



Westminster Presbyterian Church

*“So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new
creation—everything old has passed away;
see, everything has become new!”*

II Corinthians 5:17

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Welcome to Westminster! We're very glad to see you in worship. We hope you will sense Christ's presence. If you are looking for a place to grow and serve, we'd love to tell you more about us. Please silence cell phones during the worship hour.

The **July/August Today devotionals** are on the narthex cabinet.

New Beginnings luncheon is tomorrow at noon in Montague Hall. Captain Connie Keene with the Forrest County Sheriff's Office will be our guest. She will talk about cybercrime and how we can avoid being a victim to it. Everyone is invited to attend but RSVPs are essential. Please call the church office or email tommy@wpchattiesburg.com.

PW Prayer Ministry will meet Tuesday, July 20, at 10:00 a.m. If you have a prayer request, please fill out the prayer cards located in the pew and place in the offering plate. Be sure to include the address.

Brown Bag Bible Study meets Tuesday at 11 a.m. via ZOOM and in person in the parlor. Contact the office for ZOOM information.

Choir practice—Please join Michael in the choir room each Wednesday night at 6:00 p.m.

All **Men of the Church** are invited to meet Thursday, July 22, at 6:30 a.m. at Topher's on Hardy Street for breakfast and fellowship.

Back to School Pool Party. All children, youth, and their parents are invited to Ginny and Erik's house (123 Bedford Road, Hattiesburg) Sunday, July 25, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Snacks will be provided. Bring a towel.

PRAYERS FOR A SAFE JOURNEY

Karen and Eric Reidenbach will be traveling to El Salvador July 24-29. First Presbyterian Church of LaGrange, IL, and First Presbyterian Church of Ambler, PA, will be also be going. They will visit existing partners/communities for all teams as well as some communities that are potential partners.

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 18, 2021

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music – *The Good Shepherd* Dale Wood

Prayer of Preparation (*you may prepare for worship by praying silently*)

Compassionate God, hear our prayer: We are like sheep without a shepherd reaching out for healing and grace. Teach us by your Spirit of wisdom and feed us through your holy Word, so that the weary may find rest, the strangers may find welcome, and the sick may be made whole; through Christ Jesus our peace.
Amen.

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting and Announcements Carrie Creel

Call to Worship (responsive)

From near and far we gather;

the house of God is our home.

Here we are no longer strangers;

in the body of Christ we are one.

Let us worship God.

* Hymn of Praise 182 – *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

* Call to Confession

We no longer regard one another from a human point of view, for Christ has died for all, to save us from sin and death. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

* Prayer of Confession (unison)

Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. You claim us as beloved children, but we do not honor your name. You call us to paths of righteousness, but we fail to follow your way. Forgive us, God of grace. Break down the walls that divide us from you and from one another, and build us up into a holy temple; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(time for silent confession)

* Declaration of Forgiveness (responsive)

If you are in Christ, you are a new creation. Everything old has passed away; now everything is made new! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God.**

* The Congregation's Response: *Gloria Patri* Hymn 581

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Time with Children Drew Suttle

Prayer for Illumination

Blessed are you, O God, for in your wisdom, you have revealed to your people the mystery of your will. Now, by the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to hear and believe your word of truth: the good news of our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Reading – Psalm 23 pew Bible pg. 435

The Word of the LORD. **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem – *Every Valley* John Ness Beck

Soloist-Kassidy Chandler

Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain made low;
and the crooked made straight, and the rough places plain.

And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, revealed,
and all flesh shall see it together;
for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

Every valley shall be exalted and every mountain made low,
and the crooked straight, and the rough places plain,
and all flesh shall see it together.

For the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, revealed,
and all flesh shall see it together;
for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.
Amen

Second Reading – Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 pew Bible pg. 818

The Word of the LORD. **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon – *He Had Compassion* Rev. Dr. Christopher Crotwell

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

* Hymn of Thanksgiving 824 – *There Is a Place of Quiet Rest*

* Affirmation of Faith: (unison) The Apostles' Creed (Hymnal pg. 35)

**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 life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

Invitation to Offering

Consider the generosity of our Lord Jesus Christ, who—though he was rich—for our sakes became poor. With gratitude for the grace of Jesus Christ, let us offer our lives to God. (time for silence)

Offertory – *Miniature 1*

Flor Peeters

* The Doxology – Hymn 606

**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 (unison)

Generous God, we give you thanks for all your blessings to us. Use these gifts we offer as a sign of your great love for the world, so that all may know and share the abundance of your grace; in your holy name we pray. Amen.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn of Consecration 169 – *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind*

* Charge and Blessing

* Postlude – *Toccata in E Minor*

Johann Pachelbel



* Please stand at the * as you are able. Unison readings are **printed in bold**.
Please remove all papers from the sanctuary when you leave.

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

Telina Birch, friend of Nancy Johnson – covets prayers for endurance and strength

JoAnn Clarke, sister of Glenda Brown – at home recuperating

Katie Cole, granddaughter-in-law of Glenda Miller – continuing chemo

Dr. Tim Cole, friend of Mary Cromartie – pancreatic cancer

Deena Crawford, B.J. Lambert's daughter – prayers for health and endurance

Sam Dossett – hospice care

Fluffy Fair

Brad and Robert Francis – looking for work

Jeanette Fulmer, friend of the Forsyths – diagnosed with cancer

Wendy Graham, Jan Bozeman's sister – continued prayers

Mary Halliwell, friend of Mary Cromartie – pancreatic cancer

Yennefer Herrera, Alejandro Herrera's daughter

Samantha "Sam" and Nathan Hood, friends of Pam Love's daughter – ICU after car accident

Wil Howie, Founder of Living Waters for the World – reconstructive surgery & radiation

Gloria MacDonald, Robert MacDowell's daughter – thanks for prayers, surgery Aug. 3

Emily Johnson, Ann Johnson's granddaughter – recovering from colon surgery

Ben Jones, close friend and band mate of Wes Brooks – battling colon and lung cancer

Geraldine Jones – special prayers for her family

B.J. Lambert – prayers for endurance and strength

Stephanie Liddell, Geri Jones' daughter – health issues

Vivian Lochhead, daughter of Bob and Margaret – health issues

Jim Lundy, Sinclair Lundy's brother – Lewy Body

Roger Kuyrkendall, Carrie Creel's father – dementia

Carolyn McLarnan

Bernice McIntosh, Mac Forsyth's aunt – declining health

Sandy Nicholas – recovering at home

Becky Nobles, Glenn Nobles' sister-in-law – recurring cancer

Julie Reid, Carolyn McLarnan's niece – non-Hodgkin's lymphoma

Sheema Reid, Carolyn McLarnan's sister-in-law – infusion therapy

Mimi Mitchell Roy, Bill Mitchell's sister – grave health issues

Larry Royals

Jeannette Russell, Janet Burke's twin sister – serious health issues

Teressa Seals, friend of Nancy Johnson – 2nd reconstructive surgery

Allen Stanton, friend of Ben Yelverton – back home in Clinton, receiving treatment at UMMC

Kathy Vail, accompanist at Main Street Methodist and Meistersingers – breast cancer

Glenda Vaughn, Ruthie Davis' niece – health issues

John Watkins, Rose Marie Yore's brother – prayers for healing

Mike Zubajlo, Glenda Miller's son-in-law – prayers for success in trial at NIH