



Westminster Presbyterian Church

*We are called to be and to make disciples who
love God and who love our neighbors.*

July 2, 2023

9:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Please greet each other warmly as the congregation gathers for worship.

Take a moment and sign the virtual friendship register.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ WORDS OF PRAISE

I Chronicles 29:10-13

One: Lord, we give you praise.

All: **You are the God of our father Israel.
We give you praise forever and ever.**

One: Lord, you are great and powerful.

All: **Glory, majesty, and beauty belong to you.
Everything in heaven and on earth belongs to you.**

One: Lord, the kingdom belongs to you.

All: **You are honored as the One who rules over all.
Wealth and honor come from you.
You are the ruler of all things.
In your hands are strength and power.
You can give honor and strength to everyone.**

One: Our God, we give you thanks.

All: **We praise your glorious name.**

◆ 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

◆ SONG OF PRAISE NO. 32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

CONFESSION

◆ CONFESSING OUR SIN AND BROKENNESS

Lord, we seek your forgiveness for the sins we commit out in the open, for the sins we keep hidden from others, and even for the sins of which we are unaware. We want you to examine our lives, show us our faults, and lead us to new life. Change our hearts so we will desire only that which is true and noble and excellent and worthy of praise. And then use our transformed lives to bring glory, honor, and praise to you, Now and forever, Amen.

◆ 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.
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◆ 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

CLAIRE WINKLES

◆ SONG NO. 175 Seek Ye First

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 15:1-20

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SERMON

Clean Hearts

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

◆ SONG OF PREPARATION Create in Me a Clean Heart (Psalm 51) GREEN

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence, O Lord,
Take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation
And renew a right spirit within me.

◆ 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 OF THANKSGIVING

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

◆ SONG NO. 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

SENDING OUT

◆ BLESSING

Please stand, if able

Leading the service today: Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Lissa Long, Pastor; Nancy Parrish, Music.
11:00 am Livestream at www.wpccharleston.org, YouTube (Westminster Presbyterian Charleston)
Permission to podcast/stream the music in this service obtained from CCLI License #2778901

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

TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

All who profess faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to share in the bread and the cup. Elders will serve the congregation at the table by intinction. WPC is a safe place for those in recovery- we serve grape juice only. Gluten free is available. Children are invited to the table provided they've had instruction at home or in Westminster's worship prep class (1st grade).

I'M GLAD YOU ASKED!

All summer long, join us in Covenant Hall for Sunday School. Pastor Daniel and Pastor Lissa will teach the class using questions you have submitted. We begin at 10:00. Join us!

- July 2 In a world torn apart by hot button issues and loud personalities, what role does the church play?
- July 9 How do Christians cling to the truth without being judgmental? Can we be tolerant and principled at the same time?
- July 16 Are Presbyterians evangelical?

WE'RE STUDYING MATTHEW!

All through 2023, we'll be engaged in a verse-by-verse study of the Gospel. Here is the Schedule for the next few weeks:

- July 2 Matthew 15:1-20 Clean Hearts: God looks at more than our actions- he looks at the condition of our hearts.
- July 9 Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 (Andrew Byrd Preaching)
- July 16 Matthew 15:21-39 For the Gentiles: Jesus' ministry is extended to the Gentiles; he comes for them, too.

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 2-5k (Wee Church and 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

SOMEONE'S PRAYING, LORD. COME BY HERE.

On Sunday we hope you'll share your prayer joys and concerns during the worship service so our pastors can include them in the Prayers of the People. Write down your prayers of confession, adoration, thanksgiving, joy, or petition on the index cards in the pew rack and put them in the baskets on the outer aisles. You can put them in the baskets before worship, during the Passing of the Peace or Children's Time, or during a hymn. We'll collect them from the baskets before we pray near the end of the service, and the pastor will pray through the cards during the Prayers of the People. We'll conclude with a Prayer Hymn. All prayers are welcome, but it is best to have a person's consent before writing their name on the card. (It's OK to pray for "a friend," because God knows who they are.)

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.



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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Second Sunday Social will happen on July 9 and August 13 following the 11:00 a.m. worship services! We can't wait to share some fried chicken, shared sides (thanks in advance!) and fellowship. If you are available to help in the kitchen on one or both of those Sundays, please contact Nathan Ward at nwardsc@gmail.com.

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 wpccharleston.org.

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

NEIGHBORS TOGETHER

Volunteer to help serve one of the hot meals during the week! We have a team who serves on the third Wednesday of the month, or you can register at www.neighborstogether.org.

This Week at Westminster

Sunday, July 2

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

Monday, July 3

10:00 am	Hands of Christ Leadership Team
2:00 pm	CYM, Kitchen

Tuesday, July 4

Independence Day
Church Office Closed

Wednesday, July 5

2:00 pm	CYM, Kitchen
6:00 pm	Officer Training Session 3
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall, Room 3

Thursday, July 6

Friday, July 7

Saturday, July 8

Sunday, July 9

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Second Sunday Social
5:00 pm	Montreat Middle School Conference meeting, CHall
6:00 pm	Officer Training Session 4
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Westminster Prays

Cary Alexandre	Bob Ferguson	Mary Martschink	Judy Tag
Joyce Aydlette	Edward Fitzgibbon	Christina Miller	Bryan Thomas
Daryn Baker	Sean Fitzgibbon	Love Moody	Towne Family
Mary Ashley Barbot	Nikolai Fruth	Libba Palmer	Colby Turner
Gary Brooks	Harold Fountain	Nancy Plowden	Gloria Underhill
Maryann Brown	Keith Gordon	Kate Penekamp	Dick Unger
Alyn Bruce	Charlotte Griggs	Monnie Privette	Maryalice Vann
Steve Buddin	Molly Griggs	Gloria Purcell	Lisa Wilcox
Merrily Burnette	Bruce Hamilton	Reed Family	Janet Wilson
Brian Carolow	Judy Hatch	Charles Reeves	Eleanor Woodbury
Lydia Crosby	Megan Hatfield	Nita Rodemann	Robin Zemp
Harper Croft	Brenda Jonsson	Gloria Ricoma	
Sandi Daniels	David Kerr	Kevin Ritze;	
Martin Davis	Fran Ligon	George Rogers	
Rose Derrick	Evan McMillian	Ginger Siefring	
Cynthia Ebigwei	Frances McLean	Pat Skees	
Will Edwards	John Martschink	Rachel Singletary	

Friend of the Week

Mrs. Pat Coggins
201 W. 9th Street Unit 93
Summerville, SC 29483

Mission of the Week

Water Mission International
1150 Molly Green Way
Bldg 1605
North Charleston, SC 29405

Church Family

Tony & Nita Rushton
Carole Russell

Westminster Session Members and Committees

Administration: Tom Whetstone and Matthew Patrick; **Buildings and Grounds:** Earl Frasier and Matt Teitsort; **Christian Education:** Lindy Coleman and Laura Patrick; **Fellowship:** Nathan Ward, Betsy McLaughlin, and Mike Niblock; **Finance:** Norman Hook and David Boyd; **Membership:** Karen Norman and Matthew Akery; **Mission:** Brenda Gibson and Chuck Towne; **Preschool:** Abbie Mobley; **Worship:** Dee Bee Wright and George McAbee; **Clerk:** Carole Russell; **Assistant Clerk:** Lindy Coleman; **Treasurer:** Nancy Dixon; **Assistant Treasurer:** Patty Stokes

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