

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.

"Monthly Prayer with the Pulpit Committee" tonight at 5:15 pm: The Pulpit Committee would like to invite you to join them for a time of prayer tonight, December 3, at 5:15 pm in the church parlor to seek God's guidance in our search for a senior pastor. This will be a regular monthly gathering until the search is complete, so plan now to add your voice to the chorus of prayer for our church at this strategic time.

This Week

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.

Christmas at WPC

Christmas is Coming Soon: Plans are underway for holiday worship and outreach here at WPC, and 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 TODAY 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.
- **"Flapjacks and Flannels" Youth Christmas Parties:** If you're in middle school or high school, join us either on December 15th or 16th for 'Flapjacks & Flannels' as we celebrate the holiday together. Wear something flannel, bring a \$5.00 gift for Dirty Santa, invite a friend to join you, and come on!
 - **The Middle School party** will be Friday, December 15th, 6:30-8:30 pm at the Murphrees (223 Harborview Dr., Madison)
 - **The High School party** Saturday, December 16th, 7:00-9:00 pm at the Keels (219 Haddington Ct., Madison)
- **A Service of Nine Lessons & Carols and Christmas Fellowship, 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 an extended time of fellowship. Please feel free to pass along the invitation cards to others.

- **Annual Christmas Fellowship:** Please join us for our annual Christmas Fellowship (a light reception of finger foods) following our Service of Nine Lessons & Carols on Sunday, December 17th. We request that every family please bring a plate of finger foods (e.g., sausage balls, cut up fruit, cheese, pastries or gluten-free options, etc.) on a nice plate the morning of Sunday, December 17th. We also need help with setup, so please consider signing up to help on Saturday, December 16th, from 9-10 am or on Sunday, December 17th, from 8:45-9:25 am. Use <http://bit.ly/WPCsetup> to sign-up for a timeslot or email wic@wpc-hsv.org or sign up on the blue sheet today.
- **Christmas Eve Worship:** Since Christmas Eve will be on Sunday this year, in addition to Morning Worship at 9:30 am, we will return for our annual **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service at 4 pm** 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: Dec 3, 2017	NEXT WEEK: Dec 10, 2017
NURSERY – Morning Worship	David & Meghan Palmer, Damon & Stephanie Lares	Kate Gunn, Ryan & Stephanie Wellman
	Lauren Johannesmeyer	Tami Covert
	Jonathan & Alyssa Knight	Annabelle Lowrance
NURSERY – Sunday School	Laura Diaz, Ashleigh Fulcher	Henry Lynn
		Samuel Fulcher
NURSERY – Evening Worship	Allen Zumbach, Jennifer Murphree	Curry & Donna Knight
HEAD USHER	Joey Lauderdale	Jay Lauderdale
SEXTON COUNTER	Monday Mbila, Nate Van Kirk	Nate Van Kirk, John Gunn
SOUND	Clif Barnes	Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	Greg Lewis	Greg Lewis
COMMUNION SET UP	Kleins	----

Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

Attendance for November 26, 2017

Morning Worship – 263
 Sunday School – 189
 Evening Worship – 73

Staff and Ministry Team

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WESTMINSTER
 PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 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

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
(arr. Curry)

Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming
(arr. Hayes)

The Welcome and Announcements

The Preparation for Worship

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus
(words from 196)

† The Call to Worship

from Psalm 96

Pastor: Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord all the earth.

People: Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

Pastor: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples;

People: For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise! Hallelujah!

† The Hymn of Praise

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

#203

† 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.

Mission Update:

Dr. Jim Peipon
Ukraine Medical Outreach

The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication

Mr. Eric Fulcher

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

Who But the Lord
Lyrics: Boersma
Music: Courtney

The Scripture Lesson

Daniel 7:13-14
Church Bible, pg. 745

The Prayer for Illumination

The Proclamation of the Word of God

Mr. Bob Brunson

“The Surprising Son of Man”
Series: A Future and a Hope

† The Hymn of Preparation

What Child Is This

#213, 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

The King of Love My Shepherd Is
(Gounod, arr. L. Smith)

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

What Child is This

#213, vv. 3

† 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

I Will Sing of the Mercies
Go Forth in the Name

Miss Bertha Dykstra

Our Missionary Guests this Morning: We're delighted to welcome back old friends and long-time missionary partners Jim and Marianna Peipon to Westminster this morning, along with their colleague, Tetiana Demianova and her daughter, Mariia Kyselova. We will hear a quick update on their work with Ukraine Medical Outreach this morning and get a full report during the worship service this evening.

Today's flowers have been given in celebration of the birthdays of:
Debbie Kaufmann, Kathy Mansfield & Lisa Pomnitz

† Congregation Standing

Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

The Prelude

Of the Father's Love Begotten
(arr. Hayes)

Love Transcending
(John 1:1-4, Peterson)

The Welcome and the Call to Worship

Proverbs 4:20-23

† The Hymn of Praise

Most Perfect Is the Law of God

#153

† The Invocation

Mission Report:

Jim & Marianna Peipon and Tetiana Demianova
Ukraine Medical Outreach

The Offertory

That Man is Blessed
(Psalm 1, arr. Grotenhuis)

The Ministry of the Word

Mr. David Hammond

“Kingdom Citizens Guard Their Hearts”

Matthew 5:8

(Church Bible, pg. 810)

† The Hymn of Response

Searcher of Hearts, from Mine Erase

#536

† The Benediction

† The Doxology

#731

† The Postlude

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

Miss Bertha Dykstra

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 delighted to have him with us!

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.