



**WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN**
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DECEMBER 30, 2018

WELCOME

Westminster Presbyterian Church is a covenant family of believers called by God to fulfill His purposes here in Laurel, and as a staging ground for worldwide kingdom growth where we seek to live out the Gospel of Jesus Christ – to fill the earth with disciples, subdue it redemptively for God’s glory, and worship Him joyfully. We are being redeemed and equipped by the Spirit to build up one another until the Lord returns.

ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION
OF PUBLIC WORSHIP AND HOLY COMMUNION
DECEMBER 30, 2018

* Congregation Standing

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

John Lowery

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Lara Youngblood

INVOCATION

INTROIT

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP*

And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who was seated on the throne, saying, "Amen. Hallelujah!"
And from the throne came a voice saying,

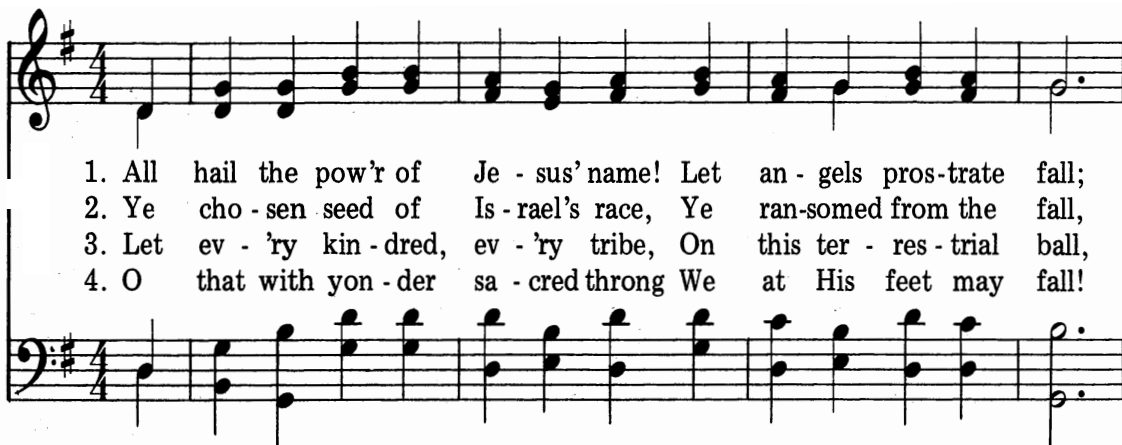
**"Praise our God,
all you His servants,
you who fear Him, small and great."**

-Revelation 19:4-5

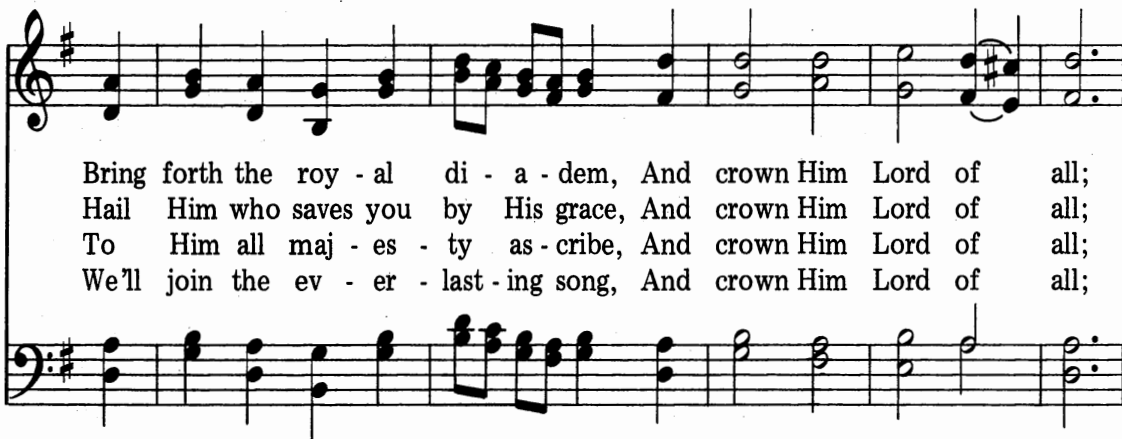
HYMN OF PRAISE *

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

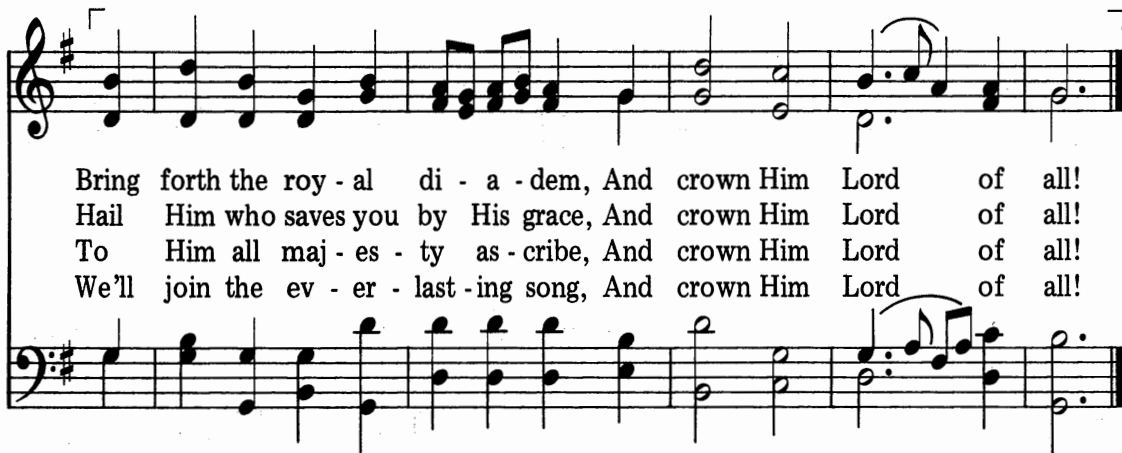
ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME



1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2. Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,
3. Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe, On this ter - res - trial ball,
4. O that with yon - der sa - cred throng We at His feet may fall!



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, And crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all maj - es - ty as - scribe, And crown Him Lord of all;
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, And crown Him Lord of all;



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Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all!
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PROFESSION OF OUR CHURCH'S FAITH*

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 at 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.

*(church universal)**

-The Apostles Creed

EPISTLE READING

Hardie Perritt

1 Timothy 3:1-13

ORDINATION/INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Josh Jones - Deacon

Mike Windham - Deacom

Steven Morgan - Elder

HYMN OF COMMITMENT

Come, All Christians, Be Committed

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

COME, ALL CHRISTIANS, BE COMMITTED

1. Come, all Chris - tians, be com - mit - ted To the ser - vice of the
2. Of your time and tal - ents give ye, They are gifts from God a -

4
Lord. Make your lives for Him more fit - ted, Tune your hearts with one ac -
bove, To be used by Chris - tians free - ly To pro - claim His won - drous

8
cord. Come in - to His courts with glad - ness, Each his sa - cred vows re -
love. Come a - gain to serve the Sav - vior, Tithes and off' - rings with you

12
new, Turn a - way from sin and sad - ness, Be trans - formed with life a - new.
bring. In your work with Him find fa - vor, And with joy His prais - es sing.

OFFERTORY

Lara Youngblood

OFFERING PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC

Piano & String Trio

All Is Well

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND CHANGE

SCRIPTURE LESSON AND SERMON

From Groaning To Glory

Why Won't We Listen?

Exodus 6:9-7:13

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy and gracious Father,

You are worthy of our full devotion.

Yet we are constantly going astray in our hearts.

We humbly plead for Your forgiveness

for our lack of faith in Your promises,

and for grumbling and complaining against You and others.

Afflictions and difficulties have caused us to doubt

and question Your presence, power, and goodness.

Deliver us from a sour, skeptical spirit so that we might live a life of restful

dependence, true contentment, and joyful obedience

through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

(Hear now our silent and individual prayers of confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 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.

HOLY COMMUNION

Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

The center of each bread tray contains gluten-free bread.

The outer ring of each cup tray contains wine, the inner rings contain juice.

BENEDICTION

HYMN OF REFLECTION*

Come All Christians, Be Committed

Come in praise and adoration,
All who on Christ's name believe.
Worship Him with consecration,
Grace and love will you receive.
For His grace give Him the glory,
For the Spirit and the Word,
And repeat the gospel story
Till all men His name have heard.

SERMON NOTES

From Groaning To Glory Why Won't We Listen?

**Exodus 6:9-7:13
December 30, 2018**

Barriers to Hearing God:

I. A D _____ Heart v. 9

II. A D _____ Heart vv. 10-30

III. A D _____ Heart vv. 1-13

Accordance Bible Software - ESV - Hebrew Analysis; ESV Study Bible; Calvin Commentaries; Reformed Theological Seminary - John Currid Lectures; Currid, John. - An EP Study Commentary - Exodus Volume 1; Pink, Arthur W. - Gleanings In Exodus; Cole, R. Alan - Tyndale Commentary - Exodus; Strain, David - Reasons Not To Listen; Henry, Matthew - Matthew Henry Commentary - Exodus; Motyer, Alec - The Message Of Exodus;

Rev. Mike Allen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Officer Installation: We will be ordaining and installing new officers today during the morning service.

Christian Food Mission: The food bank is in need of regular sized canned sweet peas and canned peaches. If you would like to make a donation, please bring them to the church office.

Mother's Morning Out Holiday Schedule: Mother's Morning Out will be closed on Tuesday, January 1st for New Years.

Ladies Bible Study will start meeting again on Tuesday, January 8th at 9:30 AM in Room 7. The class is led by Barbara Holt. We will continue with our study of the book of James. Please join us.

Our Wednesday Night programs will resume on January 9th. At this time we have a need for someone to teach our children in the 2nd - 6th grade class. If you would be willing to volunteer for 30 minutes per week in this area, please contact Kristen Graves or the church office.

Bridal Shower - The ladies will host a bridal shower in honor of Brittany Poole on Sunday, January 20th at 2:00 PM in the fellowship room. She is registered at Amazon and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

To give online, please go to www.wpclaurel.com and click "Give".

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, December 30

9:00 AM - Sunday School

10:00 AM - Fellowship

10:30 AM - Morning Worship

Monday, January 31

No Activities Planned

Tuesday, January 1

No Activities Planned

Wednesday, January 2

7:00 AM - Men's Bible Study

11:00 AM - Women's Prayer Group

Thursday, January 3

7:30AM-3:30PM-MMO

Friday, January 4

No Activities Planned

Saturday, January 5

No Activities Planned

Officers of the Week

Dec 30- Jan 5

Jan 6-Jan 12

Elder: Hardie Perritt

Phil Buehler

Deacon: Luke Morgan

Frank Summerville

Westminster Officers & Staff:

Elders

Phil Buehler

John Carter

Darron Dodd

Romney Entrekin

Robert Hayes

Wm. Horne Jr

John Lowery

Danny Martin

Hardie Perritt

Deacons

Chase Edwards

Mike Ishee

Jordan Graves

Luke Morgan

Frank Summerville

John Tucker

Church Staff

Rev. Mike Allen, Pastor

Lisa Badley, Pianist

Jeremy Britt, Youth Director

John Carter, Church Facilitator

Dave Graeser, Music Ministries Director

Kristen Graves, Children's Ministry Director
and Co- Youth Director

Gail Smith, Nursery Coordinator

Kerri Temple, Administrative Assistant

Instrumentalists

Federico Franco Calderon, violin

Rebecca Hale, viola

Elizabeth Weaver, cello

WELCOME!

If you are a visitor and would like more information about our church, please fill out the contact information below and place in the offering plate as it passes:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Children's Names & Ages _____

Add me to the phone & email list.

Prayer Requests

No Wednesday Evening Activities

January Nursery Workers

January 6th - Grant & Amanda Kennedy
Mike & Shelly Windham

January 13th - Luke & Andrea Hammonds
Hardie & Nan Perritt

January 20th - Graham & Michelle Rogers
Michelle Buckley

January 27th - Josh & Bret Jones
Ben & Kim Pierce

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