



First Sunday of Advent
Preparation for Worship

Holy God, heaven and earth may pass away but your realm is eternal and your promise is sure. Leaven our hearts with hope, so that by your light we would see the truth about ourselves and our world. Fan the flames of faith that lie dormant in our lives, and help us to bear fruit worthy of repentance as we prepare for the coming of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gathering and Preparing for **God's Word**

Welcome and Announcements

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Introit *Adoro te devote* Chant

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

9a Ben & Tricia Craddock, Emily, Reid, and Davis
11:15a Freddie & Tiffany Williams, Kass and Lindlee

* Call to Worship

Leader: On this day we bear witness to the light of Christ.
People: **We bear witness with all the faithful of every time and place.**

Leader: With John the Baptist, calling from the wilderness, we cry:
People: **Prepare the way of the Lord! Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.**
All: **Let us worship God!**

* Hymn 106 "Prepare the Way, O Zion" BEREDEN VÄG FÖR HERRAN

* Prayer of Confession

**God of the future,
you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule.
We confess that we have not expected your kingdom,
for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment.
We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth,
and refuse your justice and peace.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Grant us wisdom to welcome your way,
and to seek the things that will endure
when Christ comes to judge the world. Amen.**

* Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.
People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

* Gloria Patri, Hymn 581 GLORIA PATRI

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.

Hearing **God's Word**

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading, *Luke 7:18-23* p. 839

Second Scripture Reading, *Luke 3:1-6, 15-17* p. 834

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Advent Fire"

Responding to **God's Word**

* Affirmation of Faith *The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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.**

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Music during Communion 9a *Let Us Come* Marrolli
11:15a *Celtic Laud* Courtney

Prayer after Communion

Offering

Offertory 9a *Celtic Laud* Courtney
11:15a *God's Gonna Set This World on Fire* Spiritual/arr. Hogan

* Doxology #108 "Of the Father's Love Begotten" MINIMUM MYSTERIUM

Stanza 6: **Christ, to thee with God the Father, and,
O Holy Ghost, to thee,
hymn and chant and high thanksgiving
and unwearied praises be.
Honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory,
evermore and evermore! Amen.**

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn 82 "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" HYFRYDOL

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude *Advent Recessional* Evanovich

*All who are able may stand

Leading Worship **this Morning**

Ben Dorr, *preaching*

Nick Carson, *liturgist*

Jennifer McDavid (9a), Ben Edwards (11:15a), *scripture readers*

Joshua Evanovich, *guest organist*

Lynne Robinson (9a), *pianist*

Youth Choirs (9a)

The Sanctuary Choir (11:15a)

Rosemary Hughes, *soloist*

Jacob Barker, *head usher*

Will Edwards, Creighton Likes, Carrie Marguet,

Mandy Pruitt, Elizabeth Timmons (9a), *greeters*

Betsy Raines, Jeff Reynolds, Trey Morrow,

Amy Hawkins, Bill Holt (11:15a), *greeters*

WORSHIP NOTES

NURSERY

Childcare is available for infants through 4K. Our nurturing staff of experienced caregivers and parent volunteers offers a welcoming environment for children. The Nursery is located on the mezzanine level. The entrance is at Westminster Drive, at the columbarium or near the Westminster Weekday School offices. The Family Lounge, located down the stairs from the front office and straight down the hallway on the right, is available for any child caregiver and includes worship livestream, comfortable seating, and a changing table.

WORSHIP BAGS

Each Sunday we offer worship bags in the Atrium for children. The worship bags are designed to include reusable items that engage children in open ended play during worship. While children attend worship with their families, they can participate in worship and play to make meaning in faith. Please return the zipper bag and its contents each Sunday.

WELCOME TO WPC!

Please fill out a name tag and find more information about WPC at the Welcome Table in the Atrium. First time visitors are also invited to take home a WPC mug.

CONNECT WITH WESTMINSTER

Looking for ways to be involved? Please complete a Connection Card from the Ritual of Friendship pad and place it in the offering plate to express interest or sign up for an opportunity.

We Remember in Prayer

Ron Schlacht and his family on the death of Ron's son, Michael Schlacht, on Sunday, November 24, 2024, in Indianapolis, IN.



Texts for vocal solos and choral music may be found online by scanning this QR code.

ADVENT DOXOLOGY

Throughout the season of Advent we will sing the final stanza of "Of the Father's Love Begotten" as our Trinitarian Doxology following the offertory. This is one of many Doxology verses found in the hymnal. As with the lighting of the Advent candles, our singing of it helps us to mark this season as a time set apart, while also pointing us toward the first chapter of the Gospel of John - the final lesson read in our Lessons and Carols service on the Fourth Sunday of Advent.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE FUND

A special offering for the Congregational Care Fund is received on Communion Sundays. This fund is used to assist members of the congregation in a time of financial need. Please make checks payable to Westminster Presbyterian Church and mark for Congregational Care.

WESTFEST XII
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1
5-7P

Join us for the twelfth annual WestFest in the main parking lot. We'll have live music from Trey Duncan Sings and food from the Spinx Cluk Truk and Local Pie Pizza. Kick off Advent with your church family for one of our most beloved traditions!

WOMEN OF WESTMINSTER
SUNDAY DECEMBER 8

ADVENT LUNCHEON - 12:30P

All women of Westminster are invited to the annual Advent Luncheon on Sunday, December 8. The luncheon will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 11:15a worship service. Lunch will be catered by Sunflower Cafe and will include a choice of homemade lasagna or vegetable lasagna, salad, roll, and dessert. The cost is \$15 per person and the deadline to sign up is Wednesday, December 4. Please sign up on the church website.

2024 PLEDGE UPDATE

As of the end of October, we are over 80% through the year, and have received 67% of pledges made for 2024. Please check your quarterly giving statement to see where you stand with your 2024 giving. Thank you for your generosity with Westminster!

CHANCEL CHOIR

The Chancel Choir is a part time choral ensemble that meets periodically to prepare a choral anthem for presentation in the 9a worship service. This is a good opportunity for those who wish to participate in a choir but who are unable to make the commitment for weekly participation in the Sanctuary Choir. All are welcome to sing! For more information, contact Marlon Hurst, Director of Music. Upcoming schedule: Tuesdays, Dec. 3 and 10: Rehearsal, 7-7:45p; Sunday, Dec. 15 – Sing in 9a Worship.

WITNESS AND SERVICE TRIP TO SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO FEBRUARY 22- MARCH 1, 2025

Join us as we travel to San Juan, Puerto Rico to partner with the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance response in the Monteflores neighborhood of San Juan. Puerto Rico was severely affected by Tropical Storm Ernesto this past summer, and we'll be joining the ongoing disaster response effort which began in response to Hurricanes Irma and Maria. Contact Nick Carson to learn more or sign up. Sign up on the website by December 1 to secure a spot!

PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITY: 2025 A PILGRIMAGE TO SCOTLAND MARCH 12-23

Join us on our inaugural international pilgrimage! The 12-day journey provides a deep dive into the Scottish roots of the Presbyterian Church. Contact Leigh Stuckey with questions or for more information.

VOLUNTEER FOR PROJECT HOST

Please consider signing up to volunteer at Project Host in 2025. This is a great opportunity to serve our community with other members of Westminster. Four volunteers are needed every other Tuesday from 9a-1p. During this time, you will prepare a nutritious lunch, serve the patrons, and clean up after lunch service. Please sign up at <https://wpc-online.org/events-registration>. Contact Susan Clark at 864-982-4130 or susanhunterclark@gmail.com for more information.

WOMEN OF WESTMINSTER SOTERIA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

WPC is continuing monthly dinners with the women of Soteria! Our next dinner is Monday, December 9. We are looking for women to bring dinner and participate in fellowship with residents of the Soteria Women's House. Please email Brooke Culclasure (bculclasure@mac.com) to volunteer.

WESTMINSTER BOOK CLUB

The Westminster Book Club will meet Tuesday, December 3, at 6p in the Charter Room for a Christmas social and to pick books for 2025. Please bring a goodie to share.

CHILD PROTECTION TRAINING

Child Protection Training will be offered via a Zoom training class on Tuesday, December 3, 12p. Training is required by the Session for anyone volunteering with children and youth. Contact the church office for the Zoom training link or Lauren Slingerland (lslingerland@wpc-online.org) for more information.

COMMUNITY BOOK FAIR NIGHT

On Wednesday, December 11 (5:30-7:30p), the Scholastic Book Fair, hosted by the WWS, will be open to the community in the Fellowship Hall. Come and shop for Christmas gifts or new books for the season!

MEN OF WESTMINSTER

The Men of Westminster will be hosting its annual Christmas social at Southernside Brewing (25 Delano Dr), on Thursday, December 12, at 5:30p. We hope all can join for socializing and fellowship.




CONNECTIONS GROUP

Connections, a lunch group for singles and doubles, will meet on December 15 at 12:45p at City Range (615 Haywood). Please RSVP to ruthjohnst51@gmail.com by Friday, December 13. Newcomers are always welcome!

Our Vision:
Open Minds
Open Hearts

Our Pillars:
Hospitality
Generosity
Justice
Imagination
Joy

Our Goals:
Connect
Serve
Grow

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS
December 1-8, 2024

Sunday, December 1
First Sunday of Advent
8:00a Youth Choir Breakfast
8:15 Youth Choir Rehearsal
9:00 Worship Service with communion
10:00 Adult Sunday School
Intergenerational Wreath Making Class
10:55 Sunday Session Meeting
11:15 Worship Service with communion
4:00p Senior High Choir Rehearsal
4:30 Middler Choir Rehearsal
5:00 WestFest XII

Monday, December 2
6:00p Lightly Seasoned to decorate Entrance Pavilion tree
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday, December 3
12:00p Al-Anon Meeting
Administrative Committee Meeting
Men of Westminster to decorate Sanctuary Atrium tree
6:00 Book Club Meeting
7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, December 4
9:30a Weekday Chapel
2:15p It's Elementary
3:30 Cherub Choir
4:30 Junior & Senior Choristers
5:00 Women of Westminster to decorate Sanctuary trees
7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, December 5
10:00a Bible Study
4:30p Connect, Serve, Grow Task Force Meeting
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous

Saturday, December 7
1:00p Youth Choir Day Out

Sunday, December 8
Second Sunday of Advent
8:00a Youth Choir Breakfast
8:15 Youth Choir Rehearsal
9:00 Worship Service
Witness & Service Committee Meeting
10:00 Adult Sunday School
10:55 Sunday Session Meeting
11:15 Worship Service
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4:00 Cherub Choir Christmas
5:00 Middler Youth Group
6:00 Youth Dinner
6:30 Senior High Youth Group

RETIREMENT GIVING

Make Qualified Distributions from your IRAs: Westminster members age 70.5 and older can support the church with a gift from their Individual Retirement Account. Qualified charitable distributions from IRAs may offer tax advantages while benefiting WPC's local and global ministries. Contact the church office for more information.

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From the Pews, Blake Hoffman

On this first Sunday of Advent, most of us have surely already engaged in some form of anticipation for the season at hand. As the liturgical calendar begins and the Gregorian calendar winds down, it is easy for Advent to get lumped in with, or overwhelmed by, the perennial furor that can take over our lives. The season of anticipation is layered amongst a feral, current moment. For many, this can easily transform into a season of angst and anxiety.

Today, we celebrate the hope of anticipation. In our text, Luke conveys the story of John the Baptist as he prepares the way. This is not merely a birth announcement of salvation, or a history lesson. It is a set of instructions that is not bound by time. It would be quite incomplete to think that the Hebrews did the waiting and anticipating for all of eternity. Far from it. Like the Hebrews before us, we must be mindful that we, too, are in a state of anticipation. We await the marking of the historical event of Jesus' birth, and we await his return. In this moment, I am reminded of the Hopi community, as described by theologian Steven Charleston. In his book, *We Survived the End of the World*, Charleston attributes the staying power of the Hopi culture as "not being grounded in the here and now." The Hopi tradition, by default, places their people in a broader context and offers them a mindset outside of this current moment.

Entering Advent, let us stay mindful to not get caught up in the short sighted perspective of a busy calendar. There remain paths and crooked roads to be made straight. There are valleys to be filled in. Mountains and hills that are meant to be made low, and rough ways to be smoothed. You and I are a part of the continuum of hope on this First Sunday of Advent. This moment is larger than the 'here and now.' Let us hope, and be patient. The Light of the world is coming. Thanks be to God!



As he lay swaddled in the manger, Jesus received three gifts from the wise men. To mark the surprise, delight, and joy of that morning two millennia ago, it has been the practice of Christians to exchange gifts with one another on Christmas morning, a tradition that connects us to our past and to generations and communities who have gone ahead of us. Westminster is proud to host the Second Annual Magi Market at Pleasant Valley Connection on Saturday, December 14. Members of Westminster are asked to help provide gifts to stock the shelves of our one-day toy store. Children will receive three gifts (one small, medium, and large) and a stuffed stocking. Each family goes home with a Christmas book and game or puzzle of their choice. We need volunteers to help set up the store, provide hospitality as families shop for gifts, and break down after all the shopping has ended. Find out more about the Market by scanning the QR code above or contact Carrie Marguet (carriemarguet@gmail.com).

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SUPPERS WITH SEVEN JANUARY - MARCH 2025

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Name(s): _____ (include both names, if a couple)
Phone: _____ (will be shared with your group)
Email Address: _____ (will be shared with your group)

Preferred Method of Contact: ___ email ___ phone call ___ text

Please check as many as apply:

_____ I/We can host and lead the first gathering of Suppers with Seven.

_____ I/We cannot host the first gathering but would consider a subsequent one.

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HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF FUND

Westminster has established a Hurricane Helene Relief Fund. Our Witness & Service Committee will determine the most urgent needs through our partner agencies and decide how best to use the funds. If you would like to give to this fund, you may make a check to Westminster, and write "Hurricane Helene Relief Fund" in the memo line. Or you may give through our website. On the Westminster homepage (wpc-online.org), click the Give Today link. That redirects to the Give webpage. On this page, click the Make a Gift/Give Today link. Fill in the requested information, choosing "Hurricane Helene Relief Fund" from the "I am giving today..." dropdown menu. Continue to fill in the requested information, clicking Submit to finalize the transaction. Thank you for your generosity during this difficult time for so many in our Greenville community and our neighbors in North Carolina!

WINTER SUNDAY SCHOOL TERM NOVEMBER 10-DECEMBER 8

Unpacking "I AM:" Jesus' Self-Revelation in the Gospel of John

Leigh Stuckey
Room 209 and Streaming

In the Gospel of John Jesus boldly proclaims his identity: the bread of life, the light of the world, the sheepdoor, the resurrection and the life, the good shepherd, the way, truth, and life, and the true vine. Each saying reveals something new of Jesus' character. Join Leigh for a series of lively lectures exploring the context and abiding legacies of Jesus' "I AM" statements.

Aging Gracefully

Room 212

December 1 – Heart and Soul

As people of faith, what do we believe about death, dying, and funerals! How do we wish to be remembered - in funerals or memorial services and in life?

- Dr. Joe Farry, chaplain, Compassus (formerly Open Arms Hospice),
864-665-4487 joe.farry@compassus.com
- Rev. Dan Kirkpatrick, dir. grief resources and education,
Thomas McAfee Funeral Homes
864-478-0273v (w) d.kirkpatrick@thomasmcafee.com
- Rev. Terri Price, parish associate, Westminster Presbyterian
864-616-9992 (c) tprice@wpc-online.org

Intergenerational Advent

Wreath-Making Class

All ages are invited to gather for a special Advent Wreath-Making Sunday School Hour on Sunday, December 1, at 10a in the Fellowship Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity for all generations to come together, create, and reflect on the season of Advent. Whether you're a seasoned crafter or new to wreath-making, we'll provide all the supplies you need to make a beautiful wreath for your home. Parents, please plan to stay with your children as we create together in this fun and meaningful activity. Everyone is welcome, so bring your friends, loved ones, and a spirit of creativity! We look forward to celebrating this Advent season with you.

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WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUPPERS WITH SEVEN JANUARY - MARCH 2025

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Name(s): _____ (include both names, if a couple)
Phone: _____ (will be shared with your group)
Email Address: _____ (will be shared with your group)

Preferred Method of Contact: ___ email ___ phone call ___ text

Please check as many as apply:

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