

### 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.

**We're delighted to welcome the Rev. Dieter Paulson to our pulpit this morning.** Dieter and his family have moved to northeast Alabama to lead Providence Presbytery's efforts to plant a new church in Scottsboro. After graduating from East Carolina University in 1997, he attended Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS, earning both a Master's in Marriage and Family Therapy and a Master of Divinity. Before coming to Alabama, Dieter served six years in youth ministry, seven years as a hospice chaplain, and nearly eight years as a solo pastor. He and his wife Marty have been married for 18 years and have four children: Gracie (17), Tanner (16), Mary (11), and Georgia (9). Welcome!

**Evening Worship at WPC:** We're happy to have long-time and much-loved WCA Bible instructor, David Hammond, back with us on Sunday nights teaching a series called, *"The Gospel According to Genesis."* Plan now to make Sunday nights a part of your Lord's Day observance!

### This Week & Beyond

**Midweek Ministries at WPC:** The following opportunities for fellowship, growth and service are available on Wednesday nights at WPC—

- **Adult Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 pm**, childcare available
- **Student Choir Rehearsals:**
  - Youth Ensemble (6th-12th graders), 5:45-6:15,
  - Student Choir (2nd-5th graders), 6:15-6:45
  - Beginning Choir (4s-1st graders), 6:45-7:15
- **Wednesday Night Youth Group** meets in the parlor for a light meal at 6:15 pm, followed by group time and Bible study on *Disciplines of Grace* by Jerry Bridges from 6:30 – 7:30 pm.

**Growth Groups for Adults:** We offer several men's, women's, and mixed groups for study, fellowship and prayer throughout the week. To see the full list of available groups, pick up an information card at the Resource Center in the lobby or select 'Adult Groups and Classes' under 'Ministries' on the homepage of the church website.

**The '40 Days for Life' city-wide prayer campaign to end abortion is going on February 14 through March 5.** Show your love & join in the prayer to end abortion! During the 40 Days, pray at home and if possible, come out to the sidewalk in front of the clinic for peaceful, prayerful presence. The popular shifts are: Thur. 9:30 – 11:30, Fri. 9:30 – 11:30, Fri. 1:30 – 3:30. Children are welcome (supervised). Signs are optional. Clinic address: 4831 Sparkman Avenue, Huntsville. For more information contact Beth Nemati or Maria McKinney or stop by the table in the foyer.

**Palmer Home Youth Mission Trip:** Save the Date: June 25 – 29, 2018.

### 2018 Missions Conference

**The 2018 Missions Conference, "The Three Are One: God's Mission, Our Mission, and My Mission," will be March 2-4:** Our keynote speaker this year will be the Dr. J. Alan Carter, retired pastor of Faith Presbyterian Church in Birmingham, AL. 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 missions by making our Faith Promise commitments for the coming year. Don't miss any of the exciting sessions:

- **Friday Night:** We'll have an "Indoor Picnic" in the Church Lobby at 6 pm, followed by Session 1 in the sanctuary at 7 pm.
- **Saturday Morning:** Join us for a continental breakfast at 9:30 am in the Church Lobby, followed by a "missionary report round-up" at 10 am in the Sanctuary.
- **All-day Sunday:** We'll hear from Pastor Carter in both morning and evening worship services plus enjoy a second round of missionary reports during the Sunday School hour.

### **PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE BLUE SHEET IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND -**

*Westminster is delighted to provide child care for all sessions of the conference, but we do need for you to sign up so that we can staff appropriately. We are also providing a boxed meal for the Friday evening session and a light breakfast for the Saturday morning session. Please let us know if you plan to attend so we can purchase meals and accommodate everyone. There is no cost associated with the meals or childcare.*

**Conference Volunteers:** The Missions Committee invites you to assist us in showing your hospitality and support to our visiting missionaries! Please take a minute to review the opportunities for service on the blue sheet today! We still need your helping hands in the nursery and with children's activities. WPC Youth – take advantage of this opportunity to raise funds for your Palmer Home Trip!

**What is Faith Promise?** Simply this: it is my commitment to trust God to provide additional financial resources above and beyond our regular giving through which we will support the work of missions both at home and abroad. Pray about the amount that you believe the Lord would have you trust Him for this year and complete your Faith Promise Commitment Card this Sunday. To date, we have received Faith Promise commitments from 11 (out of 146) households, bringing the total committed so far to \$16,900.00. It will require a Faith Promise commitment of \$75,000 to maintain our missionary and ministry support at its current level.

### Sunday's Servants

SERVING	TODAY: Feb 25, 2018	NEXT WEEK: Mar 4, 2018
NURSERY – Morning Worship	Rebecca Harness, Emily Vechinski, Lady Emrich	Laura Kate Fulcher, Rebekah Frederick, Adeline Gunn
	Bill Emrich	Eleanor Lynn
	Alexander Covert	Gilchrist Grady
NURSERY – Sunday School	Amy Vechinski	Elizabeth Lauderdale, Kathy Bradshaw
NURSERY – Evening Worship	Susann Anderson, Lucy Fulcher	Allen Zumbach
HEAD USHER	Ryan Wellman	David Mansfield
SEXTON COUNTER	John Gunn, John Kirkwood	John Kirkwood, Matt Harness
SOUND	Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher	Clif Barnes
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	Alex Covert	Alex Covert
COMMUNION SET UP	----	Wendlands

### Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

### Attendance for February 18, 2018

Morning Worship – 265  
 Sunday School – 168  
 Evening Worship – 88

### Staff and Ministry Team

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**WESTMINSTER**  
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 25, 2018

# 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

*Jesus, Lover of My Soul*  
(arr. Terry Osman)

*Assurance*  
(arr. Tom Birchwood)

### The Welcome and Announcements

### Why Faith Promise

Mrs. Rebecca Harness

### The Preparation for Worship

*I Love to Tell the Story*

#478, v. 1

### † The Call to Worship

from Psalm 136:1-3, 23-36

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

**People: His love endures forever.**

Leader: Give thanks to the God of gods.

**People: His love endures forever.**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords.

**People: His love endures forever.**

Leader: To the One who remembered us in our low estate.

**People: His love endures forever.**

Leader: And freed us from our enemies.

**People: His love endures forever.**

Leader: And who gives food to every creature.

**People: His love endures forever.**

Leader: Give thanks to the God of heaven.

**Unison: His love endures forever.**

### † The Hymn of Praise

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

#101

### † 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

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.

### The Call to Repentance

Isaiah 53:6-9

### † Congregational Standing

### The Confession of Sin

Our Father, save us from ourselves, from the artifices and deceits of sin, from the treachery of our perverse nature, from denying your charge against our offenses, from a life of continual rebellion against you, from wrong principles, views, and ends; for we know that all our thoughts, affections, desires and pursuits are alienated from you. We have acted as if we hated you, although you are love itself; have contrived to tempt you to the uttermost, to wear out your patience; have lived evilly in word and action.

O, thou Father of our spirits, thou King of our lives, cast us not into destruction, drive us not from your presence, but wound our hearts that they may be healed; break them that your own hand may make them whole.

*Adapted from The Valley of Vision*

### The Assurance of Pardon

Heidelberg Catechism (Q. 1)

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**People: That I am not my own, but belong – body and soul, in life and death – to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and may make me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

### † The Hymn

*Jesus Shall Reign Wh'er'er the Sun*

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### The Old Testament Lesson

Exodus 33:12-23

Church Bible, pg. 74

### The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication

Mr. Nat Causey

### The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

### The Offertory

*Holy Manna*

(Arr by John Carter)

### The Scripture Lesson

Luke 18:18-30

Church Bible, pg. 877

### The Prayer for Illumination

### The Proclamation of the Word of God

Mr. Dieter Paulson

“Living in Grace”

### † The Hymn of Response

*Take My Life and Let It be Consecrated*

#585

### † The Benediction

### † The Doxology

#731

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.

### The Postlude

*Thank the Lord*

Miss Bertha Dykstra

(Folk tune, arr. R. Clausen)

## Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

### The Prelude

*Selection of hymns*

### The Welcome and the Call to Worship

Psalm 110  
Church Bible, pg. 509

### † The Hymn of Praise

*The God of Abraham Praise*

#34

### † The Invocation

### Encouraging One Another with Songs & Prayers

### The Offertory

*Psalm 119:169-172*

(Stuart Sacks)

### The Teaching of the Word

Mr. David Hammond

“Patriarch Bows to Priest and King”  
Series: The Gospel According to Genesis  
Genesis 14:13-20, (Church Bible, pg. 10)

### † The Hymn of Response

*Jesus My Great High Priest*

#306

### † The Benediction

### † The Doxology

#731

### † The Postlude

*Wonderful Grace of Jesus*

Miss Bertha Dykstra

### Aids to Worship

To use the church's wifi, select WPC Guest and enter 'matthew633' when asked.

Hearing assistance devices are available at the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary.

Binders with today's hymns and readings in large print are available at the round table in the lobby. Please return them there after the service.

To hear an audio of today's sermons again, go [www.wpc-hsv.org](http://www.wpc-hsv.org) and click on the link at the bottom right corner of the home page.

If providentially hindered from attending worship on the Lord's Day, you can still join us for the morning service via video-streaming. Simply go to [www.wpc-hsv.org](http://www.wpc-hsv.org) and select "Watch Live" on the menu bar at the top of the page.