



Westminster Presbyterian Church

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

April 6, 2025

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

Moment for Mission

CAJM

◆ SONG OF PREPARATION

Doxology

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

◆ 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

◆ SONG OF PRAISE NO. 1

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

CONFESSION

◆ CONFESSING OUR SIN AND BROKENNESS

Lord, we seek your forgiveness for the sins we commit out in the open, the sins we keep hidden from others, and even 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. Then use our transformed lives to bring glory, honor, and praise to you. Now and forever, Amen.

-Silent Personal Confession -

◆ SONG OF CONFESSION



◆ DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS AND HEALING

◆ SONG OF RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, 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

SPECIAL MUSIC

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
Molly Griggs

Prayer of St. Francis

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 33-34

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SERMON

Exodus 11: The Radiance of Glory

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION

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.

◆ SONG OF PREPARATION NO. 507 Come to the Table of Grace

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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

◆ SENDING SONG NO. 306 Blest Be the Tie that Binds

◆ BLESSING

◆ *Please stand, if able*

LEADING THE SERVICE TODAY:

Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Priscilla Holtzclaw, Parish Associate;
Claire Winkles, Director of Youth & Children's Ministries;
Nancy Parrish, Music

Acolytes: Thomas Robinson, Lydia Crosby

Ushers: Dee Bee Wright, John Wright, The Robinson Family

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. If you are visiting and wish to learn more about Westminster, leave your contact information. If you are interested in becoming a member, check 'wish to join' and a pastor will be in touch with you.

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 bread and the cup. Elders will serve the congregation seated in the pews; please hold the elements and we will partake together. WPC is a safe place for those in recovery- we serve grape juice only. Gluten free bread is available in the center of the juice tray. Children are invited to the table provided they've had instruction at home or in Westminster's worship prep class (1st grade).

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 May 4. 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 for the next class by emailing office@wpccharleston.org.

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.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO JOIN THE WESTMINSTER FAMILY?

Here's how you can do it.

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.



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.

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.

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.

FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

Today we wrap up the Exodus series and turn toward Palm Sunday & Easter.

April 6	Exodus 33-34: The Radiance of Glory. Moses meets with God, face to face, on the mountain. God's glory is evident.
April 13	Matthew 21:12-17: Flipping Tables. On Palm Sunday, Jesus rides into Jerusalem and goes right to the temple to set some things right.
April 20	The Day of Resurrection. Jesus is alive!

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY THIS WEEK APRIL 8

Men of all ages: Join us for Breakfast and Bible Study from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. on the Second Tuesday of every month. We are meeting for breakfast at Trotters Restaurant at Town and Country Inn and Suites (2008 Savannah Highway). Pastor Daniel will be leading; join us for the Fellowship and Encouragement!

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9 AT 6:00 P.M.

Gather with friends and family of all ages for food and fellowship April 9 as we learn about CAJM. Menu will be Pasta, Salad, and Dessert. Adults \$8, children \$4 and a family cap of \$25 via cash, card or check.

CHARLESTON AREA JUSTICE MINISTRY (CAJM) is a local faith-based nonprofit dedicated to advocacy, social justice, and equality. The organization focuses on community issues like affordable housing, ethical governance in education, racial bias in police practices, and environmental protection. CAJM's largest annual event – the Nehemiah Action Assembly – is held on May 5 at 6:30 pm. At this event, CAJM members will present proposed solutions and ask local leaders to commit to work towards solutions. Wonderful Wednesday dinner of 4/9/25 will feature a presentation about CAJM, please attend to learn about the good work this group is doing in our community! For more information or to register for the Nehemiah Action please contact Annelise Scruggs or Sonya Willemse or the church office (office@wpccharleston.org).

EASTER EGG HUNT SATURDAY, APRIL 12 10:00 - 11:30 A.M.

We invite children 0 to 5th grade to come and hear the story of the resurrection, create Easter crafts, enjoy an Easter snack, and of course participate in our Easter egg hunt for fun prizes! We will have kids placed into groups based on age, so that your child will have an age appropriate and fun fellowship experience

SECOND SUNDAY LUNCH APRIL 13!

All are welcome to a fried chicken luncheon in Covenant Hall following 11:00 a.m. worship the 2nd Sunday of each month. Cash donations for fried chicken welcome, bring a pot luck side or dessert to the kitchen during the Sunday School hour to share. Be filled with fellowship!

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER WORSHIP

Palm Sunday Worship

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday, April 13

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday and the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday Worship

7:00 p.m. Thursday, April 17

The darkness falls as we worship- remembering the night Jesus was betrayed and arrested. Special music by the Westminster Choir and instrumentalists, and we'll share the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday Worship and Lunch

12:00 p.m. Friday, April 18

We gather in the sanctuary for worship that focuses on the final hours and final words of Jesus' life. Lunch follows in Covenant Hall from 12:30 – 1:00.

Easter Sunday

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday, April 20

The tomb is empty and death is defeated! Praise God for the victory we have in Jesus, and hear what difference the resurrection makes for us today. Special music and instrumentalists at both services

YOU'RE INVITED! ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Life Class: (Formerly the New Class) We're using Lenten Prayer cards created by Sanctified Art to guide our journey through the 40 days of Lent. The prayer cards will be distributed to the whole congregation, but in this class, we'll take a deeper dive with the questions, prayers, and Scriptures that get our hearts ready for Holy Week and Easter. Emphasis is on fellowship, prayer and growth. It's a great option for beginners and seasoned Christians. This class is led by Pastor Daniel and Lindy Coleman. It meets in the Church Parlor.

Faith and Science: For Reformed Christians, science is both promising and provocative. It raises deep and thoughtful questions about how God creates, what it means to be human, and where technology might lead us in the future. This class will explore how faith and science intersect, offering a space to rejoice in God's creation and thoughtfully wrestle with how these two fields interact. Whether you're curious, skeptical, or simply eager to learn, we welcome you to join us for this thought-provoking and engaging study. Meets for 5 weeks in the Church Library and is led by Pastor Priscilla.

The Anchor Class: This class emphasizes fellowship, good discussion, and growth. They are studying the Gospel of Luke using J.I. Packer's series entitled "Knowing the Bible." Luke is the most thorough historical account of the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ., but Luke's Gospel is more than just history; it's also a rich source of life-giving theology, revealing Jesus' identity as Israel's long-awaited Messiah and the Redeemer of the world. Class is led by David Jump and meets in Room 15 of the Education Building.

The Cary Grayson Class: This class is facilitated by a team of leaders that engage in a study and reflection of the Bible. The peers bring their ideas, knowledge, and understanding of the Bible to accentuate on their outlook of the Lord's teachings. The current book being reviewed is I Kings. A variety of outlooks are always welcome! Class meets in Room 4 of Covenant Hall.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: ADULT & YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sunday, June 22 – Thursday, June 26, 2025. This year's theme is Children of the Light. "For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light!" -Ephesians 5:8. We invite Youth and Adults to volunteer for this most special and fun week of worship! You can volunteer one day or all five, whatever works for your schedule! Scan the QR Code for all details and volunteer forms.



SUPPORTING GLOBAL MISSIONS AND YOUR 2025 MISSION TEAMS IS FUN!

Westminster is sending three teams to share ministry with our mission partners this year. A team of 6 adults traveled to Mexico in March to build water cisterns, and a team of 7 youth and adults goes back to Mexico in July. A team of 8 adults (and 1 youth) is traveling to Brazil to work alongside Felipe and Laura Matias with the children at the Lighthouse in the favelas. You can be part of the teams by showing your love and support:

- **Easter Morning Breakfast** Plan to attend the delicious breakfast on Easter morning from 10:00 – 10:45 in Covenant Hall. Eat all you want, and give all you can! All ages welcome. RSVP by contacting the church office (office@wpccharleston.org) or using the QR code here:
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- **Dance for Mission!** We're hosting a "Dancing through the Decades" dance on Friday April 25 from 6:00 – 8:00 in Covenant Hall. Dress from your favorite decade and enjoy the fun! Refreshments, drinks, great music, dancing, and decorations. It's for all ages; 0-2 Nursery provided; kids up to 5th grade need a parent present. We'll take up an offering at the door for mission (\$20 each or \$50 per family suggested). RSVP and request transportation by contacting the church office (office@wpccharleston.org) or using the QR code here:
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- **Wall O' Mission Money** You can help by taking a donation envelope (there are 100 envelopes, ranging from \$1 to \$100) from the *Wall O' Mission Money* in either Covenant Hall or the Narthex. Return your envelope and gift to the office or the offering plate. Checks payable to WPC with 2025 Mission Trips on memo line; you may also give online at the church website by choosing "2025 Mission Trip" on the dropdown menu. Everyone, even and especially kids, are welcome to participate.

TIME TO REGISTER FOR BETHELWOODS!

Did You Know? Westminster offers scholarships for our children who register for Bethelwoods Summer Camps. We will pay for 1/2 of the Tier 1 price for each registered child. Here's how it works: get registered through the Bethelwoods website and then submit a scholarship request form to Westminster for reimbursement. Forms are available by contacting the Church Office or Ms. Claire. * Kids can go to Bethelwoods anytime during the summer. Westminster families traditionally register for the week of July 28th.

READ GOOD BOOKS IN 2025!

Join Pastor Daniel in reading any (or all!) of these books in 2025. 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 (\$8 for *Life Together*)

- **On April 27th** we'll discuss Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together*. Martyred at the hands of German Nazis, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a renowned Christian minister, professor, and author of *The Cost of Discipleship* recounts his unique fellowship in an underground seminary during the Nazi years in Germany. Giving practical advice on how life together in Christ can be sustained in families and groups, *Life Together* is bread for all who are hungry for the real life of Christian fellowship.
- **On June 22nd** we'll discuss Peter Aelred's *To Melt a Golden Calf*.
- **On August 24th** we'll discuss C.S Lewis's *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*.
- **On October 26th** we'll discuss John Mark Comer's *The Ruthless Elimination of Hurry*.
- **In December (date TBD)** we'll discuss Fleming Rutledge's *Advent*.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, April 6

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:15 pm	Worship Committee Meeting
4:00 pm	Diaconate Meeting, CH
4:00 pm	Club 3,4,5
5:00 pm	All Youth Dinner
5:30 pm	Middle and High School Fellowship
7:30 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Monday, April 7

Tuesday, April 8

8:00 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Town & Country
10:00 am	Staff Meeting
10:00 am	Circle 5, Parlor
10:30 am	Circle 4, CH
1:00 pm	SAMS Steering Committee Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, April 9

6:00 pm	Wonderful Wednesday
6:30 pm	Hand Bell Rehearsal
7:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal
7:30 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Thursday, April 10

10:00 am	Smocking Guild
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Friday, April 11

Saturday, April 12

10:00 am	Easter Egg Hunt
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Sunday, April 13

9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Second Sunday Lunch
5:00 pm	Baby Ruthie Schumann's baby shower hosted by Youth (5:00-6:00)
7:30 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

FOOD PANTRY NEED

Deodorant, soap bars, shampoo, and toothpaste

COMMUNITY SUPPORT NUMBERS

Al-Anon (843) 762-6999

Neighbors Together (843) 747-1788

Community Resource and Support Hotline 211

Mental Health Crisis Hotline 988

Narcotics Anonymous (843) 852-3001

Postpartumsupportchas.org

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

WESTMINSTER PRAYS

Cary Alexandre (WPC)	Joan Frye (WPC)	Reed Family (Dee Bee Wright)
Joyce Aydlette (Becky Grafton)	Janie Hammersmith (WPC)	Charles Reeves (Carol Patrick)
Daryn Baker (Jane Acker)	Grayson Family (WPC)	Nita Rodemann (WPC)
Mary Ashley Barbot (Lisa Couch)	Megan Hatfield (Debbie McQueeney)	Gloria Ricoma (Karen McInnes)
Ron Booth (WPC)	Harter Family (Jennifer Binnicker)	Kevin Ritzel (Neil Ritzel)
Sissie Brigman (WPC)	Betsy Henson (Ashley Snider)	Tradd Shepard (WPC)
Susie Cashion (WPC)	Chris Huff (Gloria Purcell)	Rachel Singletary (Sara Bobo)
Lauren Choate (Sara Dwyer)	Janssen Family (WPC)	Jerry Smoak (WPC)
Michael Chup (Karen McInnes)	Mary Laird (Ashley Snider)	Dave Stanton (WPC)
Cherie Couche (Dana Tumbleston)	Fran Ligon (WPC)	Towne Family (WPC)
Lydia Crosby (WPC)	Jane Livingston (Tom Livingston)	Gloria Underhill (Laura Nunn)
Martin Davis (Kevin Mikles)	Ray Long (Ellen Bollinger)	Jacqueline Vance (Sara Dwyer)
Rose Derrick (Brenda Clarey)	John Martschink (WPC)	Aileen Wiese (WPC)
Hosanna Eadie (Katie Baturin)	Mary Martschink (WPC)	Janet Wilson (Gloria Purcell)
Roxanne Eadie (Katie Baturin)	David McEachern (Debra Luhn)	Donnie Woods (Presbytery)
Debbie Eastwood (Jill Lundgrin)	Love Moody (WPC)	Robbie Yarnall (WPC)
Ann Farrar (Beth Georgen)	Jennifer Morgan (Susie Cashion)	
Ellen Farrar (Beth Georgen)	Roy Nickles (WPC)	
Julia Fletcher (Niblock Family)	Joe Nuchols (Debbie McQueeney)	
Pat Finn (Dee Bee Wright)	Nancy Plowden (WPC)	
Edward Fitzgibbon (Joan Frye)	Pratt Family (WPC Preschool)	
Harold Fountain (Henry Shepard)	Monnie Privette (Robert/Sylvia Coker)	
Eric Frye (Jim & Joan Frye)	Donna Purcell (WPC)	

PRAYER LIST UPDATED APRIL 2025

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

Friend of the Week	College Student	Mission of the Week	Church Family
Rachel Crews 1445 Bluewater Way Charleston, SC 29414	Noelle Whitener 203 Kelly Road Apt 434 Clemson, SC 29631-1698	Boy Scout Troop 79	Alex & Lindley Pennekamp -Evans

ELDERS AND SESSION COMMITTEES

Administration: Tom Whetstone and Michael Patrick; **Buildings and Grounds:** Matt Teitsort and Randy Davis; **Christian Education:** Lindy Coleman and Cathy Grills; **Fellowship:** Mike Niblock, Betsy McLaughlin and Jon Bazzle; **Finance:** Sarah Schumann and Joshua Robinson; **Membership:** John Dounian and Cameron Baker; **Missions:** Mary McAbee and Matthew Patrick; **Preschool:** Ashley Snider; **Worship:** Allyn Bruce and Deborah-Anne Ferguson; **Clerk:** Carole Russell; **Assistant Clerk:** Lindy Coleman; **Treasurer:** Nancy Dixon; **Assistant Treasurer:** Patty Stokes

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