

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.

This Week

The church office will be closed tomorrow in celebration of the Labor Day Holiday. We will reopen at 8 am on Tuesday.

Most of our Growth Groups for adults are up & running: To see the full list of available groups, you may pick up an information card at the Resource Center in the lobby or go to the church website & select 'Adult Groups and Classes' under 'Ministries' on the menu bar at the top of the homepage.

Wednesday Night Youth Study will meet on Wednesday nights in the Parlor. All youth are invited to join us for a light meal at 6:15 pm. From 6:30 – 8:30 pm, we will be studying *Just Do Something* by Kevin DeYoung. For more info, contact Eric Fulcher at eric.fulcher@gmail.com.

The Adult Choir meets weekly on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm, and we are looking for new members. This is a great opportunity to learn if you have always wanted to test that "shower aria" or "lawn mowing motet" voice and grow in a welcoming environment! For more information, please contact Tom Adams at (256) 797-5656.

The Beginning and Student Choirs also meet weekly on Wednesday nights: The Student Choir (2nd grade and up) meets from 6:15 - 6:45 pm, and the Beginning Choir (4s/5s-1st grade) meets from 6:45 - 7:15 pm. Both groups meet in the sanctuary classroom to the right of the platform. Contact Rebecca Johnson to register at 256-508-9352.

First Steps Seminar: Our next church membership seminar—called First Steps—will be held **THIS Saturday, September 9, 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, sign up on the blue sheet today or email Pastor Bob at bob.brunson@wpc-hsv.org and we'll be in touch.

Upcoming Events

The Tuesday Men's Lunch Bunch will start back on Tuesday, September 12. The group will meet each Tuesday at noon in the church conference room to study *God's Big Picture: Tracing the Storyline of the Bible* by Vaughan Roberts. Bring a lunch & join us for a good time of learning and fellowship this fall!

The next "Women Reading Great Books" gathering will be Thursday, September 21st: September's book selection is, *Openness Unhindered: Further Thoughts of an Unlikely Convert on Sexual Identity and Union with Christ* by Rosaria Butterfield. We look forward to discussing this important book together this fall!

The next Baby Sprinkle for expectant moms will be Tuesday, September 26th at 6:30 pm in the Church Parlor. Join us in blessing Laura Diaz, Jennifer Harvey, Alyssa Knight and Nicole Perrin. Sign up to attend on the blue sheet today.

Operation Christmas Child: WPC will be participating in Samaritan's Purse's "Operation Christmas Child" to provide gift boxes to children in need around the world once again this year. Empty boxes for you to fill will be available for pick-up on Sunday, September 24th. To learn more about OCC, go to <https://video.samaritanpurse.org/channel/operation-christmas-child/>

Theology Conference Thank-You's

We want to thank all those who volunteered to make the 2017 Theology Conference such a success this past weekend. We deeply appreciate all who gave their time and effort to serve in so many different ways last week—we couldn't have done it without you!

Hurricane Harvey Relief Efforts

Disaster relief efforts to help those affected by Harvey in south Texas are already underway at the national, regional and congregational level to coordinate our response as a denomination. Please keep an eye on your email inbox in coming days for updates on WPC's plans. For a look at the bigger picture, visit www.pcamna.org for updates on the PCA's denominational response.

Ministry Opportunities

Communion Set-up & Clean-up: The church is looking for volunteers to join the rotation for Communion setup and cleanup. The duties are either Sunday morning first Sunday of the month or Sunday evening the third Sunday of the month. With enough folks on the team there will be only a few months of service per year. If you are interested, please contact Joel Hall (joel.hall@gmail.com) or Joe Crowhurst (crowhurst.jc@gmail.com) or sign-up on the blue sheet.

Sunday's Servants

SERVING	TODAY: Sept 3, 2017	NEXT WEEK: Sept 10, 2017
NURSERY – Morning Worship	Laura Kate Fulcher, Rebekah Fredrick, Adeline Gunn	Judy Barnes, Victoria Lauderdale, Kate Gunn
	Eleanor Lynn	Suzanne Morcomb
	Gilchrist Grady	Kate Cherry
NURSERY – Sunday School	Elizabeth Lauderdale, Kathy Bradshaw	Molly McCune
	Siegfried Wendland	Lindsay VanKirk
NURSERY – Evening Worship	Allen Zumbach, Jennifer Murphree	Donna & Curry Knight
HEAD USHER	Joe Crowhurst	Steve Stegman
SEXTON COUNTER	Craig Bosma, Sam Lowrance	Sam Lowrance, Paul Galloway
SOUND	Clif Barnes	Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	Monday Mbila	Steve Stegman
COMMUNION SET UP	Halls	----

Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

Attendance for August 27, 2017

Morning Worship – 263
Sunday School – 203
Evening Worship - 97

Staff and Ministry Team

Bob Brunson
Curry Knight
Tracey Zumbach
Jessica Perez
Mary Spybey
Rebecca Johnson
Stephen Hooks

Interim Pastor
Administrator
Children's Ministry Director
Nursery Coordinator
Office Manager
Music Intern
WCA Head of School



WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 3, 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 *Prelude and Fugue in D Minor*, BWV 554
J.S. Bach

The Welcome and Announcements

The Preparation for Worship *Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me*
(Trinity Hymnal #335)

† **The Call to Worship** from Psalm 145

Pastor: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.

People: Every day will I praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.

Pastor: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

People: One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts.

† **The Hymn of Praise** *Holy, Holy, Holy!* #100

† **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 Nicene Creed Hymnal, pg. 846

† **The Gloria Patri** #735

The Old Testament Lesson Genesis 22:1-19
Church Bible, pg. 16

The Prayer of Confession, Intercession & Dedication Mr. Stacy Murphree

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory *If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee*
(Trinity Hymnal #670)

The New Testament Lesson Galatians 1:3-5
Church Bible, pg. 972

The Prayer for Illumination

† **Congregation Standing**

The Proclamation of the Word of God Mr. Bob Brunson

“That Breakthrough Moment”
Communion Meditation

† **The Hymn of Preparation** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* #252, 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

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** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* #252, vv. 3-4

† **Benediction**

† **The Doxology** #731

The Postlude *Rejoice, the Lord is King* Mr. Art McKinney
(Trinity Hymnal #310)

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 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.

Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

The Prelude

The Welcome and the Call to Worship

† **The Hymn of Praise** *How Firm a Foundation* #94

† **The Invocation**

Songs and Prayers *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!* #600

The Offertory

The Ministry of the Word Mr. John Summers

“The Man of God, part 1”
II Timothy 1
(Church Bible, pg. 995)

† **The Hymn of Response** *I Know Whom I Have Believed* #705

† **The Benediction**

† **The Doxology** #731

† **The Postlude** Mr. Charlie Grady

We welcome Mr. John Summers back to our pulpit tonight to begin a four-part series in II Timothy for the month of September. John is a native of Huntsville, having recently moved back home from the Atlanta area with his wife, Michaiiah, and two children, Emmeline and Palmer. Before coming back to Huntsville, John worked bi-vocationally as a preaching pastor at a church plant while also working as a trial attorney. He studied theology at Spurgeon's College, University of Wales. John has recently been licensed to preach by our Presbytery and his family worships at Cornerstone.