



# Westminster Presbyterian Church

*So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new  
creation—everything old has passed away;  
see, everything has become new!”*

II Corinthians 5:17

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# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 18, 2017

## **ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

Gathering Music – "Three Pieces from the 'Water Music'"

Handel

*I. Bouree*

*II. Minuet*

*III. Coro*

Prayer of Preparation (*you may prepare for worship by praying silently*)

How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand.

Psalm 139:17-18

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements

Wes Brooks

Call to Worship – from Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**

Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are his;

**We are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise.

**For the Lord is good and his love endures forever!**

Come! Let us worship the God whose faithfulness continues through all generations!

\* Hymn of Praise 370 – *This Is My Father's World*

\* Call to Confession

\* Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Loving God, we are your people and the sheep of your pasture.**

**However, we often act as if we are lost. In our minds, we say that we want to step out in faith and we believe that nothing is impossible with you, but then we stumble. We wind up harassed and helpless like sheep without a shepherd. We begin to rely on ourselves and not on you. We doubt and laugh in the face of the possibilities and promises you present to us. Forgive us, Lord. Teach us to trust and to step out in faith everyday. Forgive also the sins that we dare not mention out loud.**

(Time of silent reflection) Amen

- \* Assurance of Pardon (responsive from Romans 5)  
At just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for us.

**God demonstrated his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

Friends, this is the good news of the Gospel! Because of **Jesus'** sacrifice, our sins are forgiven!

**Alleluia!**

- \* The Congregation's Response: *Gloria Patri* Hymn 581

### **PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

Time with Children Alicia Westbrook

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson – Matthew 9:35-10:8 pew Bible pg. 790

The Word of the LORD. **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem – *O Be Joyful Ye Lands* Henry Purcell

O be joyful ye lands, for the Lord God is near us,  
Ruling with His strong hands, yet in prayer He doth hear us,  
O be joyful, O be joyful for God the Almighty is nigh.  
O be joyful, O be joyful for God the Almighty is nigh.  
We exult in His might, in His powers of creation,  
For His truth is the light and His love our salvation,  
O be joyful, O be joyful for God the Almighty is nigh.  
Sing praise to our Savior, sing praise to our Savior,  
Sing praise to our Savior who reigneth on high.

Second Lesson – Genesis 18:1-15 pew Bible pg. 12

Sermon – *Mission Possible* Tommy Suttle, Director of Discipleship

### **GIVE THANKS TO GOD**

- \* Affirmation of Faith: **The Apostles' Creed** (*unison*) (Hymnal pg. 35)

**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 life everlasting. Amen**

\* Hymn of Thanksgiving 655 – *What Shall I Render to the Lord*

Prayers of Intercession and 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.**

Offertory – *How Beautiful Are the Feet*

Handel

\* The Doxology – Hymn 606

\* Prayer of Dedication

### **GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\* Hymn of Consecration 719 – *Come, Labor On*

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Postlude – *Trumpet Tune in C*

*McCabe*



\* Please stand at the \* as you are able. Unison readings are **printed in bold**. Please remove all papers from the sanctuary when you leave.



## PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

*Janice Bettencourt, Kathy Cain's mother – admitted to Bedford Care*  
*Erin Blanchard, Michael Raggio's goddaughter – undergoing major surgery June 19*  
*to correct severe scoliosis, with a prolonged and painful recovery*  
*Marilyn Bowen, Sam Dossett's sister – colon cancer*  
*Brandy Zachary Carter, friend of Nancy Johnson – inconclusive cancer scans*  
*Noelle Carter, 1<sup>st</sup> grader at PCS – diagnosed with liver cancer in December,*  
*received a liver transplant*  
*Becky Dahle, friend of Nancy Johnson – inflammation with side effects of medicine*  
*Sam Dossett – at home*  
*Sandy Hendrix, friend of Gene Fair – on hospice*  
*Geraldine Jones and her family*  
*Carolyn McLarnan's niece, Saira Reid Lee, husband Simon & new daughter Aneesa,*  
*who was born at 30 weeks and is in ICU in Glasgow, Scotland, now weighs 3 lbs. 14 oz.*  
*Mary Halliwell, friend of Mary and Dean Cromartie – pancreatic cancer*  
*Nell Hollingsworth, Holley Holifield's nanny as a child – frequent falls requiring stitches*  
*and a wired jaw*  
*Crystal Miller, friend of Nancy Johnson – in stepdown unit after heart & lung transplants*  
*Pat Jefcoat, friend of Janet Burke – in remission*  
*Richard Potin – continued prayers during chemo*  
*James Reid, Carolyn McLarnan's brother – at home, total bed rest*  
*Mary Hannah Ruff – surgery on the 19<sup>th</sup>*  
*Sharon Sabin, friend of Mary and Dean Cromartie – advanced cancer and Parkinson's*  
*Margaret Suttle – resuming chemotherapy*

<b>Annual Budget Amount</b>	<b>Giving Year to Date</b>	<b>Budget Year to Date</b>	<b>Previous Week's Giving</b>
<b>\$456,500.00</b>	<b>\$171,242.68</b>	<b>\$204,156.96</b>	<b>\$10,232.50</b>

## Greeting and Announcements



**Welcome to Westminster!** We're very glad to see you in worship. We hope you will sense Christ's presence. If you are looking for a place to grow and serve, we'd love to tell you more about us. Please silence your cell phone during worship.

**No Youth or children** activities this week.

**PW Prayer Ministry** will meet Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Generation room.

**Brown Bag Bible Study** meets Tuesday at noon. We will be studying I Kings 21.

**Choir** will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet Thursday, June 22, at **6:30 a.m. at Shoney's**.

**New Beginnings** will have its monthly luncheon on Monday, June 19, at noon in Montague Hall. Everyone is invited to attend, so **RSVPs are essential**. Please contact Tommy Suttle at [tommy@wpchattiesburg.com](mailto:tommy@wpchattiesburg.com), if you plan to attend.

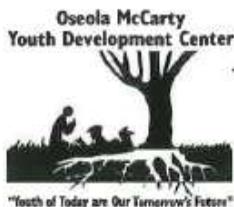
Frank Whitesell has been a **wonderful steward of God's gifts in the way he has** remembered Westminster in his will. He has been an example of Christian stewardship to all of us. In addition to leaving the church his house and other assets, he also left us his car. It is a 2007 Honda Accord with 76,800 miles. The session has decided to sell the car. We will accept blind bids sent to the church office between now and Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 PM.

If you are interested in making a bid, please write your bid with your name, place it in a sealed envelope, and turn it into the church office no later than 2:00 PM on July 27th. Bids will be opened after that date and you will be notified. This is a cash sale only.

If you are interested in seeing the car it is parked in the church parking lot. During church office hours you can ask Martha or Mike for the keys to inspect the car. If you have questions please contact Mike at (251)-232-8653.

This weekend a work group from First Presbyterian Church, Tuscaloosa will be staying at and working with R3SM to restore and repair a home damaged from the tornado. The work site is located at 1207 Edwards Street, across the street from the Dollar General. (**Dollar General's** parking lot is being used for parking.) The group will arrive Friday and work at the house on Saturday, June 24. If you would like to join them in this recovery effort, please do! Please be aware that you will need to sign a liability release form. They will be available on site or you can stop by R3SM to sign a form.

**Westminster received \$25,000 from our Presbytery to aid in tornado recovery. Session designated \$15,000 to R3SM and \$10,000 to Osceola McCarty Youth Development Center. Below is a thank you letter from the center for the money and what it was used for.**



**OSEOLA MCCARTY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

607 McSwain Street  
Hattiesburg, MS 39401  
Phone: 601-336-7940

June 8, 2017

**Westminster Presbyterian Church  
115 N.25<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Hattiesburg, MS 39401-5956**

The Oseola McCarty Youth Development Center mission is to "Empower Youth to Win in Every Area of their Lives". Our organization's goal is to provide the necessary resources to ensure that all youth are able to build new skills, make contributions, become a productive part of our community and feel "in control" over their future.

We provide free afterschool tutoring/mentoring services, monthly activities and summer camp program activities for underprivileged youth in K-12<sup>th</sup> grades. Our focus is to offer good, positive, and character building activities for them. Our volunteer staff works diligently to assist us with the nurturing of these children. The Youth Center provides services to approximately 125 families and 200 children. Our families profile is from low income, single parent and grandparent homes.

**We are so humbly grateful for your donation of \$10,000 for our roof trusses on the North Campus and your faithfulness to support our efforts at the center for this program. As we strive to recover from EF3 tornado of January 21<sup>st</sup>, we are forever appreciative of you assisting us with recovery and with you continuing to share the vision and we greatly appreciate it.**

Thank you for taking an active role in our efforts to help to give our youth the best opportunity available to them and help to strengthen our communities by developing healthy children and families.

Please feel free to contact me at my email address of: [jbispecial@comcast.net](mailto:jbispecial@comcast.net) or my cell number of 601-520-0657 if you have any additional questions. May God Bless and keep you all.

Be Blessed,

*Janet Baldwin*

Janet Baldwin

Executive Director of the Oseola McCarty Youth Development Center

Just as the human body needs eyes, hands, ears, lungs, etc., so does the Body of Christ. We have many small group opportunities for growth, fellowship and service here at Westminster. We encourage members to use their gifts to participate in the mission of this congregation and to invite others to join us in serving Jesus Christ.

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### **The Seal of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)**

A Symbolic Statement of the Church  
The Cross – Christianity  
The Transept – Bible and Pulpit  
The Dove – The Holy Spirit  
The Intersection – Baptismal Font or  
Communion Cup  
Flames – Implied triangle, the Trinity

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### **THE SESSION**

#### **Class of 2018**

Gene Owens  
Michael Raggio  
Robin Roberts

#### **Class of 2019**

Althea Jerome  
J. T. Johnson  
Cindy Nobles

#### **Class of 2020**

Margaret Brooks  
Dean Cromartie  
Kathryn Cummings

### **THE TRUSTEES**

Franklin Bryant    Gene Fair    Wally Gregg

### **THE DEACONS**

#### **Class of 2018**

Shane Brooks  
Kathy Cain  
Howard Keever  
Beth Richmond

#### **Class of 2019**

David Daves  
Janeil Harris  
Butch Nobles  
Susan Turner

#### **Class of 2020**

Katie Ginn  
Judy Haydel  
Sinclair Lundy  
Robert Lochhead

#### **Youth Representative**

Sarah Beth Suttle

### **CHURCH STAFF**

Mike Anderson, Interim Pastor  
Martha Davis, Church Administrator  
Connie Roberts, Chancel Choir Director  
Amy Ruff, Children/Youth/College Ministry  
**Jenny Maul, Children's Music Director**

Tommy Suttle, Director of Discipleship  
Sinclair Lundy, Financial Secretary  
Randall Harris, Organist  
Wes Brooks, Communications  
Ray Robinson, Sexton