



Westminster Presbyterian Church

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

June 30, 2024

9:00 a.m.

GATHERING

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ SONG OF PREPARATION No. 701 Lord, Prepare Me

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

◆ WORDS OF PRAISE

From Psalm 104

One: Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights!
All: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!
Praise him, sun and moon, praise him, all you shining stars!
One: Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!
All: Let them praise the name of the Lord,
for his name alone is exalted;
his majesty is above earth and heaven.

◆ 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. 35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

CONFESSION

◆ CONFESSING OUR SIN AND BROKENNESS

Lord, we confess our commitment to you is a shallow one. We pledge allegiance to you one moment and then deny you with our actions the next. Our faith is not strong; it wilts in the face of adversity. Yet you are a God of mercy. You do not forsake us when we forsake you. Thank you for your everlasting love that assures us of our forgiveness.

-Silent Personal Confession -

◆ DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS AND HEALING

◆ SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

◆ 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

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 26:69 - 27:10

PEW BIBLE N.T. PAGE 31

SERMON

What Happened to Peter and Judas?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

◆ SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 435 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

◆ DECLARATION OF FAITH

FROM ROMANS 8

One: What then shall we say to these things?

All: **If God is for us, who can be against us?**

One: He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

All: **No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SENDING OUT

◆ SONG NO. 761 Called As Partners in Christ's Service

◆ BLESSING

◆ *Please stand, if able*

LEADING THE SERVICE TODAY: Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Lissa Long, Pastor; Nancy Parrish, Music

Ushers: Nancy Dixon*, Debbie McQueeney, Jim Drennan, Dan Klingshirn

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

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.

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. Books may be purchased online or at church (\$10 for *The Ballot and the Bible*)

- 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*. Schiess unpacks examples of how Americans have connected the Bible to politics in the past, highlighting times it was applied well and times it was egregiously misused. The book combines American political history and biblical interpretation to help readers faithfully read Scripture, talk with others about it, and apply it to contemporary political issues.
- 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!*

PASTORAL TRANSITIONS

The next few months will mark some pastoral transitions in the life of the church.

- Sunday, July 28. It is Pastor Lissa's last Sunday at Westminster. Please join us from 10:00 - 10:45 in Covenant Hall as we gather to give thanks for her 6 years of ministry here at Westminster and to pray for and wish her well in Williamsburg, Virginia.
- The Session has asked Pastor Priscilla Holtzclaw to serve as our Parish Associate in the interim period between Associate Pastors. Pastor Priscilla will serve 15-20 hours a week beginning August 1. Her primary duties are congregational care, worship leadership, and discipleship development. She will be commissioned to this role by our Presbytery during the 11:00 worship service on August 11.
- The Associate Pastor Nominating Committee is active, and they invite your prayers for their work. They are at the beginning of the search, working on developing Westminster's MDP (Ministry Development Profile) - a document used to tell potential candidates who we are and what we are all about. The APNC: Natasha Akery, Lindy Coleman (Chair), Andrew Hopkins, George McAbee, Mark Patrick, Sandy Pell.

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.

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| 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 Love in all things. (Lindy Coleman) |
| July 21 | Put on Forgiveness in impossible situations. (Natasha Akery) |

SUMMER MISSION TRIPS

Thank you for your generous support for the Summer Mission Trips to Mexico and Brazil. We raised more than \$9,000, 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

"UNDIES SUNDAYS" FOR HANDS OF CHRIST

Starting today June 30, July 7, July 14 and July 21, we are asking for donations of new boys underwear to be brought and placed in the appropriate box in the Narthex. We ask on Sundays but any day during Office Hours (9:00-5:00) will work as well.

New Boys Underwear:

Sizes Needed: Small, Medium, Large, and X-Large, Adult Small and Adult Medium.*Underwear should be in original packaging.

Hands of Christ is preparing for the annual Presbytery-wide clothing and school supply distribution. Westminster's distribution dates are August 9 and 10. Thank you for your continued support of Hands of Christ.

Interested in Volunteering for Hands of Christ? Please contact Sonya Willemesse at sonyswillense@gmail.com or Jane Warner at jane.warner99@comcast.net.

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,

- **NEW!** Repair wooden side chair in parlor (right arm)
- **NEW!** Clean Adm wing window trim (front and Memory Garden side); possibly paint
- **NEW!** Clean white metal doors (Adm wing, Covenant Hall and Education Building; possibly paint
- Set up tables in CH for events (WW, 2nd Sunday) and in Sanctuary for handbells
- Painting outdoor signs
- 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
- Clean exterior windows, interior windows and sills, metal doors (Adm wing, CH and Education Building), possibly paint

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.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Soap bars, regular size 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, June 30

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

Monday, July 1

Mexico Missions Team departs

Tuesday, July 2

6:30 am Toastmasters, Covenant Hall

Wednesday, July 3

7:00 pm AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Thursday, July 4

Church Office Closed in
observance of Independence Day

Friday, July 5

Saturday, July 6

Mexico Missions Team returns

Sunday, July 7

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

WESTMINSTER PRAYS

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| Cary Alexandre (WPC) | Debbie Kieffer (Daniel Smoak) | Gloria Ricoma (Karen McInnes) |
| Joyce Aydlette (Becky Grafton) | Adam Kozel (Jennifer Binnicker) | Kevin Ritzel (Neil Ritzel) |
| Daryn Baker (Jane Acker) | Fran Ligon (WPC) | Nita Rodemann (WPC) |
| Mary Ashley Barbot (Lisa Couch) | Walker Lundy (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) |
| Pat Finn (Dee Bee Wright) | Roy Nickles (WPC) | Janet Wilson & Family (Gloria Purcell) |
| Edward Fitzgibbon (Joan Frye) | Joe Nuchols (Debbie McQueeney) | Robbie Yarnall (WPC) |
| Harold Fountain (Henry Shepard) | Sylvia Peek (Gloria Purcell) | Rev. Donnie Woods (Presbytery) |
| Joan Frye (WPC) | Nancy Plowden (WPC) | Robin Zemp (WPC) |
| Bruce Hamilton (Theodosia Wade) | Pratt Family (WPC Preschool) | |
| Megan Hatfield (Debbie McQueeney) | Monnie Privette (Robert/Sylvia Coker) | |
| Chris Huff (Gloria Purcell) | Donna Purcell (WPC) | |
| Brenda Jonsson (WPC) | Reed Family (Dee Bee Wright) | |
| David Kerr (Chris Kerr) | Charles Reeves (Carol Patrick) | |

PRAYER LIST UPDATED JUNE 2024

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

Friend of the Week

Carolyn Drose
251 Druid Road
Charleston, SC 29407

Mission of the Week

Neighbors Together
2105 Cosgrove Avenue
North Charleston, SC 29405

Church Family

Collin and Grace Clair

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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