

**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.

**College Sunday School:** We will re-locate to WCA Classroom 105 for the following five Sundays: September 9, 16, 30 and October 14, 21.

**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**

**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.

**Student Choir:** Rehearses on Wednesday nights in the Sanctuary Classroom. For more information, email [music.wpc.hsv@gmail.com](mailto:music.wpc.hsv@gmail.com) or contact Rebecca Johnson.

- Youth Ensemble (5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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-1<sup>st</sup> grade) meets 6:45-7:15 pm

**40 Days for Life** is September 26 through November 4 to help focus prayer to end abortion. Pray at home, and if possible, come out each Saturday 9:20 am – 10:15 am and join a prayer group while the clinic is closed. Children are welcome (supervised). Clinic address: 4831 Sparkman Avenue, Huntsville. For more information contact Beth Nemati or Maria McKinney and stop by the table in the foyer. Other upcoming pro-life events are the Gosnell movie in theaters starting October 12, a teen Girls' Night fundraiser for the Huntsville Pregnancy Resource Center on October 19, and a Walk for Life fundraiser for HPRC on November 3.

**David Hammond Installation Reception:** David Hammond will be installed as our new Assistant Pastor during the evening worship service on September 30th. A reception honoring David will follow. Please help us by bringing a dessert and volunteering to help clean up. A link to the electronic signup is available in the Weekly Blast e-mail and also on our website inside of the "This Week at Westminster" section. The church is providing a cake and drinks. Please note that David **loves** chocolate!

**Men's Retreat:** Men – please join us for our annual Men's Retreat, which is set for Friday and Saturday, November 2-3, 2018 at Vision Ministry Lodge in South Huntsville. The Retreat will officially begin at 4 pm on Friday (though you're welcome to come early) and will wrap up at 11 am on Saturday. Join us for a great time of fellowship, conversation and leadership development. Tony Giles of Serge Ministries will be our guest speaker. The cost of the retreat is \$20 for Friday Dinner and Saturday Breakfast or \$65.00 for both lodging and meals (registration deadline is October 18). To sign-up online go to [www.wpc-hsv.org](http://www.wpc-hsv.org) and click on the Men's Retreat page on the homepage under "EVENTS".

**Opportunity to Serve**

As part of Phase 2 of implementing procedures in compliance with safety guidelines recommended by our insurance company, the Safety and Preparedness Committee is looking for volunteers to assist in monitoring the first-floor entrance at WCA during the Sunday school hour. We welcome the help of any current WPC member over age 19. Rotation schedule will begin October 7. Please follow the children as they walk over to WCA just after morning worship and remain until youth/children's Sunday school dismisses. You can indicate your willingness to help on the blue sheet today!

**Help Wanted!** Are you interested in helping serve our church nursery and have a blast with the youngest of our covenant children? We have a need for ADULT (19 yrs. +) helpers in all of our classes for both Morning Worship and Sunday School. We need 10 adult helpers for Morning worship and 7 adult helpers during the Sunday School hour. All of our helpers must be a member of the church and complete a background check. Check out the Blue Sheet to see all the specific needs and to sign-up! If you would like more information on what it is like to volunteer in the nursery, please contact Jessica Perez at [Jessica.perez@wpc-hsv.org](mailto:Jessica.perez@wpc-hsv.org).

**Children's Ministry News**

**Kid Check:** Please take a few minutes to register your minor children online at [www.kidcheck.com](http://www.kidcheck.com) 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	TODAY: Sept 23, 2018	NEXT WEEK: Sept 30, 2018
NURSERY – Morning Worship	David & Nicole Perrin, Taylor Thompson	Carol Evans, Annabelle Lowrance
	Kyle VanKirk	Catherine Henderson
	Susan Post	Noah Keel
NURSERY – Sunday School	Susann Anderson	Taylor Thompson
	Caroline Stegman	
NURSERY – Evening Worship	Nat & Pam Causey	David & Nicole Perrin
HEAD USHER	Kyle VanKirk	Joe Crowhurst
SEXTON COUNTER	John Gunn, John Kirkwood	John Kirkwood, Matt Harness
SOUND	Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher	Clif Barnes
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	Monday Mbila	Monday Mbila
COMMUNION SET UP	-----	

<u>Attendance for September 16, 2018</u>
Morning Worship - 341
Sunday School - 274
Evening Worship - 127

<u>September 2018</u>		
	General	Missions
YTD Actual	\$548,281	\$49,560
YTD Budget	\$615,000	\$52,500
Annual Budget	\$820,000	\$70,000

<u>Pastoral Staff</u>		
Joe Steele	Sr. Pastor	joe.steele@wpc-hsv.org
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**WESTMINSTER**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 23, 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

*Fill Me Now*  
(Sweney, arr. Krieger)

*May Thy Holy Spirit*  
(Tschesnokoff, arr. Sanborn)

### The Welcome and Announcements

### The Preparation for Worship

*Just As I Am* Sanctuary Choir  
TH #501 (v 1,3,4)

### † The Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Pastor: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**Congregation: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.**

Pastor: Know that the Lord is God.

**Congregation: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

Pastor: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; Give thanks to him and praise his name.

**Congregation: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.**

### † The Hymn of Praise

*Before Jehovah's Awesome Throne*

#65

### † 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 (Question 62)

Q. But why can our good works not be our righteousness before God, or at least a part of it?

**A. Because the righteousness which can stand before God's judgment must be absolutely perfect and in complete agreement with the law of God, whereas even our best works in this life are all imperfect and defiled with sin.**

### † The Gloria Patri

#735

### Call to Repentance

Mark 7:14-23  
Church Bible, pg. 843

### The Silent Confession of Personal Sins

### † Congregation Standing

### The Corporate Confession of Sin

Holy Father, whose eyes cannot look upon iniquity and who cannot tolerate wrong, but who also loves us and sent your Son to save us from our sins, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, both by what we have done and by what we have not done. Forgive us; and grant to us the knowledge that you have cleansed us of all our sin through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### The Assurance of Pardon

1 John 1:8-10  
Church Bible, pg. 1021

### The Old Testament Reading

Genesis 3:14-21  
Church Bible, pg. 3

### † The Hymn

*The Spacious Firmament on High*

#117

### The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication

Mr. Scooter Johnson

### The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

### The Offertory

*May the Word of Christ Dwell in You Richly*  
(Ralph and Dorothy Schultz)

May the Word of Christ dwell in you richly,  
And the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,  
So that every word you say, and everything you do  
May give glory to His Holy Name.

Cast away the earthly, Set your minds on things above,  
Kindness and compassion, humility and love,  
Love that shows forgiveness, bears all things patiently,  
Binding hearts together in perfect harmony.

### The Scripture Lesson

Revelation 21:1-5  
Church Bible, pg. 1041

### The Prayer for Illumination

### The Proclamation of the Word of God

Mr. David Hammond  
“The New Earth – Replacement or Renovation?”

### † The Hymn of Response

*There is a Land of Pure Delight*

#550

### † The Benediction

### † The Doxology

#731

### † The Postlude

*Rejoice! He is Lord of All*  
(Knoedler)

Miss Bertha Dykstra

## Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

### The Prelude

*King of Kings Majesty*  
*I Know Whom I Have Believed*  
*Thy Mercy My God is the Theme of My Soul*

### The Welcome and Announcements

### † Call to Worship

Psalm 34:1-4

Pastor: I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

**Congregation: My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.**

Pastor: Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

**Congregation: I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.**

### † The Hymn of Praise

*Fill Thou My Life, O Lord My God*

#589

### † The Invocation

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

### The Offertory

*Sing Hallelujah*  
(Stassen, arr. Wolaver)

### The Teaching of the Word of God

Mr. John Summers

“Spiritual Children of Abraham by Faith”

Galatians 3:1-9

Church Bible, pg. 973

### † The Hymn of Response

*Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face*

#378

### † The Benediction

### † The Doxology

#731

### † The Postlude

*With Harps and with Viols*  
(Hymnal #547)

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.