

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A warm welcome to all who are worshipping with us today! If you are new to Westminster, there is a brochure for you in the pew pad at the end of your pew and some helpful information on the “Welcome, Guests!” bookmark in the pew rack. Ushers and fellow worshippers are happy to answer your questions.

- **We welcome the Scouts who are serving and visiting in worship with us today.** Westminster recognizes Scout Sunday at this time each year, marking the organization’s founding date. Join the Scouts in the Parlor after the 11am service for a reception with cake, cookies, and popcorn.
- **Aperture: Third Wednesdays - February 21 at 6:30pm, Music Room:** Rev. Mel Williams will speak on “Poverty and Race in Durham: A Faith Response.” Wednesday Dinner will be available at 5:45pm (see below).
- **February 21 Wednesday Dinner:** Served from 5:45-6:45pm; \$5 per person/\$20 max per family. Sign up at www.bit.ly/myWPCevent by Monday, February 19. If fewer than 25 people are signed up by Monday at midnight, dinner will be cancelled.
- **2018 Spring Women’s Retreat - Spots still open; register by February 21:** Women of all ages are encouraged to come learn about the “Gifts of Sisterhood” with retreat leader Cate Church Norman. It will take place March 9-11 in Wrightsville Beach. Register at www.bit.ly/myWPCevent or pick up a form in the lobby.
- **Lenten Book Read:** See your insert for a full list of ways to take part in our Lenten Book Read this year, and be sure to follow along on Westminster’s Facebook page for questions and reflections: www.facebook.com/wpcdurham.
- **Movie, Dessert & Discussion - Friday, February 23, 6:30-8pm, Music Room:** Our Lenten Book Read movie night series begins with “The Loving Story,” a documentary about an interracial couple and their landmark Supreme Court Case in 1967.
- **Pancakes for the Playground - Saturday, February 24, 8:30-10:30am, Fellowship Hall:** Support Westminster School for Young Children’s annual fundraiser. You can purchase tickets for breakfast, kids’ activities, and the gift basket raffle, and bid on silent auction items at www.wsydurham.com/pancake-breakfast.
- **Families Moving Forward - February 26-27:** Westminster will provide dinner hosts and childcare for Durham families in the crisis of homelessness. Learn more and sign up at www.bit.ly/wpcServe. Contact: Louise Holland (lholland5@yahoo.com).
- **Interested in learning more about Westminster or becoming a member?** The next Inquirers’ Class begins on Sunday, March 11, at 9:45am in Room 105. Contact Barb Schmidt to learn more and sign up (bschmidt@wpcdurham.org).
- **CROP Walk - Sunday, March 25 at 2:30pm, Duke Chapel:** Help alleviate hunger in Durham and around the world. Visit www.crophungerwalk.org/durhamnc/wpcdurham to join or donate to WPC’s team, and help us exceed last year’s total raised of \$12,412.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

To view all events held at WPC, visit www.wpcdurham.org, and click “Calendar.”

To reserve a room for a meeting, call Barb Schmidt at 919-489-4974, ext. 100.

Sign up for events at www.bit.ly/myWPCevent.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18 - First Sunday in Lent, Scout Sunday

8:30am Worship - Baptism of Claire Amelia Theiling - Sanctuary
9:45am Church School - Holderness Mission Center
10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Music Room
11:00am Worship - Baptism of James Duncan Berry - Sanctuary
12:15pm Scout Sunday Reception - Parlor
5:00pm Session Meeting - Room 105
5:30pm Youth Group: Small Groups - Various Locations and Times

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 - Office Closed, Presidents Day

10:00am Monday Morning Bible Study: Lost Christianities - Room 105
7:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Music Room

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

10:00am WPC Staff Meeting - Room 105

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

10:00am Birthday Committee Meeting - Library
5:30pm Ways & Means Commission Meeting - Room 105
5:45pm Wednesday Dinner: Sign up at www.bit.ly/myWPCevent - Fellowship Hall
6:30pm Aperture: Third Wednesdays with Rev. Mel Williams - Music Room

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

9:30am Doorways - Parlor
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Music Room
8:00pm Thursday Night Men’s Fellowship - Beer Study, 2501 University Dr
9:00pm Basketball: WPC vs. Christ Central Church - Hope Valley Baptist Church

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

11:45am Oldies But Goodies - McAlister’s Deli, 5318 New Hope Commons Blvd
6:30pm Movie, Dessert, and Discussion: “The Loving Story” - Music Room

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 - Second Sunday in Lent, Birthday Sunday

8:30am Worship - Sanctuary
9:45am Church School - Holderness Mission Center
10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Music Room
11:00am Worship - Sanctuary
12:15pm Sacraments Class: Baptism - Room 105
5:00pm Youth Group: “Screenagers” Viewing - Fellowship Hall

TODAY’S WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

The **Nursery** Infants, Toddlers, 8:30 2-5 yr olds: Westminster Nursery Staff
11:00 2-3 Jeremy & Laurel Trantham 4-5 Carolyn Holmes & Jennifer Whitman
The **Offering Counters** 8:30 Laura & Millicent Loehr 11:00 Jennifer Feiler, Bekah Perry
The **Sound Technicians** 8:30 Derek Leadbetter 11:00 Lee Katrincic
The **Lectors** 8:30 Andy Collins 11:00 Collin Day
The **Ushers** Boy Scout Troop 451, Cub Scout Pack 451, Girl Scout Troop 1806
The **Acolytes** Graham Donoway, Izzie Hasse

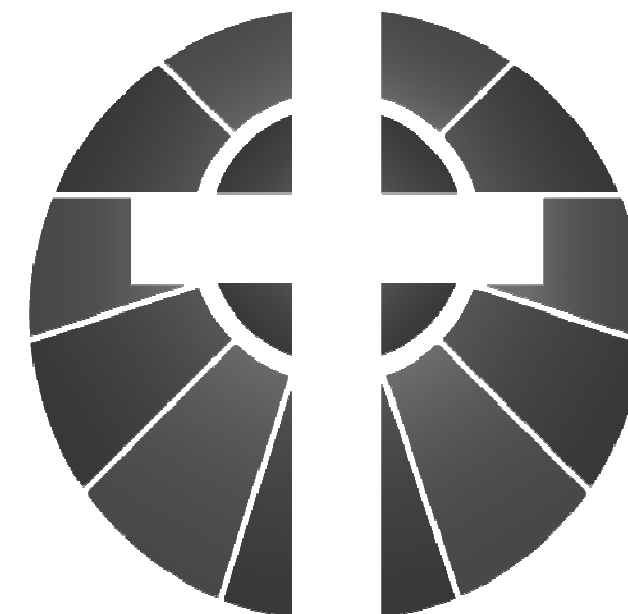
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February 18, 2018

First Sunday in Lent

Scout Sunday



WESTMINSTER
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Durham, North Carolina

“... and what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice,
and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?”

– Micah 6:8

The Service of Worship

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

THE ORGAN PRELUDES

Chorale Fantasia on an Old English Tune: When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Chorale Prelude on *St. Cross*: O come and mourn with me awhile

C. Hubert H. Parry

*In order to preserve the dignity of this service,
please turn off cell phones and observe silence during the preludes.*

GREETING

INTROIT

Hymn **227**: *Sung three times by congregation and choir*

Remember Me

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

*# THE CALL TO WORSHIP

We have gathered in the presence of God, who is love.

We have gathered in the shadow of the cross, a sign of God's love.

We follow Christ,

Who says, "Take up your cross."

We follow Christ,

Who bids us to come and die.

We follow Christ,

Who summons us to new life. Come, let us worship our Creator.

* THE HYMN NO. 223 WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS Hamburg

THE ACT OF CONFESSION (*Please be seated.*)

Betty Berghaus

Why do we confess our sin?

Because all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

But why do we do this together?

Because we are a community, a covenant people.

Then let us confess our sin.

O God, our Maker and Sustainer, we confess that we have not always lived for you. You invite us into new life, yet we close our eyes and ears and hearts against that invitation. You show us the way to love, yet we choose too often the path of uncaring. You call us to the ministry of reconciliation, yet often we find ourselves tempted to turn away from others. You challenge us to generosity, but many times we would rather keep to ourselves. Enter our lives once again, Lord. Release us from the bonds of self-centeredness. Create in us a renewed openness to your love, that we may share your love with others. Amen.

A TIME OF PERSONAL SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON

arr. David N. Johnson

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* THE GLORIA PATRI No. 581

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Following the baptism, preschool children may be excused for childcare; kindergarten and 1st grade children will meet a Godly Play volunteer in the Courtyard during 11am worship.

The Sacrament of Baptism

Betty Berghaus, Taylor Lewis Guthrie Hartman

Gathering of the Children

Words of Institution

Darren Skeen⁺; Holly Cullen[^]

Promises of the Parents

Jason & Megan Theiling⁺; Duncan & Emily Berry[^]

Congregational Promises

The Baptism

Claire Amelia Theiling⁺; James Duncan Berry[^]

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

SHARING OUR MISSION

Scout Sunday: Helen Harrison

A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

What a Friend We Have in Jesus, vs. 1

Wayfaring Stranger

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit; O what needless pain we bear,

All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!

Sung by congregation and choir

A READING FROM THE PSALMS:

Psalms 121 (p. 571 OT)

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS:

Mark 2:18-22 (p. 36 NT)

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON

"Out of Rhythm"

Taylor Lewis Guthrie Hartman

MOMENTS OF SILENCE

* THE HYMN NO. 726 WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME (THE SUMMONS)

Kelvingrove

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *A Declaration of Faith*

Christ calls us to live for our neighbors. Jesus broadened the definition of neighbor to include those ordinarily despised and excluded. His life in behalf of others led to persecution and death. He commanded his disciples to live the same way. We believe Christ gives us and demands of us lives that recognize all people in all cultures as our neighbors on this planet. Christ teaches us to go beyond legal requirements in serving and helping our neighbor, to treat our neighbor's needs as our own, to care passionately for the other's good, to share what we have. It is part of our discipline to live in simplicity, avoiding greed and luxury that threaten our neighbor's survival. We are obligated to speak the truth in love, to listen with patience and openness, to love our enemies, to accept the risk and pain which love involves.

THE CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

Please direct your attention to the list of concerns, celebrations, and announcements. If you or someone you know has any needs or concerns, please fill out a green card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

THE OFFERING

Please sign the pew pad and pass it along your row. The pew pad is on the end closest to the center aisle. As you pass it back, please take note of who is sitting with you.

OFFERTORY

⁺ Lead Me, Lord Samuel Sebastian Wesley, Psalm 5:8 and Psalm 4:9

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness,

make thy way plain before my face.

For it is thou, Lord, only that makest me dwell in safety.

Vocal Ensemble: Betty Berghaus, Mark Foskey, Nancy Foskey, Helen Harrison,

David McQuay, Chip Reinhardt, Ellen Vogel, Lenette Whitworth

[^] Lord, Make Me to Know Thy Ways William Byrd; arr. by Austin C. Lovelace

Lord, make me to know thy ways. O Lord, teach me thy paths.

O lead me in thy truth, and teach me, for thou art the God of my salvation.

Lead Me, Lord Samuel Sebastian Wesley, Psalm 5:8 and Psalm 4:9; see text above

The Chancel Choir

* THE DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth

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

Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* THE HYMN NO. 165 THE GLORY OF THESE FORTY DAYS Erhalt uns, Herr

* THE CHARGE AND THE BENEDICTION

* AMEN

Hymn **541, vs. 1 & 4**: *Sung by congregation and choir*

Randolph

God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you,

With a shepherd's care enfold you: God be with you till we meet again.

God be with you till we meet again; keep love's banner floating o'er you;

Smite death's threatening wave before you: God be with you till we meet again.

* THE ORGAN POSTLUDES

Erhalt uns, Herr

Choral Song

Setting by Jan Bender

S.S. Wesley

* Congregation standing, if able # Latecomers may be seated *8:30am service ^11am service
Children's Bibles: Inside aisle of pew; Children's Bulletins: Narthex (Green: 3-6yrs, Yellow: 7-12yrs)
