

Summer 2026



THE GOOD NEWS

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

I am overwhelmed...

Coming back to work at Westminster has been nothing short of overwhelming. That may come across as negative at first glance but I want to be very clear, that is not my intention. I have been overwhelmed in all the good and right ways.

I have been overwhelmed and in awe of all that God is doing in the life of this church and its people. You all are running, not walking out of this building to do God's work; to be the church in the world and it is overwhelming.

The eagerness to read, pray, learn, and experience more and more of what the Holy Spirit can do is overwhelming. There are so many conversations happening about exploring new and creative ways to be together in classrooms, around tables, and in fellowship. It is overwhelming to think of all of the possibilities.

There are people in this church family that are experiencing all of life's different peaks and valleys. We take comfort in knowing that God is with us in all of the times that we are celebrating, grieving, longing, and searching. And it is overwhelming to think that God knows our hearts and our needs so well that we have been divinely placed here and now to help each other through all of these life experiences together.

I am overwhelmed with gratitude for you all and the work you have done, are doing, and are excited to do to help further God's kingdom. Thank you for recognizing the source of your gifts and talents and giving them back to the glory of God.

Simply put, I am overwhelmed. And there is no other way I'd rather be.

Janie Bruce

FROM THE PULPIT

June 7, 2026

Communion

Psalm 33

The Way We Worship



This summer, Pastor Daniel is leading a sermon series exploring the Old Testament titled Famous and Forgotten: Household Names and Hidden Heroes of the Old Testament.

June 14, 2026

1 Samuel 17

David

June 21, 2026

Genesis 4

Cain and Abel

June 28, 2026

Daniel 3

Shadrach, Meshach, and

Abednego

July 5, 2026

Communion

Ezekiel 37

Ezekiel



July 12, 2026

Genesis 6-9

Noah's Ark

July 19, 2026

Joshua 2 & 6

Rahab

July 26, 2026

Numbers 27

The Daughters of Zelophehad

August 2, 2026

Communion

Jonah



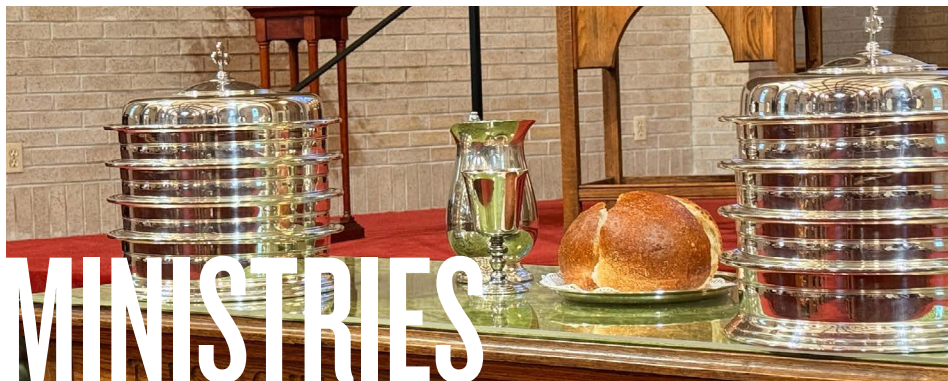
August 9, 2026

Exodus 1

Shiphrah and Puah

August 16, 2026

Kickoff Sunday



MINISTRIES

DISCIPLESHIP UPDATES

New Members

Loretta Mays
Tradd Hook
Jeff and Leigh Zupan, daughter Hollis.
Greg and Melanie Mixon
James and Carrie Dickson, daughter Berit, son Sam.
Johnathan Blake Rainwater

Baptisms

Patrick and Parker Nelson, sons of Joyce and Alex Nelson. Baptized March 29, 2026.
Berit and Sam Dickson, daughter and son of James and Carrie Dickson. Baptized April 19, 2026.
Rachel Jane Hudson, daughter of William & Lindsay Hudson. Baptized April 28, 2026 at MUSC.

In Loving Memory

Keith Gordon, March 30, 2026
Fran Morat, May 18, 2026

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

SAMs Lunch & Learn

Thursday, June 4
1:00 p.m.
Our speaker will be Ashley Edwards from The Village at Summerville, who will share insights on downsizing, choosing the right next step, and understanding costs and insurance!

SAVE THE DATE

Wonderful Wednesdays
will resume on Wednesday,
August 19th at 6pm.

Second Sundays will resume
on Sunday, September 13th
following 11:00am Worship.

WPC Family Retreat in
Bethelwoods
October 16-18, 2026

Worship at Westminster

9:00 a.m. Worship
Nursery available

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
for Children, Youth & Adults
Nursery available

11:00 a.m. Worship
Children's Church
& Nursery available

Scan for Livestream



Adult Sunday
School Classes
10:00 - 10:45 a.m.

The Chosen
Covenant Hall

Combined for the Summer

Scan for a full list of
Sunday School Classes
and descriptions during
the "school year".



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Adult Sunday School

The Chosen.

Summer Sunday School for Adults.

Join us this summer in Covenant Hall for a Sunday School series based on Season 2 of The Chosen, the groundbreaking television series about the life of Jesus. Each week pairs discussion and short clips from the show with Scripture, bringing the Old and New Testaments to life in a fresh and meaningful way.

Participants are encouraged to watch each episode beforehand, but it is not required to enjoy the class. Join us for any or all sessions!

June 7 – Episode 1
June 14 – Episode 2
June 21 – Episode 3
June 28 – Episode 4
July 5 – Episode 5
July 12 – Episode 6
July 19 – Episode 7
July 26 – Episode 8

Counseling Services are Available

Through Lowcountry Pastoral Counseling Center, in partnership with Westminster Presbyterian Church

The need for quality mental, emotional, and spiritual care today is undeniable. Pastoral Counseling enables individuals, couples, and families to receive quality counseling that acknowledges the value of faith in the healing process. Whether you need someone to listen, help you process challenges, or simply walk with you through a season of life, help is available. Westminster is partnering with Lowcountry Pastoral Counseling Center and can refer you for counseling, providing up to 5 sessions at no cost to you.

Check out Lowcountry Pastoral Counseling Center at www.lowcountrypastoral.org and reach out to Pastor Daniel or Pastor Priscilla for a referral.

FELLOWSHIP

Holy Grounds

First Sunday of the Month during the Sunday School hour

Join us for Holy Grounds, a monthly gathering during the Sunday School hour, hosted by the deacons! This casual time of coffee, conversation (and pastries!) is designed to welcome visitors, new members and existing members who want to meet others, get more involved in the life of the church, and build meaningful connections.

Mahjong Fellowship

Westminster, with the help of instructor Alissa Ferguson, is hosting an American Mahjong lesson and guided play on **Wednesday, June 10, from 6:00–8:00 p.m. in Covenant Hall, Room 4.**

The evening will begin with an introductory lesson followed by guided play led by Alissa. Whether you are brand new to Mahjong or looking to build confidence in your game, all are welcome! A \$10 donation is requested, space is limited to 12 so sign up soon! Look for the link to sign up in the weekly e-news.

Following the June lesson, we will host open play nights on the second Wednesday of the month: **July 8 and August 12** at the same time. Tables, tiles, snacks, and drinks will be provided.

Westminster at Folly Beach

June 14th from 2:00-4:00

July 19th from 2:00-4:00

Join us this summer for Church Family Beach Days filled with fellowship! We'll gather at Folly Beach County Park, so grab your chairs, towels, sunscreen, and beach essentials and come spend the afternoon together by the water. Look for the Westminster flag to find where we're set up! Join us on June 14th from 2:00–4:00 PM or July 19th from 2:00–4:00 PM. We hope to see you there!

SAVE THE DATE

Faith & Family Night at the Riverdogs

*Saturday, August 22
6:05 p.m.*

Follow the e-news for ticket links.



WESTMINSTER MONTHLIES

Hooks & Needles

Monday, June 8, July

13, & August 10

10:00 a.m.

Classroom 4, Covenant Hall

We knit and crochet baby blankets for WPC baptisms among other projects. All are welcome to come (even just for the fellowship).

Men's Bible Study

Tuesday, June 9, July 14, & August 11

8:00 a.m., Trotter's Restaurant

*Men of all ages join us for Breakfast and Bible Study
Pastor Daniel leading.*

Circle 4

Tuesday, June 9, July 14, & August 11

10:00 a.m.

Classroom 4, Covenant Hall

Circle 5

Tuesday, June 9, July

14, & August 11

10:00 a.m.

Parlor, Admin Building

Circle 1

Monday, June 15, July

20, & August 17

6:30 p.m.

Library, Covenant Hall

Scan for Church Calendar.





**Children's
Sunday School**
10:00 - 10:45 a.m.
in the CE Building

Infants - 2T
Nursery

3-5K
Room 14

1st-5th Grade
Room 17

**Youth
Sunday School**
10:00 - 10:45 a.m.
in Covenant Hall

**Middle School (6th-8th)
& High School (9th - 12th)**
Room 3

**Scan for a full list of
Sunday School Classes
and descriptions.**



PRESCHOOL



Westminster Presbyterian Church is proud to celebrate Westminster Preschool for being named both Best Preschool and Best Childcare Center in the 2026 Lowcountry Parent Magazine Mom's Choice Awards!

We are grateful for the dedicated teachers, staff, and families who make Westminster Preschool such a special place for children to learn and grow. Join us in celebrating this well-deserved honor!

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

For Children

Summer Sunday School begins June 7! During the summer months, our 3K-5K classes will continue meeting as usual, while all 1st-5th graders will gather together in the 3rd-5th grade classroom for a fun summer of learning and fellowship.

Throughout the summer, children will continue to sing, play, grow in friendship, and learn together about God's Word and Jesus' way. We are excited for this special season of worship, community, and faith-filled fun together!

For Youth

Beginning June 7, Mid High and Senior High Sunday School will combine for the summer and meet together in the Middle School Room! Throughout the summer, we will spend time in devotionals, deeper Bible study, service projects, and meaningful conversations as we grow together in faith and community.

Summer is a great time to connect, build friendships across grade levels, and explore God's Word together in new ways. We hope to see all of our 6th-12th graders there this summer!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Vacation Bible School

June 21-25

Vacation Bible School 2026 is officially full for campers, and now we need YOU! Join us June 21–25 as we explore the theme “God’s Mission, Our Hands: Called to Love!” We are looking for Adult Volunteers, Youth Volunteers, and Shepherds to help lead children in worship, games, crafts, and service opportunities throughout the week. If you are looking for a meaningful way to serve and connect with the next generation, this is a wonderful place to start! Please scan the QR code below to learn more or contact Ms. Claire at cwinkles@wpccharleston.org. We can’t wait for this fun and faith-filled week together!



Bethelwoods Camp

July 26 - August 1

Join Westminster for a fun and faith-filled week at Bethelwoods Camp & Conference Center! Campers will grow in faith, make new friends, enjoy outdoor adventures, and experience God’s creation in a beautiful camp setting.

Westminster families traditionally attend the same week together (July 26 - August 1), and scholarships are available. Westminster will cover 50% of the Tier 1 camp cost for each child. Families should register through the Bethelwoods website, then contact the Church Office or Ms. Claire for a scholarship reimbursement form. Transportation will also be available this year for campers attending.

Registration



Transportation



YOUTH MINISTRY

Summer Opportunities for 6th–12th Graders

Mid High (6th–8th Grade)

Youth Mission Co. Mission Trip to PC July 6–9

Serve, worship, and grow together through hands-on mission experiences and fellowship. Great opportunity to build friendships and live out your faith in action. Registration is closed, but reach out to Ms. Claire if you missed the deadline!

Senior High (9th–12th Grade)

Montreat Youth Conference June 7–13

A week of worship, small groups, recreation, and growing deeper in faith with thousands of other Presbyterian youth

10th-12th Grade Global Mission Experience in Xpujil, Mexico June 29-July 4

Partnering with the Todd Luke Cistern Ministry to help build water cisterns and strengthen relationships with our mission partners.

All Youth (6th–12th Grade)

Volunteer for Vacation Bible School as shepherds or station leaders during an exciting week of worship, games, crafts, and fun with children

Sign up for Bethelwoods Camp and Conference Center and experience faith formation, friendship, and adventure in the woods



SAVE THE DATES

The summer will surely fly by so save the dates for some of these fun events to kick off the school year!

Kickoff Sunday Sunday, August 16

Meet your Sunday School teachers and learn about what fun, family, children, and youth fellowship opportunities are available for the upcoming year!

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for Children, Youth & Adults

Nursery available

11:00 a.m.

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