



Westminster Presbyterian Church

August 21, 2022

11:00 am

WELCOME

PRELUDE

◆CALL TO WORSHIP

FROM COLOSSIANS 1:19-22

One: In Jesus Christ
all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.
Through him God was reconciled to all things
in heaven and on earth, even to us,
that we might be holy and blameless before God.

All: **In awe and gratitude,**
let us worship the Lord our God.

◆INVOCATION 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. 32

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

ELLACOMBE

◆PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ever-faithful God, how often we turn away from you, yet you remain constant to us. We run from you, but you call us back. In our words and our deeds we dishonor you, yet you still profess your love for us. We cut ourselves off from you and from others, but you will not let us go. Forgive our faithless and fickle ways and increase our gratitude that we might grow in faithfulness to you, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. 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.

TIME FOR CHILDREN TO SHINE

Laura Patrick

Prayers for the School Year

See Insert

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

As The Deer
Dee Bee Wright and Nancy Parrish

ARR. CATHY DEROUSSE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Colossians 2:6-7

PEW BIBLE N.T. PAGE 200

One: The Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Growing in Christ: Rooted and Built Up

◆HYMN OF RESPONSE

In Christ Alone

INSERT

◆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.

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

◆HYMN NO. 826

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

◆BENEDICTION

◆POSTLUDE

◆*Please stand, if able*

Leading the service today: Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Lissa Long, Pastor; David Friddle, Music.

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

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Acolytes are Brooke Patrick and Will Patrick.

Ushers are the Fergusons, John Dounian and Son.

Children's Church volunteers are Laura and Paul Patrick.

Wee Church volunteers are Abby and Sean Engles.

In Christ Alone

Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

Maestoso ♩ = 80



In Christ a - lone my hope is found. He is my
In Christ a - lone! Who took on flesh; Full - ness of
There in the ground His bo - dy lay, Light of the
No guilt in life, no fear in death - This is the



light, my strength, my song; This cor - ner stone, this sol - id
God in help - less babe! This gift of love and right - eous -
world by dark - ness slain; Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious
pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fin - al



ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of
ness, scorned by the ones He came to save: 'Til on that
Day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He
breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of



love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease! My com - for -
cross as Jes - us died, the wrath of God was sat - is - fied; For ev' - ry
stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on me; For I am
hell, no scheme of man, can e - ver pluck me from His hand; 'Til He re -



ter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.
sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
His and He is mine - bought with the prec - ious blood of Christ.
turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

"In Christ Alone" by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

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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. The next Connections Class is September 11. 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 September 11 Connections class by emailing office@wpccharleston.org.

KICK-OFF SUNDAY, TODAY!

Nothing says "fall" like a hot summer August day, the beginning of football season, and the transition into our church fall opportunities! Come and join together for worship, fellowship, food, and a way to see all the ways we are walking in discipleship together this year. We will be *Growing in Christ* through our Worship, our Sunday School and Bible studies, Fellowship, and serving together in Missions.

- Worship 9:00 and 11:00 Childcare provided
- Sunday School Meet and Greet 10:00-10:30
- Discipleship Opportunities and Informational Open House 9:45-10:45/12:00-12:30 Covenant Hall

CHURCHWIDE RETREAT AT BETHELWOODS CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER!

www.bethelwoods.org

Friday, September 23 - Sunday, September 25. All ages are welcome to join us for some fun at camp! There will be canoeing, singing, hiking, fellowship, good food, and s'mores. Please use the link provided in the Enews on Tuesdays to register for the retreat.

YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP BACK TODAY, SUNDAY, AUGUST 21!

Mid Highs (6th-8th grades) meet from 5:00-6:00 pm and High School (9th-12th grades) meets from 6:00-7:00 pm. Dinner provided! Friends are welcome to join us!

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 age 3-5k (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, age 3–5th grade are located in the classrooms in the Christian Education building. Youth and Adult classes are located in Covenant Hall classrooms.

- **Children Sunday School** - Growing in God's Love
- **Youth grades 6th -12th** - Teen Devotions and Discussions
- **Cary Grayson Class** - moves through the Bible examining God's Word, book by book.
Currently studying Leviticus. Meets in Room 4

FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

Growing in Christ A sermon series on the basics of the faith, including assurances of and ways we grow in faith.

August 21 Growing in Christ: Rooted and Built Up

Colossians 2:6-7 Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

August 28 Westminster is excited to welcome Rev. Dr. Buz Wilcoxon.

Buz is the new Chaplain and Dean of Spiritual Life at Presbyterian College. Along with Pastor Daniel (PC '97) and Pastor Lissa (PC '98), Buz (PC '05) will preach and lead worship at the 9:00 and 11:00 worship services.

September 4 Growing in Christ: Assurance of Salvation

1 John 5:11 And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

September 11 Growing in Christ: Assurance of Answered Prayer

John 16:24 Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

September 18 Growing in Christ: Assurance of Forgiveness

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

September 25 Growing in Christ: Assurance of Guidance

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

October 2 Growing in Christ: Giving Thanks

We are glad to welcome the Rev. Dr. Donnie Woods to Westminster. Donnie is the recently retired General Presbyter of our Presbytery, and he is a cancer survivor. His testimony of thanksgiving is inspiring.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, August 21

9:00 am	Worship Service
9:45 am	Discipleship Opportunities, Covenant Hall
10:00 am	Sunday School Meet and Greet
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Discipleship Opportunities, Covenant Hall
5:00 pm	Deacons' Meeting, Room 4
5:00 pm	Middle School Youth Group
6:00 pm	High School Youth Group
6:00 pm	Stated Session Meeting, Room 4
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Tuesday, August 23

6:30 am	Toastmasters, Covenant Hall
10:00 am	Staff Meeting, Pastor's Office

Wednesday, August 24

7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall
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Saturday, August 27

9:00 am	S.T.E.P.S., Mt. Pleasant Presbyterian Church
12:00 pm	Loretta Haskell Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Sunday, August 28

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
3:00 pm	Loretta Haskell Recital, Sanctuary
4:00 pm	All Church Beach Day, Folly Beach County Park
5:00 pm	Middle School Youth Group
6:00 pm	High School Youth Group
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

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



WAYS TO GIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Church Pew Envelope: Place cash or check in the Pew Envelope and drop it in the Offering Plate in the Narthex.

Online: Click the "Give Now" button in the top right of our homepage at wpccharleston.org.

Text: Text "charlestonwpc" to 73256. Thank you for giving.

32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y
 God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them
 And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy

skies. I sing the wis-dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.
 good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,
 throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
 and ev - ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

With minimal revision this text brings together six of the eight four-line stanzas in an 18th-century hymn written for children and originally headed "Praise for Creation and Providence." The anonymous German tune provides a fitting sense of breadth and wonder.

Lift High the Cross

826

*Refrain**Descant*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

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till all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

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Fine

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,
 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

the Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
 bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died.
 your death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

This majestic hymn celebrates the paradox that for Christians a means of painful death has been transformed into a symbol of renewed life; a sign of defeat has become an emblem of victory. With the cross traced on our foreheads at Baptism we are marked as Christ's own forever.

Westminster Prays

Carol Cummings	Meg Powell	Summer Garris	Chrissie Bosworth
Bill Pennekamp	Keith Gordon	Mary Ashley Barbot	Ginger Siefring
Kate Pennekamp	Larry Salley	Joyce Aydlett	Martin Davis
Sara McCoy	Lydia Crosby	Daryn Baker	Kevin Ritzel
Love Moody	David Morris IV	Curtis Sponseller	Gloria Underhill
Lisa Wilcox	Brian Carlow	Sean Fitzgibbon	Barbara Johnston
Harold Fountain	Frances McLean	Thom Penney	Nita Rodemann
Nancy Plowden	David Kerr	Nikolai Fruth	Will Kuenzel
Gary Brooks	Sharon Hutchinson	Mary Martschink	Frank Painter
Steve Buddin	Harper Croft	Allene Buddin	Jackie Epstein
Dick Unger	Branden Preus	Maryalice Vann	Edward Godshall
Anderson Scruggs	Monnie Privette	Jerry Hallman	Towne Family
Pam Smith	Eleanor Woodbury	Christina Miller	Charles Reeves
Chad Waldrop	Ginny Yarborough	Meghan Hatfield	Merrily Burnette
Libba Palmer	Joseph Beckham	Sandy Pennekamp	John Martschink
Marion Woodbury	Donnie Woods	Rachel Singletary	Brenda Jonsson
Bryan Thomas	Evan McMillan	Caroline Cottingham	Judy Tag
Gloria Purcell	Robin James	Fran Ligon	Rose Derrick
Will Edwards	Bruce Hamilton	Molly Griggs	Robin Zemp

Friend of the Week

Heather MacInnes
504 Shem Butler Ct.
Charleston, SC 29414

Mission of the Week

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

Church Family

Tony and Andrea Gentry
Noemi, Kana
Jimmy and Brenda Gibson

Westminster Session

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

Class of 2025: Lindy Coleman, Betsy McLaughlin, Mike Niblock, Matthew Patrick, Matthew Teitsort, Tom Whetstone

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