

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, April 22, 2018

9:00 and 11:15 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

God be in my head, and in my understanding;

God be in my eyes, and in my looking;

God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;

God be in my heart, and in my thinking;

God be at my end, and at my departing.

Sarum Primer, c. 1514.

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP, COMMON CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Anna Hanor, Creation Stewardship

** CHORAL INTROIT

“Wait for the Lord”

Berthier

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: Let us worship God.

* HYMN OF PRAISE No. 366

HYFRYDOL

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have often failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled

against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and have refused to

hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray, and free us for joyful obedience;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

* 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.

BAPTISM OF OWEN SAMUEL ULLOM (9:00 a.m.)

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

** ANTHEM

“Small Things”

Pote

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Hymnal page 35, Traditional

K5 and first grade children leave for Children’s Church following the prayer.

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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

DUET (9:00 a.m.) “Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God”

arr. Johnson

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON — Psalm 27:7-14 (Page 503)

Sam White, Jr.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON — Mark 9:38-50 (Page 45)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Ludwig Weaver

“Do You Need Surgery?”

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

* 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; 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.

SERVICE OF GIVING

Offertory (9:00 a.m.) “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

arr. Sherrill

** Anthem

“Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God”

arr. Johnson

* 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. 805

ELLACOMBE

“Come Sing to God”

* BENEDICTION

** CHORAL RESPONSE

Tanzanian Melody

“Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia!”

* POSTLUDE

Prelude from TE DEUM

Charpentier

*All who are able may stand

** 11:15 a.m. service only

HEAD USHERS:

9:00 a.m.

Joe Frasher

11:15 a.m.

Josh Howard

SPONSOR:

9:00 a.m.

Mike Hall

GREETERS:

9:00 a.m.

Joanne Sweeny, Rita Barker

Steve Johnson

11:15 a.m.

Becca Donohue, Mike Hall

Pete Roe

LITURGIST:

Barbara Stoop

ACOLYTES:

9:00 a.m.

Ramsey Glidewell

11:15 a.m.

Emily Craddock, Caroline Thomasson

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 who profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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.”

CHURCH NOTES

Musicians leading in worship this Sunday are:

Nancy Smith, organist

9:00 a.m.

Katie Knauer, soprano

Mark Kemp, tenor

11:15 a.m.

Junior & Senior Choristers

Sanctuary Choir

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 the worship service, children in K5–1st grade follow one of our ministers out for Children’s Church in Room 206. The leaders for Children’s Church this Sunday, April 22:

9:00 a.m.

Chris & Lauren Doar

11:15 a.m.

Brett & Amy Meredith

NURSERY PARENT SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 22

9:00 a.m.

Ryan & Grace Loveless

Kent & Caroline Giguere

Libby Holleman

11:15 a.m.

Rodney & Bryn Robison

Frank & Kristin McKernan

Hastings & Kristen Blumer

Charlie & Heather Reynolds

SYMPATHY

We extend sincere sympathy to Theresa Sparks on the death of her mother, Betty Raies, on Saturday, March 17, 2018, in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

SYMPATHY

We extend sincere sympathy to Ted Gentry on the death of his mother, Martha Bond Hilburn, on Saturday, April 14, 2018, in Winston-Salem, NC.

BAPTISM

This morning we welcome into our fellowship Owen Samuel Ullom, son of Evan & Caitlin Ullom, brother of Birdie.

LET US PRAY FOR:

Mike Smith and family

Theresa Sparks and family

The Family of Musette Williams

Ted Gentry and family

AUDIO TECH NEEDED

Each week we record our Sunday School classes so that those unable to attend can catch up on Christian Education throughout the week. We hope that you will consider being trained to assist the recording and editing of the audio for our classes. If you are willing (or curious!) please contact Leigh Stuckey (lstuckey@wpc-online.org).

CONNECTIONS

Connections, a fellowship group for adults and singles, will meet this Sunday, April 22 for lunch at Limoncello (401 River St.) at 12:45 p.m. New participants are welcome. Please make reservations with Gretta Lawson by noon on April 21 (grettalawson@gmail.com or 430-4008).

CHILDREN’S CHOIR MUSICAL

This Sunday evening, April 22, at 5:00 p.m., the Junior and Senior Choristers will present Table for Five...Thousand!, a musical telling the story of the miracle of the loaves and fishes. They will be joined by the Cherub Choir in the Fellowship Hall. Come to hear these young voices proclaim this great story of giving and sacrifice for others.

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 8:45–10:30 a.m. on Sunday, April 29. Those who have been baptized and who wish to become members may do so on Sunday, April 29 during the 11:15 a.m. worship service or on a future new member Sunday. If you have questions, please contact Associate Pastor Leigh Stuckey (lstuckey@wpc-online.org) at 232-2424

CHURCH-WIDE DAY OF SERVICE: HANDS ON GREENVILLE

All are invited to a clean up day at Carolina High (2725 Anderson Rd.), this year’s WPC Hands on Greenville site, on Saturday, May 5 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Childcare will be provided at Westminster. Sign up online through the church website (www.wpc-online.org). Hands on Greenville is a community wide initiative sponsored by The United Way with support from WPC. This year we’ll do some lawn care, spread mulch, and have a great morning. We hope that you will join us to serve alongside your family, friends, and thousands of other Greenvillagers. Following the morning of service, you are invited to Fluor Field (945 S. Main St.) for lunch, beverages, and a general celebration.

In Memoriam

Musette Brown Williams

5/28/1929 - 4/12/2018

“In my Father’s House are many mansions.”

YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULES FOR APRIL 22
 5:00 p.m. Middler Youth Group
 6:00 p.m. Youth Dinner
 6:30 p.m. Senior High Youth Group
 *No Youth Choir Rehearsals due to Children's Musical

"\$2 A DAY" SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS
 Join us this **Sunday, April 22**, at **10:00 a.m.** in **Room 209** where United Ministries Executive Director Tony McDade and Employment Readiness Program Manager *Amanda Warren*, will share stories highlighting the barriers people face in Greenville and the desire to gain and retain a livable wage. You will also hear strategies co-author Kathryn Edin, of *\$2 A Day: Living on Almost Nothing in America*, shared at the *Uniting for Change Luncheon* on April 19 in Greenville.

MEN'S GROUP BOOK STUDY
 The Men's Group will continue a new book study on **Monday, April 23**, at **6:30 p.m.** in **Room 209-C**. We will study the book, *Vanishing Grace*, by Philip Yancey. All WPC men are invited to participate. For more information, contact *Rick Carpenter* (608-1881).

LIGHTLY SEASONED
 Lightly Seasoned, a fellowship group for WPC members in their fifties (loosely defined), will meet **Saturday, April 28**, at **6:30 p.m.** at the home of *Joanie & Mike Martin* (66 Woodvale Ave.). Watch your e-mail for more information, or if you don't hear from us (databases are imperfect!), contact *Jean Atkins* (jean@indconinc.com) or *Susan Grier* (susan@grierfamily.org). We hope to see you Saturday!

BOOK CLUB
 Westminster Book Club would love to have you join us at one of our future meetings, from **7:00-8:00 p.m.**, in the church library. On **May 1**, we will discuss *In the Midst of Winter*, by Isabel Allende, a novel in which the lives of three very different people collide; from Brooklyn, to Guatemala, and Chile. Newcomers are always welcome.

GAIHN SIGN-UPS HELPING FAMILIES WHO ARE HOMELESS

Quarterly, WPC hosts up to three families who are experiencing homelessness. Our next hosting week is **May 13-20**. Sign-up this Sunday in the Sanctuary Atrium or by visiting the website at <https://wpc-online.org/events-registration>. Questions? Contact *Julia Bellew* (juliabellew@gmail.com), *Beth Edwards* (bethholladay73@gmail.com), or *Holly Vanderwal* (hollyv04@hotmail.com). GAIHN is one of five programs under the umbrella organization of United Ministries which seeks to serve and empower those on the transformative journey to self-sufficiency. It is the only shelter that keeps families together, specifically for single mothers with sons age eleven or older. GAIHN is the only shelter for single fathers. GAIHN is a family friendly ministry open to members of all ages to participate.

WESTMINSTER-CAROLINA HIGH CONNECTION FINAL PILOT DAY ON APRIL 23
 We look forward to over 90 people helping at Carolina High on **April 23** from **8:30-11:50 a.m.** A survey will be emailed the week of April 23 to everyone who helped over the three pilot days as Westminster plans for the next school year. Questions? Contact *Steve Johnson* (stevejohnson.cvm@gmail.com) or *Meg Hyche* (mhyche@charter.net). The mission of the Westminster-Carolina High Connection is for the church to engage the entire student body so that the school can provide theme based professional development for teachers. This design is to help train teachers while at the same time trying to eliminate teacher burnout in a school with 100% of the students meeting or falling below the poverty line.

ADULT GROUPS
 • **Luncheon Group:** Will meet **Wednesday, April 25**, at **Noon in Room 211**. **Leader:** *Mary Ann Cox* (lmaryanncox@gmail.com).
 • **Needle Arts Group:** Will meet on **Wednesday, April 25**, at **6:30 p.m.** in the **Entrance Pavilion**. **Group Leader:** *Terry Gentry* (tmgentry@charter.net).
 • **Couples Bible Study Group (ages 50+):** Will meet **Wednesday, April 25** at **7:00 p.m.** in the **Charter Room**. **Leaders:** *Dick & Mary Sargent* (mfsdesigns95@yahoo.com).
 • **Hiking Group:** Will meet in the church parking lot on **Saturday, April 28**, at **8:30 a.m.** for a hike at Camp Thornwell. **Hike Leader:** *Durden Collins* (durden.collins@gmail.com).

SPRING MEN'S MISSION TRIP APRIL 26-29 CAMP THORNWELL
 Join us for a few hours, a day, or for the entire four day endeavor. Whatever time you can volunteer is valuable and helps to achieve our specific mission goals. It will be helpful in knowing, beforehand the day(s) and times you plan on joining us. Make your commitment known by contacting the church office (232-2424) by Monday, April 23. Questions: contact *Terry Foster* (twfoste@ilstu.edu). Mission Leaders: *Paul O'Neal, Jeff Reynolds & Scott O'Neal*. **Camp Thornwell:** 435 Sugar Likker Rd. (camp sign on Hwy 178), Sunset, SC - 36 miles from Westminster Church, a one hour drive.

VBS 2018 - REGISTER NOW!
BABYLON: Daniel's Courage in Captivity
 Visit the ancient market place, and find out how Daniel and his friends showed courage and faith as they lived in this foreign land, as we all take part in this summer's Vacation Bible School, **Monday, June 18-Thursday, June 21**, from **9am-noon**. VBS this year is for all those who will be rising 5K-rising 6th grade. We will have a class for younger children of parents who are volunteer helpers. Adult and teen workers are needed. Contact associate pastor Barbara Stoop at bstoop@wpc-online.org, or 313-6956 if you can help. Mark your calendar and register your child anytime at <https://vbspro.events/p/wpcvbs18>.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS April 22-28, 2018

SUNDAY
 9:00 p.m. Worship Service
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:15 a.m. Worship Service
 12:30 p.m. Connections Group Luncheon
 5:00 p.m. Middler Youth Group
 Children's Choir Musical
 Youth Dinner
 Senior High Youth Group Meeting
 Alcoholics Anonymous
MONDAY
 8:00 a.m. Carolina High Connection
 9:30 a.m. Weekday Chapel
 9:45 a.m. Weekday Chapel
 6:15 p.m. NAMI
 6:30 p.m. Men's Book Study Group
 7:30 p.m. Men's Softball game
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous
 8:30 p.m. Men's Softball game
TUESDAY
 12:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting
 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
WEDNESDAY
 11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
 12:00 p.m. Luncheon Group Meeting
 3:00 p.m. "It's Elementary!" & Tweens
 4:30 p.m. Junior & Senior Choristers Rehearsal
 6:30 p.m. Needle Arts Group Meeting
 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
 Couples Bible Study (50+)
THURSDAY
 8:30 a.m. Men's Group Mission
 10:00 a.m. Thursday Bible Study
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous
FRIDAY
 8:30 a.m. Men's Group Mission
 6:30 p.m. Senior High Lock-Out
SATURDAY
 8:30 a.m. Men's Group Mission
 Hiking Group
 6:30 p.m. Lightly Seasoned Event

HOME COMMUNION
 If you or a church member you know is unable to attend church and would like to celebrate communion, please call *Amos Workman* (423-0070) or call the church office.

CHURCH BARBECUE LUNCH on CHURCH MUSIC SUNDAY, MAY 6

Join your Westminster friends and family for the annual barbecue lunch! Lunch will be served in the **Fellowship Hall** after the **10:00 a.m.** worship service. The barbecue will be catered by Charlie's. Our chef, Lisa, will be preparing sweet potato casserole, baked beans, chips and slaw. Nursery will be available for children under three. Sign up today by calling the church office at 232-2424 or by emailing michelle@wpc-online.org. Website signup is also available by visiting www.wpc-online.org. **Sign-ups end Monday, April 30.**

Name: _____
 Adults (\$7.00) _____ Children 3-11 (\$3.50) _____
 Ages of those needing childcare (Under age 3): _____



In today's scripture we see David struggling in prayer. He seems so confident, then finds himself desperately in need once again. He wonders if God is hearing him and why he is not answering. We all have times of trial in our life, times that bring us to tears. There are times when everything is great and then the Lord sends a trial, and everything begins to collapse upon us and we feel as if the load is too much to bear. In Psalm 27: 7-14 he comes to us with his final word which is relevant to every trial we face, "Wait on the Lord."

Watching my girls grow and reflecting back on my own life I have noticed that trials and worries seem to grow with age. As a child, my worries seemed to be snacks and playtime. In my teenage years my worries revolved around school, friends, and family. Today I worry about my children, my marriage, my family, my job, my health, and my relationship with God, not to mention all that is going on in the world on a daily basis. It is easy to be overcome with worry. However, it is never a good sign when we think that our own worries or circumstances are too big for God. Our generation is one of "me" and instant gratification. However, in reality there is no quick fix if God does not lead that way. He teaches us that life is when you lose yourself and find it all in Christ. "Wait on the Lord" he teaches us.

How long do we wait? Should we just block out reality? Waiting on the Lord takes patience and trust. If we believe that God will fulfill his promises then he will give us the grace that we need. "Wait on the Lord!"

Mae Todd Mullins