

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Sunday, June 14, 2009  
10:00 a.m.

*Second Sunday after Pentecost*

**THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

*If you are curious, and have come to see  
If you are weary, and have come to rest  
If you are grateful, and have come to share  
If you are hurting, and have come for solace  
If you are listening, and have come to pray  
If you are seeking, and have come for answers  
WELCOME*

**OUR APPROACH TO GOD**

PRELUDE – Prelude and Fugue in F Major .....J.S. Bach  
CHORAL INTROIT - “The Lord Is In His Holy Temple” ..... Root  
CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord said to Elijah, “Go, stand in front of me on the mountain, and I will pass by you.

**People: There was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces.**

Leader: But the Lord was not in the wind.

**People: After the wind, there was an earthquake.**

Leader: But the Lord was not in the earthquake.

**People: After the earthquake a fire.**

Leader: But the Lord was not in the fire.

**People: After the fire, there was a still, small voice.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

\* HYMN – No. 263 ..... ST. DENIO  
“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, we come again asking for forgiveness. In the midst of our over-stuffed lives our faith is weak and hope fades. Routines and urgent demands crowd out our sense of calling as Christ’s disciples, and tomorrow’s intentions are not realized. Forgive our unbelief and bring us back to you. Forgive our hopelessness and send us again to serve with vision. We need your grace, O God. Hear our prayer.**

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.**

\* GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal, No. 579)

*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.*

BAPTISM OF JAMES PATRICK BARNHARDT

**THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP, COMMON CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO PRAYER – “Not One Sparrow” ..... Hawley

MORNING PRAYERS

THE LORD’S PRAYER

\* HYMN – No. 384 ..... ST. MARGARET  
“O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go”

Rising K5 and first grade children leave for Children’s Church during the last stanza.

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING – Psalm 139 (page 577)

MESSAGE..... *Amelia Muller*

“Finding God in the Most Unusual Places”

NEW TESTAMENT READING – Mark 6:45-52 (page 41)

MESSAGE..... *Chris Bailey*

“Looking Out For God”

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - *written by the Sr. High group of 2000*

We believe in one God - a God who is loving, caring, transforming, forgiving and sustaining. We believe in Jesus Christ, who showed us how to live our faith in everyday life. In this life we feel God’s strength through prayer, through reflection, through relationships, and through these beliefs. We believe in the power of the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and the lives of those around us. The Holy Spirit moves through us and influences us to spread God’s love to others inside and outside of our church. It is because of God’s presence that we have become the people that we are today.

WELCOMING OF NEW MEMBERS

SERVICE OF GIVING

Solo – “Small Enough” ..... Nordeman

\* Doxology (Hymnal, No. 592)

*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

\* HYMN – No.341 ..... ASSURANCE  
“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”

\* BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL RESPONSE – “Stay With Us” ..... Hovland

\* POSTLUDE – “Rejoice, the Lord Is King” ..... arr. Page

**COLLEGE PARTICIPANTS:**

*Chris Bailey                      Allen Reid  
John Mark Dias                  Shelley Reid  
Katy Fuller                        David Stewart  
Geoffrey Kilgore                Page Tarleton  
Amelia Muller                    Olivia Young  
Rebecca Reed*

\* *All who are able may stand*

**HEAD USHER:** Charles Edmondson

**SPONSORS:** Amy Grace, Cris Crain

**GREETERS:** Denise Broderick, Joan Herlong,

Gayle Blouin

**LITURGISTS:** College Students

*Visitors and members are invited to the Sanctuary Atrium following the worship service for an opportunity to welcome our new members and for a time of fellowship and refreshments.*

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**PARKING**

We have permission to use the parking lots at the Uniform Shop and Augusta Commons Mall.

**TRAFFIC POLICE OFFICER**

A Greenville city police officer will be on duty from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. to help people cross the street from the other side of Augusta Road.

**CHURCH NOTES**

The leaders for Children’s Church this Sunday, June 14 at 10:00 a.m.:

*Beri & Tracy Draganic*

Musicians leading in worship this Sunday are:

*Nancy Smith, organist*

*Kelsey Wettlin, alto*

*Sanctuary Choir*

**NURSERY**

Childcare is available for infants through four-year kindergarten. Our childcare program provides safe, secure nurseries for our babies and toddlers during worship services. Our nurturing staff of experienced caregivers and parent volunteers offers a welcoming environment to all children.

**BIRTH**

A son, *Carter Hatch Stafford*, was born to Asa & Nikki Stafford on Tuesday, June 2, 2009 in Greenville.

**BAPTISM**

This morning we welcome into our fellowship *James Patrick Barnhardt*, son of Jay & Kelley Barnhardt and brother of Cameron and Thomas.

**In Memoriam**

*Betty Teague Davis*

5/1/1919 - 6/6/2009

"In my Father's House are many mansions."

**COLLEGE SUNDAY**

This Sunday, June 14, we invite you to join us for worship as some of our returning college students lead our first-ever College Sunday Worship Service. We will see you at 10:00 a.m.

**CSInfo**

The next meeting of the Creation Stewardship group will be this Sunday, June 14, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 212.

**REMEMBER:** *Drive the speed limit. This saves lives, money, and the environment.*

**CHRISTCARE GATHERINGS**

ChristCare Small Groups continue to welcome visitors and new members. Please RSVP to the Group Leader. For more information, go to [www.wpc-online.org](http://www.wpc-online.org) and click on *Connect* and then *Small Groups*.

This week:

· **Bible Study Group: Monday, June 15, 7:00 p.m., John Macrae,** [jmacrae126@aol.com](mailto:jmacrae126@aol.com) or 268-6569.

· **Luncheon Group: Wednesday, June 17, 12:00 p.m., Dot Elmore,** [dotelmore@bellsouth.net](mailto:dotelmore@bellsouth.net) or 286-0036.

· **Parenting Group: Wednesday, June 17, 6:00 p.m., Ben Rigby,** [btrigby@juno.com](mailto:btrigby@juno.com) or 239-0435.

**THE FLOCK**

The Flock, a group of those in their 20’s - 40’s, will meet on **Wednesday, June 24 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Sr. High Lounge. *Chris & Lesley Usher* will lead the study. You may enter through the glass doors at the Entrance Pavilion, turn to the right, and take the elevator upstairs. Bring your own take-out for dinner. Childcare is provided. If you have any questions about The Flock or if you would like to get on our email list, please contact Steve Phillips at 232-2424 or 380-5269.

**2009 GRADUATES**  
*Southside High School*  
*Cole Franks*

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH**  
 It's Elementary, Tweens, Sixers, Junior Highs and Senior Highs are finished for the school year. You should have received a summer brochure in the mail with a listing of activities for all ages.

- Some important dates:**
- June 15-19:**  
*Middle School Missions & More*
  - June 21-24:**  
*Vacation Bible School*
  - June 27-July 4**  
*Senior High Mission & Music Trip*
  - July 8**  
*Preschool Fun Days begin*
  - July 12 - 18**  
*Sr. High Montreat Youth Conference*

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**Discovery Canyon** is the theme of this year's Vacation Bible School to be held the week of **June 21 -25**. We will begin with an all church family covered dish dinner on **Sunday night, June 21, at 6:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. The church will provide chicken and drinks and you are asked to bring a side dish to share. There is no cost and no need to sign up ahead of time to come and eat. We will introduce the Bible School theme along with our leaders. We will hold the rest of our Vacation Bible School from 9:00 – noon, Monday, June 22, through Thursday, June 25, 2009. **It really helps us if you can sign your child up ahead of time** using a registration form found today in the church office or online at [wpc-online.org](http://wpc-online.org). Vacation Bible School is offered to all rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders down to rising K4's (those who will be 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2009). Most children will rotate through fun learning activities, while those rising 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders will leave the church each day to do mission work. Plan now to join us!

**JUNIOR HIGH MISSION WEEK**  
 If you are a rising 6th - 9th grader, think missions this summer. First, we will have a week of "Missions and More," beginning **Monday, June 15 - 19**. Arrive at the church at **9:45 a.m.**, and we will leave to work in the community until noon. We will eat lunch at the church (bring \$5 for each day) and then have a couple hours of play and fun. You should be picked up at 2:00 p.m. On Friday, we will go out to lunch and to a movie. You do not need to sign up ahead of time. During this week, we will work with Meals on Wheels, The Samaritan House, The Greenville Free Clinic, and Diligent Hands/Gracious Hearts. On Friday we will go out to eat and to a movie. Also rising 5th - 6th graders will travel for mission work during Vacation Bible School, Sunday, June 21 - Thursday, June 25. Older youth are needed that same week to be VBS helpers. Join us as we make a difference!

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**THE SESSION**  
**The Class of 2010**

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Christine Edmondson	Paul O'Neal
Jim Gettys	Will Quinn
Joan Herlong	Gaye Sprague

**The Class of 2011**

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Denise Broderick	Tina Phillips
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Trey DuBose	Catherine Whitmire
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Dorothy Dowe	Paul Schultz
Joe Frasher	Courtenay Williams

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**  
 June 14 - 20, 2009

**SUNDAY**  
 9:00 a.m. Creation Stewardship  
 10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 8:00 p.m. Alcohol Anon.

**MONDAY**  
 9:45 a.m. *Middle School Missions & More*  
 6:15 p.m. NAMI  
 7:00 p.m. ChristCare: Bible Study Group  
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous  
 8:30 p.m. Men's Softball

**TUESDAY**  
 9:45 a.m. *Middle School Missions & More*  
 12:00 p.m. Al-Anon

**WEDNESDAY**  
 9:45 a.m. *Middle School Missions & More*  
 11:30 a.m. Staff Meeting  
 12:00 p.m. ChristCare: Luncheon Group  
 6:00 p.m. ChristCare: Parenting Group

**THURSDAY**  
 9:45 a.m. *Middle School Missions & More*  
 8:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

**FRIDAY**  
 9:45 a.m. *Middle School Missions & More*

**SUMMER, 2009**  
**AT WESTMINSTER**

June 15-19	Middle School Missions & More
June 21-25	Vacation Bible School
June 24	The Flock
June 27-July 4	Sr. High Mission/Music Trip
July 3	Centering Prayer
July 8	Preschool Fun Day The Flock
July 12-18	Sr. High to Montreat
July 15	Preschool Fun Day
July 19	Sunday Brunch after worship
July 22	Preschool Fun Day The Flock
July 29	Preschool Fun Day
August 5	Preschool Fun Day The Flock
August 7	Centering Prayer
August 12	Evening New Member Class
August 19	The Flock
August 20	Sr. Adult Luncheon
August 30	Sanctuary Dedication w/brunch
September 13	Fall Worship Schedule begins



Today's lectionary reading is Mark 4: 26-34. In this scripture there are two parables, the parable of the growing seed and the parable of the mustard seed. In these two parables Jesus asks the question, "What shall we say the Kingdom of God is like?" For me these parables not only describe the Kingdom of God, but also the Power of God.

In the first parable a man scatters the seed on the ground and whether he sleeps or gets up the seed sprouts and grows. During the day and night the soil produces grain from the seed. In the second parable the mustard seed, the smallest of all seeds, is planted in the ground. When this seed grows it becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade.

The power of God is all around us, we just have to look. The sun comes up everyday and the birds sing. With all the rain we have had this Spring the grass, bushes, and trees are greener. These may seem like simple things, but I have learned it is the simple things that can transform us. If the power of God can take seeds and make them grow without man doing anything or take the smallest seed and transform it into largest plant, imagine what he can do with us.

After all Jesus came into the world as a baby and He became the greatest of all.

*Will Edwards*