

The Order of Common Worship
Westminster Presbyterian Church

May 28, 2023
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!

Voluntary
Choral Introit
Striking of the Hour
Greeting
*Opening Sentence: from Psalm 46
God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
*Opening Hymn: “God of Our Fathers” Celebrating Grace #62 National Hymn
*Prayer of Adoration
Invitation to Confession from Romans 3
Unison Prayer of Confession from the 1946 Presbyterian Book of Common Worship
Almighty and most merciful Father; we have erred, and strayed from Thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare Thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore Thou those who are penitent, according to Thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a holy, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Thy holy name. Amen.
Assurance of Pardon from Acts 10
*Passing of the Peace
The 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.
Minute for Mission: Feed My Sheep David Lion

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer
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.

Time with Young Disciples
Interlude for Silent Meditation
Prayer for Illumination
Scripture Lesson: Isaiah 2:1-5
Sermon “Remembering the Promise” The Rev. Will Shurley
Prayer for Right Response to God’s Word
The Affirmation 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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings
The Offertory
*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

*Offertory Prayer
*Closing Hymn: “Eternal Father, Strong to Save” Celebrating Grace #14 Melita
*The Charge and Benediction
*Postlude
* If you are able, please stand.

The flowers in the sanctuary are placed to the glory of God and in memory of Dave Price by Rachel Price.

DR. AND MRS. C.A. WALKER, JR. SCHOLARSHIP
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 15, 2023. 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

Registry of Fellowship - May 28, 2023
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 like to register a child or volunteer for VBS.
I would be willing to provide supper for LifeHouse Youth when meeting at the church on Sundays.
Prayer Requests:
Would you like a prayer card sent? Yes No
Please send prayer card’s recipients address to office@gulfportchurch.org.

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This Week's Meetings/Events

VBS Volunteers Meeting: Today after morning worship in the Library.

Memorial Day Holiday: Monday - *church office closed.*

Prayer Group: Tuesday at 10 a.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Thursday at 6 p.m.

Save the Date

Congregational Meeting for the Purpose of Electing Officers: Sunday,
June 4 after morning worship.

Vacation Bible School: June 19-23

Lunch Bunch: June 30, 11:30 a.m.

The Reverend Will Shurley, Pastor
Buddy Weir, Clerk of Session
Jane Bloss, Treasurer

THE SESSION OF WESTMINSTER

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| <u>Class of 2023</u> Karen Barnard Congregational Life Brenda Pace Missions Amy Underhill Stewardship | <u>Class of 2024</u> Ted Hammer Discipleship Formation Chip Westbrook Nominating Committee | <u>Class of 2025</u> Cummings King Property Rachel Price Worship |
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STAFF

Alice Bellanger, Youth Director
Bob Chism, Organist
LeAnn Davis, Church Administrator
Tim Silkman, Sexton

Westminster's Mission Partners

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| Missionaries in Austria, Lebanon & Japan | BVE Backpack Buddies |
| 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 | BVMS Counselors' Fund |
| Belhaven College | French Camp |
| Medical Benevolence Foundation MBF Nursing Scholarship-Haiti | Kindness Foundation |
| Foundation for Reformed Theology | Bethel Free Health Clinic |
| Roger Lowther Community Arts Tokyo | |

Duty Elder

Cummings King

**Vacation Bible School**
June 19-23
9 - 11:30 a.m.



Scan to Register

Don't miss! This year's Vacation Bible School. The theme, "Stellar! Shine Jesus' Light," will feature space, planets and stars. Scan the QR code to register your student. *To volunteer, see Susan Littell, call the office at (228) 864-3143, or make a note on the registry of fellowship bulletin tear-off.*



Check in and give online today.



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Don't forget to check in at Westminster on Facebook today.



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*"Bearing Witness to God's Love
for the World In Jesus Christ"*

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