

Welcome to

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 26, 2026 † 10:55 AM



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Bold indicates the congregation reads aloud
*Indicates those able may stand

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord Calls Us

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Exodus 15:1-2

Sing to the Lord, for he has triumphed gloriously

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

The musical score is written for three voices (Soprano, Alto, and Tenor/Bass) and piano accompaniment. It features a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is primarily in the soprano part, with the piano accompaniment providing harmonic support. The lyrics are arranged in three lines, corresponding to the three parts of the hymn.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867

JOANNA (ST. DENIO) 11.11.11.11.
 Traditional Welsh hymn melody

*INVOCATION & 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.

READING OF THE LAW

Exodus 20:1-6

And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments."

The Lord Cleanses Us

CONFESSION OF SIN

Based on a prayer by John Bunyan

Often, O holy and righteous God, we dare your justice, mock your mercy, jeer your patience, slight your power, and show contempt for your love. We even say “I’m sorry” insincerely and confess our sin flippantly. We plead your help to own up carefully to how we have wronged you, to admit honestly how we have grieved you, to plead penitently for your mercy and pardon. We beg your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 66:16-20

Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul. I cried to him with my mouth, and high praise was on my tongue. If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me!

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“The Gloria Patri”

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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.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism

Q & A 1

What is your only comfort in life and death?

That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

The Lord Feeds Us

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

“This Is My Father’s World”

1. This is my Fa - ther's world, and to my lis - t'ning ears,
2. This is my Fa - ther's world, the birds their car - ols raise,
3. This is my Fa - ther's world, O let me ne'er for - get

all na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
the morn - ing light, the lil - y white, de - clare their Mak - er's praise.
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Rul - er yet.

This is my Fa - ther's world: I rest me in the thought
This is my Fa - ther's world: he shines in all that's fair;
This is my Fa - ther's world: the bat - tle is not done;

of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the won - ders wrought.
in the rus - tling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me ev - ry - where.
Je - sus who died shall be sat - is - fied, and earth and heav'n be one.

**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.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Wonderful, Merciful Savior”

Chord symbols: C, F/C, C, C/E, F, Gsus, G, Am, Am/G, F, C/E, Gsus, Am, F, C/G, Gsus, C, Am, Am/G, F, E.

1. Won-der-ful, mer-ci-ful Sav-ior, pre-cious Re-deem-er and Friend;
 2. Coun-se-lor, Com-fort-er, Keep-er, Spir-it we long to em-brace;
 3. Al-might-y, in-fi-nite Fa-ther, faith-ful-ly lov-ing your own;

who would have thought that a Lamb could res-cue the souls of men?
 you of-fer hope when our hearts have hope-less-ly lost the way;
 here in our weak-ness you find us fall-ing be-fore your throne;

Oh, you res-cue the souls of men.
 oh, we've hope-less-ly lost the way. You are the One that we praise,
 oh, we're fall-ing be-fore your throne.

Am Am/G F G Am Am/G F

you are the One we a - dore. You give the heal-ing and grace our

C/E Gsus Am F C/G Gsus C

hearts al-ways hun-ger for; oh, our hearts al-ways hun-ger for.

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VINE RIDGE
87 868 with refrain

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 20:1-3

And God spoke all these words, saying,

²“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt,
out of the house of slavery.

³“You shall have no other gods before me.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“And God Spoke”

SERMON NOTES

The Lord Sends Us

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

1. Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
2. O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
3. When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y; hold me with thy
stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me all my
fears sub - side; Death of death, and hell's De - struc - tion, land me safe on

pow'r - ful hand; Bread of heav - en, Bread of heav - en, feed me
jour - ney through; strong De - liv' - rer, strong De - liv' - rer, be thou
Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es I will

'til I want no more, (*want no more*) feed me 'til I want no more.
still my strength and shield, (*strength and shield*) be thou still my strength and shield.
ev - er give to thee, (*give to thee*) I will ev - er give to thee.

*BENEDICTION

Zephaniah 3:17

The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

POSTLUDE

Announcements

Welcome to Westminster – The Westminster family extends a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. We pray that God’s rich blessings in Christ may be yours. Visitors, please complete the Guest Card which is found at the end of each pew. We are delighted to have you with us this Lord’s Day.

This morning we welcome Rev. Larry Ferris to the Westminster Pulpit. Larry Ferris was born in Macon, Mississippi and grew up in middle Tennessee. He and Lisa married 44 years ago and moved to Jackson to attend RTS. He has served as a church planter and as a pastor. He was honorably retired in 2022 after ten years as pastor of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Easley, South Carolina. The Ferrises are delighted to be back in Mississippi near family in Madison.

The Session has called a congregational meeting for today immediately following the Morning Worship Service for the purpose of electing a pulpit committee.

Westminster is taking a break from Sunday School for the summer. We will be having a pre-service fellowship time in its place. Please join us for coffee and pastries at 10:15 AM every Sunday for the summer! Sunday School will resume August 9.

Online giving is available at www.wpcvicksburg.com by clicking on the Online Giving link.

Today and this week

Sun	10:15	Coffee/Pastries Fellowship
	10:55	Morning Worship
	12:00	Congregational Meeting
Mon	6:30	Ping Pong Fellowship

Upcoming Events

Soups, Salads, Sandwiches, and Sweets
Lunch, August 9
Sunday School Resumes August 9

Pray for those with birthdays: Jan Walker, Carol McPhearson, Chris Wells, 27; Moses Stamper, 29; Elle Woodson, 30

Nursery Workers: Today – Valerie Gatewood and Kelly Turner
Next Week – Frances Warren and Kinsey Karel