Westminster Presbyterian Church

November 13, 2022 **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 AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
Recognizing our Veterans

♦SONG OF PREPARATION

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.

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And now let the weak say, "We are strong;"
let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"

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let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"

Give thanks. Give thanks.

♦WORDS OF PRAISE FROM MATTHEW 13 AND 1 JOHN 3

One: Some people brought little children to Jesus.
They wanted him to place his hands on the children and pray for them.
All: See what amazing love the Father has given us! Because of it, we are called children of God.
One: Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me. Don't keep them away.
The kingdom of heaven belongs to people like them."
All: See what amazing love the Father has given us! Because of it, we are called children of God.
One: Jesus placed his hands on the children and blessed them.
All: See what amazing love the Father has given us! Because of it, we are called children of God.

♦PRAYER

♦SONG OF PRAISE NO. 20 All Things Bright and Beautiful ROYAL OAK

CONFESSION

♦CONFESSING OUR SIN AND BROKENESS WRITTEN FROM THE WORDS OF WPC CHILDREN

Dear God, please forgive us when we accidentally hurt someone with our hands, feet or words. Forgive us when we do not share with our friends. Forgive us when we fight. Forgive us when we do not listen. Forgive us when we say things we think are funny, but they hurt someone else's feelings. Forgive us when we hit, push, or bully another person. Forgive us when we break something. God, hear our prayers.

♦Silent Prayer

♦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 Laura Patrick

Scripture Lesson Ephesians 2:10 Pew Bible N.T. Page 192

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

Sermon Growing in Christ: Service

Responding to the Word

♦Song of Response Tell Me the Stories of Jesus Insert

♦Declaration 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

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Written from the words of WPC Children

One: Dear God, we pray for our church.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray for the earth.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray for our families.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray for our parents.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray for our friends.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray for our pets.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray for our homes.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray for storms.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray for people to have food.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray for those who are sick.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray for people to have nice friends.
All: Lord, hear our prayers.

One: We pray in Jesus's name, as He taught us:
All: 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.

♦Song No. 726 Will You Come and Follow Me Kelvingrove

SENDING OUT

♦BLESSING

♦RESPONSE Doxology OLD HUNDRETH

We all sing together:

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; Sarah Shayban, Music.

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

Acolytes are Mary Patrick and Catherine Patrick.
Ushers are Matt Akery, Joe Jeter, Laura Nunn.

The rosebud in the Sanctuary is given to the glory of God and in celebration of
the birth of Hazel Sefah Anokye, November 9, 2022. Proud parents, Vincent and Loretta Anokye.

TODAY IS CHILDREN'S SUNDAY AT THE 11:00 WORSHIP SERVICE.

Over the past few weeks the children of Westminster have been working on learning about what it means to lead a worship service during Wink and Club 3, 4, 5. Parents were given an opportunity to sign their child up to lead a part of the worship service. The children have practiced leading various parts of the worship service. A special thank you to these children of Westminster for leading worship at such a young age.

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.

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.
    - 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

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.

November 13 Growing in Christ: Service; Children's Sunday
Ephesians 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

November 20 Growing in Christ: Witnessing
Mark 5:19 And he did not permit him but said to him, "Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you."

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.

GROWING IN CHRIST

THE GIVING TREE IS FILLING UP WITH LEAVES

Every leaf is a household who has completed an Estimate of Giving card. THANK YOU to those who have already made those commitments for 2023! To date, there are 137 leaves totaling $599,656. Our goal is 100% participation, so if you have not yet turned in your card (they are available in the narthex), you may do that by placing it in the offering plate or making your pledge online at www.wpccharleston.org. Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness!!

TODAY IS SECOND SUNDAY SOCIAL

Please join us following the 11:00 am worship service today in Covenant Hall for lunch and fellowship. Fried chicken will be provided; please bring a side to share. There will be a basket set out for donations to cover the cost of the fried chicken. All are welcome!

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. Today we meet from 10:00 – 10:40 am in Pastor Daniel's office at the end of the Admin Hall. Kids are welcome or can go to Sunday School/Nursery.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, November 16 enjoy a delicious supper for adults and children at 6:00 pm in Covenant Hall. Nursery is available. Families eat for a maximum of $20.00 and individuals for $7.00. Join us for fun, food, and fellowship with your church family. Menu is fried pork chops, rice and gravy, vegetable, salad, bread, dessert.

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP AND SHRIMP /OYSTER ROAST TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Wednesday, November 23, Worship at 6:00 pm, Shrimp and Oyster Roast at 6:30 pm. Join us for a worship service of thanksgiving followed by fellowship outside under the awning and in Covenant Hall. Tickets must be purchased in advance in the Church Office. We are also asking volunteers to bring their favorite chili for the event. $15.00 Oysters and Shrimp plus hotdog, smores, and chili. $5.00 hot dog, smores, chili.

THANKSGIVING EVE TURKEY SMOKE

Wednesday, November 23, 7:30—8:30 am drop-off to 1:30—3:00 pm pick-up. Bring a fresh turkey (or chicken, salmon, pork). It needs to be completely thawed with giblets and neck removed. Protein of choice should be in a throw away aluminum pan with your name on all side in Sharpie. Regular turkeys cook better than the butterball variety. (10– 14 lbs. cook best). You are welcome to hang out with the crew and lend any assistance with the rotation and basting process. We will also need a supply of hardwood for the cooker. No pine. If you can help with this, contact Tom Higgins at 843-637-9167 or Jim Frye at 843-729-2183.

DONATE COATS

Based upon a dire need identified by our partners at Mary Ford Early Childhood and Family Center, the Mission Committee is collecting winter coats and outerwear (including caps, gloves, and rainwear) for children and adults through December 1. The coats will be donated to Mary Ford, Chicora Elementary and Neighbors Together just in time for cooler weather. The collection boxes are located in Covenant Hall and outside of the church office.

THORNWELL TURKEYS!

God's children of all ages are invited to pick-up a Thornwell Turkey from the Narthex (near the bulletins) to take home. Once you have your turkey, you are invited to fill the spots with quarters and return back to the church as an offering. Monies received through the Thornwell Turkeys will be sent to support the mission and ministry of Thornwell Home for Children. Gobble Gobble!

GIFT MAKING WORKSHOP, DECEMBER 3

First through fifth graders are invited to sign up and join us to create and wrap Christmas gifts for their loved ones. Spaces are limited, so be on the lookout for the sign up in the Tuesday e-news.

THE ANGEL TREE IS IN THE NARTHEX!

The Angel Tree, complete with 125 angels, is in the Narthex! Each angel represents a child in need at Mary Ford Early Childhood Center. Grab an angel from the tree or donate money in the church office or online at wpccharleston.org. The youth of the church will have an evening of shopping at Target for these children . All gifts should be returned in a gift bag by December 11.

CLUB 3, 4, 5

All 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders are invited for fellowship and fun. Club 3,4, 5 will meet today, November 13, from 4:00 to 5:00 pm in Covenant Hall. Today we will be playing Bible Trivia Kickball and eating ice cream sundaes.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, November 13

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
10:00 am	Connections Class, Pastor's office
11:00 am	Worship Service, Children's Sunday
12:00 pm	Second Sunday Social, Covenant Hall
12:45 pm	Mission Committee, Room 4
4:00 pm	Club 3, 4,5, Covenant Hall
5:00 pm	Surviving the Holidays, Parlor
5:00 pm	Middle School Youth Group
6:00 pm	High School Youth Group
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Monday, November 14

9:50 am	4's Chapel, Sanctuary
10:00 am	Hooks & Needles, Room 4
12:00 pm	Preschool Dance, Covenant Hall
7:00 pm	Scout Troop 79

Tuesday, November 15

6:30 am	Toastmasters, Covenant Hall
10:00 am	Staff Meeting, Pastor's Office
7:00 pm	Handbell Choir, Sanctuary

Wednesday, November 16

9:00 am	Preschool Funnastics, Covenant Hall
10:00 am	Surviving the Holidays, Parlor
6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday, Covenant Hall, fried pork chops
6:45 pm	Finance Committee, Room 4
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall Room 3

Thursday, November 17

9:30 am	3's Music, Sanctuary
10:00 am	4's Music, Sanctuary

Sunday, November 20

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
5:00 pm	Deacon's Meeting, Zoom
6:00 pm	Stated Session Meeting, Room 4
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS: A SEMINAR ON GRIEF DURING THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS

Wondering how you will survive the weeks surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas? Are you dreading these holidays, knowing that everything has changed and that happy memories from past years can't be recreated? Our *Griefshare* Surviving the Holidays seminar is especially for people who are grieving a loved one's death.

Whether ongoing or new grief, you'll learn:

- How to deal with the many emotions you'll face during the holidays
- What to do about traditions and other coming changes
- Helpful tips for surviving social events
- How to discover hope for your future

We're offering the seminar at two different times:

Sunday, today from 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

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STORIES OF JESUS 8.4.8.4.5.4.5.4

William H. Parker, 1885

Frederic A. Challinor, 1905

Unison or duet

1. Tell me the sto - ries of Je - sus I love to hear;
2. First let me hear how the chil - dren stood 'round His knee,
3. In - to the cit - y I'd fol - low the chil - dren's band,

Things I would ask Him to tell me if He were here:
And I shall fan - cy His bless - ing rest - ing on me;
Wav - ing a branch of the palm tree high in my hand;

Scenes by the way - side, tales of the sea,
Words full of kind - ness, deeds full of grace,
One of His her - alds, yes, I would sing

Sto - ries of Je - sus, tell them to me.
All in the love - light of Je - sus' face.
Loud - est ho - san - nas, "Je - sus is King!" A - men.

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Love Moody
Lisa Wilcox
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Anderson Scruggs
Pam Smith
Chad Waldrop
Libba Palmer
Marion Woodbury
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Gloria Purcell
Will Edwards
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