

# The Order of Common Worship

## Westminster Presbyterian Church

January 11, 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: “The Church in the Wildwood” *arr.* Dan Miller

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

\*Hymn of Adoration: “The Church’s One Foundation” Celebrating Grace #246  
Vss. 1,2,4,5

Call to Confession *based on* Romans 8:39

We know that nothing is able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ.  
Let us in freedom confess the wrong we have done.

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 whose 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.**

Ordination & Installation of Elders

- Pete Bloss
- Patrick Gann
- Robert Wood

Hymn of Thanksgiving: “Shout To the Lord”

Celebrating Grace #348

Celebrations and Concerns of the Church

*Prayer requests can be made via bulletin tear-off, Facebook Messenger, [gulfbortchurch.org](http://gulfbortchurch.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: Meditation “O Waly Waly” *arr.* Haan

\*Doxology *Old Hundredth*

**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: 2 Timothy 2:1-7 Pew Bible p. 1181

Sermon: “The Challenges of Ministry” 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: “Great is Thy Faithfulness” Celebrating Grace #48

\*Benediction Pastor

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Postlude: “Recessional in C” *arr.* Dixon

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

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of our newly installed elders.*

*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 - January 11, 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@gulfbortchurch.org](mailto:office@gulfbortchurch.org).*

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**This Week's Meetings/Events**

**Discipleship Formation:** Today after worship  
**LifeHouse Youth:** Today at 5 p.m.  
**Cub Scouts Meeting:** Monday, January 12 at 6 p.m.  
**Girl Scouts Meeting:** Monday, January 12 at 6 p.m.  
**Prayer Group:** Tuesday, January 13 at 10 a.m.  
**Genesis Project:** Wednesday, January 14 at 2:30 p.m.  
**Alcoholics Anonymous:** Thursday, January 15 at 6 p.m.

**Announcements**

**Adult Sunday School:** Sundays at 9:15 a.m. in the Library  
*Study is on the Book of Hebrews, led by Dr. Sam Clark*  
**LifeHouse Youth:** Sunday, January 11 and 18 at 6 p.m.  
**Session Meets:** Thursday, January 29 at 6 p.m.  
**Lunch Bunch Meets:** Friday, January 30 at 11:30 a.m.  
*(at Salute Italian Restaurant)*

**Financial Report** (YTD through November 30, 2025)

2025 Annual Budget .....	\$320,738.00
YTD General Budgeted Receipts .....	\$275,039.90
YTD Budgeted Expenditures .....	\$282,481.27
Last Week's Budgeted Receipts .....	\$ 4,167.64
Last Week's Future Improvements Receipts.....	\$ 567.00

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
<i>Discipleship Formation</i>	<i>Stewardship</i>	<i>Nominating</i>
Scott Winter	Ben Stone	Patrick Gann
<i>Asst. Clerk and Worship</i>	<i>Personnel</i>	<i>Missions</i>
	Pat West	Robert Wood
	<i>Congregational Life</i>	<i>Property</i>

**STAFF**

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

**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**  
 Scott Winter



***This Week's Birthdays***  
 Jan. 12 – Rosemary Chaloult  
 Jan. 16 – Frank Scott  
 Jan. 17 – Hannah Symmes



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 for the World In Jesus Christ”*

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