

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 Sundays: October 14 and 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 or contact Rebecca Johnson.

- Youth Ensemble (5th-12th grade) meets 5:45 – 6:15 pm
- Student Choir (2nd-5th grade) meets 6:15-6:45 pm
- Beginning Choir (4yo-1st 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.

Who-Said-Men-Can't-Be-Social hosted by Ryan Wellman on Tuesday, October 16th at 304 Natchez Trail, Huntsville, at 6:30 pm.

Men's Retreat: Please join us for our annual Men's Retreat on November 2-3 as we explore what it means to lead. Tony Giles of Serge Ministries will be our guest speaker leading our discussion of leadership. The Retreat begins at 4 pm on Friday and will wrap up at 11 am on Saturday. 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). Sign-up online at www.wpc-hsv.org and click on the Men's Retreat page on the homepage under "EVENTS".

Opportunity to Serve

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.

Walk for Life: On November 3, 9-11 AM, Westminster ladies will be meeting at the HPRC (Huntsville Pregnancy Resource Center - formerly Choose Life), 220 Rands Avenue, for the Walk for Life. For more information see the WPC website, Christa Post, or Beth Nemati.

Operation Christmas Child: Many boys and girls who receive shoebox gifts also enroll in OCC's follow-up discipleship program, The Greatest Journey, where they learn to follow Christ and share Him with others. It all starts with a simple gift. Will you prayerfully consider joining us in this exciting ministry. Pick up your box in the foyer, bring your items to fill the box and join others as we pack together on Wed., Nov. 7th, between 5:00 pm and 6:15 pm, or return your completed box to the church no later than Sunday, Nov. 11th.

Calling all parents of college students! WIC would like to show your college students some love as they enter the exam week crunch by mailing them a care package. If your student has dietary restrictions, please include that information for us. Send updated a shipping address to Angie Fulcher (angie.fulcher@gmail.com) or via the blue sheet. Volunteers are welcome. Please contact Angie if you're interested in helping assist us!

Choir/Missions Opportunity: Tom and Teresa Wilson are Westminster supported missionaries to Japan leading gospel and classical choirs for the last nine years. They will be with us Oct 20th and 21st to share their story and lead our choir during worship. YOU are invited to a special choir practice on Saturday Oct 20th at 9 am to meet the Wilsons and rehearse a gospel choir anthem during worship the following morning. Come and join your voices to our regular choir and help lead the congregation as we worship and praise our Lord.

Sunday's Servants

SERVING	TODAY: Oct 14, 2018	NEXT WEEK: Oct 21, 2018
NURSERY – Morning Worship	Kate Gunn, Stephanie Wellman	Scooter & Angie Johnson, April Stegman
	Sydney Knight	Garret Gady, Kendall Branscomb
		Micah & Charissa Matson
NURSERY – Sunday School	Susann Anderson	Noelle Thompsn
	Sam Fulcher	
NURSERY – Evening Worship	Donna & Curry Knight	Eion Grady, Lucy Fulcher
HEAD USHER	David Knight	Thomas Henderson
SEXTON COUNTER	Wade Pettus, Art McKinney	Art McKinney, Craig Bosma
SOUND	Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher	Clif Barnes
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	Steve Stegman	Chris Wellborn
COMMUNION SET UP	----	McKinneys

<u>Attendance for Oct 7, 2018</u>
Morning Worship - 260
Sunday School - 167
Evening Worship - 66

<u>October 2018</u>		
	General	Missions
YTD Actual	\$591,251	\$52,390
YTD Budget	\$69,167	\$58,333
Annual Budget	\$820,000	\$70,000

<u>Pastoral Staff</u>		
Joe Steele	Sr. Pastor	joe.steele@wpc-hsv.org
David Hammond	Asst. Pastor	david.hammond@wca-hsv.org
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<u>Ministry Team</u>		
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WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 14, 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

The Faithful
(Boesiger)

Great is Thy Faithfulness

The Welcome and Announcements

The Preparation for Worship

Sanctuary Choir

Great is Thy Faithfulness – (Hymnal #32)

(Congregation to stand and join in 3rd verse)

† The Call to Worship

Psalm 145:17-21

Pastor: The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.

Congregation: The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

Pastor: He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.

Congregation: The LORD preserves all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.

Pastor: My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

† The Hymn of Praise

God Himself is with Us

#382

† 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 67)

Q. Are both the Word and the sacraments then intended to focus our faith on the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross as the only ground of our salvation?

A. **Yes, indeed. The Holy Spirit teaches us in the gospel and assures us by the sacraments that our entire salvation rests on Christ's one sacrifice for us on the cross.**

† The Gloria Patri

#735

Call to Repentance

Isaiah 55:6-7
Church Bible, pg. 615

The Silent Confession of Personal Sins

The Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, you are rich in mercy to all those who call upon you. Hear me as I come to you, humbly confessing my sins, and imploring your mercy and forgiveness. I have broken your holy laws by my deeds and words, and by the sinful affections of my heart. I confess before you my disobedience and ingratitude, my pride and willfulness. Have mercy upon me, and out of your great goodness grant that I may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ my Lord.

The Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 53:4-6
Church Bible, pg. 614

The New Testament Reading

1 Peter 1:3-7
Church Bible, pg. 1014

† The Hymn

My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

(see Insert)

The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication

Mr. Nat Causey

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee (Ps 145: 15,16)
Jean Berger

The eyes of all wait upon thee;
And thou givest them their food in due season.

Thou openest thine hand,
and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

The Scripture Lesson

Nehemiah 6:15-7:4
Church Bible, pg. 402

The Prayer for Illumination

The Proclamation of the Word of God

“Finished in Fifty-two Days”

Mr. Joe Steele

† The Hymn of Response

Though Troubles Assail Us

#95

† The Benediction

† The Doxology

#731

† The Postlude

Hornpipe I
(Handel)

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 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.

† Congregation Standing

Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

The Prelude

I Sing the Almighty Power of God
(Hymnal #119, arr. Krug)

We Plow the Fields and Scatter
(Hymnal #714)

The Welcome and Announcements

† Call to Worship

Isaiah 40:1-5

Pastor: Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. **Speak tenderly** to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.

Congregation: A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Pastor: Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.

Congregation: And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

† The Hymn of Praise

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

#197

† The Invocation

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

The Offertory

O Lord on High, We Pray Thee Guide Us
(Marwick, Mozart)

The Teaching of the Word of God

Mr. David Hammond

“Why Was it Necessary for Jesus to be Baptized?”

Mark 1:9-11

Church Bible, pg. 836

† The Hymn of Response

Not All the Blood of Beasts

#242

† The Benediction

† The Doxology

#731

† The Postlude

The Heavens Declare Your Glory Miss Bertha Dykstra
(from Ps. 19:1-6/Bach adapted from *My Heart Ever Faithful*)