



Westminster Presbyterian Church

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

July 26, 2026

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

Charleston Youth Mission

◆ SONG OF PREPARATION NO. 240 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Jesus has died and has risen. (Refrain)

◆ WORDS OF PRAISE

from 1 Thessalonians 5:16-19

One: When we wake up in the morning, what should we do?

All: Rejoice in the Lord and give him thanks!

One: When our day is joyful and when our day is sad, what should we do?

All: Rejoice in the Lord, pray without ceasing, and give him thanks!

One: What is the will of God in Christ Jesus for all of us?

All: Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for all of us!

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us worship God.

◆ PRAYER

◆ SONG OF PRAISE NO. 305 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

CONFESSION

◆ CONFESSING OUR SIN AND BROKENNESS

Eternal and Almighty God, as we enter your holy presence, we acknowledge that our lips are unclean, our hands are unclean, and our hearts are unclean. Our sins are too heavy for us to bear, so we call out to you for forgiveness. We cannot cleanse ourselves, so by the power of your Holy Spirit, wash us of our impurity. Set us free from a self-serving life so we can serve you with all our heart, our soul, our mind, and our strength. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

-Silent Personal Confession-

◆ DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS AND HEALING

◆ SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 447 We Are Forgiveness

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

◆ 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 LESSON

Numbers 27: 1-11

PEW BIBLE O.T. PAGES 146

SERMON

Famous and Forgotten: The Daughters of Zelophehad

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

◆ SONG OF RESPONSE NO. 372

O for a World

◆ 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

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

◆ SONG NO. 69

Here I Am, Lord

◆ BLESSING

◆ *Please stand, if able*

LEADING THE SERVICE TODAY:

Daniel Smoak, Pastor; Priscilla Holtzclaw, Parish Associate;

Janie Bruce, Director of Adult Discipleship;

Claire Winkles, Director of Youth & Children's Ministries

Nancy Parrish, Pianist

Acolyte: Evan Ford

Ushers: Nancy Dixon, Dan Klingshirn, Jill Lundgrin

11:00 Livestream at www.wpccharleston.org, YouTube (Westminster Presbyterian Charleston)
Permission to podcast/stream the music in this service obtained from CCLI License #2778901

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in gratitude
for deacons & elders who are completing their terms of service and
those who will be serving in the coming year.*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

The 31 young people from Westminster who are attending Bethelwoods Camp this week. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers as they spend the week in fellowship, worship, and faith formation.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! ALL ARE WELCOME.

We are called to be and to make disciples who love God and who love our neighbors. We are all neighbors no matter our age, race, language, culture, gifts and challenges, gender identity, or sexual orientation. We strive to be a safe and supportive community where all people are included, celebrated, and loved as we grow as disciples together.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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



FROM THE WESTMINSTER PULPIT

This summer, we embark on a new and fascinating series: Famous and Forgotten: Household Names and Hidden Heroes of the Old Testament. We'll cover some old favorites in a new way and some lesser-known stories that still speak today.

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| ➤ TODAY | Numbers 27 | The Daughters of Zelophehad |
| ➤ August 2 | Jonah | Jonah (and the big fish) |
| ➤ August 9 | Exodus 1 | Shiphrah and Puah |

THE CHOSEN: Summer Sunday School for Adults

We're using Season 2 of the TV show *The Chosen* for summer Sunday School, and we're guessing this Bible study will be unlike others you've encountered. This Bible study is designed to be used in conjunction with *The Chosen*, the groundbreaking streaming television series about the life of Jesus. Each session works in tandem with an episode from the show, bringing the Old and New Testaments to life in a fresh way.

To get the most out of the study, watch the corresponding episode of *The Chosen* prior to Sunday School. BUT, even if you don't get the chance, you'll still enjoy the short clips of the episode we watch and discuss. You can watch *The Chosen* on the Amazon streaming service or here for free: watch.thechosen.tv

Today is Season 2, Episode 7, and we wrap up next week with Season 2, Episode 8.

DO YOU SING OR PLAY AN INSTRUMENT?

We are scheduling special music for the 9:00 worship service. Young people and old, beginners and those with experience, we know you are out there with gifts to share. God is praised when you use your gifts and when the church intentionally develops worship leaders. If you'd like to be on the schedule for the coming months, please reach out to Pastor Daniel at dsmoak@wpccharleston.org.

HANDS OF CHRIST HELP THE CHILDREN SHOP

Westminster's Hands of Christ distribution is Friday, August 7, 3:30 PM – 6:00 PM and Saturday, August 8, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM, and we need your help! Join us in Covenant Hall to assist families as they receive school clothing and supplies. Volunteers of all ages are welcome—children may volunteer alongside a parent. After serving, plan to stay for dinner on Friday and lunch on Saturday!

HANDS OF CHRIST BENEFIT CONCERT

The Presbyterian Churches of James Island invite you to their annual Hands of Christ Benefit Concert on Sunday August 2 at 4:00 p.m. The concert will be held in the sanctuary of James Island Presbyterian Church, 1632 Fort Johnson Rd, James Island.

YOU'RE INVITED! "HOLY GROUNDS" SUNDAY, AUGUST 2; 10:00 AM IN COVENANT HALL

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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! SUNDAY, AUGUST 9th

During the 10:00-10:45 Sunday School hour we will hear a report from the Mexico Mission Team in Covenant Hall. Join us as this group recaps their trip, sharing both updates and their meaningful experience together.

KICKOFF SUNDAY: CONNECTED IN CHRIST

Sunday, August 16th is Kickoff Sunday at Westminster. Covenant Hall will be transformed into a Ministry & Connections Fair 10:00 -10:45 a.m. with refreshments and varying informational tables for all of the different ways that we can connect with each other in ministry. There will be opportunities to learn about and sign up to participate or help with events, meals, music, Bible studies, and more! Children and Youth will promote up to their new Sunday School classes on this day. Sunday School students are invited to visit their new classrooms, meet their teachers, and get to know each other.

YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP PREVIEW NIGHT: AUGUST 16 | 4:00-5:00 P.M. | COVENANT HALL

All 6th–12th grade youth and parents are invited to join us as we kick off a new year of youth ministry! This gathering is for all participating families—new and returning—as we share our vision, schedule, and exciting opportunities for the year ahead. While parents learn more about what's coming, youth will enjoy games and time connecting with their youth leaders. Please RSVP to Ms. Claire at cwinkles@wpccharleston.org.

YOUTH GROUP KICKOFF NIGHT! AUGUST 30 | 5:00-6:30 P.M. | COVENANT HALL

All 6th–12th grade youth are invited to join us for Youth Group Kickoff Night as we begin the year exploring our theme, "Connected in Christ!" Come enjoy dinner, fellowship, games, and a fun night of reconnecting with friends and youth leaders. In order for us to have an estimated head count please RSVP by emailing Ms. Claire at Cwinkles@wpccharleston.org. Bring your excitement and get ready for a great year ahead!

YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM NOMINATIONS

This year, we are excited to launch our first-ever Youth Leadership Team for high school students! We invite congregation members to help us identify and encourage 9th–12th grade youth who have a passion for serving, sharing their ideas, and helping shape the future of our youth ministry. The Youth Leadership Team will work alongside youth leaders to plan events, provide feedback, and help create a welcoming, faith-filled community for all youth. Congregation members are encouraged to nominate youth they believe would be a great fit by emailing Ms. Claire at cwinkles@wpccharleston.org. Nominated students will then be invited to complete an application that includes a letter of recommendation from a member of the congregation. Applications will be reviewed by Ms. Claire and members of the Adult Youth Leadership Team. We are thrilled to see how God will use our 2026 Youth Leadership Team to point our youth and adults toward loving God and loving neighbor!

SAVE THE DATE: CHARLESTON RIVERDOGS FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT AT THE JOE

Join us on Saturday, August 22nd for Faith & Family night at the Joe. Gates open at 5 pm with the first pitch at 6:05 pm. Look for ticket purchase info. in next week's E-News.

S.T.E.P.S!

S.T.E.P.S.- Studying + Teaching + Equipping + Praying + Serving: This presbytery-wide event is a wonderful opportunity for high school youth and adult church members, teachers, ministry teams, worship/music leaders, officers and staffs to enrich their faith and understanding of the church. S.T.E.P.S. will take place Saturday, August 29th at the Mount Pleasant Presbyterian Church. Check-in begins at 8:45, and the day will conclude at 12:40, with an optional lunch/workshop until 1:30. Participants may choose two workshops and have worship in between. The Rev. Tony Larson is preaching, and Natasha Akery and Pastor Daniel are leading workshops. Pre-registration deadline is August 12, and the registration fee is \$25. (\$20 if by 7/22) We encourage you to pre-register, but if your plans change and you can attend at the last minute, you may register at the event (\$35). Brochures are in the Admin hallway or check out capresbytery.org for more information.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

It is a joy to worship God and ordain and install new leaders at the 11:00 service this morning. Here are the new deacons and elders, including the ones who will be ordained and installed on August 3 at 9:00.

- New Deacons being ordained and installed are: Martha Adams, Angelle Beaty, Beth Janssen, Holly Martin, Kendall Ramsay, Missy Rutter, and Elizabeth Souter.
- New Deacons, previously ordained, being installed are: Kellie Apat, Deb Brown, Mary McAbee, and Shelby Earnst.
- New Elders being ordained and installed are: Rick Baturin, Andrew Hopkins, Joe Tompkins, and Ben Whitener.
- New Elders, previously ordained, being installed are: Lindy Coleman, Norman Hook, and Dee Bee Wright.

SPECIAL THANKS

A hearty thank you goes to these Deacons and Elders who are completing their terms of active service. You gave valuable leadership at Westminster, and you are to be commended for your service. Well done!

Deacons: Deb Brown, Jennifer Binnicker, Mark Burckhalter, Susana Comte-Walters, Liz Crosby, Alissa Ferguson, Annie Klingshirn, Meredith Boyd, Debbie McQueeney, Christine Towne, and John Wright.

Elders: Jon Bazzle, Allyn Bruce, Randy Davis, John Dounian, Mary McAbee, and Ashley Snider.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, July 26

	WPC Youth Bethelwoods Camp
9:00 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service (Ordination & Installation of New Officers)
7:30 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Monday, July 27

10:00 am	HOC Ops. Team, Covenant Hall
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Tuesday, July 28

10:00 am	HOC Ops. Team, Covenant Hall
10:00 am	Staff Meeting

Wednesday, July 29

10:00 am	HOC Ops. Team, Covenant Hall
7:30 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

Thursday, July 30

10:00 am	HOC Ops. Team, Covenant Hall
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Friday, July 31

10:00 am	HOC Ops. Team, Covenant Hall
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Saturday, August 1

Sunday, August 2

9:00 am	Worship Service (Ordination & Installation of New Officers)
10:00 am	Holy Grounds, Covenant Hall
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:15 pm	Worship Committee Meeting, Parlor
7:30 pm	AA Meeting, Covenant Hall

COMMUNITY SUPPORT NUMBERS

Al-Anon (843) 762-6999

Community Resource and Support Hotline 211

Neighbors Together (843) 747-1788

Narcotics Anonymous (843) 852-3001

Mental Health Crisis Hotline 988

PostPartumsupportchas.org

WESTMINSTER PRAYS

The Alexandre Family (WPC)
Daryn Baker (Jane Acker)
Mary Ashley Barbot (Lisa Couch)
Bob & Angelle Beaty (WPC)
Allyn Bruce (WPC)
Diane Byers (Deb Frasier)
Susie Cashion (WPC)
Lauren Choate (Sara Dwyer)
Allen Croft (Gwen Croft)
Lydia Crosby (WPC)
Martin Davis (Kevin Mikles)
Hosanna Eadie (Katie Baturin)
Roxanne Eadie (Katie Baturin)
Ann & Ellen Farrar (Beth Georgen)
Art Fields (Gloria Purcell)
Edward Fitzgibbon (Joan Frye)
Randleson Floyd/Daniels (Gloria Purcell)
Harold Fountain (Henry Shepard)
Emma Fruth (WPC)
Bob Georgen (WPC)
Family of Keith Gordon (WPC)
Margaret Ellen Hamman (Suzanne Fox)

Janie Hammersmith (WPC)
Megan Hatfield (Debbie McQueeney)
Betsy Henson (Ashley Snider)
Anna Hewitt (Dee Bee Wright)
Richard Holtz (WPC)
The Hudson Family (Priscilla Holtzclaw)
Perry Hunter (Kate Cowart)
Emerson Jones (Molly Griggs)
Lynn Koger (WPC)
Mary Laird (Ashley Snider)
Fran & John Ligon (WPC)
Ray Long (Ellen Bollinger)
Joe Marchiney (Carole Russell)
Susie Martin (Beth Georgen)
John Martschink (WPC)
Mary Martschink (WPC)
Jay Massalon (Dana Tumbleston)
David McEachern (Debra Luhn)
Gavin McLeod (Pamela Roberts)
Marley Miller (Dee Bee Wright)
Carolyn Niblock (WPC)

Ottery Family (Sara Dwyer)
Julie Pell (Sandy & Debbie Pell)
Powell Family (WPC)
Nancy Plowden (WPC)
Pratt Family (WPC Preschool)
Donna Purcell (WPC)
Gloria Purcell (WPC)
Joyce Reeves (Sue Smoak)
Paula Ruth (Debbie McQueeney)
Sarah Schumann (WPC)
Tradd Shepard (WPC)
Rachel Singletary (Sara Bobo)
Ray Thomas (Sara Dwyer)
Gloria Underhill (Laura Nunn)
Kathy Unger (John Dounian)
Jacqueline Vance (Sara Dwyer)
Justin Welch (Kristin Dounian)
Aileen Wiese (WPC)
Janet Wilson (Gloria Purcell)
Betty Winter (Dee Bee Wright)
Peggy Winter (Dee Bee Wright)
Robbie Yarnall (WPC)

PRAYER LIST UPDATED JULY 2026

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

Friend of the Week	Mission of the Week	Student of the Week	Church Family
Mary Martschink 1218 Durham Place Charleston, SC 29407	EmpowHER Campus Ministries	Henry Earnst 1727 Somerset Circle Charleston, SC 29407	Bob and Charlotte Walker

ELDERS AND SESSION COMMITTEES

Administration: Michael Patrick and Paul Patrick; **Buildings and Grounds:** Tim Fox and Ben Whitener; **Christian Education:** Natasha Akery and Kevin Mikles; **Fellowship:** Michael Scruggs, Andrew Hopkins, and Joe Tompkins; **Finance:** Sarah Schumann and Norman Hook; **Connections:** Cameron Baker and Lindy Coleman; **Missions:** Dee Bee Wright and Joshua Robinson; **Preschool:** Rick Baturin; **Worship:** Deborah-Anne Ferguson and Cathy Grills; **Clerk:** Carole Russell; **Assistant Clerk:** Cathy Grills; **Treasurer:** Tim Fox

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