

The Order of Common Worship

Westminster Presbyterian Church

January 19, 2020
10:30 a.m.

“Worship the Lord in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.” --Psalm 96:9

“...true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth.” --John 4:23

“What is the chief end of man? To glorify God and enjoy Him forever.” --Shorter Catechism

Welcome to Westminster!

Pre-service Music Elise Everett, Piano

+Opening Sentence *from* Psalm 104

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!
Hallelujah!

+Opening Hymn: “All Creatures of Our God and King” Celebrating Grace #307
Lasst uns Erfreuen

+Prayer of Adoration

Invitation to Confession *from* Isaiah 53:6

Unison Prayer of Confession *from* the 1946 Presbyterian *Book of Common Worship*

Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred, and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare Thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore Thou those who are penitent, according to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a holy, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Thy holy name. Amen.

Time for Silent Prayers of Confession

“Rain Down” Celebrating Grace #388
Rain Down

**Rain down, rain down,
rain down Your love on your people.
Rain down, rain down,
rain down Your love, God of life.**

The Assurance of Pardon *from* 1 Peter 2

Passing of the Peace

+The Acclamation of Praise: “*Gloria Patri*” Celebrating Grace #705

**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.**

Time with Young Disciples

Interlude for Silent Meditation

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 10:35-45 Pew Bible p. 969

Sermon: “The Essential Mark: Jesus Christ, Servant” The Rev. Will Shurley
Second in “The Essential Mark” series: Who is Jesus?

Prayer for Right Response to God’s Word

The 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; He descended into hell. 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.

The Celebrations and Concerns of the Church and Invitation to Discipleship

The Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: “*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need (Resignation)*” Elise Everett, Organ
By Alice Jordan

+Doxology Celebrating Grace #706
Old Hundredth

**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

+Closing Hymn: “*And Can It Be?*” Celebrating Grace #605
Sagina

+The Charge and Benediction

+Congregational Response: “*Amen*”

+Postlude: “*Postlude on Sicilian Mariners*” Elise Everett, Organ
By Alfred V. Fedak

Large print copies of hymns are available in the narthex.
+ If you are able, please stand
Bold Typeface Gathered People are invited to participate actively in worship.

This Week’s Meetings/Events

MLK School Holiday: Monday
Discipleship Formation Committee Meeting: Monday at 6:30 p.m.
Prayer Group: Tuesday at 10 a.m.
Sunday School: Sunday at 9 a.m.
Choir warm-up: Sunday at 10 a.m.
Worship: Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Upcoming / Announcements

Prayer List: The prayer list was restarted last week. If you would like for any prayer request previously listed to be re-listed, please make a note on the Registry of Fellowship (below).

Congregational Meeting: Make plans to attend Westminster's Meeting of the Congregation and Potluck next Sunday, **January 26** following morning worship.

Lunch Bunch: Lunch Bunch will resume on February 12 at 11:30 a.m. Please see Carolyn Cadenhead or Anna Cuevas for additional details.

2020 Flower Chart: The new Sanctuary flowers sign up sheet for 2020 has been posted in the hall outside the admin offices. Flowers are \$50 each week.

Bulletin Deadline: Thursday at 9 a.m.

Did you know that Westminster’s calendar is located on our website? Check there for the most up to date information.

Registry of Fellowship - January 19, 2020

Name(s): _____

Member First Time Visitor Return Visitor

For our visitors:

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

I would like a call from the pastor (please list phone number above).

I would like information on becoming an active member of Westminster.

Prayer Requests: _____

Would you like a prayer card sent? Yes No

Please send prayer card’s recipients address to office@gulfportchurch.org.

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CASSEROLES, CASSEROLES, CASSEROLES!

Westminster has a unique opportunity to establish good relationships with young men and women currently training at the Seabee Base. Most of these young people are recent high school graduates away from home for the first time, and participating in intense training. Through the efforts of Chaplain Paul Smith, these young people are able to gather to share a meal, play some games, and take part in discussions about ethics and leadership. Chaplain Smith has reached out to Westminster explaining that there is a great need for an occasional home cooked meal. We can respond by stocking our freezer with casseroles. We will be taking food to the Navy Base to feed this group of 60 on **Jan. 7 and Jan. 21**. We hope to continue providing meals for new groups of trainees on the first and third Tuesdays of each month in 2020.

How can you help? Prepare a casserole - any kind - in a disposable container, label it, bring it to church and put in the freezer. The Missions Committee will collect the casseroles and deliver them at dinner time. You may not have an opportunity to meet any of these young people but each of them will know that someone at Westminster cared. Call Pat West for more information at (228) 233-5670.

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given
 to the Glory of God and in memory of
 Betty Blanchard Livings
 by Susan Blanchard & Stan Hoogerwerf.*

Please take a moment to complete the registry of fellowship section of this bulletin. Professional childcare is available in our Education Building during worship: Please note that the Education Building is locked after the first hymn. Hearing assistance devices are available at our soundboard in the rear of the sanctuary. Restrooms are located down the main hall, and there is an emergency exit at the front right of the sanctuary. We encourage your prayer requests and questions about our family of faith's mission and ministry. Please see a greeter or our pastor if we can be of any assistance.

Duty Elder
 Stacey Curry

Greeters
 Charlotte & Frank Scott

FOR ACTION AT CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Motion: The Session of Westminster Presbyterian Church (EPC), Gulfport, Mississippi moves the congregation to approve a change in the wording of the Rules of Operation for the Session as follows:

Current language:
 III. ELECTIONS

The election of elders to serve on the Session shall ordinarily be held no later than the last Sunday of October of each year and installation shall ordinarily be prior to or as early in January of the following year as practical, in accordance with the guidance of the current Book of Order.

Proposed language:
 III. ELECTIONS

The election of Ruling Elders to serve on the Session shall ordinarily be held no later than the last Sunday of April of each year. Installation shall ordinarily be as early in the following July as practical, in accordance with the guidance of the current EPC Book of Order. Ordinarily, each class shall begin its term of service on July 1, serving a three-year term through June 30 of the third year, or until thereafter replaced.

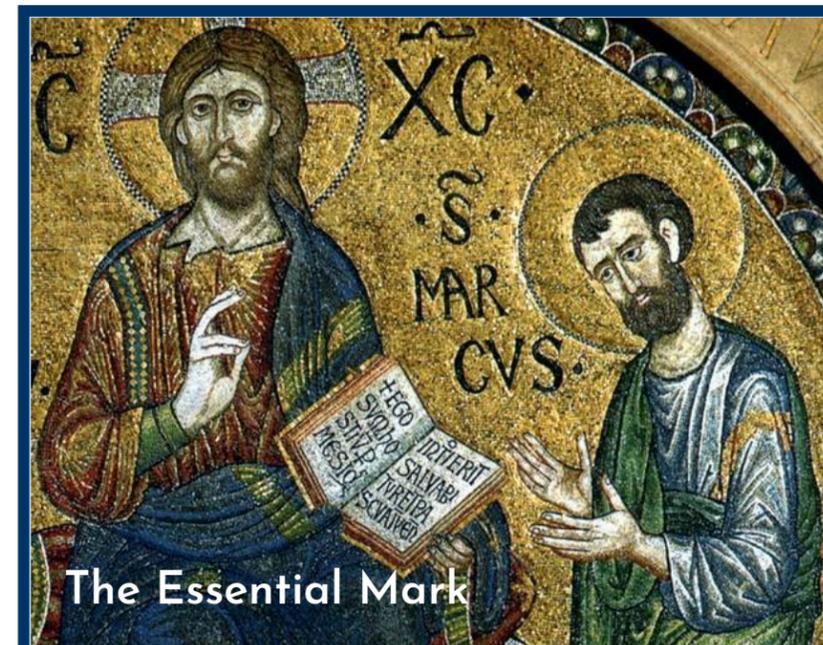
The Reverend Will Shurley, Pastor
 Pete Bloss, Clerk of Session
 Jane Bloss, Treasurer

THE SESSION OF WESTMINSTER

<u>Class of 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>	<u>Class of 2021</u>
Pete Bloss Clerk, Personnel	Ted Hammer Property	Dave Carlson Worship
Stacey Curry Nominating Committee	Wayne Tisdale Stewardship	Buddy Weir Congregational Life
Milton Harris Property	Pat West Missions	Mary Ellen Thornhill Discipleship Formation

STAFF

LeAnn Davis, Church Administrator
 Elise Everett, Director of Music
 Barbara Perkins, Nursery
 Tim Silkman, Sexton



The Essential Mark



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*“Bearing Witness to God’s Love
 For the World in Jesus Christ”*

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