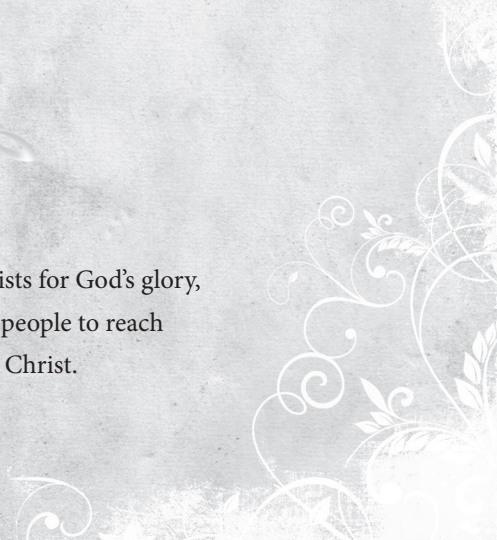




WESTMINSTER

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PCA

Westminster Presbyterian Church exists for God's glory,
to worship Him and to equip His people to reach
Atlanta and the world for Christ.





Sunday
Morning Worship
September 6, 2026
8:45 & 11:00 AM

Please consult an usher
if you are in need of an
assistive listening device.

*The Silent Prayer of
Preparation is an
opportunity to privately
prepare our minds and
hearts for worship through
silent prayer as the Prelude
is being played.*

*As we are led in worship
by music, let us praise God
and meditate on Him in our
minds and hearts.*

Welcome & Announcements

REV. MARCUS DORSEY

Preparation for Worship *Revelation 21:9-14*

Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed—on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Prelude

Erhalt uns, Herr
Tim Renner, organ

JOHNATHAN D. ROSS
TRINITY HYMNAL #150

The Silent Prayer of Preparation

Chiming of the Hour

Call to Worship

Psalm 149:1-2

REV. JOE SUEN

Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the godly! Let Israel be glad in his Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King!

Prayer of Adoration & Invocation

Pastor: Christ Is Risen!

People: He Is Risen Indeed!

Hymn 103

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

BULLETIN P. 4

Prayer of Thanksgiving

8:45 Offertory

Be Thou My Vision
Scott Elder, piano

ARR. JOAN J. PINKSTON

11:00 Offertory

Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

ARR. HOWARD HELVEY

Chancel Choir

Sarah Hilscher, piano

Take up your cross, the Savior said,
If you would my disciple be;
Take up your cross with willing heart,
And humbly follow after me.

Take up your cross; let not its weight
Fill your weak spirit with alarm;
Christ's strength shall bear your spirit up
And brace your heart and nerve your arm.

Take up your cross, heed not the shame,
And let your foolish heart be still;
The Lord for you accepted death
Upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.

Take up your cross, then, in his strength,
And calmly every danger brave:
It guides you to abundant life
And leads to victory o'er the grave.

Take up your cross, and follow Christ,
Nor think till death to lay it down;
For only those who bear the cross
May hope to wear the glorious crown.

Doxology 731

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Confession & Intercession

DR. EDWARD MANGER

Gloria Patri 735

Children ages 4-6 can be dismissed for Children's Church.

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.

Scripture Reading

Luke 6:12-16

PEW BIBLE P. 862

¹² *In these days he went out to the mountain to pray, and all night he continued in prayer to God.* ¹³ *And when day came, he called his disciples and chose from them twelve, whom he named apostles:*

¹⁴ *Simon, whom he named Peter, and Andrew his brother, and James*

Gloria Patri means Glory to the Father. It is a response to the Triune God whose greatness we gather to delight in. As the congregation sings the Gloria Patri, we are acknowledging that God deserves adoration and that we as His creatures have a duty to give it.

*and John, and Philip, and Bartholomew, ¹⁵ and Matthew, and Thomas,
and James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon who was called the Zealot,
¹⁶ and Judas the son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became a traitor.*

Sermon

The 12 Apostles

REV. AARON MESSNER

Hymn 348

Jesus, with Thy Church Abide (vv. 1-4)

BULLETIN P. 5

* Please note that the bread
served for Communion is
gluten-free.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper*

Hymn 348

Jesus, with Thy Church Abide (vv. 5-8)

BULLETIN P. 5

Benediction

*As the postlude is played, we
encourage you to consider
the greatness and provision
of God through worship
and so prepare to enter the
world as messengers of
the Gospel.*

Postlude

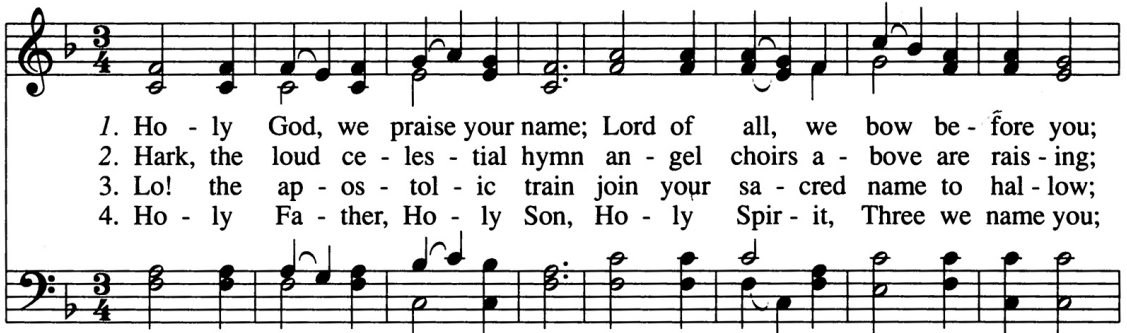
Jesus, meine Zuversicht

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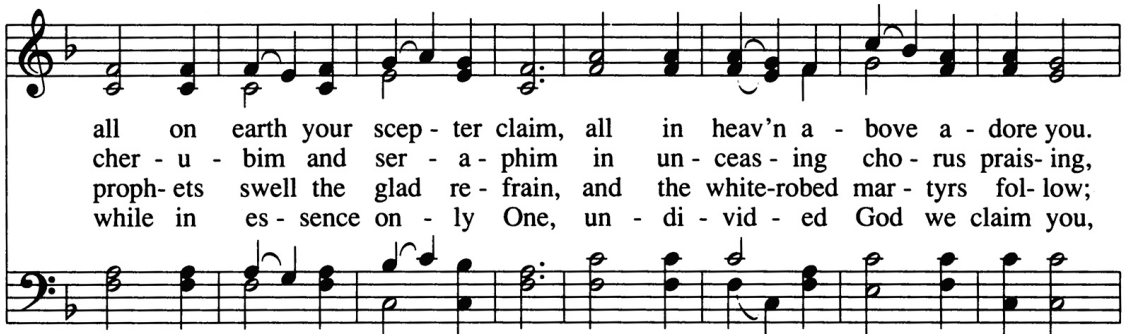
Holy God, We Praise Your Name

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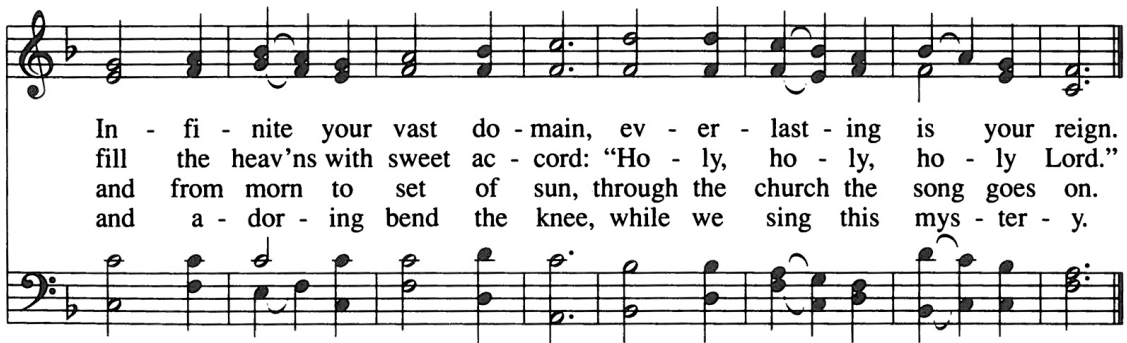
Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory. Is. 6:3



1. Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow be - fore you;
2. Hark, the loud ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a - bove are rais - ing;
3. Lo! the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred name to hal - low;
4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, Three we name you;



all on earth your scep - ter claim, all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you.
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing,
proph - ets swell the glad re - frain, and the white-robed mar - tyrs fol - low;
while in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vid - ed God we claim you,



In - fi - nite your vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
fill the heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."
and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.
and a - dor - ing bend the knee, while we sing this mys - ter - y.

Based on *Te Deum*, ca. 4th cent.

Attr. to Ignace Franz, ca. 1774

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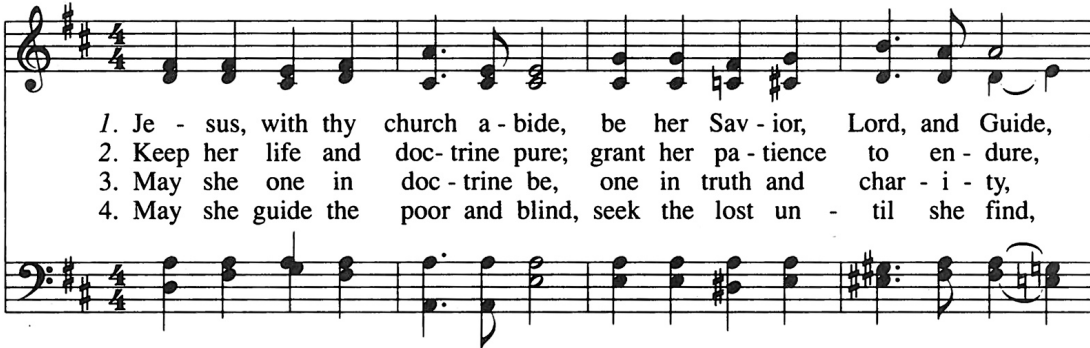
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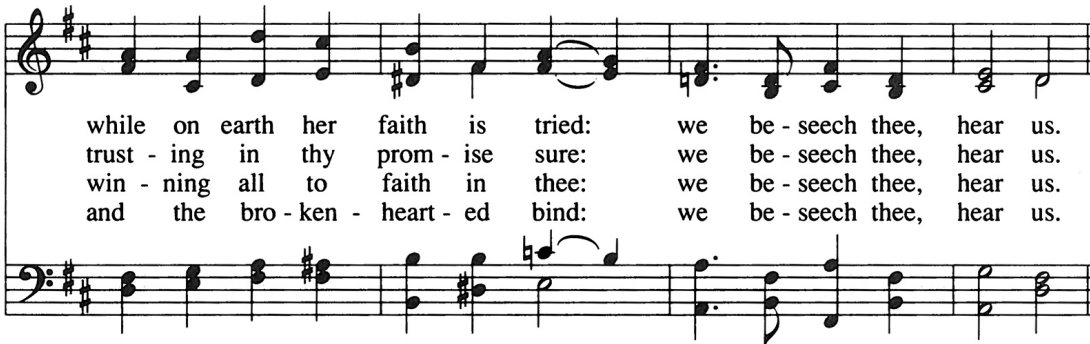
Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, ca. 1774

Jesus, with Thy Church Abide

The church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth. 1 Tim. 3:15



1. Je - sus, with thy church a - bid, be her Sav - ior, Lord, and Guide,
 2. Keep her life and doc - trine pure; grant her pa - tience to en - dure,
 3. May she one in doc - trine be, one in truth and char - i - ty,
 4. May she guide the poor and blind, seek the lost un - til she find,



while on earth her faith is tried: we be - seech thee, hear us.
 trust - ing in thy prom - ise sure: we be - seech thee, hear us.
 win - ning all to faith in thee: we be - seech thee, hear us.
 and the bro - ken - heart - ed bind: we be - seech thee, hear us.

5. Save her love from growing cold,
 make her watchmen strong and bold,
 fence her round, thy peaceful fold:
 we beseech thee, hear us.

6. May her lamp of truth be bright,
 bid her bear aloft its light
 through the realms of heathen night:
 we beseech thee, hear us.

7. Arm her soldiers with the cross,
 brave to suffer toil or loss,
 counting earthly gain but dross:
 we beseech thee, hear us.

8. May she holy triumphs win,
 overthrow the hosts of sin,
 gather all the nations in:
 we beseech thee, hear us.

WOMEN'S FALL BRUNCH

with speaker

B.A. Snider

"A Call to Discipleship"

Psalm 9:1-2

**Saturday, Sept 12
10am**

Nursery provided

Enjoy an indulgent brunch by
Chef Marty, and come together
in warm fellowship with women
from Westminster.

RSVP by
Wed., Sept 9:
womensministry@wmpca.org



ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENERAL

Day of Prayer. This morning during the Sunday School hour, all adults and youth are invited to join us in the fellowship hall for a time of prayer led by Pastor Aaron Messner. Our normal adult classes will not meet so that all can participate; however children's classes will meet as usual.

Musical Meditation tonight, 6:00pm. Join us this evening for a time of special music at the beginning of the evening service. Tonight's music will be provided by soprano Dayela Lima.

New pastor announcement. The Session of WPC is delighted to announce that we have called Rev. Joseph Suen to serve as our new full-time Assistant Minister of International Ministries. Rev. Suen will provide leadership to our international outreach ministries (including ESL), contribute to the work of our Mission's Committee, and serve as a shepherd and minister of the Word to the church body at large. Please join us in thanking the Lord for Joe and Annie Suen and welcoming them to this new role!

Westminster Greeter Luncheon, September 27. Greeters, save the date for our annual luncheon following the 11:00am service. We'll enjoy a wonderful meal prepared by Chef Marty and hear from guest speakers Pastor Aaron and Andy Snider. RSVP by September 9 to the Evite or to Terry Davidson (tdavidson50@bellsouth.net).

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Women's Fall Brunch, September 12. Ladies, make plans to join us for our annual Fall Brunch on Saturday, September 12, at 10:00am! See page 6 of your bulletin for details and sign-up information.

Baby shower for Heather Thomas, Sunday, September 13. The women of Westminster are invited to celebrate the upcoming arrival of Heather's baby! Please join us in the parlor immediately following the 11:00am worship service. For more information, contact Bernadette Maturana (bernadettematurana@gmail.com).

Calling all women who love to read! Please join us as we learn more about God's grace and redemption in our broken world through the reading and discussion of a wide selection of texts. Next meeting: September 15, 2026, 7:30pm, in the church parlor. Next book: *Peace Like a River*, by Leif Enger. Feel free to call or email Rinda Lieuwen with questions (**678-372-9823 or rlieuwen@gmail.com**).

Ladies, you're invited to join Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) at Westminster to study the book of Romans. BSF is an interdenominational Bible study—free, and open to all women. The first class is Friday, September 18, 10:00-11:30am. To join, go to: **Joinbsf.com**, click the yellow "find a BSF group" button > "In Person" > "BrookHaven, Ga" > "Women" > "Westminster."

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Children's ministry volunteers needed. We still have some volunteer opportunities for this coming school year:

Wednesday nights

- **2 Volunteers** to assist with 1st-5th grade students.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Fall Retreat, September 25-26. All youth are invited to the Youth Fall Retreat at Camp Westminster! This retreat will include youth groups from various PCA churches in the Metro-Atlanta Presbytery. Please RSVP by Sept. 11. For more information, contact Marcus (m.dorsey@wmpca.org). Sign up at our Event Signups page (**wmpca.org/signups**).

MISSION'S MINISTRY

Save the date: Atlanta Care Center Lunch & Learn, October 25. Jason Phillips will share what God is doing through Atlanta Care, introduce us to the women and families ACC serves, communicate why this work matters, answer questions, and provide information on how we can be involved. Adults and older youth (with parental discretion and guidance) are welcome. RSVP to **evite.me/xYUfQh9tUh**.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer Requests: To submit prayer requests, place a blue card in the offering plate, call the church office, or email your requests to prayerrequests@wmpca.org.

Pastoral Care: If you know a member of Westminster who needs pastoral care, please contact the pastoral staff and pastoral care team at pastoralcare@wmpca.org.

Crisis Resources: We have a page on our website which features resources for crisis pregnancy, post-abortion counseling, and domestic abuse. If you or someone you know is struggling with any of these issues, go to www.wmpca.org/crisis-resources.

Dabney Talbott has been hospitalized with multiple health concerns. Please pray for wisdom for her doctors and for healing.

A memorial service will be held for Joyce Burklin on Saturday, September 26, at 11:00am. Joyce, a former missionary and beloved longtime member of Westminster, passed away December 23, 2025. Her family invites all to the service and lunch reception afterwards as we celebrate Joyce's life.

Sung Kyung Chang and her husband, Choongman, were involved in a car accident a few weeks ago. They are both still recovering and experiencing ongoing pain. They would be very grateful for the congregation's prayers for healing and a full recovery.

Please pray for Betty Hope as she recovers from cataract surgery.

Sara Fortenberry suffers from a severe form of rheumatoid arthritis and had an appointment with a research rheumatologist in Boston on August 24. Please give thanks for this doctor and ask the Lord to provide help and healing from pain and joint deterioration.

 **Evelylene Douglas had shoulder replacement surgery on August 20.** Please pray for a smooth recovery.

Longtime Westminster member Shirley Weeks is now living with her daughter in Virginia after falling and breaking her hip several months ago. Please pray for Shirley to heal and regain mobility.

Aaron Messner's father, Rick, has advanced congestive heart failure and is now receiving hospice care. Please pray for Aaron, his sisters, and their families as they care for him.

Anten (Buz) Kraemer still needs to grow stronger and healthier. His wife Fran requests prayer for stamina and wisdom in balancing his care with her fall schedule and commitments.

Please be in prayer for our expectant mothers.

Westminster Members: Heather Thomas (Oct); Katie Funk (Oct); Yasmine Brown (Nov); Catherine Beckermann (Nov); Anna Irick (Dec); Julia Kershner (Jan); Alyssa Strickland (Jan)

Extended family: Anna Beach, Brad & Barbara Beach's daughter-in-law (Sept); Carsen York, Chris & Janet York's daughter-in-law (Nov); Claire Chinery Kaufman, Linda Gilbert's granddaughter (Nov); Charlotte Kennedy, Joe & Lee Knippenberg's daughter (Feb)

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Elias Hopper, Vivienne Hopper,
Nate Yoder, Suzanne Yoder

LOVE CIRCLE MEMBERS

Audrey Florence, Betty Hope, Regina Hughes,
Walter Sandell

THOSE IN MILITARY SERVICE

CPT Jake Barnes, Army (Holly Holton)
CAPT Andrew Carlson, Navy (Nancy Messner)
1LT Peter Elder, Marines
2LT Noah Grady, Air Force
CPT Joseph Hatcher, Army (WPC sponsored chaplain)
ND1 Joshua Hause, Navy (Priscilla Lowrey)
LT Tim Kay, Navy (Naval Reserves chaplain)
ENS Micah Messner, Coast Guard
SPC Jacob Moore, Army
PO1 Andrew Naff, Navy
PFC Dylan Roberts, Army (Sarah Hilscher)
MAJ Ben Scott, Army
LCPL Karson Tolbert, Marines
CPT Tim Toll, Army

WPC MISSIONARY PRAYER REQUESTS

The most powerful way we can give to our missionaries is through our prayers. This week please pray for:

Jonathan and Beka. Jonathan and Beka work with MTW in partnership with the Evangelical church in the Middle East. Their team works in raising up, training, and equipping local men and their wives to plant and lead new fellowships.



Go to mealtrain.com/kv9mm2 to prepare a meal for Evelylene Douglas.

CALENDAR

Sunday, September 6

8:45am: First Service
10:00am: Day of Prayer (joint adult/youth gathering in f'ship hall)
Children's Sunday School
11:00am: Second Service
12:15pm: Dunwoody/P'tree Corners COG
5:00pm: Sunday Supper
6:00pm: Evening Service (Musical Meditation)

Monday, September 7

Labor Day - Church office closed

Tuesday, September 8

6:30am: Women's Small Group (m.deborde@wmpca.org)
10:30am: Women's Bible Study (naffavalley@yahoo.com)
6:00pm: Session Meeting
7:00pm: Diaconate Meeting
7:00pm: Young Women's Small Group (whitney.book@gmail.com)

Wednesday, September 9

5:30pm: Wednesday Supper
6:30pm: Wednesday at Westminster (children, youth, adult)
6:30pm: Handbell Rehearsal
7:30pm: Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 10

10:00am: Women's Daytime Prayer (koroos100@gmail.com)
11:00am: Men's Bible Study (johnadams@alumni.emory.edu)
6:00pm: Metanoia Annual Fundraiser
7:30pm: Smyrna Women's Small Group (asmercer5@yahoo.com)

Friday, September 11

6:30pm: Brookhaven/Chamblee COG (jenny377@gmail.com)

Saturday, September 12

10:00am: Women's Fall Brunch

Sunday, September 13

8:45am: First Service
10:00am: Sunday School for all ages
11:00am: Second Service
12:15pm: Northlake COG
4:30pm: Youth & Children's Choir Rehearsals
5:00pm: Sunday Supper
6:00pm: Evening Service

Monday, September 14

6:00pm: ESL Dinner & Classes
7:30pm: Moms' Small Group (lydiassapp@gmail.com)

Tuesday, September 15

7:00pm: Intown Community Group (Bonhoefferluvers@gmail.com)
7:30pm: Women's Book Club (rlieuwen@gmail.com)
8:00pm: Online Women's Small Group (a.poland@wmpca.org)

Wednesday, September 16

5:30pm: Wednesday Supper
6:30pm: Wednesday at Westminster (children, youth, adult)
6:30pm: Handbell Rehearsal
7:30pm: Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 17

10:00am: Women's Daytime Prayer (koroos100@gmail.com)
11:00am: Men's Bible Study (johnadams@alumni.emory.edu)

Friday, September 18

10:00am: Bible Study Fellowship
5:30pm: Choir Retreat

Saturday, September 19

9:00am: Choir Retreat



STEP - INTO - Fall

with the Women's Ministry

Do you enjoy
WALKING?

join us for walks and fellowship
throughout the fall!



Let us know! | WMLT@wmpca.org 

May we follow in Christ's steps



VOLUNTEERS

Sunday, September 6, 2026

Nursery:

Greeter/Leader: Barbara Beach

8:45am Service:

Babies/Crawlers: Pamela Burns, Alyssa Terry,
Whitney Book

2-Year-Olds:

3-Year-Olds: Josh Terry, Anna Snyder

Floater: Loudoun Melendez

Children's Church: Anna Poland, Julie Melendez

10:00am Babies: Meghann Harris

11:00am Service:

Babies: Anna Irick, Kristine Moore

Toddlers: Beth Brundige, Emily White

Floater:

Children's Church: Annie Suen

Duty Deacons:

8:45am Service: Daniel McClendon, Simon Hansen

11:00am Service: James Strickland, Dexter Nordhues

Sunday Evening: Rafael Laury

Wednesday Evening: Stephen Bankson

Soundbooth: John & Marjorie Adams

Greeters:

8:45am:

Narthex: Paul & Kristen Rogers

Side Entry: Hannah Agabi, James Fox

Porte Cochere: KJ Krider

Welcome Center: Maddie Conkel

11:00am:

Narthex: Gene & Neile Wheeler

Side Entry: Alan & Leah Beck

Porte Cochere: Nathan Rackers

Welcome Center: Steve Roos, Ben Holton

Dinner Check-In:

Sunday: Marianne Grieco

Wednesday: Anne Salter

Dinner Kitchen Help:

Sunday: Cortney Rice

Wednesday: Mike & Carolyn Enis, Frank & Peter Kiser

Sunday, September 13, 2026

Nursery:

Greeter/Leader: Julie Osborne

8:45am Service:

Babies/Crawlers: Molly Elder, Gina Mancin,
Holly Holton

2-Year-Olds: Lee Knippenberg, Sarah Parker

3-Year-Olds: Anders Liman, Sherri Dickens

Floater: Annabelle Osborne

Children's Church: Anna Poland, Miles Pitts

10:00am Babies: Yasmine Brown, Jessica Ikegbune

11:00am Service:

Babies: Miriam Bailey, Nance Dorsey

Toddlers: Dwight Kieser, Bonnie Benedict

Floater: Janna Lieuwen

Children's Church: Annie Suen

Duty Deacons:

8:45am Service: Stephen Bankson, Elias Irick

11:00am Service: Jackson Aldridge, Josh Mancin

Sunday Evening: Alan Beck

Wednesday Evening: Gene Wheeler

Soundbooth: Brad Beach

Greeters:

8:45am:

Narthex: Belinda Yancy, Lindsay Davis

Side Entry: Ben & Whitley Manrodt

Porte Cochere: Kent Kim

Welcome Center: Heidi Briley

11:00am:

Narthex: Jim & Laura Strickland

Side Entry: Eric & Kim Elder

Porte Cochere: Kanu Agabi

Welcome Center: Sarah Jacobs, Ginny Davidson

Dinner Check-In:

Sunday: Michelle Dunnivant

Wednesday: Eleanor Lilly

Dinner Kitchen Help:

Sunday: Catherine Mullins

Wednesday: Mike & Carolyn Enis, Frank & Peter Kiser

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by gathering and perfecting the saints

seeking to grow in holiness and reach the lost through the Gospel

through the ordinary means of grace

focusing on the authoritative Word of God in our preaching and teaching

emphasizing prayer throughout the church community and in our ministries

faithfully administering the sacraments of Covenant Baptism and the Lord's Supper

in the context of relational fellowship

connecting and caring for one another through discipleship and intentional fellowship

unto faith, repentance, and new obedience

realizing our fallen condition and the unmerited redemption we have in Christ through faith, we therefore endeavor to daily repent of our sins and pursue new heart obedience in Christ as we await our future rest in eternity with our Savior

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