

## 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.
- **Making Room Celebration Breakfast - Today, April 15, 9:45-10:45am, Fellowship Hall:** Join us for a delicious breakfast and celebration of the ways God is at work at Westminster and how our capital campaign will better equip us to make room for mission, community, and faith. See our ministry highlighted on posters in the sanctuary.
  - **April Collection:** Gently worn shirts and ties, dresses, shoes, and accessories for Githens Middle School students' May semi-formal dance. Please place donations in green collection bin in the Mission Center by the end of April.
  - **Ekklesia - Today, 4pm, Fellowship Hall:** Come gather this Sunday for a new worship service for all ages and stages of faith. Ekklesia is a welcoming space for us to deepen our faith together. Learn more at [www.wpcdurham.org/ekkleisia](http://www.wpcdurham.org/ekkleisia).
  - **Aperture: Third Wednesdays - April 18 at 6:30pm, Music Room:** Professor Jodi Magness of UNC-Chapel Hill will speak on "Ossuaries and the Burials of Jesus and James." Wednesday Dinner will be available at 5:45pm (see below).
  - **April 18 Wednesday Dinner: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls.** Served from 5:45-6:45pm; \$5 per person/\$20 max per family. Sign up at [www.bit.ly/myWPCevent](http://www.bit.ly/myWPCevent) by April 16. If fewer than 25 people are signed up by Monday at midnight, dinner will be cancelled.
  - **Westminster's Foundation:** All are invited to visit the parlor this week to fill vases with layers of colored sand representing mission, community and faith as part of the Making Room campaign. These layers, symbolizing our shared prayers, will be added to the future foundation of the expanded Fellowship Hall.
  - **Prayer Walk - Saturday, April 21, 9am-12pm, Sanctuary & Parlor:** All are invited to come for a time of prayer in the midst of our capital campaign. From 9-10am, a silent prayer meditation walk will be led.
  - **Want support in loving your neighbor as you love yourself?** Contact Eileen McAvoy ([eileenmcavoy1@gmail.com](mailto:eileenmcavoy1@gmail.com)) about attending an introduction to Nonviolent Communication on Saturday, April 28, from 10:00am to 4:00pm here at Westminster.
  - **Property Manager Opening:** Westminster is hiring a part-time Property Manager to oversee the needs of our 10+ acre campus. If you know someone who might be a good fit, please send them to [www.wpcdurham.org/careers](http://www.wpcdurham.org/careers).
  - **April 24, 2018 Shelter Meal:** On Tuesday, April 24, the congregation will serve a shelter meal together at Urban Ministries of Durham. We need 8-10 people to serve the meal, 1-2 people to do the shopping, and 1-2 people to arrive early to the shelter to cook the lasagnas. Please sign up through SignUp Genius <https://bit.ly/2Hw3ndg>. Contact Chris Kelley ([chris.kelley@hotmail.com](mailto:chris.kelley@hotmail.com)) for more information.
  - **Iglesia Presbiteriana Emanuel:** We invite you to an evening of dinner and entertainment to celebrate and support their ministries. Join us Saturday April 28, 6pm -8pm at 927 W. Trinity Ave. to raise support and enjoy fellowship. RSVP by April 14 to Margot Starbuck Hausmann ([margotstarbuck@gmail.com](mailto:margotstarbuck@gmail.com)).

## THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

To view all events held at WPC, visit [www.wpcdurham.org](http://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](http://www.bit.ly/myWPCevent).

### SUNDAY, APRIL 15 - Ministry Sunday

- 8:30am Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:45am Church School (4th Grade & under only) - Holderness Mission Center
- 9:45am Making Room Celebration Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
- 10:30am Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 11:00am Worship - Sanctuary
- 12:15pm Session Meeting - Examination of Confirmands - Fellowship Hall, Mission Center, Sanctuary
- 4:00pm Ekklesia Worship - Fellowship Hall
- 5:30pm Youth Group - Fellowship Hall, Youth Suite

### MONDAY, APRIL 16

- 10:00am Monday Morning Bible Study: Lost Christianity - Room 105
- 7:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Music Room
- 7:00pm Nominating Committee - Room 208

### TUESDAY, APRIL 17

- 11:00am Westminster Hosting DCIA Luncheon - Fellowship Hall

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

- 10:00am Birthday Committee - Library
- 10:30am Staff Worship - Sanctuary
- 5:45pm Wednesday Dinner - Fellowship Hall
- 6:30pm Aperture: Third Wednesdays - Music Room

### THURSDAY, APRIL 19

- 7:00am Men's Breakfast Book Study - Hope Valley Diner, 3710 Shannon Rd.
- 9:30am Doorways - Parlor
- 7:00pm Men's Sectional Rehearsal - Music Room
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Music Room

### SATURDAY, APRIL 21

- 9:00am The Prayer Walk - WPC Campus

### SUNDAY, APRIL 22 - Commitment Sunday

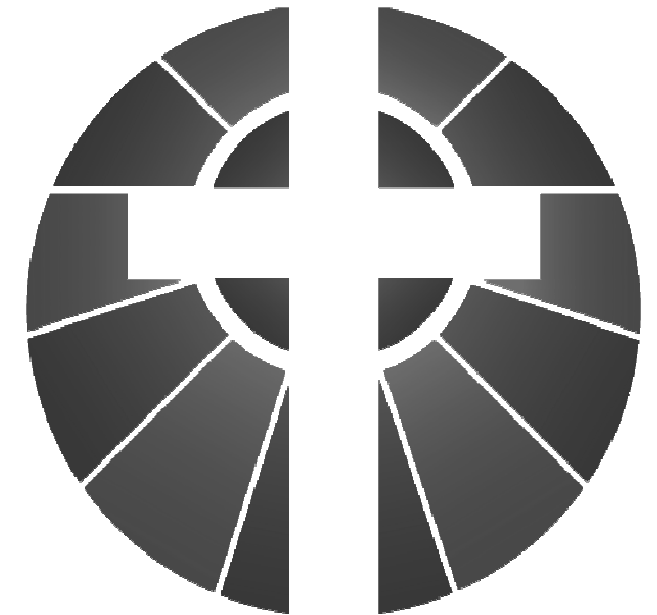
- 8:30am Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:45am Church School - Holderness Mission Center
- 9:45am Inquirers' Class - Room 105
- 10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Music Room
- 11:00am Worship - Baptism of Grace Vail Cullen - Sanctuary
- 12:00pm Scotland Pilgrimage Prep Meeting (Final Mandatory Meeting) - Youth Suite
- 5:30pm Youth Group - Fellowship Hall, Youth Suite

## TODAY'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

- The **Nursery** Infants, Toddlers, 8:30 2-5 yr olds: Westminster Nursery Staff  
11:00 2-3 Robert & Jennie Brame 4-5 Melinda & Georgia Vaughn  
Carrie & Ella Brooks Tuttle
- The **Offering Counters** 8:30 Lois Bender, Gary Carr 11:00 Bill Young Jr., Jeff Young
- The **Sound Technicians** 8:30 Derek Leadbetter 11:00 Mark Hill
- The **Lectors** 8:30 David McQuay 11:00 Judy Lamon
- The **Ushers** 8:30 Luke Bumm, Bonnie & Dailey Derr, Bill Coppridge  
11:00 John, Rebecca & Karlie Owensby  
Jimmy, Evan, Graham, & Mary Beth McIntyre
- The **Acolytes** Courtney & Abbie Mangum, Stacey & Jack Smith

*April 15, 2018*

Third Sunday of Easter



**WESTMINSTER**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Easter Alleluia Colin Mawby  
Preludes on Easter Hymns Wilbur Held  
The Strife is O'er - Awake, My Heart, with Gladness  
Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

### GREETING

### INTROIT

Hymn **630 v. 4:** *Sung by Congregation & Choir* Crusaders' Hymn  
Beautiful Savior, Ruler of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

### \*# THE CALL TO WORSHIP

People of the Risen Lord, lift up your voices:  
**May praise and thanksgiving be our song!**  
People of the Risen Lord, lift up your hearts:  
**May hope and love be our prayer!**  
People of the Risen Lord, lift up your hands:  
**May justice and service be our work!**

### \*# THE HYMN NO. 236 THE STRIFE IS O'ER Victory

THE ACT OF CONFESSION (*Please be seated.*) Taylor Lewis Guthrie Hartman

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.

**Merciful God, you gave us the gift of the Resurrection - a gift that calls us to be an Easter people. To do justice, to love kindness, to walk humbly with you. You've given us the gift of covenant community, of friends who join us in heart and hand and hope. Yet, we turn away from all of this. We decide that we don't have enough time. We know someone else will pick up the slack. We claim there isn't anything of interest for us. And yet - Christ shows up, saying, "You are witnesses of these things." Of the ways our community needs support, needs love, needs resources. Embolden us to be an Easter people, Lord. Strip us of our timid ways. Roll back the stone of our hearts. Send us out that we might join our Savior in the holy labor of justice, kindness, and humility. In his name we pray, 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 prayer, preschool children may be excused for childcare; kindergarten and 1st grade children will meet a Godly Play volunteer in the Courtyard during 11am worship.*

### A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Christ of resurrection power, we offer our gratitude for your love for all the world. Send your Spirit that, as your Word is read and proclaimed, we might live into your resurrection power. Lead us to be a people of faith, commitment, and hope. In Jesus' name, amen.**

A READING FROM THE PSALMS: Psalm 4 (p. 490 OT)

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS: Luke 24:36-49 (p. 91, NT)

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON "We Are Witnesses of These Things" Chris Tuttle  
Pete McWilliams  
Eileen McAvoy  
Anna Meyer

### MOMENTS OF SILENCE

\* THE HYMN NO. 761 CALLED AS PARTNERS IN CHRIST'S SERVICE Beecher

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Declaration of Faith*  
**The Spirit helps believers grow in the new life. The Christian fellowship was not a society of perfect people. The struggle between the old way of life and the new was severe. Yet the Spirit produced among followers of Jesus love, joy, peace, and victories in the battle against evil. We believe the Holy Spirit works today whenever believers grow toward maturity in Christ. As long as we live we struggle with sin, but the Spirit's presence assures us God will complete what he has begun in us.**

### 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

### 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

+ The Easter Sequence: *Victimae paschali laudes* Wilbur Held

^ With a Voice of Singing Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing, declare ye this and let it be heard, Alleluia.

Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.

The Lord hath delivered his people, Alleluia.

O be joyful in God, all ye lands, O sing praises to the honor of his name,

Make his praise to be glorious.

*The Chancel Choir*

\* THE DOXOLOGY Lasst uns erfreuen

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

Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and

Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Amen.

### THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

\* THE HYMN NO. 295 GO TO THE WORLD! Sine Nomine

\* THE CHARGE AND THE BENEDICTION

### AMEN

Hymn **547, vs. 2:** *Sung by Congregation & Choir* Ar Hyd Y Nos

"Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure.

Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.

Here you heard my dear Son's story; here you touched him, saw his glory.

Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure."

\* THE ORGAN POSTLUDE

Toccata in D Major Dietrich Buxtehude

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\* Congregation standing, if able # Latecomers may be seated + 8:30am service ^ 11am service

† Communion is by intinction. Please see next page for communion details.

Children's Bibles: Inside aisle of pew; Children's Bulletins: Narthex (Green: 3-6yrs, Yellow: 7-12yrs)

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