#### 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.

**Adult Sunday School at Westminster:** offered in the sanctuary studying the book of Judges led by David Hammond.

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.

### This Week & Beyond

Interested in becoming a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church? Please join us for our next New Members Class scheduled for Sundays at 11 am (during the Sunday School hour). We will meet on the following five Sundays: September 9, 16, 30 and October 14, 21. This five-week class is designed for you to learn more about our beliefs, values, and opportunities for service. It also serves as the first necessary step toward membership. If you are ready to sign up or have questions, please check the appropriate box on the blue sheet today and we'll be in touch with you!

**Who-Said-Men-Can't-Be-Social** hosted by Ron Klein on Monday, September 10th at the Belmont Clubhouse, 109 Belmont Place, at 6:00 PM.

**Wednesday Night Youth Group** meets this week. All Middle and High School students are invited to meet in the church parlor from 6:15-8 PM for a light supper, singing, and discussion of *Prodigal God* by Tim Keller. Also, if you have a student and are not getting the weekly youth blast, please let Eric Fulcher know.

#### Choir

**Adult Choir:** We are always seeking new voices and instrumentalists to add to our choir. For vocalists, knowing how to read music is NOT a requirement – we seek those who enjoy using their gifts to sing and make harmony to God, leading the congregation in worship! We would love to have you join us!

**Student Choir:** Rehearses on Wednesday nights in the Sanctuary Classroom. For more information, email <a href="mailto:music.wpc.hsv@gmail.com">music.wpc.hsv@gmail.com</a> or contact Rebecca Johnson.

- $\bullet \quad \text{Youth Ensemble (5$^{th}$-12$^{th} grade) meets 5:45-6:15 pm} \\$
- Student Choir (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) meets 6:15-6:45 pm
- Beginning Choir (4yo-1st grade) meets 6:45-7:15 pm

### **Opportunities to Serve**

**Birmingham Theological Seminary** is offering a class at the church - *New Testament: Matthew through Acts* in the WPC Conference Room on Thursday nights from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. The instructor is Rev. Dr. Blair Waddell from Providence Baptist Church. The first class meets September 6 and the last class December 13, 2018. If you have any questions, please contact Rob Nelson at <a href="mailto:robn76@aol.com">robn76@aol.com</a> or 703-909-6667.

**Kid Check:** Please take a few minutes to register your minor children online at <a href="https://www.kidcheck.com">www.kidcheck.com</a> so that we can move forward in our plans to simplify our check-in process and enhance our security system. Information about this is available in the lobby as well.

We would also like to remind you to usher your children to the lobby after worship so that your children can join the group walking over to the school building. Keep in mind that teachers will be walking kids back over to the church building at noon when Sunday school concludes. Please plan to meet your children there as soon as possible.

#### Sunday's Servants

SERVING	<b>TODAY</b> : Sept 2, 2018	NEXT WEEK: Sept 9, 2018
NURSERY – Morning Worship	Adeline Gunn, Jennifer Harvey	Judy Barnes, Victoria Lauderdale, Kate Gunn
	Eleanor Lynn	Bill Emrich
	Gilchrist Grady	Annabelle Lowrance
NURSERY – Sunday School	Elizabeth Lauderdale	Molly McCune
		Lindsay VanKirk
NURSERY – Evening Worship	Allen Zumbach, Elizabeth Steele	Donna & Curry Knight
HEAD USHER	Joe Crowhurst	Nate VanKirk
SEXTON COUNTER	Paul Galloway, Monday Mbila	Monday Mbila, Nate VanKirk
SOUND	Clif Barnes	Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	Greg Lewis	Stacy Murphree
COMMUNION SET UP	Wendlands	

Attendance for August 26, 2018	
Morning Worship - 326	
Sunday School - 245	
Evening Worship - 114	

August 2018				
	General	Missions		
YTD Actual	\$487,639	\$46,065		
YTD Budget	\$546,667	\$46,666		
Annual Budget	\$820,000	\$70,000		

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Today's flowers have been given in memory of Robert Streeter January 26,1998 – August 18, 2018 (Ann Streeter's grandson)



September 2, 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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Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

## Morning Worship

9:30 A.M.

The Prelude O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus (Williams, arr. G. Smith)

The Welcome and Announcements

The Preparation for Worship How Lovely Shines the Morning Star!

#515, vs. 2

† The Call to Worship
Pastor: I love you, O Lord, my strength.

Congregation: The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,

Pastor: my God, my rock in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the

horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Congregation: I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,

and I am saved from my enemies.

† The Hymn of Praise Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

### † 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 Heidelberg Catechism (33 & 34)

Pastor: Why is Jesus called God's "only Son" when we also are

God's children?

Congregation: Because Christ alone is the eternal, natural Son of God.

We, however, are adopted children of God-adopted

by grace through Christ.

Pastor: Why do you call Jesus "our Lord"?

Congregation: Because—not with gold or silver, but with his precious

blood—he has set up free from sin and from the

tyranny of the devil, and has bought us, body and soul,

to be his very own.

† The Gloria Patri #735

**Call to Repentance**Psalm 51:1-4
Church Bible, pg. 474

The Silent Confession of Personal Sins

### The Corporate Confession of Sin

O great and everlasting God, who dwells in unapproachable light, who searches and knows the thoughts and intentions of the heart; we confess that we have not loved you with all our heart, nor with all our soul, nor with all our mind, nor with all our strength; nor our neighbors as ourselves. We have loved what we ought not to have loved; we have coveted what is not ours; we have not been content with your provisions for us. We have complained in our hearts about our family, about our friends, about our health, about our occupations, about

your church, and about our trials. We have sought our security in those things that perish, rather than in you, the Everlasting God. Chasten, cleanse, and forgive us, through Jesus Christ, who is able for all time to save us who approach you through him, since he always lives to make intercessions for us, Amen.

The Assurance of Pardon

Micah 7:18-19 Church Bible, pg. 781

The New Testament Reading

Acts 14:19-23 Church Bible, pg. 923

† The Hymn God Moves in a Mysterious Way #128

The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication Mr. Allen Zumbach

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

Psalm 18:1-3

#38

Speak, O Lord (Getty and Townend, arr. Koerts)

The Scripture Lesson

Nehemiah 4:1-14 Church Bible, pg. 400

The Prayer for Illumination

The Proclamation of the Word of God

Mr. Joe Steele

#429 vv. 1-2

"Building and Battling in God's Kingdom, Part 1"

**† The Hymn of Preparation** Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured

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

One Day He's Coming (#327, vv. 1,2,4)

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

Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured

#429 vv. 3-4

† The Benediction

† The Doxology

#731

† The Postlude

Celebration in G Major (Shayla Blake)

Miss Bertha Dykstra

† Congregation Standing

### Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

The Prelude Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Voluntary on "Lobe den Herren"

The Welcome and Announcements

**† Call to Worship** Isaiah 52:7-10

Pastor: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who

brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion,

"Your God reigns."

Congregation: The voice of your watchman--they lift up their voice;

together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the

return of the LORD to Zion.

Pastor: Break forth together into singing, you waste places of

Jerusalem, for the LORD has comforted his people; he has

redeemed Jerusalem.

Congregation: The LORD has bared his holy arm, before the eyes of all

the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the

salvation of our God.

† The Hymn of Praise

Thy God Reigneth!

† The Invocation

Encouraging One Another with Psalms, Hymns, Spiritual Songs & Prayer

The Offertory

Seek to Serve
(arr. L. Pfautsch)

The Teaching of the Word of God

Mr. David Hammond

"Hark the Herald Prophet Speaks"

Mark 1:1-8 Church Bible, pg. 836

† The Hymn of Response Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus #196

† The Benediction

† The Doxology

† The Postlude

Go Ye Into All the World

(John Turner)

Miss Bertha Dykstra

#69

#731

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 <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.

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 <a href="https://www.wpc-hsv.org">www.wpc-hsv.org</a> and select "Watch Live" on the menu bar at the top of the page.