

## WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 11, 2018  
9:00 and 11:15 a.m.

*Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, but always to your glory and the welfare of your people, through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

### GATHERING THE COMMUNITY

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

People: **And also with you.**

#### MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

*Anna Hanor*

### PREPARING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE "The Servant Song" arr. Hayes

\* CALL TO WORSHIP *(Psalm 146)*

Leader: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

People: **Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,  
whose hope is in the Lord their God.**

All: **Let us worship God!**

\* HYMN OF PRAISE No. 610 AZMON

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires. You call us to seek justice and peace, but we are satisfied with injustice and discord. We are masters of self-deception, convincing ourselves that we have given enough, when there is plenty more for us to share. Forgive us, O Lord. Deliver us from our proud thoughts, our vain pursuits, and our half-hearted faith. Remind us anew that just as you have been generous with us, so we are called to give our entire selves to you. We ask it in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. 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.**

*Children in K5 and first grade children leave for Children's Church.*

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### HEARING GOD'S WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 12:41-44 (N.T., p. 50)

ANTHEM (9:00) "I Believe" Shackley

EPISTLE LESSON 2 Corinthians 8:1-9 (N.T., p. 182)

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Ben Dorr

"A Generous Church"

### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(from The Confession of 1967)*

**The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His human life involves the church in the common life of all people. His service to men and women commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.**

WELCOMING OF NEW MEMBERS (11:15)

CONGREGATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER Iverson

"Spirit of the Living God"

*Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.*

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*Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.*

*Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Hymnal page 35, Traditional*

#### OFFERING

Anthem "Here I Am, Lord" arr. Young/Christiansen

\* 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. 757 KINGSFOLD

"Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

\* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL RESPONSE (11:15) "Go Out with Joy" Davis

\* POSTLUDE "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" Haydn

*\*All who are able may stand*

*Following the service, visitors and members are invited to the Sanctuary Atrium for a time of fellowship and to welcome our new members.*

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**HEAD USHERS:** 9:00 a.m. Allen Grumbine  
11:15 a.m. Brandt Givens  
**SPONSOR:** 11:15 a.m. Christa Likes  
**GREETERS:** 9:00 a.m. Susan McLeod, Mike Hall  
Catherine Pollock  
11:15 a.m. Freddie Williams, Ben Alexander  
Kristin Burrell  
**LITURGIST:** Mary Kathleen Duncan  
**LAY READERS:** 9:00 a.m. Parks Workman  
11:15 a.m. Collin Mackie  
**ACOLYTES:** 9:00 a.m. Rollins Beck, Charlie Rowan  
11:15 a.m. Caroline Thomasson, Kass Williams

### 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](http://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.**

*Westminster Youth Choir*

*Chancel Choir*

**11:15 a.m.**

*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 rising K5–1st grade follow one of our ministers out for Children's Church in **Room 206**.

### GRAB A NAMETAG THIS SUNDAY!

We will continue to wear nametags each Sunday. Please find them near entrances and gathering areas and share your name with others. You'll be glad you did!

### VESPERS SERVICE AT NOVEMBER NIGHTS

As a prelude to the November Nights program, a brief Vespers service featuring sacred and secular music and scriptural meditations will be offered in the sanctuary **this Sunday, November 11**, beginning at **5:30 p.m.**

### WPC YOUTH GROUP

*November Nights Schedule*

**Sunday, November 11:**

• **5:30 p.m.** - Vespers Service in Sanctuary

• **5:45 p.m.** - Dinner following Vespers

• **6:30 p.m.** - Middler Group

• **6:30 p.m.** - Senior High Group

### CHANCEL CHOIR

Westminster's Chancel Choir will be leading in worship this **Sunday, November 11**, at the **9:00 a.m.** service. If you enjoy singing in a choir, but can't commit to weekly rehearsals and regular Sunday mornings, we invite you to consider joining this group. Only two rehearsals will be held each month to prepare for one anthem at a 9:00 a.m. service. Chancel Choir members come from all experience levels. For more information contact Mark Kemp, Music Director ([mkemp@wpc-online.org](mailto:mkemp@wpc-online.org)).

### WESTMINSTER/

### CAROLINA HIGH CONNECTION

Calling all Westminster/Carolina High Connection volunteers (old & new)! If you are planning to be involved this year, please come to an informational meeting this **Sunday, November 11 at 9:00**, in **Room 209**. If you have questions, contact Jennifer Dillard ([jdillard@wpc-online.org](mailto:jdillard@wpc-online.org)).

### LET US PRAY FOR:

*The Family of Hots Easley  
Dan Kyser and family*

**MEN'S GROUP BOOK STUDY**

The Men's Group will complete their book study of the book, Mere Christianity on **Monday, November 12**, at **6:00 p.m.** in **Room 209-C**. The new study of The Jesus I Never Knew by Philip Yancey will begin early 2019. All WPC men are invited to participate. For more information, contact *Rick Carpenter* (608-1881).

**ADULT GROUPS**

- **Hiking Group:** Will meet **Saturday, November 10**, at **9:00 a.m.** in the parking lot for a 4.5 mile hike at Keowee Toxaway State Park. **Hike Leader:** *Bob Vannoy* (bobvannoy47@gmail.com).
- **Couples Bible Study (ages 50+):** Will meet **Wednesday, November 14**, at **7:00 p.m.** in the **Charter Room**. **Leaders:** *Dick & Mary Sargent* (mfsdesigns95@yahoo.com).

**WOMEN OF WESTMINSTER**  
**Tuesday, November 13**

- **Circle #5:** *Ilene Schlacht*, chair (rischlacht@att.net), will meet at **10:00 a.m.** in the **Choir Room**.
- **Circle #3:** *Dee Malone*, chair (dee05m@gmail.com), will meet at the home of *Susan Colvin* (101 Kimborough St.) at **6:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday, November 14**

- **Circle #6:** *Liz Einstein* (liz.ard.einstein@gmail.com) and *Sherry Tate* (sherrytate63@gmail.com) co-chairs, will meet at **9:00 a.m.** at Liz's home (223 Camille Ave.).

**WESTMINSTER BOOK CLUB**

Westminster's Book Club meets on the first Tuesday of each month, in the church library, at **7:00 p.m.** We will not meet during the month of December, but will discuss the book Swing Time by *Zadie Smith* at our meeting in January. Newcomers are always welcome.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Get your day started right with the *"It's Never Too Early to Talk About Jesus"* study and discussion group, meeting again **Tuesday, November 13**, at **6:00 a.m.** in the **Women's Lounge**. This semester we are studying Rachel Held Evans's New York Times bestseller, A Year of Biblical Womanhood (available in the WPC library). Questions? Contact *Kathleen Reynolds* (kathleenmreynolds@yahoo.com, 346-3155) or Associate Pastor Leigh Stuckey.

**THEOLOGY READING GROUP**

The Theology Reading Group will meet **Monday, November 19**, at **7:00 p.m.** in the **Charter Room**. *Ann Hicks* will lead the discussion of Traveling Mercies: Some Thoughts on Faith by Anne Lamott. Read the book and join us for an interesting evening. All are invited.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
*for these exciting events with Women of Westminster:*

**Tuesday, December 4**  
**12:00 p.m.**  
**Advent Luncheon**

**February 22-24, 2019**  
**Women's Retreat**  
More details and sign-ups to come!

**THE SESSION**  
**The Class of 2019**

<i>Howard Boyd</i>	<i>Collin Mackie</i>
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<i>Beri Draganic</i>	<i>Elizabeth Palmer</i>
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<i>Roxanne Cromartie</i>	<i>Coleman Kirven</i>
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<i>Mike Hall</i>	<i>Parks McLeod</i>

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**November 11 - 17, 2018**

**SUNDAY**

- 8:30 a.m. New Member Class
- 8:45 a.m. Witness & Service Committee Meeting
- 9:00 a.m. Worship Service  
Carolina High Volunteer Meeting  
Creation Stewardship Meeting
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:15 a.m. Worship Service
- 12:15 p.m. New Member Reception  
Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Nominating Committee Meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Vespers Service
- 5:45 p.m. November Nights Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Middler Group Meeting  
November Nights Classes  
Senior High Group Meeting  
Alcoholics Anonymous

**MONDAY**

- 6:15 p.m. NAMI
- 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

**TUESDAY**

- 6:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 10:00 a.m. PW Circle #5
- 12:00 p.m. AI-Anon Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. PW Circle #3

**WEDNESDAY**

- 9:00 a.m. PW Circle #6
- 9:30 a.m. Weekday Chapel
- 9:45 a.m. Weekday Chapel
- 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 3:00 p.m. "It's Elementary!" & Tweens
- 3:30 p.m. Cherub Choir
- 4:30 p.m. Junior & Senior Choristers
- 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal  
Couples Bible Study (50+)

**THURSDAY**

- 10:00 a.m. Thursday Bible Study



**"I'M IN" - LIKE DUCKY AND HOTS**

In May, my mother, Elizabeth "Ducky" Gower, died at age 94. In October, my friend Clarence "Hots" Easley died at age 93. Much of what I know about how to love, care for and give to others I learned from watching, living and working with these two stalwarts of our church. If I could put their pictures on the Harbinger cover, there would be nothing else to say. I would ask you to study their lives.

Coincidentally, these two pillars of WPC each joined this fledgling congregation around 1954. By all accounts, Mom (as was often substantiated by my loquacious father) and Hots (who loved discussing history, especially his own) embraced an array of church activities, adored the minister and gave talents and money enthusiastically. Both fully lived our stewardship theme – "I'm in."

There were other similarities. They were each caring and attentive professionals. They smiled and spoke to everyone. In fact, most people assumed Mom and Hots truly remembered them because they connected with all people and spent time getting to know them. They were lavish in their affection, generous in their giving and parsimonious on themselves. Mom's idea of an extravagant vacation was to spend a weekend in a cabin in North Carolina for a social work retreat. And for many years, Hots preferred medical mission trips to a primitive African hospital for several weeks at a time.

Death ends a life but not a relationship. In the case of Mom and Hots, their inspiring legacies live on today in their lasting relationships with God, family, friends, and our church.

Like Ducky and Hots, "I'm in." Join us.

*Roger Gower*

**Mark Your Calendar!**

**WestFest VI**  
**Sunday, December 2**  
**5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

**in the Green Lot**  
**with live music and**  
**local food trucks.**

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### NOVEMBER 18 5:45 P.M. CHURCHWIDE DINNER

Join your church family for dinner, followed by activities for all ages and interests. The menu for our second November Night will be chicken, macaroni and cheese, green beans, roll, salad and cookies. Childcare will be available for children under two. To keep the check-in lines moving on November 18 we ask that you sign up and pay online by visiting [www.wpc-online.org](http://www.wpc-online.org) and registering under *Upcoming Events. Sign ups for the November 18 dinner end on Monday, November 12.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Adults (\$7.00): \_\_\_\_\_ Children ages 3-11 (\$3.50): \_\_\_\_\_

Nursery: # in crib \_\_\_\_\_ # in crawler \_\_\_\_\_ # in toddler \_\_\_\_\_

### NOVEMBER NIGHTS November 11 and 18, 2018

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#### ADULT CLASSES AVAILABLE

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