#### 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.

Faith Promise Update & Challenge: To date, we have received Faith Promise commitments from 46 (out of 132) households so far—an increase of 18 over last week—which brings the total committed so far to \$56,260. It will require a Faith Promise commitment of \$65,000 to maintain our missionary and ministry support at its current level.

The Missions Committee has challenged us to go beyond that threshold and stretch our commitment this year to \$85,000 to expand our outreach at home and abroad, and we can still reach that goal if all our households will participate. If you have not yet turned in a Faith Promise card, will you ask God to show you how you can be a part of the work of missions both locally and globally this year? Faith Promise cards will be available in the bulletin again this Sunday for you to complete and return during the morning and evening offerings. Thanks!

## **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.

Everyday Evangelism, the follow-up class for Share Your Faith Workshop alums meets during the Sunday School hour in the room behind the platform. If you've been through SYF and would like to get more comfortable and confident in sharing your faith with your friends, this class is for you. For more information, see class leaders Joey Lauderdale and Art McKinney today.

The College Class is on break for the next two weeks for spring break and the Annual Congregational Meeting on the 26th. We'll resume on Sunday, April 2. Eric Fulcher and Scooter Johnson are leading the class again this semester.

**Evening Worship Tonight:** We will be celebrating the sacrament of the Lord's Supper tonight during the evening service. Take time this afternoon to prepare to come to the Lord's Table in humility and faith, and then join us for worship at 6 pm.

#### This Week and Beyond

Wednesday Nights are Youth Nights at WPC: Both the Senior High Fellowship and the Junior High Fellowship are back on this Wednesday night following Spring Break. 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 will be *this* Thursday, March 23, at 6:30 pm. Eric Fulcher will be hosting the group at his home, 102 Mountainwood Drive, in Huntsville. There is plenty of space for food & drink, so everyone is welcome to bring something. We are also looking for volunteers who would like to host in coming months. If you're interested, contact Ron Klein at rkleinala@gmail.com.

The Spring All-Church Workday will be this Saturday March 25: The Building & Grounds Committee of the Diaconate is organizing a church workday for the spring to be held this Saturday, March 25, 8 am to noon. The list of projects will include clearing brush in a few small spots around the property; washing windows & dusting; filling low spots with dirt; relocating leftover construction bricks to a safer location; and disposing of leftover PVC pipe from a temporary irrigation project. Everyone is invited to help—let us know on today's blue sheet if you're coming. Thanks!

The annual Congregational Meeting will be next Sunday, March 26: Plan now to join us during the Sunday School hour on Sunday, March 26 for this very important meeting in the life of the church. We will 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.

Returning Officers to the Class of 2019: We will be voting on the 26th to reaffirm the following men for another three-year term of service on the Session or the Diaconate. Returning to the Session will be elders Tom Adams, Nat Causey, Eric Fulcher, Paul Keel, and Brian McFadden. Returning to the Diaconate will be deacons John Gunn, Joe Crowhurst, John Kirkwood, Sam Lowrance, Art McKinney, Wade Pettus, Chris Wellborn, and Craig Bosma.

This year's Women's Retreat will be Friday & Saturday, March 31-April 1, at Sumatanga Conference Center near Gallant. Ladies, this year we plan to 'Stir It Up' as we consider the implications of our theme verse for 2016/17 from Hebrews 10 where we're challenged to 'stir one another up toward love and good deeds' in our life together in Christ's church. The retreat will begin with dinner on Friday and end with lunch on Saturday. The cost for overnight housing and three meals is \$65. You may register today at wpc-hsv.org. Questions? Email retreat organizer Renee Lowrance at shayshaylowrance@gmail.com.

Women Reading Great Books will be getting together to read a couple of great books this spring. On Thursday, April 6, we'll discuss No Little Women: Equipping All Women in the Household of God by Aimee Byrd. Then, on Thursday, May 11, we'll talk about Communion with God by John Owen (the Puritan Paperbacks Version). Both gatherings will take place at 7pm in the Church Parlor. Aimee Byrd's book can be purchased from Amazon, P&R Books, and WTS Books. John Owen's book can be purchased at www.banneroftruth.org.

### Sunday's Servants

SERVING	<b>TODAY</b> : Mar 19, 2017	<b>NEXT WEEK</b> : Mar 26, 2016
NURSERY – Morning Worship	Felicia Rutledge, Garrett & Leah Keith	David & Nicole Perrin, Taylor Thompson, Heather Crowhurst
	Angie Fulcher	Kyle VanKirk
	Jackson Keel	Susan Post
NURSERY – Sunday School	Sarah Catherine Stegman, Amanda Pettus	Paul & Mary Katherine Keel
	Laurel McFadden	Caroline Stegman
NURSERY – Evening Worship	Eion Grady, Anna Bosma	Susann Anderson, Anna Claire Murphree
HEAD USHER	Bo Bradshaw	David Mansfield
SEXTON COUNTER	John Kirkwood, Matt Harness	Matt Harness, Wade Pettus
SOUND	Clif Barnes	Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	Alex Covert	Greg Lewis
COMMUNION SET UP	Crowhurts	

## Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

## Attendance for March 12, 2016

Morning Worship – 243 Sunday School –135 Evening Worship – 66



March 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

Praise Ye the Triune God (Trinity Hymnal #107, arr. Shackley)

Father of All Things (Trinity Hymnal #106)

The Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

† The Call to Worship from Psalm 98

Pastor: Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things;

People: His right hand and holy arm have worked salvation for him.

Pastor: The Lord has made his salvation known and revealed his

righteousness to the nations;

People: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

† The Hymn of Praise Come, Let Us Sing unto the Lord #16

† 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

Romans 7:21-25

The Confession of Sin

O Lord, I marvel that you should become incarnate, be crucified, dead and buried. Grant that I may die with you so that I may rise to new life, for I wish to be as dead and buried to sin, to selfishness, to the world; that I might not hear the voice of the charmer, and might be delivered from his lusts. Let me reckon my old life dead because of crucifixion, and never feed it as a living thing.

Grant me to stand with my dying Savior, to be content to be rejected, to be willing to take up unpopular truths, and to hold fast despised teachings until death. Help me to be a holy, happy person, free from every wrong desire, from everything contrary to your mind. Grant me more and more of the resurrection life: may it rule me, may I walk in its power, and be strengthened through its influence, in the name of Christ our Savior. Amen. From *The Valley of Vision* 

The Assurance of Pardon Romans 8:1-4

† The Hymn

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

#246

The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication Mr. Keith Johnson

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

The Reading of Scripture

Mark 8:31-38 Church Bible, pg. 844

The Prayer for Illumination

The Proclamation of the Word of God

Mr. Bob Brunson

"On the Road with Jesus" Series: With Jesus at the Intersections of Life

† The Hymn of Response

Lift High the Cross

#263

#731

† Benediction

† The Doxology

The Postlude

Give Praise to God (Boice, arr. Jones)

Ms. Bertha Dykstra

† Congregation Standing

Sanctuary Flowers are placed in honor of Edwin Lewis' Birthday

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.

To hear today's sermons again, go to <a href="www.wpc-hsv.org">www.wpc-hsv.org</a> and click on the link at the bottom right corner of the home page.

Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

The Prelude

Just As I Am (Bradbury, arr. Berry)

Rock of Ages (Trinity Hymnal #500)

The Welcome and the Call to Worship

† The Hymn of Praise

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

#1

† The Invocation

Scripture, Songs and Prayers

The Offertory

Jesus Paid it All (Grape, arr. Dean)

The Preaching of the Word

Dr. Jeff Hamm

"Frozen Tongues" Acts 2:1-13 (Church Bible, pg. 909)

† The Hymn of Preparation How Sweet and Awesome is the Place

#469 (vv. 1-4)

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

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 Deacons' Offering We've A Story and Wonderful Words of Life (Nichol, arr. Curry) and (Philip Bliss)

† The Hymn of Response

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

#469 (vv. 5-6)

† The Benediction

† The Doxology

† The Postlude

Ms. Bertha Dykes

#731

We're delighted to welcome Dr. Jeff Hamm (Ph.D., Aberdeen) to our pulpit again 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.