

The Order of Common Worship

Westminster Presbyterian Church

July 12, 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: “Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring” Bach

Greeting Pastor

Call to Worship: Psalm 103:1-2, 20-22

Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

Praise the LORD, you his angels, you mighty ones who do his bidding, who obey his word.

Praise the LORD, all his heavenly hosts, you his servants who do his will.

Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion.

Praise the LORD, O my soul.

Prayer of Invocation Pastor

*Hymn of Adoration: “Holy, Holy, Holy” Hymn # 1

Call to Confession Psalm 42:11

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my salvation and my God.

Corporate Confession of Sin

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive us our sins and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon and The Lord’s Prayer: Psalm 32:1-2

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in spirit there is no deceit.

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: “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” Hymn # 235

Celebrations and Concerns of the Church
Prayer requests can be made via bulletin tear-off, Facebook Messenger, 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: “Aria” Dixon

*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: John 14:1-14 Pew Bible p. 1070

Sermon: “Behold Your King! - His Revelation” Rev. Albert Bisson

*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: “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” Hymn # 64

*Benediction Rev. Albert Bisson

*Passing of the Peace

*Postlude: “How Firm A Foundation” *hymn tune* “Foundation”

**If you are able, please stand.*



Sanctuary Flowers

The 2026 Sanctuary Flower sign up list is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway. Fresh flowers are a beautiful addition to our sanctuary and help enhance our worship each week. Members are encouraged to sign up to sponsor the weekly flowers in honor or in memory of loved ones, or simply to the glory of God.

We welcome to the pulpit today our new Stated Supply, the Reverend Albert Bisson. He comes to us most recently from Mississippi State University, where he taught in the Philosophy and Religion Department for over 20 years. He was named the 2011 Outstanding Honors Program Faculty Member by the MSU Honors Council. He holds degrees in biology and education (he taught college biology for 13 years) from the University of Manchester, as well as master's degrees from Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, Mississippi. He was ordained in 1990 and has served as the pastor of a Reformed Baptist Church near Starkville for the past twenty six years. Originally from England, the Reverend Bisson and his wife, Jenny, now live in Biloxi. They have three married children and two grandchildren.

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.

Registry of Fellowship - July 12, 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: _____

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

Discipleship Formation: Today after worship
LifeHouse Youth: Today, 5-7 p.m.
Prayer Group: Tuesday, July 14 at 10 a.m.
Alcoholics Anonymous: Thursday, July 16 at 6 p.m.


Announcements

Adult Sunday School: Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the Library
Study is on 1 John, led by Ted Hammer
Children's & Youth Sunday School: Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the CE Building
LifeHouse Youth: Sunday, July 19 at 5-7 p.m.
Lunch Bunch: Friday, July 31 at 11:30 a.m. at Steve's Marina

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
 Ben Stone



This Week's Birthdays

July 12 – Charlotte Scott

July 12 – Thomas Batson

July 15 – Philip Shaw, Jr.

Financial Report (YTD through May 31, 2026)	
2026 Annual Income Budget.....	\$253,024.00
2026 Annual Expense Budget	\$312,320.00
YTD General Budgeted Receipts	\$123,496.64
YTD Budgeted Expenditures	\$131,403.29
Last Week's Budgeted Receipts	\$ 2,523.64
Last Week's Future Improvements Receipts.....	\$ 100.00

Missions Spotlight for July:



French Camp Academy
 In 1884, Presbyterian churches established a school for girls at French Camp, Mississippi. That same academic year, a boys' school was started and named French Camp Academy. Today, FCA is an interdenominational ministry for students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin, FCA is a Christ-centered boarding and day school serving young people for the glory of God – helping them mature academically, athletically, socially, and emotionally within a Christian worldview.

Rev. Albert Bisson, Interim Pastor
 Chip Westbrook, Clerk of Session
 Jane Bloss, Treasurer


THE SESSION OF WESTMINSTER

<p><u>Class of 2026</u> Lynda Gary <i>Discipleship Formation</i> Scott Winter <i>Asst. Clerk and Worship</i></p>	<p><u>Class of 2027</u> Mark Alspaugh <i>Stewardship & Finance</i> Ben Stone <i>Personnel</i> Pat West <i>Congregational Life</i></p>	<p><u>Class of 2028</u> Pete Bloss <i>Nominating</i> Patrick Gann <i>Missions</i> Robert Wood <i>Property</i></p>
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STAFF
 LeAnn Davis, Church Administrator
 Tim Silkman, Facilities Manager
 Jeanie Pollard, Organist
 Alice Bellanger, Youth Director
 Angela Hudson, Nursery Care

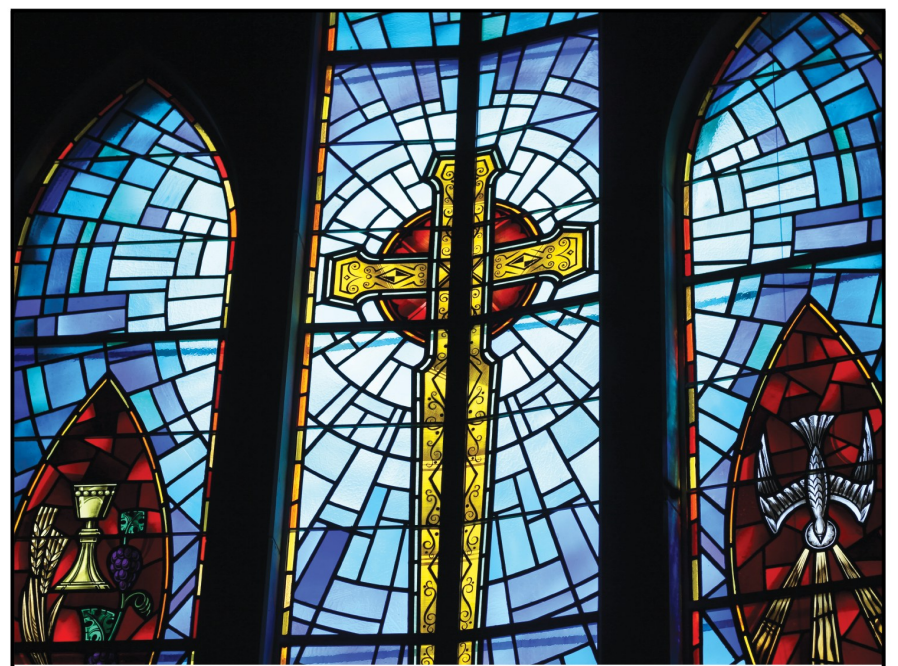
OTHER CHAIRS
 Sam Clark
 Outreach
 Valarie Hammer
 Hospitality
 Chip Westbrook,
 Personnel Committee


DR. & MRS. C. A. WALKER, JR.



The Dr. and Mrs. C.A. Walker, Jr. Scholarship Foundation is receiving applications for scholarships to individuals attending college. Applications must be received by July 20, 2026. Applicants are invited to apply by sending a scholarship request along with your college plans to:

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Walker, Jr. Scholarship Foundation
 c/o Westminster Presbyterian Church, 5005 Lawson Ave., Gulfport, MS 39507





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 for the World In Jesus Christ”*

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