Sunday, November 30, 2025 | On Demand on YouTube | 9a & 11:15a



First Sunday of Advent **Preparation for Worship**

God of grace, ever faithful to your promises, the earth rejoices in hope of our Savior's coming and looks forward with longing to his return at the end of time. Prepare our hearts to receive him when he comes, for he is Lord forever and ever. 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.

Prelude O Come, O Come Emmanuel Biery "Come Now, O Prince of Peace" O-SO-SO Introit

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Shelden & Christie Timmerman, Kristin and Tatum Timmerman

11:15a Ryan and James Montgomery

* Call to Worship Isaiah 40:28, 31

How you not known? Have you not heard? Leader:

The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

Those who wait for the Lord People:

shall renew their strength. Leader:

They shall mount up with wings like eagles. People: They shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Let us worship God!

* Hymn 88 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" VENI EMMANUEL Stanzas 1, 5, 6, 7

* Prayer of Confession

All:

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 things that will endure

when Christ comes to judge the world, for 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 "Angels We Have Heard on High" GLORIA

> Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Hearing God's Word

Prayer for Illumination First Scripture Lesson, Matthew 25:1-13 p. 806 Second Scripture Lesson, Matthew 24:36-44 p. 806 Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Left Behind"

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. And also with you. People: Leader: Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. People:

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Leader: 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 Of the Father's Love Begotten arr. Hayes

Prayer after Communion

Offering

Offertory 9a Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending arr. Jackson 11:15a Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence arr. Holst

Doxology, Hymn 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn 104 "O Lord, How Shall I Meet You" VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying

*All who are able may stand

Wold

Leading Worship this Morning

Ben Dorr, preaching

Nick Carson, liturgist

Talitha Allen (9a), Kathi Hurst (11:15a), scripture readers

Rosemary Hughes (9a), soloist

Sanctuary Choir (11:15a)

George Howell (9a), Bill Young (11:15a), head ushers

Amy Hawkins, Carrie Marguet, Tim Reed,

Jeff Reynolds, Betsy Raines (9a), greeters

Mike Peters, Trey Morrow, Walker Miller,

Tiffany Williams, Mandy Pruitt (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.



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

We Remember in Prayer

Brooke Williams and her family on the death of Brooke's father. Bob Anderson, on Tuesday, November 11,

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.

THORNWELL OFFERING

Thornwell, a residential home and foster program located in Clinton, SC. provides a place for children who need a stable home life, a solid education, and spiritual nurturing. As members of Westminster, we have an opportunity to share in meeting this need. Please make checks payable to Westminster and designate for Thornwell.

WESTFEST XIII SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Join us for the thirteenth annual WestFest from 5-7p in the main parking lot. We'll have live music from Trey Duncan Sings and food from the Knight Bites and Local Pie Pizza. Kick off Advent with your church family for one of our most beloved traditions!

MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY@WPC TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

To Schedule, call: 864-675-4875 **tell the scheduler that you wish to be scheduled for the WPC Mobile Event.

> No Children's Church this Sunday, November 30

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2025 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Please check your quarterly giving statements to see where you stand with your 2025 giving. Thank you for your generosity with Westminster.

2025 GIVING

Please have any contributions you wish to show on your 2025 contribution statement postmarked by December 31, 2025, or you can hand deliver to the Church office on or before December 31. You can also place your offering in the plate by Sunday, December 28. By fulfilling your pledge, you enable us to keep faith with our mission partners.

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.



RETIREMENT GIVING

your IRAs: Westminster members each month. Please contact Brooke age 70.5 and older can support the church with a gift from their Retirement Account. Individual Oualified charitable distributions Westminster Book Club from IRAs may offer tax advantages while benefiting WPC's local and global ministries. Contact the in the Charter Room. We will have church office for more information.

CONNECTIONS

singles and couples, will meet at All are welcome to come! Ottoray's Raw Bar and Tap Room (1418 Laurens Rd) on Sunday, December 14, at 12:45p after the 11:15a worship service. Please RSVP to Ruth Johnston (ruthjohnst51@ gmail.com) by Friday, December 12. Newcomers are always welcome!

2026 OPEN STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:

Bylate November, WPC had received As of Monday, November 24, we 86% of anticipated pledge income. have received 85% of our pledge goal for 2026! If you have not yet turned in your 2026 pledge, we need you! If half the congregation raises their pledge by \$1000, and the other half by \$500, we will reach our goal. Every pledge is important, and no pledge is too small!

HIKING GROUP

The Hiking Group will meet on Wednesday, December 4, to hike the Pulliam Creek Trail. If interested in this hike, please contact Durden Collins (durden.collins@gmail.com).

THE CAROLINA BRONZE HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

The Carolina Bronze Handbell Ensemble will present a concert titled "Joy to the World" on Monday, December 8 at 7p in the WPC Sanctuary. The concert will feature fresh arrangements of familiar and traditional Christmas songs. Several other instruments and percussion will be featured in many of the pieces. There is no admission cost for this concert. You are invited to attend and bring friends to ring in the festive season!

SOTERIA WOMEN'S HOUSE

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The Westminster Book Club will meet Tuesday, December 2, at 6:30p our Christmas social and planning meeting where we will pick the books for 2026. Everyone is asked Connections, a lunch group for to bring your favorite pick-up food.

WESTMINSTER MEN'S CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

Wednesday, December 11

(25 Delano Dr.)

We are looking for women interested in participating in our monthly dinners/fellowship nights with the residents of the Soteria Women's House. Dinners take place Make Qualified Distributions from on the second Monday evenings of Culclasure com or 864-593-8912) if you are interested in learning more!

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS November 30 - December 7, 2025

Sunday, November 30

First Sunday of Advent

9:00a	Worship Service w/communion
10:00	Sunday School
	Advent Wreath Making Workshop
10:55	Sunday Session Meeting
11:15	Worship Service w/communion

5:00p WestFest XIII

Monday, December 1

5:30p	Community Gifts & Needs Task
	Force Meeting
7:00	Monday Game Night
8.00	Narcotics Anonymous

Tuesday, December 2

12:00p	Administrative Committee Meeting
	Al-Anon
6:00	Men of Westminster Board
	Meeting & Tree Decoration
6:30	Book Club Meeting

Wednesday, December 3

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9:30a	Weekday Chapel	
2:30	It's Elementary	
3:30	Cherub Choir	
4:30	Junior & Senior Choristers	
7:00	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	
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Thursday, December 4

8:30a	Hiking Group
10:00	Thursday Bible Study

Sunday, December 7 Second Sunday of Advent

9:00a Worship Service

10:00	Sunday School
	Child Protection Training
10:15	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
10:55	Sunday Session Meeting
11:15	Worship Service
12:30p	Women of Westminster Advent
	Luncheon
4:00	Cherub Choir Christmas Program
5:00	Youth Choir Rehearsals
6:00	Youth Dinner
6:30	Middler Youth Group
	Senior High Youth Group

Our Vision:

Open minds open hearts.

Our Pillars:

Hospitality Generosity Justice *Imagination* Joy

Our Goals:

Connect Serve Grow

HARBINGER

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From the Pews, Amanda Warren

I don't know about you, but I do not like the unknown. I prefer the comfort of events and outcomes that are expected and can be controlled. My husband learned early on in our dating life that I do not like surprises. The unknown is unsettling to me. I thrive with an organized calendar and the ability to make plans and then carry them out.

Unfortunately, today's scripture describes the exact opposite of a planned event occurring. In this passage from the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus says that the day and hour of his Second Coming will be unknown to all except for the Father (including to Jesus himself!). Jesus speaks of multiple groups of people in which one person will be taken and the other will be left behind. Earlier in this book of Matthew, Jesus tells of the signs that will let us know that the Second Coming is near. However, he also warns that humans have a history of not paying attention to important signs and that we must be ready because the Son of Man will come at an hour we do not expect.

Well, darn. The Second Coming does not sound like it fits into my likes or plans. Actually, the Second Coming sounds like quite an alarming moment. People will be going about their usual lives and then half of the population will suddenly disappear!

But what if this moment doesn't have to be so scary? What if we can actually approach the Second Coming with joy instead of fear? How can we create a feeling of awe and thankfulness instead of apprehension about the Second Coming despite our inability to add this event to our personal or family planners?

When talking to his disciples in this passage, Jesus speaks explicitly of the need for watchfulness. There is a lot going on in the world right now that we need to be paying attention to, including treatment of minority groups, our neighbors' hunger or lack of an affordable home, genocide, global warming, and systems that perpetuate racism. The list goes on. I am not a Biblical expert, but I bet if we commit to living a life of watchfulness and then respond to what we see in the way Jesus calls us to respond, we won't be startled by the Second Coming. If we "keep awake" as Jesus instructed and live the lives of connection and care that our faith demands, we can be ready. Even me, and even if that special day is not noted on my calendar.

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Room 209 and Streaming

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United Ministries is requesting peanut butter, jelly, canned meats, canned mixed vegetables, oatmeal, macaroni and cheese, canned pasta. ramen noodles, cereal, and saltines. If you would like to donate, donations will be collected in the United Ministries cabinet in the Friendship Court or you can make a monetary donation on their website.

Women of Westminster DECEMBER 7 AT 12:30PM ADVENT LUNCHEON:

All women of Westminster are invited to the annual Advent Luncheon on Sunday, December 7. The luncheon will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 11:15am worship service. The speaker will be Westminster's very own, Mary Kathleen Duncan. Lunch will be catered by Chef Cary Wolfe and a vegetarian option will be offered. Cost is \$15 per person with the deadline to sign up being Wednesday, December 3. Please sign up on the church website.

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! Please sign up on the church website.

PROJECT HOST

Please consider signing up to volunteer at Project Host in 2026. This is a great opportunity to serve our community with other members of Westminster. Five 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. Contact Nick Carson for further information. _____

SUPPERS WITH SEVEN January - March 2026

Sharing a meal is one of the best ways to establish and renew relationships with members of the Westminster church community. "Suppers With Seven" is seven (or so) persons - some couples, some singles, some older and some younger - gathering for a series of two or three meals at a time convenient to the group. To sign up, return this form to the church office, or fill out the online form on the church website by navigating to the Suppers With Seven page. The deadline to sign up is Monday, December 15.

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:	emailphone calltext
Please check as many as apply:	
I/We can host and lead th	e first gathering of Suppers with Seven.
I/We cannot host the first of	gathering - would consider a subsequent one
I/We cannot host but wou	ıld like to be part of a group.

Instructions For Communion Today

If you are seated in the main section of pews, you will proceed up the center aisle to receive communion. Please wait for an usher to prompt your row. Please take communion from one of the serving stations at the front of the chancel and return to your pew via the side aisle.

When you come to a serving station, take a piece of bread from the plate, dip the bread in the cup, and eat. All cups contain grape juice.

If you are seated in the transept pews at either side of the sanctuary, you will take communion from the servers at the back of the transept. The section of pews closest to the chancel will go first. Please wait to be prompted by the usher. When prompted, please proceed down the center aisle of the transept, take communion at the back of the transept, returning to your pew via the side transept aisle closest to your pew.

Please remain quiet during communion so that those who wish to pray may do so.

If you would like to receive communion but are unable to come forward, or if you would simply prefer to remain seated, there are two rovers to provide you with communion, one on each side aisle. When the rovers approach your pew, simply raise your hand to indicate that you would like to receive communion in your seat.

The bread we are offering at today's communion is labeled by the manufacturer as gluten, nut, egg, and dairy free, and includes the following ingredients: water, sour dough (rice flour, water), rice starch, cornstarch, sugars (rice syrup, caramelized sugar), modified cellulose, psyllium seed husk (vegetable fibre), sunflower oil, pea protein, yeast, millet flour, citrus fibre, rice flour, quinoa flour, salt, guar gum, corn flour. May Contain: Mustard, Sesame.

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