

This Week at Westminster

Welcome, guests! We're delighted that you've come to worship with us here at Westminster this morning. We pray that God will bless you richly through the service and the welcome of our congregation, and that you'll worship with us again soon.

Today

Sunday School Classes for children, youth, college, and adults meet at 11:05 am each Sunday. Kids should rendezvous with Miss Tracey in the children's corner of the lobby immediately after worship and walk to the main building for snacks; we'll take them to their classes from there. A detailed guide to class offerings, teachers and locations are available at the Welcome Desk.

Corporation Meeting Today: From time to time the congregation acts as a corporation when buying or selling property. The Session has called for a meeting of the Corporation of WPC immediately following morning worship today. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the sale of a portion of undeveloped land near Prattville given to WPC by the late Craig Aiken to benefit WCA. All members should plan to attend.

Senior High Sunday Night Fellowship Tonight: Senior high students are invited to join us for a time of fellowship immediately following the worship service tonight in the parlor.

Can you help with Senior High Sunday Night Fellowship? We're still looking for a few more people who would be willing either to supply food for the Senior High Fellowship here at the church on Sunday evenings, or open their home for an off-site gathering from time to time. Interested? Let us know on the blue sheet today!

Six New Coffee Hosts are still needed on Sunday mornings to prepare coffee, set out coffee 'fixings,' and clean up at the conclusion of the fellowship time after the service. Ideally, Coffee Hosts serve two Sundays in a row, but that's negotiable. Interested? Let us know on today's blue sheet and we will be in touch with more information!

This Week and Beyond

Growth Groups at WPC: We offer a variety of small groups during the week, some for men only, some for women only, and others for anyone who'd like to come. To see a full listing of our groups, pick up an information card at the Welcome Desk or visit the "Ministries" section of the website-select Adult Ministry, & then Growth Groups after that.

"Picking Up the Blitz: Recognizing the Technology Rush in Our Homes" sponsored by WCA has been rescheduled! Plan to join us in the WPC Sanctuary this Friday, February 10, 6:00 – 8:15 p.m. and Saturday, February 11, 9:00-11:15 a.m. for a conference with local counselor Tim Keeter. The goal is to come alongside parents and students to seek the wisdom of Scripture as they interact with technology in their homes and personal lives. To register, go to www.wca-hsv.org.

Conference for Family Caregivers: North Hills Church is hosting a free seminar, *Comfort for Caregivers*, Friday and Saturday, February 17th (6:30-8:30pm) & 18th (9:00am-12:00pm). The purpose of this seminar is to encourage and better equip individuals and families who are caring for family members and to encourage churches to create a ministry to the caregivers in their congregation. For more information or to download a more detailed flyer for this Seminar, please visit www.northhillschurch.net/Seminar.htm.

The next installment of "Women Reading Great Books" (aka WRGB) will be February 16, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the church parlor. (Please note the change in date.) This time we will be reading & discussing *Culture Making: Recovering Our Creative Calling* by Andy Crouch. In order to be ready for the discussion, you'll want to start reading now. The book is available both on Amazon and at www.christianbook.com. Sign up today on the blue sheet.

First Steps Seminar: Our next church membership seminar—called First Steps—will be held on Saturday, February 25th, from 9 am – 2 pm in the church parlor (lunch included). First Steps is for anyone who would like to know more about our beliefs, values and commitments as a congregation and serves as a 'first step' toward membership. If you're interested in the seminar or are ready to sign up, check the appropriate box on the blue sheet today and we'll be in touch.

Annual Congregational Meeting Date Set: The Session has called a congregational meeting to be held during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, February 26, 2017, for the purpose of electing officers to the Session and Diaconate class of 2019, hearing a presentation of the 2017 budget, and receiving an annual report on the state of the church.

The 2017 World Missions Conference is planned for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, March 3-5. Our keynote speaker this year will be the Rev. Joseph Wheat, pastor of Highlands Presbyterian Church in Ridgeland (Jackson), MS. We will also be hearing reports from several of the missionaries and ministries we support as a congregation, and responding to God's call to mission by making our Faith Promise commitments for the coming year. Schedule details will be forthcoming.

Sunday's Servants

SERVING	TODAY: Feb 5, 2017	NEXT WEEK: Feb 12, 2016
NURSERY – Morning Worship	Daniel & Meghan Palmer, Damon & Stephanie Lares	Kate Gunn
	Lauren Johannesmeyer	Tami Covert
	Jonathan & Alyssa Knight	Sam Lowrance
NURSERY – Sunday School	Laura Diaz	Henry Lynn, Suzanne Wellborn
	Noah Keel	Samuel Fulcher
NURSERY – Evening Worship	Tom & Ellise Adams	Nathan & Meg Eldridge
HEAD USHER	David Perrin	John Henderson
SEXTON COUNTER	Paul Galloway, Joey Lauderdale	Joey Lauderdale, Joe Crowhurst
SOUND	Clif Barnes	
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	John Henderson	

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Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

Attendance for January 29, 2016

Morning Worship – 293
Sunday School – 214
Evening Worship –



WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 5, 2017

A BEACON OF HOPE

OFFERING LIFE AND LIGHT
IN CHRIST TO THOSE IN
DARKNESS, HERE AND
AROUND THE WORLD



*"In Him was life, and this life
was the light of men."*

John 1:4



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Morning Worship

9:30 A.M.

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

† The Call to Worship

Pastor: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;

Congregation: Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Pastor: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

Congregation: For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods.

† The Hymn of Praise *Rejoice, the Lord is King* #310

† The Invocation 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.

† The Confession of Faith The Apostles' Creed Hymnal, pg. 845

† The Gloria Patri #735

The Call to Repentance Psalm 130 Hymnal, pg. 833

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Pardon

The Prayer of Confession

Blessed Father, the author of all grace and comfort, forgive our sins even as you come and work repentance in our souls. Show sin to us in all its ugliness that we may hate, confess, and flee from it. Melt our hearts by your majesty and mercy. Show us our ruined self and the help there is in you alone. Teach us to see you as our Creator and Savior. Help us to commit our souls to you without reserve, bear your image, observe your laws, pursue your service and throughout time be a testimony to your grace, a trophy of the victory of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

† The Hymn *Before the Throne of God Above* (see insert)

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea.

A great high Priest whose Name is Love who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart.

I know that while in Heaven He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart. *(repeat)*

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,

Upward I look and see Him there who made an end of all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died my sinful soul is counted free.

For God the just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me. *(repeat)*

† Congregation Standing

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness,

The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace,

One with Himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased by His blood,

My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God. *(repeat)*

The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication Mr. Stacy Murphree

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory *He Comes to Us as One Unknown* Sanctuary Choir C. Hubert H. Parry, arr. John Ferguson

He comes to us as one unknown, a breath unseen, unheard;
As though within a heart of stone, or shriveled seed in darkness sown,
A pulse of being stirred.

He comes when souls in silence lie and thoughts of day depart;
Half seen upon the inward eye,
A falling star across the sky of night within the heart.

He comes to us in sound of seas, the ocean's fume and foam;
Yet small and still upon the breeze, a wind that stirs the tops of trees,
A voice to call us home.

He comes in love as once he came by flesh and blood and birth;
To bear within our mortal frame a life, a death, a saving Name,
For every child of earth.

He comes in truth when faith is grown; believed, obeyed, adored;
The Christ in all the Scriptures shown, as yet unseen, but not unknown,
Our Savior and our Lord.

The Reading of Scripture Matthew 6:10 Church Bible, pg. 811

The Prayer for Illumination

The Proclamation of the Word of God Mr. Bob Brunson "Desperate Times, Desperate Measures" Series: With Jesus at the Intersections of Life

† The Hymn of Preparation *O Church, Arise* (Getty) (insert, vv. 1 & 2)

O church arise and put your armor on; hear the call of Christ our captain;
For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth we'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!" Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole we will fight in faith and valor.
When faced with trials on every side, we know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died - An inheritance of nations.

The Lord's Supper

The Words of Institution

The Distribution of the Bread and Cup

The inner circles of cups contain wine and the outer circle contains grape juice. The bread is gluten free. Please hold each element until all have been served so that we may partake together.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Deacons' Offering

† The Hymn of Response *O Church, Arise* (insert, vv. 3 & 4)

Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conqueror has risen.
And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave,
This vict'ry march continues till the day ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit come, put strength in every stride, give grace for every hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in glory.

† Benediction

† The Doxology #731

The Postlude Miss Bertha Dykstra

Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

The Prelude

The Welcome and the Call to Worship

† The Hymn of Praise *Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground* #518

† The Invocation

Scripture, Songs and Prayers

The Offertory

The Preaching of the Word Mr. Stephen Hooks "Waging War" Romans 7:24-25 (church Bible, pg. 944)

† The Hymn of Response *There Is a Fountain* #253

† The Benediction

† The Doxology #731

† The Postlude Miss Bertha Dykstra

Today's flowers are placed in honor of Heidi and Tony Gomes' anniversary.

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