

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, June 24, 2018  
10:00 a.m.

*Fifth Sunday After Pentecost*

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

If you are curious, and have come to see  
If you are weary, and have come to rest  
If you are grateful, and have come to share  
If you are hurting, and have come for solace  
If you are listening, and have come to pray  
If you are seeking, and have come for answers  
WELCOME

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP, COMMON CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

People: **God's steadfast love endures forever,  
and God's faithfulness to all generations.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

\* HYMN OF PRAISE No. 32 ELLACOMBE

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Oh Lord, we come before you as imperfect people, and ask your forgiveness for our failings. We are grateful when grace is extended to us, yet fail to extend it to others when we feel hurt. We declare our trust in you, yet we let fear, doubt and worry consume our days. We accept your loving kindness, but often fail to think of the needs of our sisters and brothers near and far. We yearn for peace in your world, but hold on to anger and division instead of working for reconciliation. Forgive us, God, and through your Spirit, enable justice, love and peace to flow freely through us as we work to live as your faithful disciples.**

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.**

\* GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal, No. 581)

**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 LIFE OF THE CHURCH

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Hymnal page 35, Traditional*

*K5 and first grade children leave for Children's Church following the prayer.*

SOLO

"How Great Thou Art"

Courtney

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON — Psalm 133 (Page 575) *Stan Pendergrass*

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON — I Samuel 17 [selected verses] (Page 260)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

Barbara Stoop

"In the Name of the Lord of Hosts"

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

SERVICE OF GIVING

Offertory "Come, Thou Almighty King" arr. Jones

\* Doxology (Hymnal, No. 606)

**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.**

\* Prayer of Dedication

\* HYMN No. 307 CWM RHONDDA

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

\* BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE Toccata for a Joyous Day Smith

*\*All who are able may stand*

HEAD USHER: Jason Farmer

SPONSOR: Susan McLeod

GREETERS: Joanne Sweeny, Lee Freeman, Mike Hall

LITURGIST: Amos Workman

ACOLYTES: Katy Cox, Zach Warren

*Visitors and members are invited to the Sanctuary Atrium following the worship service for a time of fellowship and refreshments.*

PARKING

We have permission to use the parking lots at the Uniform Shop and Augusta Commons Mall.

TRAFFIC POLICE OFFICER

A Greenville city police officer will be on duty from 9:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. to help people cross the street from the other side of Augusta Road.

STREAMING

All worship services at Westminster are broadcast via live video streaming. Navigate to the home page of the church website at [www.wpc-online.org](http://www.wpc-online.org) and click the link "Worship via Live Streaming."

CHURCH NOTES

Musicians leading in worship this Sunday are:

*Nancy Smith, organist*

*Jim Wilkins, tenor*

During the month of June, the Sanctuary Choir takes a well deserved vacation. We look forward to their return in July, and invite you to be a part of Westminster's Summer Choir. Beginning **July 8**, anyone interested in singing with the choir in worship is invited to rehearsal at **9:15**. After rehearsal, singers sit in the congregation during worship and assemble on the chancel steps for the anthem. For more information, contact Mark Kemp, Music Director ([mkemp@wpc-online.org](mailto:mkemp@wpc-online.org)).

During the worship service, children in rising K5-1st grade follow one of our ministers out for Children's Church in **Room 206**. The leaders for Children's Church this **Sunday, June 24** are *Matt Delfino & Lizzy Holt*.

NURSERY

PARENT SCHEDULE

FOR JUNE 24

Crawler *Joe & Shannon Paradise*

Toddler *Heath & Jarrett Price*

K2 *Will & Jennifer McDavid*

K3 *Erik & Whitney Jensen*

K4 *Andrew & Katie Knauer*

CUBA MISSION TRIP

This week six adults from Westminster, led by Leigh Stuckey, are traveling to Havana, Matanzas, and Unión de Reyes in eastern Cuba to explore a mission partnership with the Iglesia Presbiteriana-Reformada en Cuba (Reformed Presbyterian Church in Cuba). The team will attend lectures and worship at the Presbyterian Seminary, support elderly and children's programs in the country, and experience the local communities. We ask that you hold the team in prayer and consider joining us in summer 2019!

SENIOR HIGH MISSION TRIP

Please keep the twenty-one youth and their chaperones in your prayers this week as they serve alongside a variety of urban outreach agencies in Chicago, Illinois. They will be worshipping, staying, learning, and serving through Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago.

CONNECTIONS

The Connections group will meet this **Sunday, June 24**, at **Yellow Ginger** (2100 Poinsett St.) at **11:45 a.m.** Make reservations with *Carole Tinsley* ([caroletinsley@yahoo.com](mailto:caroletinsley@yahoo.com)) **by Friday, June 22**.

SYMPATHY

We extend sincere sympathy to *Mike Hall* on the death of his mother, Martha Hall, on Wednesday, June 13, 2018, in Greenville.

FREE BOOKS!

Jean and Lud Weaver are downsizing their theological libraries. Commentaries, reference books, etc. are all free of charge. From **June 24 - July 8**, you can come to Westminster and take what you want.

LET US PRAY FOR:

*The Family of Harriet Carver*

*Paul Grier & family*

*Walker Miller & family*

*Mike Hall & family*

NURSERY

Childcare is available for infants through four-year kindergarten. Our childcare program provides safe, secure nurseries for our babies and toddlers during worship services. Our nurturing staff of experienced caregivers and parent volunteers offers a welcoming environment to all children.

ADULT GROUPS

• **Luncheon Group:** Will meet **Wednesday, June 27, at 12:00 p.m.** in **Room 211.** **Group Leader:** *Mary Ann Cox* (1maryanncox@gmail.com).

PW SCHOLARSHIP

Each year Presbyterian Women offer scholarships to provide financial aid among our college and graduate student membership. Any Westminster member who will be furthering their education in the fall is eligible to apply. Applications are available from the church office or online at [www.wpc-online.org](http://www.wpc-online.org). Applicants may contact *Katherine Mattice* (kmmarketingservices@gmail.com) with any questions. **The deadline is Friday, June 29, 2018.** Church members are reminded that memorials and donations may be designated to this scholarship fund to aid in its continuation.

GREENVILLE LITERACY

Westminster is a collection site again this year for *"The Really Good, Really Big, Really Cheap Book Sale."* Businesses and individuals are asked to donate new or used books in good condition to the Book Sale. The collection bin is located by the office entrance. Deadline for drop off is **July 27.** For more information and **a listing of items that are and are not accepted,** visit [www.greenvilleliteracy.org](http://www.greenvilleliteracy.org).

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
 Wednesday, July 18  
**Summer Supper Soiree**  
 honoring  
**Jean and Lud Weaver**  
 Details will be arriving in the mail.

SUMMER YOUTH EVENTS

**Senior High Mission Trip**  
*June 24 - 30*  
*(registration closed)*

**Middler Mission Days**  
*July 11*  
*August 1-2 (overnight)*

**Rising 9th Grade Mission Day**  
*July 18*

**Senior High Montreat Youth Conference**  
*July 22 - 28*  
*(registration closed)*

THEOLOGY READING GROUP

The Theology Reading Group will meet at **7:00 p.m.** in the **Charter Room** on **Monday, July 9.** *Kathryn Algary* will lead the discussion of Mudhouse Sabbath by Lauren F. Winner. Read the book and join us for an interesting evening. All are invited.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP PACKETS

Pick up a new Children's Worship Packet each week to find puzzles and activities that go along with the sermon for that week. There are activities for children of all ages, plus a little surprise in each packet. You will also find a sheet with ideas for your family to do during the week to think more about the sermon and scripture from each worship service. Get them before worship, or pick one up after worship to take home with you.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 24 - 30, 2018

SUNDAY

*Cuba Mission Trip*  
*Senior High Mission trip to Chicago*  
 10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 11:00 a.m. After Worship Fellowship  
 11:45 a.m. Connections  
 8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous

MONDAY

*Cuba Mission Trip*  
*Senior High Mission trip to Chicago*  
 6:15 p.m. NAMI  
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

TUESDAY

*Cuba Mission Trip*  
*Senior High Mission trip to Chicago*  
 12:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting

WEDNESDAY

*Cuba Mission Trip*  
*Senior High Mission trip to Chicago*  
 11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
 12:00 p.m. Luncheon Group Meeting

THURSDAY

*Cuba Mission Trip*  
*Senior High Mission trip to Chicago*  
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

FRIDAY

*Cuba Mission Trip*  
*Senior High Mission trip to Chicago*

SATURDAY

*Cuba Mission Trip*  
*Senior High Mission trip to Chicago*

THE SESSION

The Class of 2019

Howard Boyd	Collin Mackie
Sarah-Ann Davis	Susan McLeod
Beri Draganic	Elizabeth Palmer
Kathryn Freedman	Joanne Sweeny
Paul Grier	Rob Warren
Walter Hinton	Stephen Woods

The Class of 2020

Ben Alexander	Michael Hoffman
Rita Barker	Steve Johnson
Roxanne Cromartie	Coleman Kirven
Becca Donohue	Christa Likes
Lee Freeman	Jon McKnight
Mike Hall	Parks McLeod

The Class of 2021

Kristin Burrell	Elizabeth McElveen
Phillip Cox	Grier Mullins
Ted Gentry	Pete Roe
Philip Land	Gaye Sprague
Brad Lucas	Catherine Stoddard
David Massey	Freddie Williams



THE BUBBLE

When Becca and I first started dating she was very concerned about my tolerance for the "bubble," as she calls it. This is the close proximity, both physically and mentally, that she has with her parents, her church, her sons' school, her sister, and all things "Augusta Road."

She was often very aware of introducing me into this "bubble" and, in turn, if I was okay with it and was accepting of the time and commitment it meant as part of our relationship. Little did she know that as an army brat, having moved several times, lived in ten different states and two countries, and having grown up in a large Italian family, this was exactly the type of family unity I craved and was looking for. Needless to say, we have come to love our bubble as it has now grown to include my family, as well, and I hope we can continue to extend our bubble to our grandkids someday.

I liken this to Psalm 133 - *"Behold, how good and how pleasant [it is] for brethren to dwell together in unity!"*

As I have continued to move along my own journey with my faith here as a member of WPC, I find strength and unity constantly exemplified by this community of Christ. And it is in that community and shared faith that I take solace and find strength. As in I Samuel 17, which was one of my favorite underdog stories growing up of David and Goliath, I now, as an adult, see the real meaning behind it.

As Becca has shown me in our bubble, the strength of family and of our Father and our faith, do we find the unfaltering strength to take on seemingly impossible tasks. And most importantly believe in our ability, with the guidance and hand of God, allow us the ability to succeed in whatever challenge we each take on.

I feel the message this Sunday really is about the inner confidence and strength that both our belief in family and faith can provide if we are open and listening to the opportunity to accept both. I know my personal strength and peace of mind comes from all sitting high above me, and all of you beside me. And for that I am truly blessed.

Bill Donohue