



All Saints' Sunday
Preparation for Worship

Almighty God, you have knit together your saints in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son, Christ our Lord. Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and faithful living that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for your children, through the love that cannot be broken in Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. 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.

Minute for Stewardship Rance Bryan

Prelude 9a Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing arr. N. Smith

Introit 11:15a Who Will Be a Witness arr. Moore

* Call to Worship Hebrews 12:1-2
Leader: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
People: let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,
Leader: looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith,
Leader: who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame,
People: and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.
All: Let us worship God!

* Hymn 326 "For All the Saints" SINE NOMINE

* Prayer of Confession
Eternal God,
in every age you have raised up women and men to live and die in faith.
We confess that we are indifferent to your will.
You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent.
You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle.
You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Give us courage to follow in your way,
that joined with those from ages past,
who have served you with faith, hope, and love,
we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ.
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.

11:15a Children in K5 - first grade are invited to leave for Children's Church.

Hearing God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson, Numbers 20:9-13 p. 121

Second Scripture Lesson, Deuteronomy 34:1-8, 10 p. 168

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Short of the Finish Line"

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.

A Ritual of Remembrance

We give thanks to God for the following Westminster members who joined the Church Triumphant in the past year: Mickey Brown, Stokes Browning, Gareth Crain, Ron Lawson, Bright Lowry, Karl Nations, Raymond Newsom, Sally Timmerman, Larry Wagner, Marylyn Waters.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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.

Offering

Offertory 9a Saints Bound for Heaven arr. Parker/Shaw

Offertory 11:15a This Little Light of Mine arr. Berg

* Doxology Hymn 606 OLD HUNDRETH

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

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn 366 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" HYFRYDOL

* Charge and Benediction

* Benediction Response "Grant Us Your Peace, O God" IONA

* Postlude O God, Our Help in Ages Past arr. Young

*All who are able may stand

Leading Worship this Morning

Ben Dorr, preaching
Nick Carson, liturgist
Sam Inman (9a), Ben Edwards (11:15a), scripture readers
Nancy Smith, guest organist
Youth Choirs (11:15a)
Ben Bloodworth, cello (11:15a)
Lynne Robinson, pianist (11:15a)
Sanctuary Choir (11:15a)
Aaron Cizon (9a), Bill Young (11:15a), head ushers
Denise Broderick, Tiffany Williams, Emily Cole,
Blake Hoffman, Ben Dillard (9a), greeters
Will Edwards, Amanda Warren, Ingrid Erwin,
Zach Weaver, Mary Mac Fairey (11:15a), greeters
Delaney Cox (11:15a), acolyte

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.

We Remember in Prayer

Julie Garrett and her family on the death of Julie's mother, Geraldine S. Killian, on Wednesday, October 22, 2025.

Brent Thomasson and his family on the death of Brent's mother, Abby Thomasson, on Sunday, October 26, 2025.

Nicole Ream and her family on the death of Nicole's father, Jim Pascoe, on Monday, October 27, 2025.



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

With Thanksgiving We Celebrate

BIRTH

The birth of a son, William Myer Klett, to Jonathan & Lauren Klett, on Sunday, June 15, 2025.

FALL SERMON SERIES:
THE EXODUS STORY:
FAITH, FEAR, & FREEDOM

Our fall sermon series will explore the story of the Exodus: God's liberation of the Hebrew people from slavery in Egypt. It's a story about what it means to be heard by God, saved by God, and called into covenant relationship with God. It's a story of fear and courage, of wandering in the wilderness, of God's transcendence and God's imminence, of what it means to live in covenant community with one another. It's the central salvation story of the Old Testament, and one that echoes throughout the New Testament as well. To help you follow along, we will provide scripture passages to read in preparation for the upcoming Sundays. For the next three weeks, the suggested readings are the following:

Nov 2: Deuteronomy 34:1-8
Nov 9: Deuteronomy 6:1-9
Nov 16: Exodus 33:12-23

NOMINATIONS FOR ELDERS

If you have a name that you would like the Nominating Committee to consider for next year's Session, please email Stephen Ridgeway, Nominating Committee chair, at srr1999@bellsouth.net. The Nominating Committee will meet this Sunday, November 2.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME:

Remember to turn your clocks back one hour this Saturday evening, November 1.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY IS
NOVEMBER 9!

Our stewardship campaign theme this year is **Open**. Please consider participating in the Open Door Challenge. If half of our membership increases their pledge by \$1,000, and the other half by \$500, we will reach our goal! Every pledge is important, and no gift is too small. Thank you for your generosity with Westminster!

BAPTISM CLASS

If you would like to have your child baptized at Westminster, our next Baptism class is scheduled for Sunday, November 9, at 12:30p. Please notify the church office if you would like to attend, and we will be glad to send you the information for this class.

VISITATION MINISTRY

Can you spare one hour a month? Are you a good listener or a good conversationalist? Would you like to get involved in a meaningful ministry at WPC? If so, the WPC Visitation Ministry just might be a good fit for you. The Visitation Ministry consists of volunteers who commit to visiting a fellow WPC member once a month. Recipients of this visitation ministry are those who are elderly, infirmed or isolated and may no longer be able to come to church. If you are interested in volunteering or learning more about the Visitation Ministry contact Janie Little at 864-414-0184 or jrlittle42@gmail.com.

CHANCEL CHOIR

The Chancel Choir is a lower-commitment choir that provides an opportunity for those who have never sung in choir but would like to try or for those who cannot commit to a weekly rehearsal. The Chancel Choir is scheduled to sing next on Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday, Nov. 23. Rehearsals will be held on Tuesdays, Nov. 11 and 18 7-7:45p in the choir room. All are welcomed to participate, regardless of skill level. Please contact Marlon Hurst for additional information.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

We are offering free blood pressure screenings the first Sunday of each month. Beginning November 2, screenings will take place in the Friendship Court immediately following the 10a Sunday School hour. If you have any questions or if you are a healthcare professional and would like to help, please contact Emily Cole at ecol1217@gmail.com.

WESTMINSTER BOOK CLUB

The Westminster Book Club will meet Tuesday, November 4, at 6:30p in the library. Kathryn Algary will review *Tell me Everything* by Elizabeth Strout. The December meeting will be held on December 2. We will have our Christmas social and planning meeting where we will pick the books for 2026. All are welcome to come!

THEOLOGY READING GROUP

The Theology Reading Group will meet in the Charter Room on Monday, November 17. at 7p. Julia Bellew will lead the discussion of *Pilgrim: A Theological Memoir* by Tony Campolo with Steve Rabey. Read the book and join us for an interesting evening. All are welcome.

TEXT "wpcgreenville"

Wondering if weather will postpone an event? Need a reminder to sign up for a church-wide meal? Text "wpcgreenville" to (864)232-2424 to get up-to-date information about our life together! We promise we won't bombard you. Text today or follow the QR code. Text replies are not frequently monitored, please note that this number does not belong to a member of WPC staff.



GIVING TO WPC

Did you know that you can fulfill your pledge or give an unpledged gift to Westminster online? Your gift helps our church keep faith with community partners and maintain excellence in our programming. To learn more about online giving, or to make a gift, follow the prompts from the QR code below.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS
November 2-9, 2025

Sunday, November 2
All Saints' Sunday
9:00a Worship Service
10:00 Sunday School
10:15 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
10:55 Sunday Session Meeting
11:15 Worship Service
12:15p Montreat Registration Meeting
2:00 Nominating Committee Meeting
4:00 Vespers Service
4:00 First Steps in Music (Class 1)
4:30 First Steps in Music (Class 2)
5:00 Youth Choir Rehearsals
6:00 Youth Dinner
6:30 Middler Youth Group
Senior High Youth Group

Monday, November 3
7:00p Monday Game Night
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday, November 4
12:00p Al-Anon
Administrative Committee Meeting
6:30 Book Club Meeting

Wednesday, November 5
9:00a Hiking Group
9:30 Weekday Chapel
2:30p It's Elementary
3:30 Cherub Choir
4:30 Junior & Senior Choristers
7:00 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 6
10:00a Bible Study
7:00p Montreat Registration Meeting
8:00 Narcotics Anonymous

Friday, November 7
Middler Retreat

Saturday, November 8

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Sunday, November 9
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
Commitment Sunday
Middler Retreat

9:00a Worship Service
Witness & Service Committee Meeting
10:00 Sunday School
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From the Pews, Bonnie McTyre

From Mess to Meaning

I've always loved tidiness. "No mess, no stress" used to be my way of life. Then we had children. Now I can walk into a room and feel tension rise as I step over toys on the floor or spot a ketchup bottle left on the couch. Parenting comes with messes—plenty of them.

But not all messes are physical. We all face emotional, relational, and spiritual messes too: a fading friendship, too many assignments at work, feeling misunderstood by a loved one, dealing with unexpected expenses, or feeling disconnected. It can be hard to balance our physical lives with our spiritual journey, when the demands of work, family, and self-care never seem to pause. Yet in those moments of questioning, comparing, or wrestling with life's complications, God meets us with comfort and truth.

The very things that feel messy can hold unexpected beauty. For us, the clutter in our house is a reminder of the gift of children—who fill our home with love, laughter, and hope. A supportive church home also gives us space to bring our messes, finding meaning and renewal through the teachings of Christ.

As our children grow, we desire for them to be surrounded by a community that reflects Christ's bold love, deep peace, and humble surrender—a community that shows love through action, not just words. As 1 John 3:18 reminds us: "Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth."

That's why our family is so grateful for Westminster. Here, people of all backgrounds come together in God's love. We support one another through challenges and rejoice in life's special moments. Adults and youth are nurtured in faith. Our dedicated music ministry lifts us in worship. Our children grow through afterschool activities, basketball, and youth group. There are book clubs, dinner groups, game nights, and trips where friendships are formed and faith is deepened. And our service stretches beyond these walls into the world.

None of this happens without the generosity of our members. In this season of stewardship, our family is reflecting on how we can best support Westminster—not only with our presence and participation, but also by prayerfully increasing our financial giving.

Life will always be messy. But with open minds and open hearts, we see how God transforms the mess into blessing—through a community rooted in love, truth, and hope.

Back to School Adult Sunday School Term
Classes will meet October 19 – November 9

Jesus’ Sermon on the Mount
Led by the Reverend Ron Shive, retired PCUSA pastor
Room 209 and Streaming

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What We Talk About When We Talk About Salvation: Jesus, Sin, and the Battle for Humanity
Led by Leigh Stuckey
Room 212

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November 9: LeAnne White

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2nd/3rd (Movie Room)
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NOVEMBER 2, 4P
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NOVEMBER 9, 4P
TE DEUM BY HANDEL
Handel's stirring Baroque masterwork *Utrecht Te Deum* will be presented by Westminster's Sanctuary Choir with guest soloists and orchestra during Vespers on Sunday, November 9, at 4p. Composed to celebrate peace after years of war, Handel's jubilant work resounds with triumphant choruses, radiant solos, and orchestral brilliance in a musical setting of one of the earliest liturgical texts in the Christian tradition that offers a message of gratitude and hope as relevant today as it was when it premiered in 1713. Whether you are a longtime lover of Baroque music or new to Handel's genius, this service will be sure to lift your spirit as we move into the seasons of Thanksgiving and Advent. Make plans to join us for this uplifting concert - and bring friends!

HIKING GROUP
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5
Join the Hiking Group on a canoe tour through the Congaree Swamp system. Leader: Durden Collins (durden.collins@gmail.com).

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WITH WPC YOUTH GROUP
The WPC Youth Group invites Westminster's senior adults to dinner at 6p on Sunday, November 2, in the Fellowship Hall. As the youth study relationships, we will discuss relationships with our neighbors at 6:30p. Afterwards, we'll have games and crafts. Contact the church office at (864) 232-2424 to make your reservation to join in this special dinner and discussion time with our youth.

YOUNG ADULTS
Young Adults are invited to an oyster roast on Sunday, November 16, from 3-5p at the home of Tyler & Mary Knight Felt (214 Aberdeen Dr). Cost is \$20 per adult and covers oysters and appetizers. Please BYOB. Children are welcome and eat for free! To reserve your spot, please Venmo @ MaryKnightFelt. Questions? Contact Mary Frances Weed (mfhb08@gmail.com).

WOMEN'S RETREAT
FEBRUARY 13-15, 2026
Join Westminster Women at the annual Women's Retreat on February 13-15, 2026. The retreat will take place at the Kanuga Conference Center in Flat Rock, NC. This year's conference will be led by Sandra Smith, a Certified Enneagram Consultant and author of *Heart of the Enneagram: A Companion for Deepening Personal and Spiritual Growth*. You will find the retreat a joy-filled, reflective experience with other women from WPC! Register online.

CHANCEL HANDBELL CHOIR
TheChancelHandbellChoirisseeking handbell ringers to ring a piece in worship on Sunday, December 7. Rehearsals will be held on Tuesdays, November 18 and December 2 from 6-6:45p and Sunday morning, December 7, 8a, to prepare a piece to ring in the 9a service on that day. Ringers must commit to be present for all three dates. Prior handbell ringing experience is helpful but not required. The ability to read music is required. A minimum of 8 ringers is necessary for us to proceed. Participation is open to adults and high school students. The deadline to register is 9a, Monday, November 10. Contact Marlon Hurst, Director of Music, for further information.

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VESPERS -
NOVEMBER 2, 4P
In the Reformed Tradition we do not pray to or celebrate particular saints. Instead, we recognize the Priesthood of all Believers, celebrating that all Christians are called play a role in God's story, to serve God and neighbor, and to be faithful in their lives. All of us are made saints in the eyes of God. On November 2, All Saints Sunday, join us for an afternoon vespers service as we give thanks and remember the Saints of our lives past and present.

NOVEMBER 9, 4P
TE DEUM BY HANDEL
Handel's stirring Baroque masterwork *Utrecht Te Deum* will be presented by Westminster's Sanctuary Choir with guest soloists and orchestra during Vespers on Sunday, November 9, at 4p. Composed to celebrate peace after years of war, Handel's jubilant work resounds with triumphant choruses, radiant solos, and orchestral brilliance in a musical setting of one of the earliest liturgical texts in the Christian tradition that offers a message of gratitude and hope as relevant today as it was when it premiered in 1713. Whether you are a longtime lover of Baroque music or new to Handel's genius, this service will be sure to lift your spirit as we move into the seasons of Thanksgiving and Advent. Make plans to join us for this uplifting concert - and bring friends!

HIKING GROUP
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5
Join the Hiking Group on a canoe tour through the Congaree Swamp system. Leader: Durden Collins (durden.collins@gmail.com).

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WPC SENIOR ADULTS
INVITED TO DINNER
WITH WPC YOUTH GROUP
The WPC Youth Group invites Westminster's senior adults to dinner at 6p on Sunday, November 2, in the Fellowship Hall. As the youth study relationships, we will discuss relationships with our neighbors at 6:30p. Afterwards, we'll have games and crafts. Contact the church office at (864) 232-2424 to make your reservation to join in this special dinner and discussion time with our youth.

YOUNG ADULTS
Young Adults are invited to an oyster roast on Sunday, November 16, from 3-5p at the home of Tyler & Mary Knight Felt (214 Aberdeen Dr). Cost is \$20 per adult and covers oysters and appetizers. Please BYOB. Children are welcome and eat for free! To reserve your spot, please Venmo @ MaryKnightFelt. Questions? Contact Mary Frances Weed (mfhb08@gmail.com).

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