

Westminster Presbyterian Church
The Lord's Day Morning Worship

September 4, AD 2022

10:55 AM

The Preparation for Worship

Prelude

Let us prepare ourselves for worship. Use this time for silent prayer and meditation on the Word. "O God, who has taught us that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in us; Increase and multiply upon us Your mercy; that, with You as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake our Lord. Amen."

Welcome and Announcements

*The Call to Worship Psalm 65:4

Leader: How blessed is the man You choose, and cause to approach You, that he may dwell in Your courts.

All: **We shall be satisfied with the goodness of Your house, of Your holy temple.**

Leader: Let us worship God!

The Lord's Praise

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Elder Sluis

*Hymn of the Month: *As The Deer* Words in Bulletin

*Reading of the Law of God Front of the Hymnal

Confession of Sin from *Calvin's Liturgy*

Leader: My brethren, let each of you present himself before the face of the Lord, and confess his faults and sins, saying together with me:

All: **O Lord, God, Eternal and Almighty Father, we confess and acknowledge most sincerely before Your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption, prone to do evil, incapable of any good, and that in our depravity we transgress Your holy commandments without end or ceasing: Wherefore we purchase for ourselves, through Your righteous judgment, our ruin and perdition. Nevertheless, O Lord, we are grieved that we have offended You: and we condemn ourselves and our sins with true repentance, beseeching Your grace to relieve our distress. O God and Father most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the Name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as You blot out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of Your Holy Spirit: that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which will bring forth**

true repentance in us, mortifying all our sins, and producing in us the fruits of righteousness and innocence which are pleasing unto You; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Acts 12:38,39

Leader: "Therefore let it be known to you, brethren, that through this Man is preached to you the forgiveness of sins; and by Him everyone who believes is justified from all things from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses."

All: **Amen.**

The Lord's Gifts

Offertory Prayer Elder Sluis

*The Doxology p. 731

*Hymn #251: *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* St. Christopher

The Lord's Word

Pastoral Prayer Elder Sluis

Scripture James 1:1-12

Sermon: *Let's Get Oriented* Pastor Larry Ferris

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn #252: *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (v.1-3)* Hamburg

The Lord's Supper

*Hymn #252: *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross (v.4)* Hamburg

*Benediction Pastor Ferris

Postlude

**Congregation Standing*

Morning Worship Sermon Outline

Text: James 1:1-12

Title: Let's Get Oriented

I. The Servant of Christ Gets the Pain

II. The Servant of Christ Gets the Gift

III. The Servant of Christ Gets the Joke

Evening Worship

6:00 PM

Prelude

*Call to Worship Mr. Chandler Whitney

*Invocation

*Hymn #166: *Wondrous King, All-Glorious* Wunderbarer König

Evening Prayer

*Hymn #325: *When He Cometh, When He Cometh* Jewels

Scripture Reading: John 3:13-21 Dr. Mike Ahlberg

Sermon: *Take the Gospel of Christ to Heart*

Closing Prayer

Evening Worship Sermon Outline

Text: John 3:13-21

Title: Take the Gospel of Christ to Heart

A. 3:13-15 - We see a striking picture of Christ.

1. 13 - We see Jesus coming and going.

2. 14-15 - We see Jesus dying on the cross.

B. 3:16-18 - We hear a ringing proclamation of the Father's love.

1. 16 - We see the object of the Father's love.

2. 17 - We see the Father's motive for saving people.

3. 18 - We see the Father's method of saving people.

C. 3:19-21 - We hear a solemn warning of Judgment.

1. 19-20 - We see people doing dark deeds.

2. 21 - We see people coming to the light.

Today and this week

Sunday	9:45	Education Hour
	10:55	Morning Worship
	6:00	Evening Worship
Tuesday	6:00	Hannah Circle Meeting

Upcoming Events

Family Night Supper, September 14, 6:30 PM

Ping Pong Resumes, September 19, 6:30 PM

Food Pantry Donations Collection, September 1-30

Westminster Shorter Catechism #2: *What authority from God directs us how to glorify and enjoy Him?* The only authority for glorifying and enjoying Him is the Bible, which is the word of God and is made up of the Old and New Testaments.

The Lord's Supper at Westminster is for all those who have received Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, who do now repent, endeavor to live a holy life, and have publicly professed their faith through membership in an evangelical church. Children who have not publicly confessed Christ by being received by the Session into communicant Church membership should refrain from the Sacrament and learn by reverent observation; this, even though they may already have received Christ privately. Those without personal saving faith in Jesus Christ are to refrain from the Sacrament and are urged to repent and receive Him by faith.

As The Deer

*As the deer panteth for the water, So my soul longeth after Thee.
You alone are my heart's desire, And I long to worship Thee.*

*Chorus: You alone are my strength, my shield;
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship Thee.*

*You're my friend and You are my brother Even though You are a King.
I love you more than any other, So much more than anything.
(Repeat Chorus.)*

*I want You more than gold or silver, Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver And the apple of my eye.
(Repeat Chorus.)*

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Announcements

Welcome to Westminster – *The Westminster family extends a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning and this evening. We pray that God's rich blessings in Christ may be yours. Please complete the Registry which is found at the end of each pew. We are delighted to have you with us this Lord's Day.*

Adult and Youth Education Opportunities – Make Sunday School a priority. The Adult class will be using the video and discussion series *The Book of Job* by Derek Thomas.

This morning we welcome Pastor Larry Ferris to the Westminster Pulpit. Larry was born in Macon, MS and grew up in middle Tennessee. He and Lisa married 40 years ago and moved to Jackson to attend RTS. He has served as a church planter and as a pastor. He was recently honorably retired after ten years as pastor of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Easley, South Carolina. The Ferrises are delighted to be back in Mississippi near family.

We welcome Dr. Mike Ahlberg this evening. Mike and his wife Robin are from Colorado. Mike graduated from RTS, Jackson, in 1982, where he later received a Dr. of Divinity Degree. He has served as a PCA pastor for the last 40 years, mostly in MS, and now preaches regularly in various PCA churches. Mike is looking for a call. Mike and Robin both lost their first spouses a number of years ago and married each other in 2005. Both have two children from their first marriages, and are now raising a 13-year-old grandson, Flint.

Hannah Circle will meet at 6:00 Tuesday evening to discuss future meeting times/dates and order books. We are looking forward to gathering together again!

We are collecting food for the local food pantries from September 1-30. Boxes to collect food donations are in the foyer outside the door to the Sanctuary.

Tithes and Offerings may be given at the collection points at the front and rear of the sanctuary as offering plates will not be passed.

Easy On-line giving to WPC is available. See the link at www.wpcvicksburg.com or text your gift by texting "Give" + amount (i.e. Give 100 to donate \$100) to 601-207-0484.



Homebound Jackie LaBarre
Communion: Today
Pray for those with birthdays: Stephen Turner, 5; Judy Monroe, 6;
Jerry Walker, Anita Clary, 9
Bible Readings: Ecc 7:1-Isa7:25; II Cor 7:8-11:33; Ps 48:1-54:7;
Prov 22:17-23:3

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