



**WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN**
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DECEMBER 27, 2020

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 27, 2020

* Congregation Standing

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Phil Buehler

WORD ON WORSHIP

Rev. Mike Allen

INVOCATION

INTROIT

Lisa Badley & Strings

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (Diadem)

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,

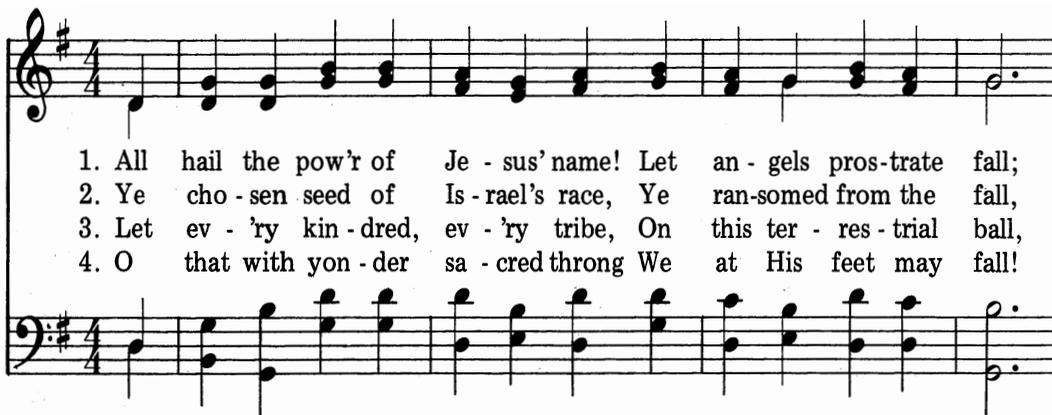
you who fear Him, small and great.”

-Revelation 19:4-5

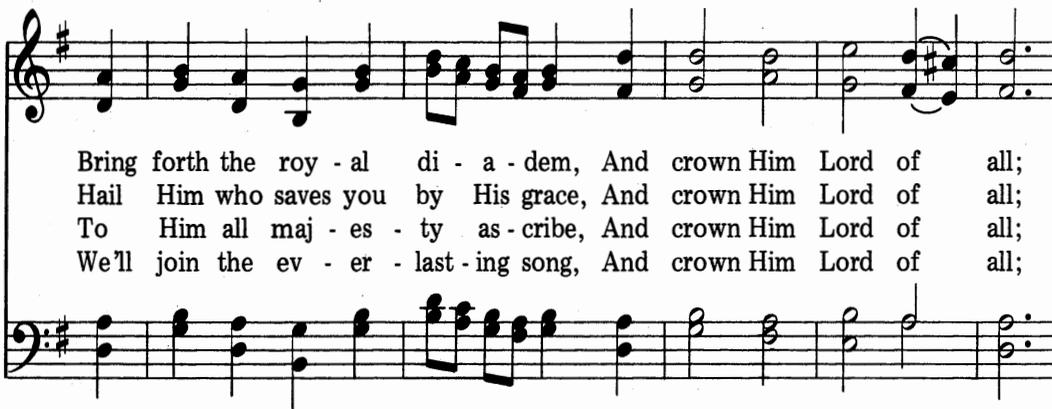
HYMN OF PRAISE*

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

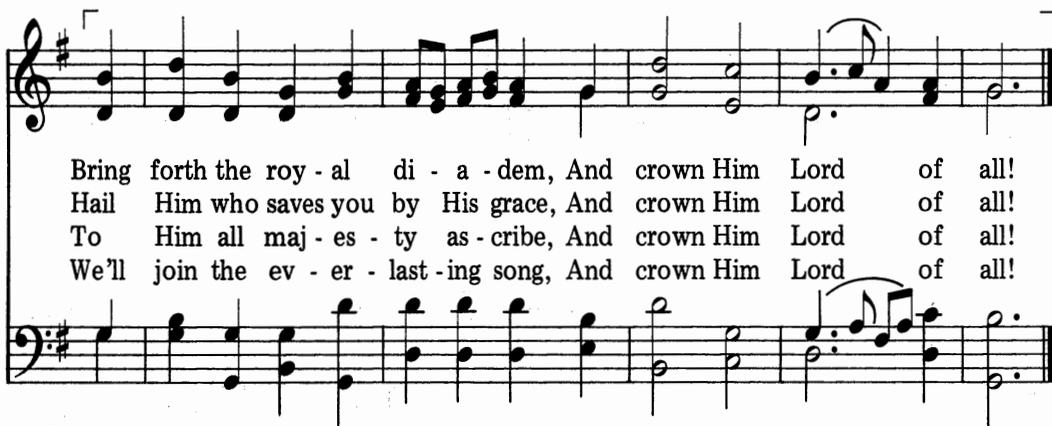
ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS NAME



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 - sored 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 - cribe, And crown Him Lord of all;
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, And crown Him Lord of all;



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 - cribe, And crown Him Lord of all!
We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, And crown Him Lord of all!

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

1 Timothy 3:1-13

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

*Phil Buehler - Elder
John Carter - Elder
Darron Dodd - Elder
Luke Morgan - Deacon
Ben Pierce - Deacon*

HYMN OF COMMITMENT*

Come, All Christians, Be Committed

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION AND CHANGE

SPECIAL MUSIC

Piano & String Trio

All Is Well

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.

SCRIPTURE LESSON AND SERMON

What a Gift!
The Psalm of Christ
Philippians 2:1-11

CORPORATE AND RESPONSIVE CONFESSION OF SIN

Holy and gracious Father, who can enter Your presence innocent of misdeeds and guiltless of impure motives?

We confess that we have resisted the coming of Your King of glory by apologies not made, forgiveness not extended, peace not pursued, family members not loved, providences ignored, envy unchecked, prayers unspoken, fears not conquered, truth not defended, tongue unbridled, eyes unguarded, and resources wasted.

We have not shared the gospel with those who are in need of it.

We have been offended by the gospel without repentance.

Forgive and transform us so that we serve and worship You with joy and without fear.

This we pray in our Savior's name. 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

HYMN OF REFLECTION*

Come, All Christians, Be Committed (v.4)

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

BENEDICTION*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ladies Bible Study - Due to the holidays, Ladies Bible Study will not meet again until January.

Mother's Morning Out will be closed this week due to the holiday. We will reopen on Tuesday, January 5, 2021.

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

SERMON NOTES

What A Gift ***The Psalm Of Christ*** **Philippians 2:1-11** **December 27, 2020**

I. The **M**_____ of Christ v. 5

II. The **M**_____ of Christ vv. 6-8

A. His **S**_____ v. 6

B. His **S**_____ vv. 6-8

C. His **S**_____ v. 7

D. His **S**_____ v. 7

E. His **S**_____ vv. 7-8

III. The **M**_____ of Christ vv. 9-11

Sources Consulted:

Accordance Bible Software - ESV - Greek and Hebrew Analysis; ESV Study Bible; Calvin Commentaries; Simon Kistemaker - New Testament Commentary; Hawthorne, Gerald F. Word Biblical Commentary; Martin, Ralph P. - Tyndale Commentary on Philippians; Hansen, Walter G. PNTC - The Letter To The Philippians; Keller, Timothy J. - Humiliation; Fee, Gordon D. - New International Commentary On The New Testament- Paul's Letter To The Philippians; Motyer, Alec J. - The Bible Speaks Today - The Message Of Philippians

Nursery/MMO COVID 19 Use Protocol

The nursery and Mother's Morning Out (MMO) ministry is now available for use, and the following guidelines will be utilized to maintain a safe environment for our children and workers:

- The nursery will start receiving at 8:45am on Sundays, and MMO will be prepared to start receiving at 7:30am on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- A worker will meet the family at the base of the stairs on Sundays, and under the portico on MMO days where temps will be checked of all who are involved with the drop off. A temperature of 100 degrees or higher will be the threshold used. Symptoms will also be evaluated according to CDC guidelines. A parent will then follow the nursery worker to the check in station and follow that security protocol.
- Each nursery worker will be wearing masks. In addition, the Mississippi Department of Health urges all children 2 years and older to wear a mask if possible.
- If you intend to use the nursery and/or MMO, we ask that you call Gail Smith at (601) 319-9906 so that we can assign a nursery worker to the same family as much as possible. If an outbreak were to occur, this lowers the number of people who need to be quarantined.
- To ensure a clean space, the number of toys available will be reduced, and all soft/fabric toys will be removed for now. Toys from home are prohibited.
- The nursery area will be disinfected at least twice per day - once during nap time and then at the end of the day. A culture of cleanliness will ensure that some form of disinfection will be ongoing throughout the day at available intervals.

As we gain more knowledge and experience, we may be able to adjust our protocols. Your prayers and patience are welcomed and appreciated as we seek to minister to this very important part of our congregation.

THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER

Sunday, December 27

9:15 AM - Sunday School

10:30 AM - Morning Worship

You can also watch us Live Stream

<https://www.facebook.com/Westminster-Presbyterian-Church-Laurel-MS-615653491790483/>

Or on Youtube

<https://tinyurl.com/wpclaurel>

Monday, December 28

No Activities Planned

Tuesday, December 29

7:30AM - 3:30PM - MMO

Wednesday, December 30

No Activities Planned

Thursday, December 31

No Activities Planned

Friday, January 1

Happy New Year!!!!

Saturday, January 2

No Activities Planned

Officers of the Week

Dec 27-Jan 2

Elder: John Lowery

Deacon: Jordan Graves

Jan 3-Jan 10

Danny Martin

Austin Buehler

Westminster Officers & Staff:

Elders

John Lowery

Danny Martin

Al Moore

Steven Morgan

Hardie Perritt

Deacons

Myrick Allen

Austin Buehler

Robert Burdette

Jordan Graves

Mike Ishee

Josh Jones

Ben Morgan

Eric Surret

Mike Windham

Church Staff

Rev. Mike Allen, Pastor

Anna Alexander, Interim Youth Coordinator

Lisa Badley, Pianist

John Carter, Church Facilitator

Dave Graeser, Music Ministries Director

Kristen Graves, Children's Ministry Director

Gail Smith, Nursery Coordinator

Kerri Temple, Administrative Assistant

Instrumentalists

Rodolfo Torres, violin

Christian Danilo Avila Villegas, viola

Alvaro Miranda, 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

