



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

Christ the King

November 25, 2018

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music – *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Westenkuehler

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

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.

Zephaniah 1:7

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements

Rhoda Pickett

Call to Worship – (*responsive*)

(from Psalm 107)

To thee, O Lord, we lift up our eyes,

Thou art enthroned in the heavens!

Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,

So our eyes look to the Lord our God until he shall be gracious to us.

Our confidence is in the God of Heaven!

Alleluia! Let us worship Him with joyful hearts!

* Hymn of Praise 1 – *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession – (*unison*)

Dear God, we are sinners. Dear God, we tend to be arrogant. Dear God, we tend to be selfish and assuming. We often assume that we are not at fault, and sometimes when we are called on the carpet, we look to blame others. Sometimes we even cast the burden on you, believing that "you told us to do it." Forgive us when we justify our selfishness by calling on your name. Forgive us when we don't accept responsibility for our actions even when we know that you hold us accountable. Also, gracious Father, forgive the sins we dare not mention aloud . . .

- * 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 Alicia Westbrook

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading – 2 Samuel 23:1-7 pew Bible pg. 261

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

Anthem – *Come Thou Almighty King*

Second Reading – John 18:33-37 pew Bible pg. 881

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

Sermon – *Scapegoat or King?* 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 840 – *When Peace Like a River*

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 – *Jesus Shall Reign*

Burkhardt

* 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 269 – *Lead On, O King Eternal!*

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude – *The Emperor's Fanfare*

Soler



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



PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

Melissa Altice, Claude Sanders' cousin – upcoming surgery, breast cancer

Marilyn Bowen, Sam Dossett's sister – colon cancer

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

Ruthie Davis – upcoming surgery

Sam Dossett – continued prayers

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

Fluffy Fair – recovering from a broken arm

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

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

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

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

Cindy Nobles – undergoing treatment for the recurrence of cancer

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

Ray Robinson's son – admitted to FGH with pneumonia

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

Becky Smith, Ann Aldridge's friend – recovering from surgery

Patty Talbot, Ann Aldridge's sister – recovering from surgery

Tom Teel, Sally Lodge Teel's husband (pastor of Ruth Memorial Pres. in Poplarville) – prayers for strength and healing

Virginia VanWart, friend of Janet Burke – lung cancer

Shirley Wilbanks, Betty Mitchell's cousin – stage 4 ovarian cancer



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.

No Youth and Children activities today.

Brown Bag Bible Study meets Tuesday at noon. We will study Joel chapter 2.



Wednesday night suppers will resume in January.

K-5 will meet upstairs at 5:30 p.m.

Chancel Choir will meet at 7 p.m..

All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet Thursday, Nov. 29, at 6:30 a.m. at Shoney's.

Deacons and Elders will meet at Althea Jerome's house Friday, Nov. 30, at 6 p.m. (3307 Southaven Drive)

It's time to start shopping for Christmas gifts for our friends at Boswell. The numbers have increased to 175 (111 males and 64 females). The collection boxes and copies of the wish list are available in the narthex. The Boswell staff sorts the gifts so please don't wrap, rather provide a gift bag. All gifts are due Dec. 9.



Advent Workshop

Advent Workshop is Dec. 2 at 5:00.

This is an important way for everyone to begin preparing for Christmas. Come join us as we decorate and prepare our church for the Advent season. A meal will be provided.



PreK-Youth's Christmas Party

Friday, Dec. 21, at 6 p.m.

Forsyth's home (89 Dover Trace)

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

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