



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

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 8, 2018

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music – *Variations of 'He Leadeth Me'* Corl

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

Holy God, our guide and home, you sent Jesus, your living Word, to show us your wisdom and grace. Now send us out to be a sign of your healing power and love so that all may believe the gospel; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements

Wes Brooks

Call to Worship – (*responsive*)

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

God's grace is sufficient for us;

in Christ, the weak are made strong.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn of Praise 187 – *Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. You sent prophets to teach us, but we have not listened to them. You sent your Son to save us, but we ignore your living Word. Forgive us, God of grace. By your power at work within us remove our faithlessness and restore our faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. (time for silent confession)

* Assurance of Pardon

* The Congregation's Response: *Gloria Patri*

Hymn 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.

Proclaim God's Word

Time with Children

Michael Ginn

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading – II Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

pew Bible pg. 243

The Word of the LORD.

Thanks be to God!

Anthem – *I'll Walk with God*

Solo by Bob MacDowell

Music: N. Brodsky

Text: Paul W. Webster

Second Reading – Mark 6:1-13

pew Bible pg. 816

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Thanks be to God!

Sermon – Jesus' Surprise

Rev. Joe Pack Arnold

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

- * Affirmation of Faith: (*unison*) The Apostles' Creed (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 835 – *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*

Prayers of the People 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 – *Melody*

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- * The Doxology – Hymn 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

GO IN GOD'S NAME

- * Hymn of Consecration 826 – *Lift High the Cross*
- * Charge and Benediction
- * Postlude – *A Rejoicing*

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*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

Marilyn Bowen, Sam Dossett's sister – colon cancer

Margaret Buckley – recovering at home

Brandi Carter, friend of Nancy Johnson – cancer scans were clear

Ruthie Davis – upcoming surgery

Andrew Dennis, Beverly and Charles Dennis' son – melanoma

Sam Dossett – continued prayers

Lauranne Doggett, Sarah Brannon's sister – Alzheimer's

Sarah Ellena, daughter of Martha Ann and Charles Hogrefe – recovery from alcohol addiction

Katie Hall, friend of Bob Lochhead – slowly recovering from a brain aneurism

Mary Halliwell, friend of Mary and Dean Cromartie – pancreatic cancer

Nell Hollingsworth, Holley Holifield's nanny – moved to Bedford Care

B. J. Lambert – prayers that "Moving Home Program" goes well

Stephanie Liddell, Geri Jones' daughter – employment and special prayers

Rush McClinton, Jeanne Herring's nephew – in rehab after surgery

Crystal Miller, friend of Nancy Johnson – recovering from double lung & heart transplant

Cindy Nobles – undergoing treatment for the recurrence of cancer

James Reid, Carolyn McLarnan's brother – frontotemporal dementia motor neurone disease and ALS

Yvonne Ross, former member – recovering from broken pelvis

Sharon Sabin, friend of Mary and Dean Cromartie – advanced cancer and Parkinson's

Margaret Suttle – continued prayers

Patty Talbot, Ann Aldridge's sister – finished treatments, prayers for strength

PRAYERS FOR A SAFE JOURNEY

The youth will be traveling to Montreat Conference Center in Black Mountain, NC

from Sunday, July 8 - Saturday, July 14.



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 turn off cell phones during the worship hour.

The July/August Today devotionals are in the narthex.

Brown Bag Bible Study meets Tuesday at noon.

All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet Thursday, July 12, at 6:30 a.m. at Shoney's.

POTLUCK is July 11th at 5:30. Bring your favorite dish or dessert.



Pinebelt Christian Women & Men's Job Corp will celebrate the accomplishments of the summer 2018 participants, Thursday, July 12, at 6:00 p.m. at Westminster. You are invited to attend.

THERE WILL BE A DIAPER BABY SHOWER FOR BETSY POTIN MCDANIEL JULY 11 FOLLOWING POTLUCK.



New Beginnings luncheon is July 16 at noon in Montague Hall. Everyone is invited to attend, but RSVPs are essential. Contact Tommy Suttle at tommy@wpchattiesburg.com.

If you wish to place fresh flowers in the sanctuary in honor or memory of someone or for a special occasion, please contact Martha Davis at the church office to reserve a date.



Eye glasses needed. There is a basket on the narthex cabinet for used eye glasses. These donated glasses are taken to the Lion's Club by Ann Johnson.

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.



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

THE SESSION

Class of 2019

Althea Jerome
J. T. Johnson
Cindy Nobles

Class of 2020

Claude Sanders
Dean Cromartie
Kathryn Cummings

Class of 2021

David Arnold
Ginny Graham
Eric Reidenbach

THE TRUSTEES

Franklin Bryant Mary Cromartie Wally Gregg

THE DEACONS

Class of 2019

David Daves
Janeil Harris
Butch Nobles
Susan Turner

Class of 2020

Katie Ginn
Judy Haydel
Sinclair Lundy
Robert Lochhead

Class of 2021

Chad Edmonson
Brandon Hayes
Rhoda Pickett
Beth Richmond
Jackson Creel

Youth Representative

Christopher Crotwell, Minister
Sinclair Lundy, Financial Secretary
Randall Harris, Organist
Director Wes Brooks, Communications

CHURCH STAFF

Tommy Suttle, Director of Discipleship
Martha Davis, Church Administrator
Connie Roberts, Chancel Choir
Michael Ginn, Children's Music Director

Ray Robinson, Sexton