

# The Order of Common Worship

## Westminster Presbyterian Church

March 29, 2026  
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!**

Prelude: “O Glory, Laud, and Honor” *arr. Page*

Greeting *Pastor*

Congregational Meeting

Call to Worship: *based on John 12:13*

King Jesus comes, King Jesus, Son of God, Son of Man, Messiah.

**Hail! King Jesus, King of all!**

Recall the words of the Scriptures: “A great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem.

**So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, ‘Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!’”**

In praise we adore you, King Jesus.

**Enter our hearts today as you entered Jerusalem long ago, and lead us by faith in the way everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of Invocation *Pastor*

\*Hymn of Adoration: “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” *Hymn #175*

Call To Confession:

Like the people who greeted Jesus as he entered Jerusalem and then later pronounced “Crucify him,” we are fickle people who often deny Christ in our thoughts, words, and deeds. Remembering the events of Jesus’ last week helps us see ourselves for what we are: sinners in need of a Savior, a Savior—praise God—we have in Christ. In honesty and hope, we confess now our sins to God.

Corporate Confession of Sin:

**O King of Glory, we confess that our praise of your majesty has often been faint, our performance as citizens of your kingdom treasonous. For we have surrendered to the enemy by our secret and our known sins. For our treason you died, Lord Jesus. For our restoration, you rose again. Draw us closer to you in this holy week, that our eyes may catch the vision of your tears, and our hearts, the wonder of your grace. By the Holy Spirit’s continuing discipline, let us be loyal and loving servants of the King. Praise be to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen**

Assurance of Pardon and The Lord’s Prayer: *based on Psalm 118:4-5, 14, 17*

Hear the Word of the Lord from Psalm 118: Let those who fear the Lord say, “His steadfast love endures for ever.” Out of my distress I called on the Lord; the Lord answered me and set me free. The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord. In Christ, God answers us and sets us free! In Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*Hymn of Thanksgiving: “Speak, O Lord” *Hymn #280*

Celebrations and Concerns of the Church

*Prayer requests can be made via bulletin tear-off, Facebook Messenger, [gulfportchurch.org](http://gulfportchurch.org), the QR code on the back of the bulletin, or by calling the church office at (228) 864-3143.*

Prayers of the People

The Offertory: “O Sacred Head” *Kimberger*

\*Doxology

**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

\*Scripture Reading: Luke 19:28-40 *Pew Bible p. 1044*

Sermon: “Join the Parade” *Rev. Dr. Rhett Payne*

\*Confession 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.**

\*Hymn of Commitment: “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” *Hymn #186*

\*Benediction *Pastor*

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Postlude: “Christ Lag in Todesbanden” *J.S. Bach*

*\*If you are able, please stand.*

*The palms used in the palm processional today were given to the glory of God and in memory of Angelo Chaloult by Rosemary Chaloult.*



*Please take a moment to complete the registry of fellowship section of this bulletin. 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.*

Registry of Fellowship - March 29, 2026

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.  
 I would be willing to provide supper for LifeHouse Youth when meeting.

**Prayer Requests:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you like a prayer card sent?  Yes\*     No  
*Please send address for prayer card to [office@gulfportchurch.org](mailto:office@gulfportchurch.org).*

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**This Week's Meetings/Events**

**Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt:** Today after worship  
**Prayer Group:** Tuesday, March 31 at 10 a.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous:** Thursday, April 1 at 6 p.m.  
**Rise & Shine Men's Breakfast:** Friday, April 3 at 8 a.m.  
*at Brick & Spoon*

**Announcements**

There will be no Sunday School on Easter Sunday.  
**Easter Sunday Worship:** Sunday, April 5 at 10:30 a.m.  
**Discipleship Formation meets:** Sunday, April 12 after worship  
**LifeHouse Youth:** Sunday, April 12 and 19 at 5 p.m.  
**Session meeting:** Thursday, April 16 at 6 p.m.

<b>Financial Report</b> (YTD through February 28, 2026)	
2026 Annual Income Budget.....	\$253,024.00
2026 Annual Expense Budget .....	\$312,320.00
YTD General Budgeted Receipts .....	\$ 63,511.00
YTD Budgeted Expenditures .....	\$ 52,804.10
Last Week's Budgeted Receipts .....	\$ 2,501.17
Last Week's Future Improvements Receipts.....	\$ 25.00

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

**THE SESSION OF WESTMINSTER**

<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Lynda Gary	Mark Alspaugh	Pete Bloss
Discipleship Formation	Stewardship & Finance	Nominating
Scott Winter	Ben Stone	Patrick Gann
Asst. Clerk and Worship	Personnel	Missions
	Pat West	Robert Wood
	Congregational Life	Property

**STAFF**

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

**OTHER CHAIRS**

Sam Clark  
 Outreach  
 Valarie Hammer  
 Hospitality  
 Chip Westbrook,  
 Personnel Committee

**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**  
 Mark Alspaugh



*This Week's Birthdays*  
 April 1 – Ted Hammer  
 April 1 – Mary Burt Clark  
 April 1 – Gracey Busby  
 April 2 – Christie Batson



**Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt  
 TODAY**

immediately following the worship service

**Missions Spotlight for March: Feed My Sheep**



Feed My Sheep began as an idea in Westminster's adult Sunday School class many years ago. Over the years, members of Westminster have played a vital role in growing the soup kitchen into an essential part of our community. Each month, several members volunteer by delivering food to the homebound of our community, while others serve on the Board of Directors. In addition, our church continues to support Feed My Sheep financially. If you would like more information on how you can volunteer with Feed My Sheep, contact the church office, Rachel Price, or Christie Batson.



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 for the World In Jesus Christ"*

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