

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.

Volunteers are still needed to prepare coffee on Sunday mornings, set out coffee 'fixings,' and clean up after the fellowship time following the service. Our new coffee machine is easy to learn and easy to run, and we'll train you in everything you'll need to know to do the job. 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

Wednesday Nights are Youth Nights at WPC: Both the Senior High Fellowship and the Junior High Fellowship are now meeting on Wednesday nights. Both groups will gather at 6:30 pm for a brief time of singing together, followed by separate meetings for each group for study and discussion. For more information, contact either Daniel Perez at daniel.perez@wpc-hsv.org or Eric Fulcher at eric.fulcher@gmail.com.

The next "Who-Said-Men-Can't-Be-Social" event is planned for Thursday, February 23rd, at 6 pm. The gathering will be at Nat and Zach Causey's home, 6401 Dunnivant Place, Huntsville. Guys, join us!

First Steps Seminar This Saturday: Our next church membership seminar—called First Steps—will be held this 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.

The date for our annual Congregational Meeting has been changed: The date of the congregational meeting originally scheduled for next Sunday, February 26th, has been changed. We will meet instead during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, March 26, 2017, to re-elect officers to the Session and Diaconate class of 2019, hear a presentation of the 2017 budget, and receive a report on the state of the church. The Nursery will be open for ages 0-4. No Sunday School classes will be held that day.

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. Begin praying now about the commitment God would have you make this year, and plan to join us for every session of this exciting weekend:

- **Friday night:** "Indoor picnic" in the WCA cafeteria at 6 pm, followed by session 1 in the sanctuary at 7
- **Saturday morning:** Continental breakfast in the church lobby at 9:30 am, followed by a "missionary report round-up" at 10 in the sanctuary
- **Sunday morning:** morning and evening worship with Joseph Wheat, plus a second round of missionary reports during the Sunday School hour.

Conference Volunteers: Volunteers will be needed to assist the Missions Committee in setting up, cleaning up, and tearing down the WCA cafeteria following the kick-off dinner on Friday night; to help with set-up, serving and clean-up after the Saturday morning session; and to help in the nursery during the Friday night and Saturday morning sessions. To let us know how you would like to serve, check the boxes on the blue sheet today.

Sunday's Servants

| SERVING | TODAY: Feb 19, 2017 | NEXT WEEK: Feb 26, 2016 |
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| NURSERY – Morning Worship | Scooter & Angie Johnson, Lady Emrich, Jennifer Harvey | Rebecca Harness, Kristi Vechinski, April Stegman |
| | Garret Grady | Bill Emrich |
| | Emily Talmadge | Matt Harness, Samuel Lowrance |
| NURSERY – Sunday School | Noelle Thompson | Amy Vechinski |
| | Anna Bosma | Paul & Mary Katherine Keel |
| NURSERY – Evening Worship | Eion Grady | Susann Anderson, Anna Claire Murphree |
| HEAD USHER | Thomas Henderson | Ryan Wellman |
| SEXTON COUNTER | Joe Crowhurst, Monday Mbila | Monday Mbila, Nate Van Kirk |
| SOUND | Clif Barnes | Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher |
| COFFEE FELLOWSHIP | Chuck Grady | Mark Linker |
| COMMUNION SET UP | Wendlands, McKinneys | ---- |

Staff and Ministry Team

Nathan Eldridge (on leave)
Bob Brunson
Daniel Perez
Tracey Zumbach
Jessica Perez
Mary Spybey
David Powless
Stephen Hooks

Senior Pastor
Assistant Pastor
Youth Director
Children's Ministry Director
Nursery Coordinator
Office Manager
Facility Manager
WCA Head of School

Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

Attendance for February 12, 2016

Morning Worship – 293
Sunday School – 207
Evening Worship – 87



WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 19, 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

Preparation for Worship

† The Call to Worship From Psalm 34

Pastor: I will extol the Lord at all time; His praise will always be on my lips.

People: My soul will boast in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

Pastor: Glorify the Lord with me;

People: Let us exalt His name forever. Hallelujah!

† The Hymn of Praise #101 *Come, Thou Almighty King*

† 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 Isaiah 55:7

The Confession of Sin Taken from Psalm 25

Remember, O Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

Remember not the sins of our youth and our rebellious ways. According to

your love remember us, for you are good, O Lord. For the sake of your name,

O Lord, forgive our iniquity, though it is great. Turn to us and be gracious to

us, for we are lonely and afflicted. The troubles of our hearts have multiplied;

free us from our anguish. Look upon our affliction and our distress and take

away all our sins.

The Assurance of Pardon Psalm 130:3-4

Pastor: If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

People: But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared.

† The Hymn #524 *Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ*

† Congregation Standing

The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication Mr. Bill Emrich

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

The Reading of Scripture Mark 8:1-21 Church Bible, pg. 843

The Prayer for Illumination

The Proclamation of the Word of God Mr. Bob Brunson

“A Lesson from Lunch”

Series: With Jesus at the Intersections of Life

† The Hymn of Response #642 *Be Thou My Vision*

† Benediction

† The Doxology #731

The Postlude Miss Bertha Dykstra

SERMON NOTES

Today's flowers are placed in honor of Heidi Gomes' birthday

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Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

The Prelude

The Welcome and the Call to Worship

† The Hymn of Praise #125 *Let All Things Now Living*

† The Invocation

Scripture, Songs and Prayers

The Offertory

The Preaching of the Word Dr. Jeff Hamm

“The Quest for the Historical Jesus”

Luke 2:41-52

(Church Bible, pg. 858)

† The Hymn of Preparation vv. 1-2 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* (Sung to, *Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire*)

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,

My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God:

All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Deacons Offering

† The Hymn of Response vv. 3-4 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down:

Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;

Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

† The Benediction

† The Doxology #731

† The Postlude Miss Bertha Dykstra

We're delighted to welcome Dr. Jeff Hamm (Ph.D., Aberdeen) to our pulpit tonight. Jeff is a minister in the PCA and the former pastor of Thomson Memorial Presbyterian Church (Centreville, MS) and First Presbyterian Church (Greenville, AL). He and Kelly are both Huntsville natives and have been back in the area for the past four years caring for Kelly's mother while Jeff completed his doctoral studies. They have four children, one of whom is a senior this year at WCA.