



Westminster Presbyterian Church

May 8, 2022

11:00 am

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Handbell Choir

JASON W. KING

◆CALL TO WORSHIP

FROM PSALM 5

One: In the morning, O Lord, you hear our prayers.

All: **In the light of this day we praise your name.**

One: Through the abundance of your steadfast love
you have gathered us into your house.

All: **In the holiness of your presence,
we bow down to worship and adore you.**

◆INVOCATION

◆HYMN NO. 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

◆PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of justice and mercy,
we confess that we disobey your will.

We show neither justice nor mercy to others.

Christ our Savior, love incarnate,
we confess that we take your love for granted.

We do not give of ourselves, nor do we rejoice in all the blessings we receive.

Holy Spirit, power and breath,
we confess that we block your movement.

We do not live holy lives of sacrificial love.

Gracious Trinity, forgive us
and grant us your peace.

Help us to turn from our sins

so that we may love you
by joyfully caring for others. Amen.

Silent 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 THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Please greet your neighbors.

TIME FOR CHILDREN TO SHINE

Dee Bee Wright

Following Children's Time, children ages 2-3K (Wee Church) and 4-5 K (Children's Church) will gather in the narthex with adult leaders and then be led to the Children's Building.

Parents may pick them up following the service.

ANTHEM

The First Song of Isaiah
Sanctuary Choir

JACK NOBLE WHITE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 2:37-41

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One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Worship: Baptism

◆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

◆HYMN NO. 482

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Mother's Day Offering

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.

◆ HYMN NO. 485

We Know that Christ is Raised

ENGELBERG

◆ BENEDICTION

◆ POSTLUDE

Liebster Jesu

J.S. BACH

◆ *Please stand, if able*

Leading the service today: Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Priscilla Holtzclaw, Lay Pastor; Robin Zemp, Music.

11:00 am Livestream at www.wpccharleston.org, Facebook (WPCCharleston), YouTube (Westminster Presbyterian Charleston)

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Acolytes are Connor Chandler and Manning Earnst.

Ushers are Carol Russell, Henry Shepard, Ruth Marie Embler, Ben Whitener.

Children's Church volunteers are Kendall and Greg Ramsay.

Wee Church volunteers are Nathan and Meghan Ward.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of all of the women who have filled the role of mothers in our lives, and in memory of Rita G. Spivey, Maggie and Evelyn Spivey, Frances S. Williams, and Agnes H. Livingston, by Rita, Tom, Dave, and John Livingston.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session has called a meeting of the congregation on Sunday, May 15, at 12:00 pm for the purpose of electing deacons, elders, and a nominating committee. We will meet in the sanctuary at the end of the 11:00 worship service. The Nominating Committee will be recommending a slate of 6 Elders (*Mike Niblock, Tom Whetstone, Betsy McLaughlin, Lindy Coleman, Matt Teitsort, and Matthew Patrick*), 11 Deacons (*Gloria Purcell, Debra Ferguson, Kristin Dounian, Jennifer Smith, Ruth Marie Emblar, Brenda Haile, Ashleigh Patrick, Ben Whitener, Ann Morris, Kay Hudson, and Liliya Davis*), and 4 people for the Nominating Committee (*David Bednarczyk, John Dounian, Carol Patrick, and Blair Wade*). Nominee information will be available prior to the meeting.

OUR BELOVED DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS, MEG DORSEL, IS HAVING A BABY!

She'll be on maternity leave from May 1 until July 31. All communications-related information can be sent to the church office: office@wpccharleston.org.

SENIOR NIGHT AT WPC

On Wednesday, May 18, following Wonderful Wednesday Supper (6:00 pm), we're celebrating our High School Seniors. Join us for supper and a short program to acknowledge the accomplishments of and to pray for Jahmes Jones, Skyler Frasier, Noelle Whitener, and Mattie Housley.

MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING

Today we will collect the Mother's Day Offering for the benefit of Presbyterian Communities of South Carolina. For over 60 years, this offering has been an important act of support for this unique ministry of SC Presbyterians to older adults. The proceeds are used solely to support residents at Presbyterian Communities of South Carolina who have outlived their life savings through no fault of their own and now depend on the kindness of others. The average cost of Charitable Care from 2011 to 2021 was \$1,244,455. You may drop your offering in the plate that morning, mail it in to the church, or give online at wpccharleston.org. Checks payable to Westminster, or choose "Presbyterian Home" on the online menu. Thank you!

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 fried chicken, green beans, potato salad, coleslaw, green salad, rolls, dessert. Kids menu: peanut butter and jelly, hotdogs, chips, fruit. Menu may be changed due to the shortage of some foods.

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 June 5 Connections class by emailing office@westminstercharleston.org.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY WILL MEET THE THIRD TUESDAY, MAY 17

Men of all ages: Join us for Breakfast and Bible Study from 8:00 - 9:00 am We are meeting for breakfast at Trotters Restaurant at Town and Country Inn and Suites (2008 Savannah Highway). We're studying OT characters: King Saul in 1 Samuel 15:1-23. Pastor Daniel will be leading; join us for the Fellowship and Encouragement!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Circle 4 will meet Tuesday, May 10, at 10:30 am in Covenant Hall Room 4. Circle 5 will meet Tuesday, May 10, at 12:00 pm at T-Bones Restaurant.

HOOKS AND NEEDLES

Hooks and Needles Ministry provides knitted or crocheted prayer shawls, or lap blankets for anyone in our church who is in need—ill, bereaved, or needing special comfort. This ministry also provides baby blankets to infants that are baptized at Westminster. They meet on the second Monday of every month to work on these projects. Hooks & Needles will meet Monday, May 9, 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

WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER

- We are delighted you have joined us for 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 2-3k (Wee Church) 4-5k (Children's Church) will gather in the narthex with adult leaders and then be led to the Children's Building. 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 I & II Thessalonians
Books are provided. Anchor Class meet in Room 1 and Full Circle meet in Room 2.

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 wpccharleston.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.

- 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.
- 5/15 **Worship: Weddings and Funerals**
Hebrews 12:1-2. Even those “special” services are worship. We keep Jesus first in all things.
- 5/22 **Worship: Healing and Wholeness**
It is appropriate to seek healing in worship. We’ll pray for the hurting together.

We begin a NEW sermon series called Stained Glass Gospel. We’ll study the scriptures from the life of Jesus which inspired the stained glass windows of the Westminster sanctuary.

- 5/29 **Stained Glass Gospel 1: Jesus is the Father’s Son**
Luke 2:41-51. The story of Jesus at the temple as a child reveals significant clues about who he is.
- 6/5 **Stained Glass Gospel 2: Jesus Calls Disciples**
Matthew 4:18-22. “Come and follow me.” The compelling case for being a Jesus follower.
- 6/12 **Stained Glass Gospel 3: Jesus Works Miracles**
John 2:1-11. Water into wine, the first of the miracles, kicks off a pattern of miracles confirming his identity.

A WORD FROM PASTOR DANIEL AND PASTOR LISSA

On Sunday, May 22, we will conclude our Sermon Series on Worship with a service of Healing, Wholeness, and Reconciliation. While we’ve had services like this before, we want to explain what the service is, why we are having it, and why we think you should come.

-**What is a Worship Service of Healing, Wholeness, and Reconciliation?** We live in a broken world where the effects of sin and death are clear: Our bodies are broken, our relationships are strained, and we do not have peace with God, ourselves, or our neighbor. This service is an opportunity to come before the Lord and each other, acknowledging our brokenness, our sin, our anger, our resentment, and our need for healing.

-**Why are we having the service?** Pastor Lissa and I hear your requests for prayer and try to acknowledge the needs of people in our community. We are aware of a number of people in the community who are struggling with serious health issues, feelings of inadequacy, family problems, and despair. There is a lot of pain and brokenness, and we think it’s appropriate to confess our need and hear God’s Word of hope.

-**Why should you come?** When we face difficulty, we need to hear and remember that God’s answer for our pain, our brokenness, and our sin is Jesus Christ. In his life, death, and resurrection, the power of sin and death is broken, and we have the promise of healing, wholeness, and reconciliation. So, we encourage you to attend. Whether you feel the need or want to come and pray with others, it is for you. And of course, you are welcome to bring a friend.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, May 8

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

Monday, May 9

9:50 am	4's Chapel, Sanctuary
10:00 am	Hooks and Needles, Room 4
11:45 am	Preschool Dance, Covenant Hall
7:00 pm	Scout Troop 79, Covenant Hall

Tuesday, May 10

6:30 am	Toastmasters, Covenant Hall
9:30 am	3's Music, Sanctuary
9:50 am	4's Music, Sanctuary
10:00 am	Staff Meeting, Pastor's Office
10:30 am	Circle 4, Room 4
12:00 pm	Circle 5, T Bones Restaurant
5:30 pm	Exchange Club, Covenant Hall
7:00 pm	Handbell Choir, Sanctuary

Wednesday, May 11

9:00 am	Preschool Funnastics, Covenant Hall
6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday Supper, fried chicken
6:00 pm	Finance Committee, Room 4
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Thursday, May 12

9:50 am	3's Chapel, Sanctuary
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Saturday, May 14

9:30 am	Multiple Myeloma Group, Covenant Hall
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Sunday, May 15

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
4:00 pm	Club 3,4,5, Covenant Hall
5:00 pm	Deacon's Meeting, ZOOM
5:00 pm	All Youth Kickball, Park Shore
6:00 pm	Stated Session Meeting, Room 4
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.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

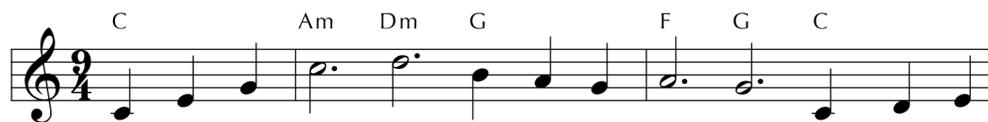
praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

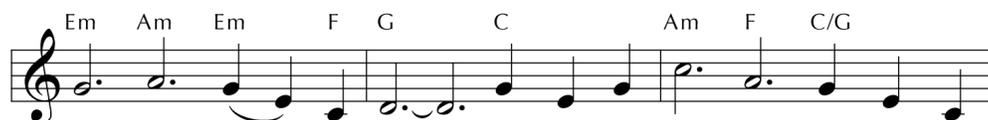
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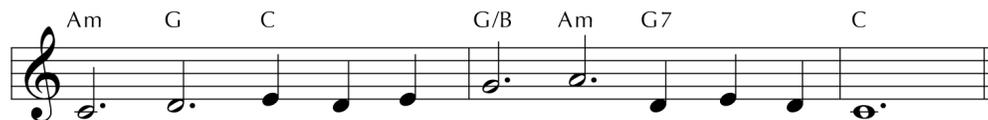
Baptized in Water



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our King; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing the
 tomb with Christ our King; one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our King; born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

Each stanza of this compact and carefully constructed text about baptism begins with allusions to John 3:5 and Ephesians 1:13. The interplay of constant and changing lines accentuates each added image. It is set here to a Gaelic tune first transcribed in the 19th century.

TEXT: Michael A. Seward, 1981

MUSIC: Gaelic melody; arr. Dale Grotenhuis, 1985

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BUNESSAN

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We Know That Christ Is Raised 485

Capo 3: (D) (Asus) (A) (A/G) (D/F#)
 F Csus C C/B^b F/A

1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
 2 We share by wa - ter in his sav - ing death.
 3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.
 4 A new cre - a - tion comes to life and grows

(D) (A) (D) (E7) (A)
 F C F G7 C

Em - braced by death he broke its fear - ful hold,
 Re - born we share with him an Eas - ter life
 The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the church of God.
 as Christ's new bod - y takes on flesh and blood.

(Am) (D) (G) (Em) (Bm)
 Cm F B^b Gm Dm

and our de - spair he turned to blaz - ing joy.
 as liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
 Bap - tized we live with God the Three in One.
 The u - ni - verse, re - stored and whole, will sing:

1-3 4
 (Em) (D) (Asus) (A) (Em) (D)
 Gm F Csus C Gm F

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Beginning with an allusion to Romans 6:9, this exuberant baptismal hymn unfolds the implications of our incorporation into Christ's new life, making us "a new creation" (2 Corinthians 5:17). The text was written to fit this expansive tune by a distinguished British composer.

TEXT: John Brownlow Geyer, 1967, alt.
 MUSIC: Charles Villiers Stanford, 1904
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ENGELBERG
 10.10.10.4
 (this tune in a higher key, 641)

Westminster Prays

Carol Cummings	Meg Powell	Summer Garris	Chrissie Bosworth
Dart Willer	Keith Gordon	Mary Ashley Barbot	Ginger Siefring
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	Maryalice Vann	Libba Johnson
Steve Buddin	Harper Croft	Jerry Hallman	Stephen Moody
Rosa Oswald	Jean Lewandowski	Christina Miller	Liz Shelor
Dick Unger	Branden Preus	Meghan Hatfield	Edward Godshall
Anderson Scruggs	Monnie Privette	Sandy Pennekamp	Towne Family
Pam Smith	Anne Willis	Rachel Singletary	Charles Reeves
Chad Waldrop	Julie Pell	Sandy Pell	Merrily Burnette
Libba Palmer	Brooks Oswald	Caroline Cottingham	John Martschink
Marion Woodbury	Teresa Butts	Fran Ligon	Brenda Jonsson
Bryan Thomas	Eleanor Woodbury	Joseph Beckham	Donnie Woods

Friend of the Week

Judy Tag
201 W 9th North St. Unit 1
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission of the Week

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

Student of the Week

Andrew Smoak
9200 University Blvd.
N. Charleston, SC 29406

Church Family

Karen Dangerfield
Jack and Janie Daniels
Randy and Mary Davis

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

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