



# 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

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 21, 2018

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music – *Prelude in Classic Style* Young  
Prayer of Preparation (*you may prepare for worship by praying silently*)  
*Be still, and know that I am God . . . the Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. - Psalm 46:10-11*

Chiming of the Hour

Young Doves – *Soon and Very Soon* Michael Ginn, Director  
Greeting and Announcements Rev. Dr. Christopher Crotwell  
Call to Worship – (*responsive*) (from I Chronicles 16)  
O, give thanks to the Lord, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

**Sing to him, sing praises to him, tell of all his wonderful works.**

Glory in his holy name!

**Let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**

Come, let us worship the Lord our God!

- \* Hymn of Praise 12 – *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*
- \* Call to Confession
- \* Prayer of Confession – (*unison*)

**Gracious God, forgive us! We too often stumble and get ahead of ourselves believing that we know what is best. Too often we assume that we know exactly what you are asking us to do. The problem is that we rarely slow down enough to listen to you, and we wind up missing the mark you have set for us. Slow us down, dear Lord. Steady our pace. Forgive us when we get ahead of ourselves and keep us focused on your words and directions. Forgive also the silent confessions of our hearts . . .**

\* 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

Christopher Crotwell

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading – Hebrews 5:5-10

pew Bible pg. 973

The Word of the LORD.

**Thanks be to God!**

Anthem – *Teach Me, O Lord*

Thomas Atwood

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes,  
and I shall keep it, unto the end.

Second Reading – Mark 10:35-45

pew Bible pg. 823

The Word of the LORD.

**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon – *Reality Check*

Tommy Suttle, Director of Discipleship

### GIVE THANKS TO GOD

\* Affirmation of Faith: (*unison*) 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 life everlasting. Amen.**

\* Hymn of Thanksgiving 320 – *The Church of Christ in Every Age*

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 – *Children's Song Medley*

Hayes

\* 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 634 – *To God Be the Glory*

\* Charge and Benediction

\* Postlude – *Trumpet Sonata*

Franceschini



\* Please stand at the \* as you are able. Unison readings are **printed in bold**.



## PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

*Eugenia Anderson, Pam Love's aunt – recovering from a broken hip*

*Kinlock Bell – prayers for needed rest*

*Marilyn Bowen, Sam Dossett's sister – colon cancer*

*Sharol Buchanan, Tab Buchanan's daughter – recovering from broken bones*

*Tash Clayton, Gene Owens' employer's daughter – kidney stones surgery, treating infection*

*Ruthie Davis – upcoming surgery*

*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*

*Frances Forsyth, Mac Forsyth's mother – recovering from fractured back*

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

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

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

*Jim Lundy, Sinclair Lundy's brother – early stages of dementia*

*Donald Marr, Sr., friend of Nancy Johnson – brain cancer*

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

*Cindy Nobles – undergoing treatment for the recurrence of cancer*

*Tabitha Raggio – recovering from surgery*

*Stuart Ramsdale, friend of Gene Owens – cancer on liver, colon, and throat*

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

*Kem Reid, father of Ryan Reid – bone marrow transplant*

*Hermon & Dena Robertson, Glenn Nobles' sister and brother-in-law – health issues*

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

*Becky Smith, Ann Aldridge's friend – radiation treatments now and surgery in Oct.*

*Patty Talbot, Ann Aldridge's sister – rejoicing for remission*

*Marty VanDensun, friend of Ruthie Davis – recurrence of cancer*

*Virginia VanWart, friend of Janet Burke – lung cancer*

Fall more deeply in love with Jesus: attend Mississippi Presbyterian **Cursillo** Retreat at Camp Wesley Pines (Gallman, MS) Nov. 1-4. It's uplifting, life-changing, and free. Consider this your personal invitation. For details, see Sharon Potin, Beth Richmond or Dean and Mary Cromartie. You can apply online at [www.mspsbyteriancursillo.com](http://www.mspsbyteriancursillo.com)



## 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.

**Today** the **Session** will meet following worship in the conference room.

**Today is the Meistersingers concert** at 3 p.m. at Westminster. All are invited.

**Youth and Children** will meet at the church from 5-6:30 today. Supper will be provided.

**Brown Bag Bible Study** meets Tuesday at noon. We will study Hosea chapter 13.



Please join us for Wednesday night dinner this week at 5:30. There is no charge for the meal, but donations are encouraged. We need a headcount, so please place a reservation slip in the offering plate.

### The menu for Wednesday night is:

**Adult** – poppy seed chicken, green beans, salad, rolls, and dessert

**Children** – menu available

**Adults** will meet in Montague Hall. **Youth** will meet upstairs.

**Children's Choir** will meet upstairs in the rotation Sunday school room.

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

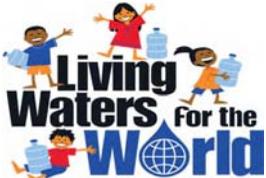
All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet Thursday, Oct. 25, at 6:30 a.m. at Shoney's.

**NEWSLETTER INFO** for November is due Oct. 24.

Please email [wes@WPCHattiesburg.com](mailto:wes@WPCHattiesburg.com)



**Trunk or Treat. ALL kids, no matter your age, can dress up and be treated to goodies** Oct. 31, at 5:30 in the church's back parking lot. Decorate your trunks, SUV's or trucks for **Trunk or Treat**. Everyone is encouraged to bring candy, decorate your vehicles if desired, and enjoy the evening. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be grilled. **Chancel Choir** will meet at 7.



There's still time to participate in the "Buy a Part, Be a Part" Living Waters for the World fundraiser. Please see the display in the narthex and see how you can help with the upcoming water purification system installation in Guadeloupe, El Salvador. Be sure to put "LWW" in the memo section of your check.

**RISE** (formerly PineBelt Christian Women & Men's Job Corp) will have its Fall 2018 **Graduation & Homecoming** Thursday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at 38<sup>th</sup> Ave. Baptist Church.

**The Meistersingers Civic Chorus is selling poinsettias** for a fundraiser. \$15 for a 6½" pot and \$25 for an 8" pot. To purchase, contact Robin Roberts (601-466-5461) or email [ypfmeistersingers@gmail.com](mailto:ypfmeistersingers@gmail.com). Deadline is Nov. 1.

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 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**

### **CHURCH STAFF**

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

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

Ray Robinson, Sexton