connections: An opportunity for those visiting or new who want to meet others and learn more about LIFE at Westminster. Connections classes are offered on the first Sunday of every month. We meet from 10:00-10:40 in Pastor Daniel's office at the end of the Admin Hall. Kids are welcome or can go to Sunday School/Nursery. Save your spot at the May 1 Connections class by emailing office@wpccharleston.org.

BRING A FLOWER ON EASTER SUNDAY!

Christ's resurrection brings new life to the whole world—it is the beginning of the restoration of all things! Even the terrible, rugged cross, the instrument of Jesus' death, can become an emblem of new life in Christ. On Easter Sunday, a cross will be located at the front of the sanctuary, and you are invited to bring a flower or use the flowers provided to decorate it.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS ARE BACK

Join us every Wednesday for a delicious supper for adults and children at 6:00 pm in Covenant Hall. Nursery is available. \$7 per person, \$20 cap per family. This week's menu is BBQ chicken, seasoned rice, vegetable, salad, bread, dessert. Kids menu: Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwich, hot dogs, chips, fruit. Menu may be changed due to the shortage of some foods.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY UPDATE

The Membership Committee is requesting all members to update their directory information and pictures with the church. If you have a photo you would like to put in the directory, please email it to office@wpccharleston.org. We are now using Realm as our primary directory. Please stop by the table in the Narthex if you would like your picture taken or have questions.

CHILDREN'S BOWLING!

Monday, April 11, 2022 at 2:00 pm, Ashley River Lanes, 1568 Sam Rittenberg, Charleston, SC 29407. Come join your friends for some BOWLING!!! The kids of the church have asked for some time to hang out and bowling was their suggestion! Friends are welcome to attend. Not a drop-off event. Bowling is covered by WPC Children's Ministry.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SUNDAY AT WESTMINSTER

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022

9:00 and 11:00 am: Worship

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday and the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem.

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2022

7:00 pm: Worship & The Lord's Supper in the Sanctuary .

The darkness falls as we worship—remembering the night Jesus was betrayed and arrested.

Special music by the Westminster Choir and instrumentalists. We'll share the Lord's Supper.

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 15

12:00 pm : Worship that focuses on the final hours and final words of Jesus' life.

Lunch follows at 12:30 in Covenant Hall.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17

9:00 and 11:00 am: Worship

Jesus is alive, and we rejoice together in his saving love!

Special music and instrumentalists at both services.

Not able to join us for in-person worship? 11:00 am Worship, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday services will be live-streamed and then available anytime on Facebook, Youtube, or wpccharleston.org.

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.
- New here? Please fill out a Connect Card and place it in the offering plate.
- The nursery is available for children 2 and under in the Children's 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 Children's building room 16 for Children's Church. 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 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

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's classes, ages 3–5th grade are located in the classrooms in the Christian Education building
Youth and Adult classes are located in Covenant Hall classrooms.

- **Children ages 3-5** - Growing in Grace and Gratitude
- **Children grades 1st - 2nd** - Growing in Grace and Gratitude
- **Children grades 3rd - 5th** - Feasting on the Word
- **Youth grades 6th -12th** - Friends: Getting the Most out of Friendship
(what real friendship means from a biblical perspective)
- **Cary Grayson Class** - moves through the Bible examining God's Word, book by book.
They are in Leviticus. Room 4
- **Anchor Class and Full Circle Class** - Studying Jesus with "The Cross", a study by John Stott.
Books are provided. Anchor Class meet in Room 1 and Full Circle meet in Room 2.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY MEETS TUESDAY, APRIL 12.

Men of all ages: Join us for Breakfast and Bible Study from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. on the Second Tuesday of every month. We are meeting IN-PERSON for breakfast at Trotters Restaurant at Town and Country Inn and Suites (2008 Savannah Highway). We're studying OT characters: Abram in Genesis 12. Pastor Daniel will be leading; join us for the Fellowship and Encouragement!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Circle 4 will meet Tuesday April 12, at 10:30 am in Covenant Hall Room 4. Circle 5 will meet Tuesday April 12, at 10:00 am in the Parlor.

HOOKS AND NEEDLES

Hooks and Needles are meeting Monday, April 11 at 10:00 am in Covenant Hall, Room 4. All are welcome to come (even just for the fellowship) Contact Deborah-Anne Ferguson at 914-263-3742 or daferguson11@gmail.com.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO JOIN THE WESTMINSTER FAMILY?

Here's how you can do it.

1. Please fill out a Connect Card and place it in the offering plate or you may fill out an online New Member form under the visitor tab at wpcharleston.org or using the QR code.
2. One of our Pastors 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.



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.



FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

We continue a sermon series on **WORSHIP**. God has created us for worship, and the more we know the more faithful we can be.

- 4/10 Worship: Worship in the Dark**
Psalm 22. We worship God- even in the hard times.
“Yet, you are enthroned on the praises of your people.” (Palm/Passion Sunday)
- 4/17 Born Again to a Living Hope**
1 Peter 1:3-7. The resurrection of Jesus is the most important thing that has ever happened in the history of the world. Death is defeated! What does it mean for us today? (Easter)
- 4/24 Worship: Eternal Worship**
Revelation 21. What will it be like to worship God forever?
- 5/1 Worship: The Lord's Supper**
1 Corinthians 11. What place does The Lord's Supper have in worship?
- 5/8 Worship: Baptism**
Acts 2:37-41. What place does baptism have in worship?
A Reformed view of baptism holds it up as an act of worship- directed toward God.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, April 10

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Mission Committee, Covenant Hall
5:00 pm	DYCM Search Team
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Monday, April 11

10:00 am	Hooks and Needles, Room 4
2:00 pm	Children's Bowling, Ashley Lanes
7:00 pm	Smocking Guild, Room 4
7:00 pm	Scout Troop 79, Covenant Hall

Tuesday, April 12

6:30 am	Toastmasters, Covenant Hall
7:00 am	Men's Bible Study, Town and Country Inn Trotter's Restuarant
10:00 am	Staff Meeting, Pastor's Office
10:00 am	Circle 5, Parlor
10:30 am	Circle 4, Room 4
6:00 pm	Nominating Committee, Parlor

Wednesday, April 13

9:00 am	Preschool Funnastics, Covenant Hall
6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday Supper, BBQ chicken
6:45 pm	Women's Bible Study, Room 4
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Thursday, April 14

7:00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship, Sanctuary
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Friday, April 15

12:00 pm	Good Friday Worship, Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Lunch, Covenant Hall

Sunday, April 17

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

COVID PROTOCOLS FOR IN-PERSON WORSHIP

1. All are welcome; facemasks are optional.
2. Hand sanitizer is available.
3. Offering plates are at the entrances/exits to receive your offering.
4. Limited socially-distanced seating is available. Please indicate your preference to an usher.

Westminster Prays

Carol Cummings	Meg Powell	Summer Garris	Chrissie Bosworth
Dart Willer	Keith Gordon	Mary Ashley Barbot	Ginger Siefing
Bill Pennekamp	Shirley Seay	Joyce Aydlett	Martin Davis
Kate Pennekamp	Larry Salley	Daryn Baker	Kevin Ritzel
Sara McCoy	Dot Dangerfield	Curtis Sponseller	Gloria Underhill
Love Moody	Lydia Crosby	Sean Fitzgibbon	Barbara Johnston
Karen Dangerfield	David Morris IV	Thom Penney	Nita Rodemann
Lisa Wilcox	Brian Carlow	Nikolai Fruth	Will Kuenzel
Harold Fountain	Frances McLean	Mary Martschink	Frank Painter
Nancy Plowden	David Kerr	Allene Buddin	Jackie Epstein
Gary Brooks	Sharon Hutchinson	Brenda DeSmet	Libba Johnson
Steve Buddin	Harper Croft	Maryalice Vann	Stephen Moody
Rosa Oswald	Jean Lewandowski	Jerry Hallman	Liz Shelor
Dick Unger	Branden Preus	Christina Miller	Edward Godshall
Anderson Scruggs	Anne Willis	Meghan Hatfield	Towne Family
Pam Smith	Julie Pell	Sandy Pennekamp	Charles Reeves
Chad Waldrop	Brooks Oswald	Rachel Singletary	Merrily Burnette
Libba Palmer	Teresa Butts	Sandy Pell	John Martschink
Marion Woodbury	Eleanor Woodbury	Lynda Cottingham	Brenda Jonsson
Bryan Thomas			

Friend of the Week

Kate Pennekamp
1451 Tobias Gadson Blvd.
#118
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission of the Week

Metanoia
2005 Reynolds Ave.
N. Charleston SC 29405

Student of the Week

David Butts
1426 Parkshore Drive
Charleston. SC 29407

Church Family

Joe and Brenda Clarey
Steven Clark
Robert and Sylvia Coker
Lindy Coleman

Westminster Session

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, George McAbee, Nathan Ward

Class of 2024: Norman Hook, Abbie Mobley, Karen Norman, Laura Patrick, Chuck Towne, Dee Bee Wright

Clerk - Carole Russell, **Assistant Treasurer** - Patty Stokes

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