

## 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.

**Interested in Membership? Join us THIS Saturday, December 2, 9 am – 2 pm, for our next First Steps Seminar.** 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 or are ready to sign up, check the appropriate box on the blue sheet today and we'll be in touch!

## This Week

**The next "Who-Said-Men-Can't-Be-Social" gathering will be THIS Thursday, November 30th, 6:30 pm, at the home of John Gunn, 213 Boulton Ct., Madison, AL.** Be sure to put this on the calendar now!

**Growth Groups for Adults:** 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.

**The Adult Choir meets weekly on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm,** and we are always looking for new members. For more information, please contact Tom Adams at (256) 797-5656.

**Wednesday Night Youth Study:** All youth are invited to join us this and every Wednesday in the parlor for a light meal at 6:15 pm, followed by group time from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. For the remainder of the year, we'll be studying *12 Ways Your Phone is Changing You*, a good dive into the personal & spiritual ramifications of being connected 24/7. For more info, contact Eric Fulcher at [eric.fulcher@gmail.com](mailto:eric.fulcher@gmail.com).

## Christmas at WPC

**Christmas is Coming Soon:** Plans are underway for holiday worship and outreach here at WPC, & it's not too soon to get them on your calendar!

- **Poinsettias for the Sanctuary:** Help us decorate the sanctuary with poinsettias this Christmas season. Flowers may be dedicated in memory or honor of a loved one; names will appear each week in the bulletin. You can purchase a 6-inch plant for \$8 or a 12-inch plant for \$17 for display each Sunday of Advent. Flowers may be taken home after the Christmas Eve Candlelight service. **The deadline to order a poinsettia is December 3rd!** Stop by the Resource Center in the lobby to pick up a dedication form, then turn in the completed form and payment either to the church office or in the designated box in the lobby. Be sure to note 'Poinsettia Drive' on the memo line of your check. Questions? Contact Suzanne Wellborn at 256-585-9461.
- **A Service of Nine Lessons & Carols and Christmas Brunch, Sunday morning, December 17th:** People love the music of the season, which makes this an especially good Sunday to invite your friends to join us for worship. The service will lead us through the entire story of Christmas in Scripture and song, and will be followed by our annual holiday brunch. Invitation cards for you to pass along to others will be available soon!
- **Christmas Eve Worship:** Since Christmas Eve will be on Sunday this year, in addition to Morning Worship at 9:30 am, we will return at 4 pm for our annual **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service** in the sanctuary. Invitation cards will be coming soon. **Please note:** to allow our teachers to rest and prepare for the holidays with their family, there will be no Sunday School on Christmas Eve.
- **Worship on New Year's Eve:** To give our Sunday School teachers a time to rest from their preparations and enjoy the holidays with their families, we will only hold Morning Worship (at our usual time of 9:30) on Sunday, December 31. We will resume our regular Sunday schedule the following Lord's Day.

## Sunday's Servants

SERVING	TODAY: Nov 26, 2017	NEXT WEEK: Dec 3, 2017
NURSERY – Morning Worship	David & Nicole Perrin, Taylor Thompson	David & Meghan Palmer, Damon & Stephanie Lares
	Kyle Van Kirk	Lauren Johannesmeyer
	Susan Post	Jonathan & Alyssa Knight
NURSERY – Sunday School		Laura Diaz, Ashleigh Fulcher
	Caroline Stegman	
NURSERY – Evening Worship	Susann Anderson, Lucy Fulcher	Allen Zumbach, Jennifer Murphree
HEAD USHER	David Perrin	Joey Lauderdale
SEXTON COUNTER	Paul Galloway, Monday Mbila	Monday Mbila, Nate Van Kirk
SOUND	Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher	Clif Barnes
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	Mark Linker	Greg Lewis
COMMUNION SET UP	----	Kleins

## Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

## Attendance for November 19, 2017

Morning Worship – 279  
Sunday School – 218  
Evening Worship – 93

## Staff and Ministry Team

Bob Brunson  
Curry Knight  
Tracey Zumbach  
Jessica Perez  
Mary Spybey  
Jessica Wendland  
Rebecca Johnson  
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**WESTMINSTER**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 26, 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**      *We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator*  
(arr. Willan and Thygerson)

*Let All Things Now Living*  
(arr. John Purifoy)

**The Welcome and Announcements**

**The Preparation for Worship**

*Praise Him! Praise Him!*  
(Trinity Hymnal #173, v. 3)

† **The Call to Worship**      from Psalm 24

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O gates; be lifted up, your ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

**People: Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.**

Pastor: Lift up your heads, O your gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

**People: Who is he, this King of glory? The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory!**

† **The Hymn of Praise**      *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!*      **#198**

† **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**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end.

Amen, Amen.

**The Call to Repentance**      Psalm 24:1-6

**The Confession of Sin**

Almighty God, you who are rich in mercy to all those who call upon you; hear us as we come to you, humbly confessing our sins and imploring your mercy and forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward you and toward our fellow men. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, and of your great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**The Assurance of Pardon**      Psalm 34:17-18

† **The Hymn**      *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*      **#194**

**The New Testament Lesson**      Luke 1:26-38  
Church Bible, pg. 855

**The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication**      Mr. Bill Emrich

**The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**The Offertory**      *Fountain Medley*  
(arr. Rodriguez)

**The Scripture Lesson**      Daniel 9:20-27  
Church Bible, pg. 747

**The Prayer for Illumination**

**The Proclamation of the Word of God**      Mr. Bob Brunson

“Glad Tidings of Great Joy”

Series: A Future and a Hope

† **The Hymn of Response**      *It Came upon the Midnight Clear*      **#200**

† **The Benediction**

† **The Doxology**      **#731**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**The Postlude**      *Now Thank We All Our God*      Miss Bertha Dykstra  
(arr. Kaufmann)

† **Congregation Standing**

### 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.

## Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

**The Prelude**      *For the Fruit of All Creation*  
(arr. Zach Unke)

*Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul*  
(arr. Lowell Mason)

**The Welcome and the Call to Worship**      Lamentation 3:22-26

† **The Hymn of Praise**      *God, Be Merciful to Me*      **#486**

† **The Invocation**

**Encouraging One Another in Song & Prayer**

**The Offertory**      *Compassion Hymn*  
(Gettys and Townend)

**The Ministry of the Word**      Mr. David Hammond

“Mercy Begets Mercy

Matthew 5:7

(Church Bible, pg. 809)

† **The Hymn of Response**      *Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It!*      **#701**

† **The Benediction**

† **The Doxology**      **#731**

† **The Postlude**      *God Be with You Till We Meet Again*      Miss Bertha Dykstra  
(Ralph Vaughn Williams)

We welcome the Rev. David Hammond to our pulpit again tonight. David is an old friend of this congregation and a much-loved teacher of the Scriptures at WCA. We’re excited to have him with us this fall!