

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.

Joe Steele (Candidate for Senior Pastor) will preach during our morning service and then host the Sunday School hour so that you can get to know him and his family. We will gather again tonight at 6 pm for a congregational meeting to vote on calling Joe as our pastor. There will be NO children's Sunday School or nursery provided during the Sunday School hour or during the evening congregational meeting. You are encouraged to bring your children into the sanctuary during these times, so they can see and hear as this important business is being conducted. As an added bonus Sunday evening, our youth choirs will give a short performance as the vote is being tallied.

This Week & Beyond

Graduate Sunday at WPC: Once again we plan to recognize our graduates next, Sunday, May 13, during the morning worship service. Following the service, we will serve refreshments in the lobby for a light reception during the coffee fellowship hour. Sunday school will follow. Join us as we honor our Grads!

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
- **Wednesday Night Youth Group** meets in the parlor for a light meal at 6:15 pm, followed by group time and Bible study on *The Discipline 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.

Palmer Home Youth Mission Trip: June 25 – 29, 2018 (on-line registration is now open – visit wpc-hsv.org/events). If you have any questions, please contact Jes Wendland.

Support our youth

- **Parents Night Out:** Parents, come and enjoy a night out and help our students pay for the Palmer Home Mission Trip. Childcare will be offered in the church nursery on Friday May 11th from 6 – 9 pm. You may sign up on the blue sheet today. Cost is \$20.00 for one child, \$30 for two children, and \$40 for three or more children. Questions? Please contact Jes Wendland. Great Mother's Day Gift!!

Calling All Handymen: One of the privileges we have as brothers and sisters in Christ is to care for each other. A sister of ours, Delores Likos, has need for home repairs and maintenance. Our deacons have taken this on but need your help as well. We will have a work day at Delores' home on May 12th beginning at 8:30 am to start addressing these repairs. If you have "skills" we need your help. We will be replacing a garage door, crawl space access door, fascia and a number of other outdoor tasks. If you have tools, skills and a can-do attitude, please join us. Sign up on the blue sheet today so we can get an accurate count of those we have available. Paul Galloway and Art McKinney are the primary deacon contacts if you have questions.

Save the Date: **Baby Sprinkle for Anna Bosma and Rachel Brown** on May 31st at 6:30 pm in the Church Parlor.

Sunday's Servants

SERVING	TODAY: May 6, 2018	NEXT WEEK: May 13, 2018
NURSERY – Morning Worship	Laura Kate Fulcher, Jennifer Harvey	Judy Barnes, Victoria Lauderdale, Kate Gunn
	Eleanor Lynn	Suzanne Morcomb
	Gilchrist Grady	
NURSERY – Sunday School	----	Molly McCune
	----	Lindsay VanKirk
NURSERY – Evening Worship	----	Donna & Curry Knight
HEAD USHER	Joe Crowhurst	Nate VanKirk
SEXTON COUNTER	Nate VanKirk, John Kirkwood	John Kirkwood, Matt Harness
SOUND	Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher	Clif Barnes
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	Greg Lewis	Chuck Grady
COMMUNION SET UP	Gradys	----

Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

Attendance for April 29, 2018

Morning Worship – 282
Sunday School – 216
Evening Worship - 68

Staff and Ministry Team

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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 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 and select "Watch Live" on the menu bar at the top of the page.



WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 6, 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 *Resting in God's Guidance Medley*

The Welcome and Announcements

The Preparation for Worship #347, vv 1, 2
Sanctuary Choir

† **The Call to Worship** Psalm 145:9-13

Leader: The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.

People: The Lord is good to all; He has compassion on all he has made.

Leader: All you have made will praise you, O Lord; your saints will extol you.

People: They will tell of the glory of your kingdom and speak of your might.

Leader: So that all men may know of your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

People: Your Kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations.

† **The Hymn of Praise** *All Creatures of Our God and King* #115

† **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 Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 70-72

Leader: Which is the seventh commandment?

People: The seventh commandment is, you shall not commit adultery.

Leader: What is required in the seventh commandment?

People: The seventh commandment requires the preservation of our own and our neighbor's chastity, in heart, speech, and behavior.

Leader: What is forbidden in the seventh commandment?

People: The seventh commandment forbids all unchaste thoughts, words, and actions.

The Silent Confession of Personal Sins

The Confession of Corporate Sin

Almighty Father, grant us to know that the way of transgressors is hard, that evil paths are wretched paths, that to depart from you is to lose all good. Give us the fullness of a godly grief that trembles and fears, yet ever trusts and loves, which is ever powerful, and ever confident. Grant that through the tears of repentance we may see more clearly the brightness and glories of the saving cross.

(Adapted from *The Valley of Vision* p. 70)

The Assurance of Pardon

1 Corinthians 1:27-31

Church Bible, pg. 952

† **The Hymn** *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* #599

The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication Mr. Fred Diaz

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory *Nothing But the Blood of Jesus* Sanctuary Choir
Robert Lowery/arranged by Craig Courtney

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Refrain:

Oh! Precious is the flow that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my cleansing, this I see, nothing but the blood of Jesus;
For my pardon this my plea, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace, nothing but the blood of Jesus;
This is all my righteousness, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone, nothing but the blood of Jesus;
Naught of good that I have done, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

The Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture Lesson Numbers 17:1-13
Church Bible, pg. 126

The Proclamation of the Word of God Mr. Joseph Steele
"A Case Study in Human Rebellion"

† **The Hymn of Preparation** *Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands* #427, vv 1-2

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 *And Can It Be*
(Campbell, arr. Larson)

It is our custom to receive an offering for those in financial need, both in the congregation and the wider community, as our response of thanksgiving for the grace received in the Supper.

† **The Hymn of Response** *Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands* #427, vv 3-4

† **The Benediction**

† **The Doxology** #731

The Postlude *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds* Miss Bertha Dykstra
(Reinagle, arr. Bouman)

Congregational Meeting

6:00 P.M.

TONIGHT, we will gather at 6:00 pm for a congregational meeting to vote on calling Joseph Steele as our pastor. We will not offer childcare during the meeting. You are encouraged to bring your children into the sanctuary.

Joseph Steele

Education / Background

- After graduating from the Virginia Military Institute with a degree in English and Fine Arts, Joe spent 12 years on active duty with the United States Marine Corps
- His duty with the Marines involved two tours as an F/A-18 pilot at Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort, SC, a ground tour at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC, and a tour as a T-45C instructor pilot at Naval Air Station, Meridian, MS
- Sensing a call to gospel ministry, Joe resigned his active duty commission in 2008 and went on to earn his Masters in Divinity from Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, MS

Pastoral Experience

- While in seminary, Joe served as the Director of Youth Ministries at Northpointe Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Meridian, MS.
- Since 2012 he has been serving as the pastor of Woodland Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Hattiesburg, MS. Joe has been married to Elizabeth for almost 15 years and they have five children: Joseph (13), John-Mark (11), Nathan (9), Susie (7), and Silas (4).

Kids Singing Program

Led by Rebecca Johnson

*Our Father in Heaven
Gentle Shepherd, Kind and True
With One Heart
Consider the Lilies
Ubi Caritas
Blessing
We Believe*