

## This Week at Westminster

**Welcome guests!** We're delighted that you've come to worship with us here at Westminster this morning. We pray that God will bless you richly through the service and the welcome of our congregation and that you'll worship with us again soon.

**Today The Women in the Church (WIC) will host their Kickoff Brunch** during the Sunday School hour, 11:00-12:00, in the WCA Cafeteria. College and high school ladies are invited as well. See all you ladies there!

## Upcoming Events

**Help us help RUF @ UAH welcome back Students for the Fall Semester THIS FRIDAY:** Westminster will once again be supporting RUF by sponsoring a UAH Cookout on campus this Friday, August 18th. We'll be grilling and serving burgers and hot dogs from 3-7 that afternoon, & you're invited to join the team of grillers, greeters and servers. We had a lot of fun last year serving 350 hungry students. You can sign up on today's blue sheet, or contact Eric Fulcher at [eric.fulcher@gmail.com](mailto:eric.fulcher@gmail.com).

**Growth Groups for Adults are About to Start:** Plans for a variety of small groups—men only, women only, and mixed—are just about finalized for the fall. The full list and all the details will be distributed next Sunday but for an early look go to the church website & select 'Adult Groups and Classes' under 'Ministries' on the menu bar at the top of the homepage. Thanks!

**The Crown Club for senior adults will meet this Wednesday, August 16th,** at 10 am in the Parlor. This group meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month for fellowship, study and prayer, so come join us!

**The Adult Choir will resume practicing THIS Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm,** and we are looking for new members. This is a great opportunity to learn if you have always wanted to test that "shower aria" or "lawn mowing motet" voice and grow in a welcoming environment! For more information, please contact Tom Adams at (256) 797-5656.

**Student Choir is now meeting every Wednesday Night:** The Student Choir (2nd grade and up) meets from 6:15 - 6:45 pm, and the Beginning Choir (4s/5s-1st grade) meets from 6:45 - 7:15 pm. Both groups meet in the sanctuary classroom to the right of the platform. Contact Rebecca Johnson to register at 256-508-9352.

**A Baby Shower for Meg Palmer** will take place THIS Saturday, August 19th from 10 am to 12 noon, at the home of Rachel Brown. Contact Donna Knight if you would like to contribute to a group gift. Sign up on the blue sheet to indicate you plan to attend.

The next **"Who-Said-Men-Can't-Be-Social"** gathering will be Thursday, August 31, 6:30 pm, at the home of Curry Knight, 1460 Rountree Place, Madison. Be sure to put this on the calendar now!

**Dinners of Eight—Sign up Now!** Dinners of Eight are a way for us to get better acquainted with each other here at WPC. Each month during the fall eight people will get together for dinner at someone's house (or at a restaurant if that works better). The host will supply the main dish and bread, while the others will be assigned to bring a vegetable, salad, or dessert to share. Groupings and assignments will rotate each month so that when the cycle concludes, everyone will have had dinner and fellowship with 12 different couples. Interested? Sign-up on the blue sheet today or contact coordinator Erica Parker at [erica.r.parker@gmail.com](mailto:erica.r.parker@gmail.com).

**First Steps Seminar:** The next church membership seminar—called First Steps—will be held on **Saturday, September 9, from 9 am – 2 pm**, in the church parlor (lunch included). First Steps is for anyone who would like to know more about our beliefs, values and commitments as a congregation and serves as a 'first step' toward membership. If you're interested in the seminar or are ready to sign up, check the appropriate box on the blue sheet today and we'll be in touch.

The next **"Women Reading Great Books"** gathering will be **Thursday, September 21st:** September's book selection is, *Openness Unbindered: Further Thoughts of an Unlikely Convert on Sexual Identity and Union with Christ* by Rosaria Butterfield. We look forward to discussing this important book together this fall!

## Ministry Opportunities

**Opportunities in the Nursery:** We have several needs in staffing the nursery for the fall. Take a look at today's blue sheet to see what's available and let us know how you would like to serve the littlest members of our covenant family!

**Communion Set-up & Clean-up:** The church is looking for volunteers to join the rotation for Communion setup and cleanup. The duties are either Sunday morning first Sunday of the month or Sunday evening the third Sunday of the month. With enough folks on the team there will be only a few months of service per year. If you are interested, please contact Joel Hall ([joel.hall@gmail.com](mailto:joel.hall@gmail.com)) or Joe Crowhurst ([crowhurst.je@gmail.com](mailto:crowhurst.je@gmail.com)) or sign-up on the blue sheet.

## 2017 Theology Conference

**The 2017 Westminster Theology Conference, 'Reformation Reflections: 500 Years and Counting'** will be **Saturday-Sunday, August 26th and 27th.** Our speaker this year is Dr. L. Roy Taylor, Stated Clerk of the Presbyterian Church in America. Plan now to join us as we reflect on the historical impact and the continuing implications of the Protestant Reformation for our lives and our world today. Childcare will be provided for all sessions. Be sure to register children for childcare on the blue sheet today!

**Calling for Conference Volunteers:** We're putting together a small team to host the Theology Conference this year, and you're invited to help! We will need several greeters & ushers, along with a few folks to set up and clear away refreshments on Saturday morning. Also, we need some assistance with childcare. If you'd like to join the team, sign up on the blue sheet today. Thanks!

## Sunday's Servants

SERVING	TODAY: Aug 13, 2017	NEXT WEEK: Aug 20, 2017
NURSERY – Morning Worship	Kate Gunn, Ryan & Stephanie Wellman	Scooter & Angie Johnson
	Tami Covert	Garret Grady
	Annabelle Lowrance	Micah & Charissa Matson
NURSERY – Sunday School	Henry Lynn, Stephen Hooks, Siegfried Wendland	Noelle Thompson
	Samuel Fulcher, Daniel Palmer	Kendall Branscomb
NURSERY – Evening Worship		Eion Grady, Anna Bosma
HEAD USHER	Joey Lauderdale	Jay Lauderdale
SEXTON COUNTER	John Gunn, Wade Pettus	Wade Pettus, Art McKinney
SOUND	Clif Barnes, Eric Fulcher	Clif Barnes
COFFEE FELLOWSHIP	Nancy Lokker	Nancy Lokker
COMMUNION SET UP	----	McKinneys

## Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday, 8 am – 4 pm

## Attendance for August 6, 2017

Morning Worship – 344  
Sunday School – 155  
Evening Worship - 97



**WESTMINSTER**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 13, 2017

# A BEACON OF HOPE

OFFERING LIFE AND LIGHT  
IN CHRIST TO THOSE IN  
DARKNESS, HERE AND  
AROUND THE WORLD



*"In Him was life, and this life  
was the light of men."*

*John 1:4*



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## Morning Worship

9:30 A.M.

### The Prelude

*Morning Prayer*  
(M. Schinske)

*My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*  
(Southern Harmony, arr. McKibben)

### The Welcome and Announcements

### The Preparation for Worship

Miss Bertha Dykstra

*O Breath of Life, Come Sweeping Through Us*  
(Trinity Hymnal #341)

### † The Call to Worship

from Psalm 145

Pastor: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.

**People: Every day will I praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.**

Pastor: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

**People: One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts.**

### † The Hymn of Praise

*O Worship the King*

#2

### † The Invocation 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.

### † The Confession of Faith

The Apostles Creed

Hymnal, pg. 845

### † The Gloria Patri

#735

### The Call to Repentance

Psalm 139:1-4

### The Confession of Sin

Taken from Psalm 25

Remember, O Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

Remember not the sins of our youth and our rebellious ways. According to your love remember us, for you are good, O Lord. For the sake of your name, O Lord, forgive our iniquity, though it is great. Turn to us and be gracious to us, for we are lonely and afflicted. The troubles of our hearts have multiplied; free us from our anguish. Look upon our affliction and our distress and take away all our sins.

### † Congregation Standing

### † The Assurance of Pardon

Revelation 1:5b-6

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

### † The Hymn

*Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*

#500

### The Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 42:1-9  
Church Bible, pg. 602

### The Prayer of Intercession & Dedication

Mr. Tom Adams

### The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

### The Offertory

*Moment by Moment*  
(Moody, arr. Pethel)

### The New Testament Lesson

Mark 10:46-52  
Church Bible, pg. 847

### The Prayer for Illumination

### The Proclamation of the Word of God

Mr. Bob Brunson

“The Gospel According to Bart”  
Series: With Jesus at the Intersections of Life

### † The Hymn of Response

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

#164

### † Benediction

### † The Doxology

#731

### The Postlude

*He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought*

Miss Bertha Dykstra

### Aids to Worship

To use the church's wifi, select WPC Guest and enter 'matthew633' when asked.

Hearing assistance devices are available at the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary.

To hear an audio of today's sermons again, go [www.wpc-hsv.org](http://www.wpc-hsv.org) and click on the link at the bottom right corner of the home page.

If providentially hindered from attending worship on the Lord's Day, you can still join us for the morning service via video-streaming. Simply go to [www.wpc-hsv.org](http://www.wpc-hsv.org) and select "Watch Live" on the menu bar at the top of the page.

## Evening Worship

6:00 P.M.

### The Prelude

*We've Come, O Lord*  
(Neufeld, arr. D. N. and Fettke)

*How Lovely is Your Dwelling Place and Hear, O Lord*  
(from Psalms 84 and 86, Howard)

### The Welcome and the Call to Worship

### † The Hymn of Praise

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

#302

### † The Invocation

### Ministry Report & Prayer: The Scottsboro Church Plant

### The Offertory

*Evening Prayer*  
(from Ps. 130, Stebbins/arr. Grotenhuis)

### The Ministry of the Word

Mr. Dieter Paulson

"A Single-minded Discipleship"  
Matthew 6:19-24  
(Church Bible, pg. 811)

### † The Hymn of Response

*Take My Life, and Let It Be*

#585

### † The Benediction

### † The Doxology

#731

### † The Postlude

*Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatest of the Lord*

Miss Bertha Dykstra

**We're delighted to welcome the Rev. Dieter Paulson to our pulpit tonight.** Dieter and his family have just moved to northeast Alabama to lead Providence Presbytery's efforts to plant a new church in Scottsboro. After graduating from East Carolina University in 1997, he attended Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS, earning both a Master's in Marriage and Family Therapy and a Master of Divinity. Before coming to Alabama, Dieter served six years in youth ministry, seven years as a hospice chaplain, and nearly eight years as a solo pastor. He and his wife Marty have been married for 18 years and have four children: Gracie (17), Tanner (16), Mary (11), and Georgia (9). Welcome!