

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, May 1, 2011

9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

Second Sunday of Easter

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

In this place where Your Name, O God, is above every name, where Your truth is sought and Your faith cherished, grant Your blessing upon all who worship You in sincerity and truth. Here may the weary find rest; the lonely, friendship; the saddened, comfort; the fearful, courage; the discouraged, hope; the weak, strength; the strong, discipline; and all of us the reassurance of Your forgiving and empowering mercy, and the desire and opportunity to invest our lives for the good of all people and the glory of God.

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE "Glorious Is Thy Name" arr. Hamlin

\*\* INTROIT "This Joyful Eastertide" Harris

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: They who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.

**People: They shall mount up with wings as eagles,**

Leader: They shall run and not be weary,

**People: They shall walk and not faint.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

\* HYMN No. 108 "Christ is Alive!" TRURO

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and turned from our neighbors. We have refused to bear the troubles of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. O God, in your great mercy forgive our sin and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior.**

\* 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.**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP, COMMON CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

\*\* CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER Dubois

"Christ, We Do All Adore Thee"

MORNING PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SOLO "The Old Rugged Cross" Rice

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON – Psalm 33:1-12 (Page 507) ..... Carl Nuttall

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON – Matthew 28:16-20 (Page 34)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON Ludwig Weaver

"The Great Commission – And Not So Great Commissioners "

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

\* 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; 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.**

\*\* WELCOMING OF NEW MEMBERS

SERVICE OF GIVING

Duet (9:00 a.m. only) Haas

"What Have We Done for the Poor Ones?"

Anthem "In Dat Great Giddin' Up Mornin'" Powell

\* 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. 429 ABBOT'S LEIGH

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

\* BENEDICTION

\* CHORAL RESPONSE "Go Out With Joy" Davis

\* POSTLUDE Recessional in D Johnson

\* *All who are able may stand* \*\* 11:15 a.m. service only

**HEAD USHERS:** 9:00 a.m. Jim Wilkerson

11:15 a.m. Russ Williams

**SPONSOR:** Lydia Kellett

**GREETERS:** 9:00 a.m. Gayle Blouin, Bill Wallace

Carroll Farmer

11:15 a.m. Russell Stall, Will Edwards

Russ Madray

**LITURGISTS:** Barbara Stoop

*Visitors and members are invited to the Sanctuary Atrium following the 11:15 a.m. worship service for an opportunity to welcome our new members and for a time of fellowship and refreshments.*

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 9:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. to help people cross the street from the other side of Augusta Road.

PERSONAL LISTENING DEVICES

Personal listening devices are available for use during worship services. Please ask an usher if you would like one.

STREAMING

The 11:15 a.m. Worship Service is broadcast via live video streaming. Navigate to the home page of the church website at [www.wpc-online.org](http://www.wpc-online.org) and click the link under Worship called "Watch the 11:15 a.m. Service on Sunday Live."

CHURCH NOTES

The leaders for Children's Church this Sunday, May 1 is:

9:00 a.m. Brandt & Luci Givens

11:15 a.m. Sam & LeAnne White

Musicians leading in worship this Sunday are:

Nancy Smith, organist

**9:00 a.m.**

Mark Kemp, tenor

Alexandra Mauney, soprano

**11:15 a.m.**

Mark Kemp, tenor

Sanctuary Choir

CHURCH MAGNETS

If you were not here last Sunday, you can pick up a church magnet in the church office (they are lying out on the counter). As we seek to know one another better, we are encouraging all members to place the magnet on their cars!

SYMPATHY

We extend sincere sympathy to Doris Jean Gay on the death of her son, William Gregory Mullinnix, on Friday, April 15, 2011, in Tampa, Florida.

MARRIAGE

On Saturday, April 16, 2011, Kendall Orders & Peter Bemisderfer were united in marriage in Murrells Inlet.

UNITED MINISTRIES

The food pantry is in need of peanut butter. Items may be left in the storage boxes located outside the gym.

THE FLOCK

This Saturday, April 30, we hope you will join us at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Sam & LeAnne White (108 Buckingham Road) for our social gathering. More information will be sent out by e-mail. Our next study will be on Wednesday, May 4, at 6:00 p.m. in the Senior High room discussing Chapters 19-22. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. Sign up by May 2. Childcare is provided. If you are interested in joining us, want to get on our e-mail list, or just have questions, you can call Steve Phillips at 232-2424 or 380-5269 or e-mail at [sphillips@wpc-online.org](mailto:sphillips@wpc-online.org).

HEALTH MINISTRY

We are offering free blood pressure screenings this Sunday, May 1. The screenings will take place in the Friendship Court immediately following the 9:00 a.m. service and in the Sanctuary Atrium following the 11:15 a.m. service. If you have any questions or if you are a healthcare professional and would like to help, please contact Joda Higgins at 979-1486.

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

"WHEN PRESBYTERIANS DISAGREE"

Beginning Sunday, May 1, Associate Pastor, Barbara Stoop, will lead a three week class looking at possible changes in the PC (USA) constitution in the months ahead. How can churches and church people get along in spite of disagreements? Room: 209.

DRIVERS NEEDED

We have senior adult members that live at the Westminster Retirement Center, across from our church, who would like to worship with us on Sunday morning. Because of physical limitations they are unable to drive and walk. We would like to develop a list of people who would be willing to pick up a couple of people and bring them to worship. We would like to start this ministry with our summer one worship service schedule on May 22. Please call the church office or Dave Sems if you would be willing to participate. The more volunteers - the less frequent for any one person.

**SENIOR HIGHS**

This **Sunday, May 1**, we will be meeting in the green parking lot for games and a picnic with hamburgers, hotdogs, and chicken wraps. We will see you at **6:00 p.m.** If you have any questions, call Steve Phillips at 232-2424 or 380-5269.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Join us this **Friday, April 29**, for our end of the year lock-in. We will meet at the church at **8:00 p.m.** and you will need to be picked up **Saturday, April 30, by 9:00 a.m.** You can enter through the Westminster Drive Elementary entrance door and don't forget to bring a sleeping bag. We will *not* have a regular meeting on **Sunday, May 1**, but choir members are asked to come at **5:00 p.m.** for a combined rehearsal.

**SENIOR HIGHS AND 8th GRADERS**

It is not too late to sign up for our Mission/Music trip to Glenwood, Florida this summer (**July 10-16**). We will be going to the Duvall Home to work with developmentally disabled children and adults. The cost of the trip is \$225. Partial and full scholarships will be available. If you have any questions about the Senior High group call Steve Phillips at 232-2424 or 380-5269.

**IRA CONTRIBUTIONS**

The IRA Charitable Rollover legislation enacted on October 3, 2008 permits taxpayers at the age of 70 and ½ years and older to make tax-free charitable gifts totaling up to \$100,000 per year from traditional Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs). This bill has been extended through 2011. The charitable withdrawal isn't deductible, but it won't be included in taxable income for the year.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

*Generations Banquet*  
**May 17, 2011**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**\$6.50**

Women & girls of all ages are welcome. There will be plenty of activities. Please contact Susan Reed for donations. All proceeds will benefit the PW Scholarship Fund. Please sign up by calling the church office at 232-2424.

**PW SCHOLARSHIP**

Each year the Presbyterian Women of Westminster offer a scholarship to promote financial aid for higher education to a qualified person. Any Westminster member who will be a college student next year is eligible to apply. Application forms and further information may be obtained from the church office. **Sunday, May 22** is the deadline for applications to be received in the church office. All church members are reminded that memorials may be designated to this scholarship fund to aid in its continuation.

**WHEEL CHAIRS NEEDED**

Some of our senior adults are unable to participate in our senior activities due to physical limitations. Having wheel chairs available would open possibilities for them. If you own a wheel chair that is not being used, and would be willing to let us borrow it periodically, please call the church office. We will be responsible for picking it up and returning it.

**PW CIRCLE MEETING**

• **Circle 7: Sunday, May 1, 12:30 p.m.** Will meet at the home of *Gaye Sprague* (10 Grey St.) to discuss Lesson Nine, "Journey into the New Jerusalem" and share a meal. Chair: *Talitha Allen*, 979-9846.

**CHRISTCARE GATHERINGS**

• **SEA Group:** will meet on **Tuesday, May 3 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Charter Room.  
 • **Sharing Creativity Group:** will meet on **Wednesday, May 4 at 6:30 p.m.** in **Room 211**, for an introduction to calligraphy led by *Eldena Moore*. Chapter 3 of *The Artist's Way* will also be discussed. *Sue Inman*, 242-6555.  
 • **Knitting Group:** will meet on **Wednesday, May 4 at 6:30 p.m.** in the **Entrance Pavilion**. *Midge Williams*, *momsie10@aol.com* or 232-7728.

**SENIOR ADULT MAY OUTING**

Spring means flowers, both wild and those in your garden. Ben Geer Keys has made a life long passion of photographing wild flowers in the Carolinas. Join us **Thursday, May 19**, at **11:30 a.m.** to hear about flowers and see some of Ben's photography. Make your reservation by calling the church, 232-2424 or online at [www.wpc-online.org](http://www.wpc-online.org). Click on 'connect' scroll to 'small groups' and on *Senior Adult Group*, scroll down to the sign up area. **Please make your reservation by noon, May 16.**

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**CALENDAR OF EVENTS  
 May 1 - 7, 2011**

**SUNDAY**

8:15 a.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
8:30 a.m.	Education Committee Meeting
8:45 p.m.	Witness & Service Committee Meeting
9:00 a.m.	Worship Service
9:50 a.m.	Health Ministry
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School
11:15 a.m.	Worship Service
12:15 p.m.	Fellowship in the Sanctuary Atrium
12:30 p.m.	Health Ministry
5:00 p.m.	Stated Session Meeting
6:00 p.m.	PW Circle 7
8:00 p.m.	Combined Youth Choir Rehearsal
	Youth Dinner
	Alcoholics Anonymous

**MONDAY**

7:30 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous
9:00 a.m.	Moms In Touch
5:30 p.m.	Uplift
5:45 p.m.	NAMI
8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous
9:30 p.m.	Men's Softball Game

**TUESDAY**

12:00 p.m.	Administrative Committee
6:30 p.m.	Al-Anon
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	InterFaith Hospitality Group
	ChristCare: SEA Group

**WEDNESDAY**

11:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting
4:00 p.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal
5:30 p.m.	Dinner
6:00 p.m.	The Flock
6:30 p.m.	Divorce Support Group
	ChristCare: Sharing Creativity Group
	ChristCare: Knitting Group
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY**

7:00 p.m.	
7:30 a.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous
8:00 p.m.	Narcotics Anonymous

**FRIDAY**

8:00 a.m.	Habitat Build
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**SATURDAY**

8:00 a.m.	Habitat Build
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**LOVE**

*"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails."*

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

It would be hard for me to write the cover of this May 1st Harbinger without acknowledging that this day will be the twelfth wedding anniversary for me and my husband Roger. (Happy Anniversary, Roger!) In honor of this day, I thought it appropriate to revisit the Bible verse that was quoted on our wedding day twelve years ago. I have always been quite fond of this verse, and I know it is read at many weddings. For me, it is a reminder of how we should behave with those that we love. It is easy to lose sight of these truths in the hustle and bustle of our everyday lives, but it is certainly something to strive for on a daily basis.

If you look up the word "love" in the dictionary, one of several definitions describes it as "to have a strong liking for." In describing love to the Corinthians, Paul acknowledges that love is much more than this definition. It is an action. It requires us to be kind even when it is not easy to be kind, and to show restraint even when that does not seem possible. This can apply to our spouse, our children, even those we do not know. In addition, this verse can also remind us of the love God has for each of us. Despite our sins and imperfections, God's love for us perseveres. It never fails. As we look toward the next chapter in our lives, whether that is the next year in our marriage or simply the next week, let us be reminded by this verse to strive to love others in the way that God loves us.

*Traci Beasley*

**CHURCH BARBECUE LUNCH on CHURCH MUSIC SUNDAY  
 May 15, 2010, following the 11:15 service**

Join your Westminster friends and family for the annual barbecue lunch! Lunch will be served in the fellowship hall after the 11:15 worship service. The barbecue will be catered. Regina will be preparing slaw, baked beans, sweet potato casserole, fruit and dessert. Cost is \$6.50 for adults and \$3.00 for children ages 3-11. Nursery will be available for children under three. Sign up today by calling the church office at 232-2424 or by e-mailing [michelle@wpc-online.org](mailto:michelle@wpc-online.org). Website sign-up is also available by visiting [wpc-online.org](http://wpc-online.org). **Sign-ups for the lunch end at 5:00 on Wednesday, May 11.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Adults (\$6.50) \_\_\_\_\_ Children 3-11 (\$3.00) \_\_\_\_\_

Ages of those needing childcare (Under age 3): \_\_\_\_\_