

The Order of Common Worship
Westminster Presbyterian Church
October 12, 2025
10:30 a.m.

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

Call to Worship Psalm 100

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Confession

Hebrews 10:19-22

Corporate Confession of Sin Psalm 25:6-8, 11, 16-18Assurance of Pardon Psalm 147:2-4, 5

*Hymn of Thanksgiving: “Give Thanks” Celebrating Grace #373

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

The Offertory: “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” *arr. Linker*

*Doxology *Old Hundredth*

*Prayer of Dedication

*Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:3-11 Pew Bible p. 1145

Sermon: "Comfort Through Sorrow" Rev. Dr. Rhett Payne

*Confession of Faith: “The Apostles’ Creed”

*Hymn of Commitment: “Great is Thy Faithfulness” Celebrating Grace #48

*Benediction Pastor

*Passing of the Peace

*Postlude: "The Solid Rock" *arr.* Page

*Hymn of Thanksgiving: “Give Thanks” Celebrating Grace #373

**If you are able, please stand*

Please take a moment to complete the registry of fellowship section of this bulletin. Professional childcare is available in our nursery during worship. 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 an Elder if we can be of any assistance.

Name(s): _____

For our visitors:

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- Prayer Requests: _____

Would you like a prayer card sent? ☐ Yes* ☐ No

Please send address for prayer card to office@gulfportchurch.org.

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This Week's Meetings/Events

Fall Festival Volunteers Meeting: Today after the service in the FH
Cub Scouts & Girl Scouts meet: Monday, Oct. 14 at 6 p.m.
Prayer Group: Tuesday, Oct. 14 at 10 a.m.
Genesis Project: Wednesday, Oct. 15 at 3 p.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous: Thursday, Oct. 16 at 6 p.m.
Highlands & Islands: Thursday, Oct. 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Announcements

Elder Training: Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the Library *(through October 26)*
Adult Sunday School: Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall
(through October 26)
Session Meets: Thursday, Oct. 23 at 6 p.m.
Fall Festival: Oct. 25, 2-4 p.m.
Volunteer signup sheets are in the Narthex
We are now collecting candy for our Fall Festival (no chocolate, please)

Financial Report (YTD through September 30, 2025)

2025 Annual Budget	\$320,738.00
YTD General Budgeted Receipts	\$228,452.18.
YTD Budgeted Expenditures	\$226,628.71
Last Week's Budgeted Receipts	\$ 4,664.64

The Rev. Dr. Rhett Payne, Interim Pastor
Chip Westbrook, Clerk of Session
Jane Bloss, Treasurer

THE SESSION OF WESTMINSTER

Class of 2025

Cummings King
Property
Rachel Price
Missions

Class of 2026

Lynda Gary
Discipleship Formation
Jim Roberts
Property
Scott Winter
Asst. Clerk and Worship

Class of 2027

Mark Alsbaugh
Property
Ben Stone
Personnel
Pat West

STAFF

Alice Bellanger, Youth Director
LeAnn Davis, Church Administrator
Angela Hudson, Nursery Care
Jeanie Pollard, Organist
Tim Silkman, Facilities Manager
Chip Westbrook, Personnel Committee Chair

Westminster's Mission Partners

Boy Scout Troop 209	Cub Scout Pack 209
Feed My Sheep	Girl Scout Troop 3542
Good News Jail & Prison Ministry	Gulf Coast Rescue Mission
GHS Counselors' Fund	Genesis Project
Pass Road Elem. Counselors' Fund	Bethel Free Health Clinic
GCMS Counselors' Fund	French Camp Academy
Medical Benevolence Foundation	MBF Nursing Scholarship-Haiti
Foundation for Reformed Theology	Kindness Foundation
Missionaries in Austria, Lebanon, and Japan	Belhaven University

Duty Elder
Scott Winter



This Week's Birthdays

9th—Frankie Sutton
12th—Carl Parker, Jr.
15th—Justin Cuevas

Missions Spotlight for October: Gulf Coast Rescue Mission (GCRM)



The Gulf Coast Rescue Mission is a relief society with a work-therapy rehabilitation program. It maintains a home for the homeless, feeds the hungry, and clothes the needy. By meeting the physical needs of men, women, and children, the Mission is able to minister to their spiritual needs as well.

Each year, GCRM serves more than **25,000 free meals** and also operates a community thrift store. Its three primary ministries are:

- **Transient lodging for men**
- **Direct assistance** to local families with food, clothing, and furniture
- **Spiritual counseling and guidance**

Current Needs:

- Men's deodorant for residents
- Canned goods for the 2025 Holiday Season



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