

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, January 27, 2019

9:00 and 11:15 a.m.

Third Sunday after Epiphany

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Grant unto us, O God, the fullness of your promises. Where we have been weak, grant us your strength; where we have been confused, grant us your guidance; where we have been distraught, grant us your comfort; where we have been dead, grant us your life. Apart from you, O Lord, we are nothing. In and with you, we can do all things. Amen.

GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Kathleen Reynolds

PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

"Adagio"

Guilmant

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

People: **Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.**

Leader: There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;

People: **Yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.**

All: **Let us worship God!**

* HYMN OF PRAISE No. 14

DIX

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, forgive us for taking the world's values, and making them our own. We have prized competition, and love to reward those who make it to the top. We have lived under an illusion, convincing ourselves that there is no limit to what we can do. Have mercy on us, Lord, for we have forgotten who and whose we are. Remind us anew that in our weakness, your grace will be strong, and in our limits, we will find the living Christ. It is in His name that we pray. Amen.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

* GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal, No. 581)

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.

At the 9:00 a.m. service, children in K5-first grade leave for Children's Church.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM 11:15

Blair Armstrong Arscott

Presentation

Questions to the Parents

Question to the Congregation

Thanksgiving over the Water

Baptism

Prayer

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcome and Congregational Response

Bap - tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the
sign of Christ our King; born of the Spir - it, we are God's
chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

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HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 4:14-21 N.T., p. 835

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 N.T., p. 933

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Indispensable"

Ben Dorr

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* AFFIRMATION 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.

CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER

"The Steadfast Love of the Lord"

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;

God's mercies never come to an end.

They are new every morning, new every morning;

Great is your faithfulness, O Lord, great is your faithfulness.

McNeil

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hymnal page 35, Traditional

OFFERING

Solo 9:00

"On Eagle's Wings"

arr. Hayes

Anthem 11:15

"Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us"

arr. Hopson

* Doxology (Hymnal, No. 606)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

* HYMN No. 317

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

McKEE

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE 11:15

"Amen"

Keen

* POSTLUDE

Trumpet Tune in D Major

Johnson

**All who are able may stand*

If you are visiting this morning, we extend a special welcome to you.

Westminster Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is a community of faith open to all.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

HEAD USHERS: 9:00 a.m.

Jae Lowe

11:15 a.m.

Tod Hyche

SPONSOR: 11:15 a.m.

Beri Draganic

GREETERS: 9:00 a.m.

Jon McKnight, Collin Mackie

Mike Hall

11:15 a.m.

Gaye Sprague, Michael Hoffman

Walter Hinton

Amos Workman

LITURGIST:

LAY READER:

Kathleen Reynolds

ACOLYTES: 9:00 a.m.

Rollins Beck, Clarissa Hart

11:15 a.m.

Cooper Dorr, Zach Warren

PARKING

We have permission to use the parking lots at the Uniform Shop and Augusta Commons Mall.

TRAFFIC POLICE OFFICER

A Greenville city police officer will be on duty from 9:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. to help people cross the street from the other side of Augusta Road.

STREAMING

All worship services at Westminster are broadcast via live video streaming. Navigate to the home page of the church website at www.wpc-online.org and click the link "Worship via Live Streaming."

Musicians leading in worship this Sunday are:

Nancy Smith, organist

9:00 a.m.

Derek Pitman, tenor

11:15 a.m.

Sanctuary Choir

Derek Pitman, conductor

This weekend members of the Sanctuary Choir are participating in the 15th Annual Festival by the Sea in Charleston, SC. They join 250 church choir singers from fifteen churches for a weekend of music, worship, and fellowship.

NURSERY

Childcare is available for infants through four-year kindergarten. Our childcare program provides safe, secure nurseries for our babies and toddlers during worship services. Our nurturing staff of experienced caregivers and parent volunteers offers a welcoming environment to all children.

During worship, children in rising K5-1st grade follow one of our ministers out for Children's Church in Room 206.

LET US PRAY FOR:

The family of Buddy Puckett

Sonya O'Neal and family

BIRTH

A daughter, *Reagan Caye Hall*, was born to Ryan & Kelsey Hall on Sunday, January 13, 2019, in Greenville.

BAPTISM

This morning we welcome into our fellowship *Blair Armstrong Arscott*, daughter of Greg & Amanda Arscott, sister of Cameron and Hadley.

ADULT MISSION TRIP

This year eleven adults will travel from WPC to Barahona, a city on the southwestern edge of the Dominican Republic. The group will consist of two teams: construction and medical. The construction crew will continue work on a community center in remote Batey 7 that was begun last year. It will be hard work - mixing and pouring cement - but certainly valuable for the Batey community. The medical team will see over 100 patients - including children - across four Bateys. We will be in the country from **January 27-February 1**. Please hold in your prayers: *Roger Beasley, Durden Collins, Jim Davis, Biff Dickerson, Jacob Fountain, Brandt Givens, Dale Gosnell, George Jackson, Donn James, and Paul O'Neal, and Jeff Reynolds.*

ADULT GROUPS

- **Needle Arts Group:** Will meet **Wednesday, January 30, at 6:30 p.m.** in the **Entrance Pavilion**. Leader: *Terry Gentry* (tmgentry@charter.net).

A service of installation

for

Ben Dorr

as Pastor of Westminster

is scheduled for Sunday, February 10, at 3pm.

All members of Westminster are invited to attend!

Childcare will be provided.

MEN'S GROUP BOOK STUDY

The Men's Group will continue their book study on **Monday, January 28**, at **6:00 p.m.** in **Room 209-C**. We will study the book, The Jesus I Never Knew, by Philip Yancey. All WPC men are invited to participate and newcomers are welcome. For more information, contact *Rick Carpenter* (608-1881).

FLOCK FELLOWSHIP

The Flock, a fellowship and education group for people in their late 30's-50's, will have an oyster roast at the home of *Trey & Beth Morrow* (407 Cleveland St.) on **Saturday, February 2** from **4-9 p.m.** **RSVP by Sunday, January 27** to *Laura Cox* (laurawcox@gmail.com). The group will also meet **Sunday, February 3**, following the 11:15 a.m. worship service at **Panera Bread** (Augusta St.) for lunch. No need to sign up. Just come if you can. Contact *Laura* with any questions.

**IHN HOMELESS MINISTRY
IN FEBRUARY**

As part of the Interfaith Hospitality Network, WPC will be hosting a few homeless families during the week of **February 3-10**. We are looking for volunteers to act as hosts or provide dinner to our guests. If you are available to volunteer, please sign up online at <https://bit.ly/2RnQ5rt> or in person this Sunday in the Sanctuary Atrium. If you have any additional questions or want to learn more, please contact *Holly Vanderwal* at hollyv04@hotmail.com.

WESTMINSTER BOOK CLUB

Because of a scheduling conflict, Westminster's Book Club will wait until **Tuesday, February 5**, to discuss the book Swing Time by Zadie Smith. We meet from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the church library. New people are always welcome!

**WESTMINSTER/
CAROLINA HIGH EVENT**

The next Westminster/Carolina High event will be **Tuesday, February 5**, from **9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** A SignUp Genius has been sent to all who have expressed interest in helping out. Please complete that as soon as possible so we can fill in any empty spots. If you did not receive an email and are interested in helping, contact *Jennifer Dillard* (jdillard@wpc-online.org) to get plugged in!

**ADULT EDUCATION:
WESTMINSTER ACADEMY**

During the month of February we will be joined by theologian and professor The Reverend Dr. Peter Hobbie, Professor Emeritus of the Christian Religion at Presbyterian College for our adult Sunday School quarter. Peter will lead us in four courses exploring the intersection of theology and modern culture. Westminster Academy will run **Sundays at 10:00 a.m.** from **February 3-24**, giving us an opportunity for four weeks of unified education across the church.

SENIOR ADULT LUNCHEON

A Valentines luncheon for our Senior Adults will be held **Thursday, February 14**, at **12:30 p.m.** in **Room 209**. The cost will be \$7 per person. Those who would like may share a romantic memory, love letter, or thought. RSVP to the church office **by Monday, February 11**.

**INTERESTED IN JOINING
WESTMINSTER?**

Visitors interested in learning more about Westminster Presbyterian Church, membership here, and what it means to be Presbyterian are invited to attend our New Member Class from **8:30-10:30 a.m.** on **Sunday, February 17**. Those who have been baptized and who wish to become members may do so on **Sunday, February 17**, during the **11:15 a.m.** worship service or on a future new member Sunday. If you are interested in joining us, please contact *Jennifer Dillard* (jdillard@wpc-online.org) at 232-2424.

CHURCH DIRECTORIES

Copies of the 2019 Church Directory are available to church members in the Friendship Court. The MyWPC option on Westminster's website homepage (www.wpc-online.org) offers an up-to-date version of this directory. Also, the church office will supply an online version to you upon request. This is available any time so that information is at its most up-to-date. To order an online version of a directory, email *Wendy Bagley* in the church office at wendy@wpc-online.org.

UNITED MINISTRIES

The United Ministries food pantry is in need of nonperishable food items and hotel-sized toiletries. Items may be left in the marked cabinets located in the Friendship Court outside the church office.

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**Save the date for
VBS this summer!
Monday, August 5 -
Friday, August 9
Classes for ages having
completed 4K-5th grades and
volunteer opportunities
for all ages.**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS
January 27-February 2, 2019**

SUNDAY

Sanctuary Choir to Festival by the Sea
Adult Dominican Republic Mission Trip
9:00 a.m. Worship Service
Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting
Education Committee Meeting
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
Confirmation Class Meeting
Worship Service
11:15 a.m. Elder Training Class (1 of 3)
12:30 p.m. APNC Meeting
5:00 p.m. Middler Group Meeting
Senior High Choir Rehearsal
Youth Dinner
6:00 p.m. Middler Choir Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. Senior High Group Meeting
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

MONDAY

Adult Dominican Republic Mission Trip
12:00 p.m. Carolina High Committee Meeting
6:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study Group
6:15 p.m. NAMI
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

TUESDAY

Adult Dominican Republic Mission Trip
11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
PW Life Membership Committee Meeting
12:00 p.m. Al-Anon
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY

Adult Dominican Republic Mission Trip
3:00 p.m. "It's Elementary!" & Tweens
4:30 p.m. Junior & Senior Choristers
6:30 p.m. Needle Arts Group Meeting
7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

Adult Dominican Republic Mission Trip
10:00 a.m. Thursday Bible Study
8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY

Adult Dominican Republic Mission Trip
12:00 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting

SATURDAY

4:00 p.m. The Flock Oyster Roast

THE SESSION

The Class of 2019

<i>Howard Boyd</i>	<i>Collin Mackie</i>
<i>Sarah-Ann Davis</i>	<i>Susan McLeod</i>
<i>Beri Draganic</i>	<i>Elizabeth Palmer</i>
<i>Kathryn Freedman</i>	<i>Joanne Sweeny</i>
<i>Paul Grier</i>	<i>Rob Warren</i>
<i>Walter Hinton</i>	<i>Stephen Woods</i>

The Class of 2020

<i>Ben Alexander</i>	<i>Michael Hoffman</i>
<i>Rita Barker</i>	<i>Steve Johnson</i>
<i>Roxanne Cromartie</i>	<i>Coleman Kirven</i>
<i>Becca Donohue</i>	<i>Christa Likes</i>
<i>Lee Freeman</i>	<i>Jon McKnight</i>
<i>Mike Hall</i>	<i>Parks McLeod</i>

The Class of 2021

<i>Kristin Burrell</i>	<i>Elizabeth McElveen</i>
<i>Phillip Cox</i>	<i>Grier Mullins</i>
<i>Ted Gentry</i>	<i>Catherine Pollock</i>
<i>Philip Land</i>	<i>Pete Roe</i>
<i>Brad Lucas</i>	<i>Gaye Sprague</i>
<i>David Massey</i>	<i>Freddie Williams</i>



*"Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many."
1 Corinthians 12:14*

Reflecting on the verses in 1 Corinthians 12 as I prepared to write this Harbinger cover, I was reminded of my days of working in higher education as part of the social justice team. As the civic engagement director, I worked alongside the leadership director and the diversity director as we taught college students how to use their gifts and talents to positively impact the world. Over the years I learned a great deal from my colleagues. I will confess that as a young adult early in my career, I believed that as long as I was tolerant of differences, I was doing the right thing and could smugly say that I was on board with the concept of "diversity." But over the years, my thinking was shaped by diversity focused conversations, trainings, programs, and experiences, as well as my interactions with a lot of people who were quite different from me in a number of ways. I experienced a great learning curve and, looking back, I can see my understanding evolve from tolerance, to acceptance, to appreciation, to (hopefully) actively seeking diverse people and ideas.

While all of this reflecting was going on, life presented me with some examples. I recently chaperoned my daughter's high school marching band Winter Dance. (Please know that as I tell this story, it is not lost on me that orchestras are The Number One example that diversity educators use to illustrate the value of diversity- many instruments coming together to make one wonderful sound...). I was watching the kids come into the dance and was immediately intrigued by one of the students. She didn't look that familiar... wait, was she a she? Or was this a boy wearing a long gown and makeup? I honestly didn't know! Asking Emma who the student was, she said "Oh, that's just So & So. He does this every year." No one at the dance- not one student, not one parent chaperone- batted an eye at his entrance. He was just So & So, and he does this every year. End of story. Tolerated? Yes. Accepted? Yes. Appreciated? Hopefully. Actively sought after? Possibly.

Literally the next day, Emma was working on her registration form to participate in the PC USA Triennium Youth Conference. The very first page asked for demographic information, and my eye was immediately drawn to the box marked "Other" next to the drop down menu for gender. Clicking on the drop down menu, I could see that the choices were Male, Female, and Other. If you checked "other," you had the opportunity to write your preference in the box to the right. Wow, I thought. How lucky are we to be a part of a denomination which is not only tolerating, or accepting, or even appreciating diverse gender expressions, but perhaps they were even actively seeking diversity in the youth participants.

When Paul wrote to the Corinthians, he was insistent that we needed diversity in our unity. That a variety of spiritual gifts were necessary for the common good of the community. I pray that we all can continue to grow in our appreciation of and desire for the diverse gifts and qualities that each member of the body brings to our community.

Jennifer Shurley

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Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 3pm.**

All Westminster members are invited! Childcare will be provided.

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Foundational to our theology is the belief that all in the church have been given gifts by God to serve and follow Christ. As Paul states in 1 Corinthians 12, "there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord...". The Book of Order of the PC(USA) describes it this way:

"In Baptism each Christian is called to ministry in Christ's name. God calls some persons from the midst of congregations to fulfill particular functions, so that the ministry of the whole people of God may flourish...In installation the church sets in place with prayer those who have been (previously) ordained as...ministers of the Word and Sacrament, and are now called anew to service in that ministry."

Installation is not a coronation. It is not a way of saying that ministers are ordained to a higher office. Indeed, when new elders begin their service on the Session at Westminster, those elders are ordained and installed as a way of recognizing and rejoicing in their call to serve Christ's church. When a minister is installed, she or he answers the same constitutional questions that our elders answer at their service of ordination/installation.

You may notice a few distinct features in the installation service on February 10th. One is that a guest minister, the Rev. Mark Ramsey, will preach. Mark and I have known each other for over 30 years. We met when I served as a youth representative on the Pastor Nominating Committee that called Mark to my home church in Okemos, Michigan, in 1987. Mark then served as a mentor to me when I worked as a seminary intern at his church in Denver, Colorado in 1995.

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