Westminster Presbyterian Church

November 6, 2022 **9:00 am**

All Saints' Sunday

GATHERING

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦SONG OF PREPARATION Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

♦WORDS OF PRAISE FROM PSALM 96

One: Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.
All: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.
One: For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.
All: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.
One: Ascribe to the LORD, all you families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
All: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.
Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.

♦PRAYER

♦SONG OF PRAISE NO. 321 The Church's One Foundation AURELIA

CONFESSION

♦CONFESSING OUR SIN AND BROKENNESS

Heavenly Father, we come to you today as people who would rather govern our own lives than submit to your rule and shepherding. Instead of bowing down in reverence, full of awe and wonder that you should stoop so low to love and care for us, we often treat you as a servant who should do our bidding and meet our desires. Instead of honoring you, we run from your goodness and love toward the false and dangerous hopes of our desires and idolatries. In your mercy, forgive us we pray.

♦SILENT 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

SPECIAL MUSIC Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring BACH
Jillian Ramsay

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 13:34-35 PEW BIBLE N.T. PAGE 108

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

SERMON Growing in Christ: Love

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

♦SONG NO. 693 Though I May Speak GIFT OF LOVE

♦INVITATION

♦DECLARATION 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.

PRAYER 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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER

♦HYMN NO. 326 For All The Saints SINE NOMINE

SENDING OUT

♦BLESSING

♦*Please stand, if able*

Leading the service today: Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Priscilla Holtzclaw, Pastor; Nancy Parrish, Music.

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

Ushers are Dee Bee Wright, John Wright, Grahame Long.

TODAY IS ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

All Saints' Day has been celebrated on November 1 since the year 835. Today we will celebrate the promises of God for those who believe, and we will remember the saints of God from Westminster who having lived this life in faith, have entered the Church Triumphant during the past year. Mike Bruce, Dot Dangerfield, Karen Dangerfield, Sara McCoy, Ruth McSweeney, Frank Painter, Shirley Seay, Jon VanDeventer, Dart Willer, Ethel Wilson.

TODAY WE SHARE THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

All who profess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to share in the sacrament. For those in the Sanctuary, Elders will distribute the prepared bread and juice cups during the service. As a sign of our unity in Christ, we will partake together once everyone is served. For those worshiping online, gather juice and bread (or wine or crackers) to participate. Children are invited to the table provided they've had instruction at home or in Westminster's worship prep class (1st grade).

TODAY AT 11:00 WE CELEBRATE WITH THESE YOUNG DISCIPLES

From the Worship Preparation Class as they participate in their first communion:
Ryder Lewandowski, Judson Bazzle, Samuel Almeida, Evelyn Tucker, Lydia Crosby, Jenna Kuenzel, Noemi Gentry, Rowan Cowart, Evan Ford, John Openlander.

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.

Nursery - 0-2 Joan Foster, Lesa Grayson, Katie Camburn

Children Sunday School

- 3-5K in Room 14, Sherry Niblock, John and Dee Bee Wright, Growing in Grace and Gratitude
- 1st - 2nd Grades, Room 13, Meredith Boyd, Andrea Gentry, Growing in God's Love
- 3rd - 5th Grades, Room 17, Dale and Karen Norman, Growing in God's Love

Youth Discipleship Classes

- Middle School, 6th - 8th Grades, Room 1, Feasting on the Word
  Nathan and Ashley Snider, Shawn and Mary Fulmer, Jonathan and Rebecca Bazzle
- High School, 9th - 12th Grades, Room 3, Feasting on the Word
  Paul and Laura Patrick, Pastor Lissa

Adult Classes

- Cary Grayson Class, Room 4. Rotation of facilitators. This faithful group goes through the books of the Bible slowly and purposefully, inspecting the verses and the meaning behind them.
- Anchor Class, Room 15. Tom Whetstone, Rev. Bob Ferguson, Lindy Coleman. This class utilizes Bible Study books and discussion to dig into God's Word as a group. This group also enjoys building community together.
- Parenting Class, Library. Joe and Brenda Clarey, Ruth Marie Embler. Whether you have children or grandchildren under your wing, this class is for you! Discussions and Bible Study will focus on the ways we can be faithful in our parenting and lean into God's Wisdom for guidance.

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 6 Growing in Christ: Love
John 13:34-35 "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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 household that completes a 2023 Estimate of Giving card is represented by a leaf on the Giving Tree in the Narthex. THANK YOU to those who have already made those commitments for 2023! There are 135 leaves for a total of $595,316 to date. 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!!

NEXT WEEK IS SECOND SUNDAY SOCIAL

Please join us following the 11:00 am worship on November 13 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. The next Connections Class is November 13. 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 November 13 Connections class by emailing office@wpccharleston.org.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Join us for Breakfast and Bible Study from 8:00 - 9:00 am on the Second Tuesday of every month. We meet for breakfast at Trotters Restaurant in the Town and Country Inn and Suites (2008 Savannah Highway). Join us for the Fellowship and Encouragement!

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, November 9 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 spaghetti, green beans, 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.

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 on November 8.

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.

LET'S GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER!

Name tags are available on the name tag cart in the Narthex. Please find yours and wear it on Sunday mornings, returning it before you leave. If yours is missing, please use a sticky badge and put your name on the 'I need a name tag' form.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, November 6

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:15 pm	Worship Committee, Parlor
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Monday, November 7

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

Tuesday, November 8

6:30 am	Toastmasters, Covenant Hall
8:00 am	Men's Bible Study, Town and Country Inn
10:00 am	Circle 4, Room 4
10:00 am	Circle 5, Parlor
10:00 am	Staff Meeting, Pastor's Office
7:00 pm	Handbell Choir, Sanctuary

Wednesday, November 9

9:00 am	Preschool Funnastics, Covenant Hall
6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday, Covenant Hall, Spaghetti
6:30 pm	WINK, Covenant Hall
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall Room 3

Thursday, November 10

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

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
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

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, November 13 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 16 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Please RSVP by contacting Pastor Daniel dsmoak@wpccharleston.org

Westminster Prays

Carol Cummings
Bill Pennekamp
Kate Pennekamp
Love Moody
Lisa Wilcox
Harold Fountain
Nancy Plowden
Gary Brooks
Steve Buddin
Dick Unger
Anderson Scruggs
Pam Smith
Chad Waldrop
Libba Palmer
Marion Woodbury
Bryan Thomas
Gloria Purcell
Will Edwards
Bob Ferguson
Meg Powell
Keith Gordon
Larry Salley
Lydia Crosby
David Morris IV
Brian Carlow
Frances McLean
David Kerr
Sharon Hutchinson
Harper Croft
Monnie Privette
Eleanor Woodbury
Evan McMillan
Bruce Hamilton
Don Sumner
Lauren Wilson
Reed Family
Charlotte Griggs
Summer Garris
Mary Ashley Barbot
Joyce Aydlett
Daryn Baker
Curtis Sponseller
Sean Fitzgibbon
Thom Penney
Nikolai Fruth
Mary Martschink
Maryalice Vann
Christina Miller
Meghan Hatfield
Rachel Singletary
Fran Ligon
Molly Griggs
Howard Fulwiler
Lance Lewandowski
Ann Froneberger
Chrissie Bosworth
Ginger Siefring
Martin Davis
Kevin Ritzel
Gloria Underhill
Barbara Johnston
Nita Rodemann
Jackie Epstein
Edward Godshall
Towne Family
Charles Reeves
Merrily Burnette
John Martschink
Brenda Jonsson
Judy Tag
Rose Derrick
Robin Zemp
Pat Skees

Friend of the Week
Judy Tag
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Summerville, SC 29483

Mission of the Week
Hooks & Needles
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Student of the Week
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Church Family
Jean Isbell
Beth Janssen
Joe and Lee Jeter

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