

◆ SONG OF RESPONSE

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross
Nancy Parrish and Lauren Smoak

*When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.
Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen.*

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 26:1-16

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SERMON

Deception, Love and Betrayal

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

◆ SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 610 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

◆ 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**

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

SENDING OUT

◆ SONG NO. 828

More Love to Thee, O Christ

◆ 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)
You may also listen to the weekly sermon by utilizing *Sermon By Phone* and calling 843-252-0146.
Permission to podcast/stream the music in this service obtained from CCLI License #2778901

Acolyte: Evan Ford

Ushers: Nancy Dixon*, George McAbee, Mary McAbee

FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

May 26	Matthew 26:1-16	Deception, Love, and Betrayal <i>Leaders plan to kill Jesus, Mary anoints him for burial, and Judas betrays him.</i>
June 2	Matthew 26:17-30	The Institution of The Lord's Supper <i>Jesus celebrates the Passover with his disciples- transforming it into the meal we still share in remembrance of him.</i>
June 9	Matthew 26:31-46	Not My Will but Yours <i>Jesus wrestles with the disciples' abandonment and what lies before him- yet prays for the fulfillment of God's will.</i>

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! LET US KNOW YOU'RE HERE.

Please take a moment to sign and pass the Friendship Register in the pews. There is a virtual option for those who are worshipping online. Simply scan the QR code with your smartphone camera to open or find on our website under the Quick Links, Virtual Friendship Register. Want to get involved? Fill out and return a "Using Your Gifts" form in the 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.

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. 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. Keep your eyes open for the next Connections Calls after the summer months.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO JOIN THE WESTMINSTER FAMILY?

Here's how you can do it.

1. Fill out a New Member Form and put it in the offering plate in the narthex. Forms are available at the Hospitality Table in the narthex, or you may fill one out online 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.



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.

PRAYER REQUEST?

Leave your written requests in the basket next to the main sanctuary doors. WPC staff will pray for your request at our weekly meeting and throughout the week.

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY!

Gather with friends and family of all ages for food and fellowship on May 29 at 6:00 p.m. Menu will be baked spaghetti, green beans, french bread, salad, and dessert. Adults \$7, children \$4 and a family cap of \$20 via cash, card or check.

READ GOOD BOOKS IN 2024!

Join Pastor Daniel in reading any (or all!) of these books in 2024. A variety of topics, authors, and genres, the choices are designed to stimulate the heart and mind and be a catalyst for growth in discipleship. Read each in preparation for the group discussion at 5:00 p.m. on the 4th Sunday of every other month.

On June 23rd we'll discuss Elizabeth Speare's *The Bronze Bow*. In this Newbery Medal-winning historical fiction novel set during the time of Jesus, young Daniel bar Jamin wants nothing more than to rid his land of Israel of Roman control once and for all. Yet when David meets Jesus of Nazareth, a traveling carpenter with a gentle message of love and forgiveness, David starts to realize that the hate festering in his heart might be his true enemy after all. *This is a great book for readers as young as 6th grade. Books are available online or in the narthex (\$3)

- On **August 25th** we'll discuss Kaitlyn Schiess's *The Ballot and the Bible: How Scripture Has Been Used and Abused in American Politics and Where We Go From Here*.
- On **October 27th** we'll discuss Skye Jethani's *What if Jesus Was Serious about Heaven*.
- On **December 22nd** we'll discuss Keith and Kristyn Getty's *Sing!*

ELEMENTARY CHOIR SPRING DATES AND SPECIAL MUSIC:

Do you have a child in 1st-5th grade who loves to sing and worship the Lord? Today, May 26th, practice will be immediately after 11:00 service in the sanctuary. Finally, on Sunday June 2nd, the children will lead special music and sing, "I Love To Tell the Story" at the 11:00 service. We encourage your children to participate in these fun practices as much as they can before singing for the congregation! If you have any questions, please reach out to Ms. Claire at cwinkles@wpccharleston.org. We hope to sing with your children soon!

CALLING MEN WHO SING OR MEN WHO TRY TO SING!

We are looking for all Men's voices to sing together on June 2! This is a "make a joyful noise" group that has been a real blessing in the past. We plan to practice for 20 minutes after the 11:00 worship today. We'll sing with the Elementary Choir on Sunday, June 2. Contact Nancy Parrish with any questions at stelesowell@gmail.com

YOUTH GROUP END OF THE YEAR POOL PARTY

All Youth (6th-12th graders) and families of youth are invited to Parkshore Pools on June 2nd from 7:00-9:00 for an end of the year pool party! Please wear your swimsuits and bring a towel. Dinner will be provided! Come jump into summer with a splash!

CLUB 3, 4, 5 END OF YEAR PARTY

June 2nd 3:30-5:15 PM- All 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders are invited to a pool party at the home of Laura and Paul Patrick, 29 Nuffield Road, to celebrate the end of the school year! We will be enjoying an ice cream sundae bar. Fifth graders will be recognized as next year they will be in the youth group! We hope to see you there!

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN BLOOD DRIVE

When: Sunday, June 9, 9:30 AM-1:30 PM. Location: Bloodmobile in church parking lot. Schedule your donation today by scanning the QR code or visit www.redcrossblood.org and type in sponsor code: Westminster.



ADULT DISCIPLESHIP: SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Clothed in Christ: How the resurrection shapes our relationships in a divided world.

We're taking an extended look at Colossians 3:12-14 where Paul uses the image of "putting on" the new self, which is affected by the resurrection and growing in the likeness of our creator. The characteristics he names are the natural outpouring of our resurrection-shaped lives and have implications for our relationships.

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. Colossians 3:12-14

Each week, we'll explore one of the named characteristics and an applicable real-life situation. Join us from 10:00 - 10:45 in Covenant Hall. Pastor Daniel, Pastor Lissa, and other teachers will lead the class.

- June 2 Put on **Compassionate Hearts** when engaging with others about the most divisive topics. (Pastor Daniel)
- June 9 Put on **Kindness** directed toward people you know and people you don't know. (Rev. Becky Albright, CAP General Presbyter/Pastor to Pastors)
- June 16 Put on **Humility** in the political arena. (Pastor Daniel)
- June 23 Put on **Meekness** in sharing your faith with others. (Natasha Akery)
- June 30 Put on **Patience** in our relationships with children and people who act like them. (Paul and Laura Patrick)
- July 7 Put on **Forbearance**, carrying the weaknesses of our aging friends. (Pastor Lissa)
- July 14 Put on **Forgiveness** in impossible situations. (Natasha Akery)
- July 21 Put on **Love** in all things. (Lindy Coleman)

SUMMER MISSION TRIPS

Thank you for your generous support for the Summer Mission Trips to Mexico and Brazil. We raised more than \$8,000, making it possible for us to travel and experience what we are doing together with God and our mission partners. Teams are preparing and request your prayers for the time spent with our mission partners. Team members are currently distributing the door crosses to team supporters.

Xpujil, Mexico July 1-6: Daniel Smoak, Claire Winkles, Joshua Robinson, Macie Long, Lauren Smoak, Mattie Housley.

Sao Paulo, Brazil July 17-24: Priscilla Holtzclaw, Dee Bee Wright, John Wright, Jane Warner, Ashley Snider, Debbie Redmon, Andrew Smoak

DO YOU TAKE PRIDE IN HOW THE CHURCH PROPERTY LOOKS? DO YOU HAVE A LITTLE TIME TO SPARE AND A BIG DESIRE TO GET INVOLVED AT WESTMINSTER?

Every week in the Tuesday *ENEWS* we will publish a few small projects to be done around the campus **at your convenience**. The list will be updated weekly, so if you don't see something within your skill set or interest, stay tuned! Here's a partial list:

- Pressure washing (sidewalks, steps)
- Set up tables in CH for events (WW, 2nd Sunday) and in Sanctuary for handbells
- Re-nail boards between church and Kickin' Chicken
- Painting outdoor signs
- Touch up painting in CH
- Remove vines growing up the outside wall of sanctuary facing Sam Rittenberg Blvd.
- Water sod along sidewalk twice weekly if no rain
- Sprig jasmine ground cover by the front steps facing Sam Rittenberg Blvd. to fill in bare spots
- Deep clean kitchen

The office will coordinate these projects, so contact Suzann at 843-766-8311 or office@wpccharleston.org. For questions, supplies, ideas contact Carole Russell: text (843) 442-5276 or email clsrussell@comcast.net.

WESTMINSTER'S PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CIRCLE #4

Honorary life memberships of Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church (USA) is rooted in a tradition that began in 1912. On May 14, 2024, Westminster's Presbyterian Women Circle #4 presented Jane Acker with the Honorary Life Membership. Jane was recognized for her commitment to Christ, her leadership as Circle #4 leader, her ministry to the Women of our church and as Ambassador to The Village in Summerville. On that date, we offered thanks to her for her faithful service and her excellent example of Christ's hands in the world. Jane received a plaque and a silver pin, symbolizing that she is a very special part of the caring and supportive community known as Presbyterian Women.

NEIGHBORS TOGETHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Every 3rd Wednesday of each month, approximately 6-8 church volunteers assist the staff at Neighbors Together, 105 Cosgrove Ave, North Charleston, in preparing and serving a hot meal for those in need. High-school youth age 16 and up are welcome. We typically meet at the church at 9:30 a.m. If you would like to serve once or even eventually be a more regular part of this dedicated team, would like more information and sign-up dates, please contact Suzann in the church office (843) 766-8311 or email office@wpccharleston.org

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Soap bars, toothpaste, individually packaged toothbrushes, and deodorant

COMMUNITY SUPPORT NUMBERS

Mental Health Crisis Hotline 988

My Sister's House (domestic abuse) (843) 744-3242

Community Resource and Support Hotline 211

Al-Anon (843) 762-6999

Narcotics Anonymous (843) 852-3001

Wake-Up Carolina (support for families and individuals battling substance abuse) (843) 972-8154

Postpartumsupportchas.org

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, May 26

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Elementary choir rehearsal in Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Men's Chorus rehearsal in Sanctuary
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day - Church Office Closed

Tuesday, May 28

Wednesday, May 29

6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday
7:00 pm	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Thursday, May 30

Friday, May 31

Saturday, June 1

Sunday, June 2

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
3:30 pm	Club 345 Year- End pool party at Laura and Paul Patrick's
7:00 pm	Youth Year- End pool party at Park Shore Pool
7:00 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

WESTMINSTER PRAYS

Cary Alexandre (WPC)	Brenda Jonsson (WPC)	Charles Reeves (Carol Patrick)
Joyce Aydlette (Becky Grafton)	David Kerr (Chris Kerr)	Kevin Ritzel (Neil Ritzel)
Daryn Baker (Jane Acker)	Debbie Kieffer (Daniel Smoak)	Nita Rodemann (WPC)
Mary Ashley Barbot (Lisa Couch)	Adam Kozel (Jennifer Binnicker)	Liz Shelor (WPC)
Brian Carolow (Dounian Family)	Fran Ligon (WPC)	Rachel Singletary (Sara Bobo)
Susie Cashion (WPC)	Jane Livingston (Tom Livingston)	Jerry Smoak (WPC)
Lydia Crosby (WPC)	John Martschink (WPC)	Mark Stender (Gloria Purcell)
Martin Davis (Kevin Mikles)	Mary Martschink (WPC)	Judy Tag (WPC)
Rose Derrick (Brenda Clarey)	Evan McMillian (Mary Stansell)	Towne Family (WPC)
Andrea Dunn (Karen McInnes)	Love Moody (WPC)	Gloria Underhill (Laura Nunn)
Cynthia Ebigwei (Allyn Bruce)	Roy Nickles (WPC)	Bonum Wilson (Gloria Purcell)
Pat Finn (Dee Bee Wright)	Joe Nuchols (Debbie McQueeney)	Robbie Yarnall (WPC)
Edward Fitzgibbon (Joan Frye)	Sylvia Peek (Gloria Purcell)	Robin Zemp WPC)
Harold Fountain (Henry Shepard)	Nancy Plowden (WPC)	
Joan Frye (WPC)	Pratt Family (WPC Preschool)	
Bruce Hamilton (Theodosia Wade)	Monnie Privette (Robert/Sylvia Coker)	
Megan Hatfield (Debbie McQueeney)	Donna Purcell (WPC)	
Chris Huff (Gloria Purcell)	Reed Family (Dee Bee Wright)	

PRAYER LIST UPDATED MAY 2024

If you need to add or remove someone from the prayer list, please email Suzann at office@wpccharleston.org

Friend of the Week

Robbie Yarnall

1355 Pinellas Bayway S

Apt. 2

Tierra Verde, FL 33715-2137

Mission of the Week

Hooks & Needles

Church Family

Mark Burckhalter

Daniel and Teresa Butts

-David, Matthew

WESTMINSTER SESSION MEMBERS AND COMMITTEES

Administration: Tom Whetstone and Matthew Patrick; **Buildings and Grounds:** Matt Teitsort and Randy Davis; **Christian Education:** Lindy Coleman and Laura Patrick; **Fellowship:** Jonathan Bazzle, Betsy McLaughlin, and Mike Niblock; **Finance:** Norman Hook and Chuck Towne; **Membership:** Beth Georgen and John Dounian; **Missions:** Dee Bee Wright and Mary McAbee; **Preschool:** Abbie Mobley; **Worship:** Allyn Bruce and Ashley Snider; **Clerk:** Carole Russell; **Assistant Clerk:** Lindy Coleman; **Treasurer:** Nancy Dixon; **Assistant Treasurer:** Patty Stokes

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