

This Week at Westminster...

<i>Sun., Dec. 26</i>	6:00 am – 9:00 am 8:30 am 9:00 am 9:20 am 10:10 am 11:00 am 11:15 am	Youth Serve the Homeless Chapel Service – Mike Garrett (Chapel) Contemporary Service – Mike Garrett (S) “Early” Sunday School (Back of Youth Center) Sunday School (Adult, Youth, Children) ECSI Worship Service (Room 22) Traditional Service – Mike Garrett (Sanctuary)
<i>Mon., Dec. 27</i>		Church Office Closed
<i>Tues., Dec. 28</i>	1:30 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm	Staff Meeting (Parlor) Personnel Committee (Parlor) Contemporary Practice (Sanctuary)
<i>Wed., Dec. 29</i>	7:00 pm – 9:30 pm	Youth Movie Night (Fellowship Center) <i>NO Chancel Choir Practice</i> <i>NO Westminster Wednesday till 1/5/11</i>
<i>Thu., Dec. 30</i>		Church Office Closed
<i>Fri., Dec. 31</i>	10:00 pm – 1:30 am	ECSI Watch Service (Chapel) Happy New Year!
<i>Sat., Jan. 1</i>		Chapel Service – Scott Huie (Chapel)
<i>Sun., Jan. 2</i>	8:30 am 9:00 am 9:20 am 10:10 am 11:00 am 11:15 am 7:00 pm	Contemporary Service – Scott Huie (S) “Early” Sunday School (Back of Youth Center) Sunday School (Adult, Youth, Children) ECSI Worship Service (Room 22) Traditional Service – Scott Huie (Sanctuary) Prayer Vigil (Sanctuary)

BASC – Before and After School Care Wing **S** – Sanctuary **YK** – Youth Kitchen
BR – Bride’s /Prayer Room **P** – Parlor **SH** – Senior High
CY – Courtyard **PS** – PULSE Room **TCR** – TENC Commandments Room
FC – Fellowship Center **PW** – Preschool Wing **YC** – Youth Center



Westminster Presbyterian Church

Contemporary Service

Sunday, December 26, 2010 9:00 AM

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship

(During this time each week before the start of the service, feel free to sing along, pray, meditate, or greet your neighbor as we prepare our hearts to worship the Lord)

Gathering Music

Welcome/Announcements

Call To Worship

Worship Song

Greeting of One Another

Worship Set

Offering

*Children’s Time: Scott Huie

Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:13-23

Message

“The Grinch Is No Children’s Story”

Mike Garrett

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Song

Benediction



Bring...Grow...Send...

Sunday, December 26, 2010

8:30 and 11:15 AM

First Sunday after Christmas

We Gather to Praise God

Welcome and Announcements

Scott Huie

Prelude *“No Candle Was There And No Fire”*

L. LEHMANN

Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you.

Leader: The people walking in darkness have seen a great light;

**People: on those living in the land of the shadow of death
a light has shined.**

Leader: Jesus Christ is our light and our life.

In his name and power let us worship God.

***Processional Hymn #151 “Good Christian Men Rejoice”**

IN DULCI JUBILO

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Leader: Generous God, you gave us the greatest gift of all, yourself,
but often we fail to take notice.

We are caught up with our own gifts, given and received.

**People: Forgive us generous God, for the casual way we treat
your gift of love. Cast out our sin and enter in, be born in
us today. Hear now the silent confessions of our hearts...**

(Our prayer continues in silence.) Amen.

Declaration of Pardon

***Sung Response (from #124 “Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus”)**

**Come Thou long expected Jesus, born to set Thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in Thee.**

**Israel’s strength and consolation, hope of all the earth Thou art;
dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.**

To Hear God’s Word

OH! OH! OH! It’s Christmas (11:15)

Lee Ann Layson
Judy Parker, accompanist

A Moment with Our Children (11:15)

Scott Huie

*The Nursery staff will meet the children (5th grade & younger) in the Narthex following
the Children’s Moment to usher them Children’s Church and to the nursery.*

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*Parents may take young children to childcare after the Children’s Time if desired.
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Anthem (11:15) “Break Forth O Beauteous Heav’nly Light” J. S. BACH

*Break forth, O beauteous heav’nly light,
And usher in the morning;
Ye shepherds, shrink not with affright,
But hear the angel’s warning.
This child, now weak in infancy,
Our confidence and joy shall be,
The power of Satan breaking,
Our peace eternal making.*

New Testament Reading *Matthew 2:13-23*

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
All (Sung): **Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and
a light unto my path.**

Sermon *“The Grinch Is No Children’s Story”* Mike Garrett

To Respond in Faith

***Hymn of Faith #152 (vs.1,3-5) (11:15)**
“I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day” WALTHAM

***Affirmation of Faith – Apostles’ Creed (11:15)**
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 on 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

Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer (unison – “debts/debtors”)

The Gifts of the People

Offertory *“Angels From The Realms Of Glory”* ARR. D. LASKY
***Doxology** 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.

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Litany of Remembrance (see insert)

***Hymn of Mission #143** *“Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”* W ZLOBIE LEZY

***Charge and Benediction**

***Choral Response** *“Threefold Amen”* DENMARK

***Postlude** *“Hallelujah Chorus” (from “the Messiah”)*
G. HANDEL/ARR. V. FOX

**Those who are able, please stand.*

WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER! We invite our visitors to return soon. For those interested in membership, please fill out the “Three Steps to Membership” card in the pew and place it in the offering plate. One of the pastors will call this week.

THE FLOWERS ARE PLACED IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY by Rex and Carrie Foster to the glory of God and in honor of their son, Charlie, who turned 5 on December 19, and in loving memory of his grandfather, Charlie Adcock, whose birthday was Dec. 30.

GREETERS THIS MORNING are Larry and Mary Beall.

ACOLYTES THIS MORNING are Jack Johnston and Jacob Tighe.

HOSPITALITY BOOTH: Cliff Bowers.

USHERS THIS MORNING are Garry Cline, Linda Cline, Steven Ross, Trent Thomason, Bob Rozar, Art Martin, Judy Martin, Thelma Grant, Larry Beall and Krystal Hines.

NAMETAGS ARE FOR EVERYONE: Members, friends and visitors. Please wear yours on Sunday morning and help us get to know one another. If you have corrections, or can not find yours, or want one made, drop a note in a collection basket or in the offering plate and it will be ready next week.

HEARING OR SIGHT IMPAIRED? If you or someone you know needs assistance in hearing the worship service or in seeing the music and scriptures presented during our services at Westminster please see one of our ushers.

ATTENTION PARENTS: Worship totes for preschool and elementary children are available in the Narthex prior to each worship service. At the close of the service, please secure the materials in the canvas tote and place in the return basket in the Narthex.

IN CASE OF CARDIAC EMERGENCY: A defibrillator is in the Hospitality Center.

WPC PRAYER LIST: Copies available in the Narthex.

CELL PHONES AND PAGERS: Please turn off or silence all cell phones and pagers.

NO FOOD AND BEVERAGES IN THE SANCTUARY, PLEASE.

SPECIAL NOTE: The *2011 calendar* for putting flowers in the sanctuary is available and hanging by the 2010 list in the hallway door between the Church Office and the Choir Room. **JANUARY 16, 23 & 30 DATES ARE OPEN.** Reserve your date or dates now!!

Next Sunday – January 2, 2011

Scott Huie

“Pitching God’s Tent”

John 1:1-14

2nd Sunday after Christmas

Communion

*Westminster Presbyterian Church exists to
BRING people into relationship with Jesus Christ and his church,
GROW them in the knowledge and love of God, and
SEND them into ministry wherever the Spirit directs.*

NO Westminster Wednesday Activities December 29th

(Programming will resume January 5th)

Join us for a great dinner at 6:00PM on JANUARY 5TH in Fellowship Center, followed by classes for all ages at 6:45PM
(Elementary Children at 6:30).

\$6 per adult, \$3 per child (age 4-5th grade), FREE for children under age 3;
\$22 maximum per family.

****Please make your reservations by completing a Wednesday Night Dinner Reservation Form on Sunday or by contacting the Church Office (770-979-9676) or email suzannelunsford@wpcsnellville.org, by 12 noon on Mon., January 3rd.**

MENU for January 5th: Mexican Taco Bar, Mexican Rice, Black Refried Beans, Chips & Salsa, Salad Bar, Assorted Cookies)

Winter Classes for Adults:

(NO Westminster Wednesdays on December 29)

Beginning January 5: Prophets: A Call For Change, A Promise of Hope, 6:45-7:45pm. When you hear the word “prophet,” what comes to mind? For many of us, the word conjures up pictures of ancient people from ancient times speaking ancient words. But what if those ancient words weren’t so ancient after all? Join us as we dive into the Old Testament prophets and discover how through them God still speaks a fresh, powerful word of truth and hope for us today. This study is a great way to prepare for Brad Sherrill’s *Prophets* performance on January 30, as we dig deeper into the texts we’ll see presented in Sherrill’s multimedia production. Join us for one or both parts of this two-part study:

- January 5-26: Prophets I: The Prosecution Makes Its Case – Causes of Action
- February 2: Special Follow-Up Discussion on Brad Sherrill’s *PROPECTS*
- February 9-March 2: Prophets II: The Judgment - God’s Mercy & Hope for All People

Beginning January 5: Financial Peace University, 6:45-8:45pm in the Library.

Are you exactly where you want to be financially at this stage in the game? You might be where you are comfortable, but what if you could implement some strategies to turn your economic engine into overdrive? Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University is a program designed to couple your income, spending and investment strategies underneath God’s plan. With more than 800 verses in the Bible on money and finances, you may learn a thing or two about money, life, and even yourself. Check out some of the life-changing stories:

- A young couple survived a job loss while newlyweds, thanks to the FPU program.
- Another family put together a financial plan that has weathered a lengthy period of unemployment.
- Through tools learned in FPU, one couple is poised to pay off a 30-year mortgage in 7 years.
- Another couple is free from the burden of over \$70,000 of credit-card and student-loan debt as a result of the Biblical tools and strategies learned in FPU.

The average family that participates in FPU over the full 13 weeks realizes an \$8,000 gain. Imagine the possibilities of what your portfolio looked like if God was your financial advisor. For more information, contact Paul Brundage.

Commitment Report for Last Sunday...

Worship Attendance		Sunday School Attendance	
8:30 am Chapel	22	Children/Youth	27
9:00 am Contemporary	76	Adult	121
11:15 am Traditional	218	TOTAL	148
TOTAL	316		

Stewardship

2010 Operating Budget	\$796,500.00
Actual Operating Receipts Last Sunday	\$10,789.44
Actual Operating Receipts Year to Date	\$778,857.07
Receipts Needed to Date to Meet Budgeted Expenses	\$781,182.81

Elders of the Month:	Kay Hellwig and Rex Foster
Usher Captain for 8:30:	Jim Heck
Usher Captain for 9:00:	Ron Elliott
Usher Captain for 11:15:	David Taylor

Congregational Concerns...

Deacons on call This Week (Dec. 26 - Jan. 1)	Mary Allen
	Steven Ross
	Joanne Gillespie
This Week's Hospital Visitor	Kim Davis

Hospital: Jane Adcock is at Northeast Atlanta Health and Rehab Center.

2010 Pledges/Contributions: Please remember that all payments toward your 2010 operating pledge (or any other contributions for which you wish to have credit appear on your year-end statement for 2010) must be submitted to the church office by Thursday, December 30 (the office is closed on Friday, December 31). IRS guidelines are very strict on this issue; there will be no exceptions made. If you mail your check, please be sure it is postmarked no later than the 31st; *otherwise it will be entered into 2011 contributions.*

Announcements

Women's Winter Luncheon, January 29, 2011 Table Sponsors Needed – If you like being a hostess, decorating a pretty table, or using that china you never get to use; sign up to host and decorate a table for the January 29th Ladies Luncheon. If interested, contact MaryBeth Shoffstall. (*See insert for luncheon reservation form.*)

Young Families Fellowship Saturday, January 22nd at the Home of Trent & Carol Thomason – Our Young Families Fellowship is a fun gathering for parents of young children. We meet regularly in members' homes for dinner, conversation, and spiritual encouragement. Childcare is provided at the church from 4:30-8:30 pm. Join us for a great evening of food, fun, and fellowship. Please RSVP by Sunday, January 16, by contacting Nicole Lock at 770-979-9676 ext. 224, or nicolelock@wpcsnellville.org.

Are You Experiencing the Christmas Blues? – The joy of Christmas can turn into a time of painful loneliness and emptiness for those who have suffered a loss or who are going through a difficult time. But help is available. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care. They will listen, care, encourage, pray with and for you, and support you through the holidays and as long as your need persists. If you or someone you know is hurting, find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking with one of our Stephen Leaders: Linda Cline (770-864-1344) and Margaret Leeper (770-972-8915). **Our Stephen Ministers are there to care!**

Announcements continued

There Will Be No Adult Choir Practice on Wednesday, December 29.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

A special thanks to all the Children's Ministry volunteers, teachers, and parents for making all our children's performances, missions opportunities and events a blessing and a huge success!!

YOUTH EVENTS

Today, Sunday, December 26th: Senior High and PULSE Serve Homeless Breakfast at First Presbyterian Church in Atlanta. 6-9:30 am. Remember, there is no holiday from homelessness. As we receive so much this season, let's give back in service to those who have less than we. Bring a few bucks for those who can go out for breakfast afterwards.

Wednesday, December 29th: Senior High and PULSE Movie Night at the Church Fellowship Center. "Elf." 7-9:30 pm. Let's hang together for the holiday break to be with friends and share some good times as we watch that Christmas classic, "Elf," starring Scott's twin brother, Will Ferrell. Snacks are provided. It's all free! Bring your friends and family, and let the yuletide spirit continue!

Next Sunday, January 2nd: No Youth Activities

PROPHETS

by Brad Sherrill

Sunday, January 30, 2011

6:00PM in the Sanctuary followed by a reception

Brad Sherrill is back! Many of us remember Sherrill's amazing one-man performance, *The Gospel of John*. We are excited to host Sherrill's new, internationally-acclaimed production *Prophets*. Through the use of powerful multimedia imagery, Sherrill brings biblical texts into modern times. It promises to be a transformational event, as we see God's Word come to life before our eyes, offering fresh meaning to our lives today. If you liked Sherrill's *Gospel of John*, you will love *Prophets*! So mark your calendars, and bring a friend! You don't want to miss this incredible evening!

LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE

All: Lord, hear our prayers as we remember loved ones who have passed away this past year.

Leader: We give thanks for the fruits of their labors.

NAMES OF LOVED ONES WHO DIED IN 2010

Billy Kirkland	January 1	father of Kay Hellwig
Imogene (Jean) Martin	January 9	mother of Pam Berry
Guy Douglas	January 11	step-father of Cathy Petrowski
James Lock, Jr.	January 20	father of James Lock
Bernice Clark	January 20	sister of Anne Price
Marlin Ellis	February 5	father of Cheryl Ellis
Wallace Hand	February 10	father of Kathy Ballesteros
Richard Schoeck	February 15	WPC member
Alice Taylor	February 22	aunt of Mary McClanahan
Roberta Fiveash	February 25	WPC charter member
Robert Craytor	February 27	father of Jon Craytor
Dorothy Bollinger	March 7	WPC member
Esthere Blakeslee	March 14	mother of Bart Blakeslee
Margaret Darr	April 1	sister of Bill Norman
Jim Schwarz	April 4	son-in-law of Helen Mueller
Frances Morgan	April 16	former WPC member
Anna Harrison	April 23	mother of David Harrison
Helen Mueller	April 30	WPC member
Birdene McReynolds	May 3	grandmother of Pete McReynolds
Charlotte Demarest	May 7	former WPC member
Chuck Liddell	May 13	nephew of Elizabeth Gray
Jane Taylor	June 11	WPC member
Diane Cazallis	June 13	mother of Linnea Ethridge
Dave Davison	June 16	Doris Miller brother-in-law
Elizabeth T. Reuter	June 17	mother of Mary McClanahan
T. E. Leeper	June 26	former WPC member
Sue Shearl	July 16	mother of Natalie Craytor
Mario Chini	July 22	brother of Louis Chini
Wayne E. Garrett	July 26	father of Mike Garrett
Hazel Monforte	August 3	WPC member
Lillie Mae Cargal	August 10	mother of Nancy-Ann Van Hutten
Jerry William Davis	August 20	brother of Gene Davis
Ruth Fitch	August 21	WPC member
Jerry Davis	September 3	father of Ponnice Poisal
James Cline	September 6	father of Garry Cline
Stephen Keller	October 15	husband of Vicki Keller
Virginia Austin	October 16	WPC member
Wayne Denton	October 18	son-in-law of Shirley Chesley
Charles A. Suther	October 30	brother of Linda Thacker
Charles Cummins	November	uncle of Bill McClain
Frederick Dempsey	November	father of Terry Dempsey
Jerry Malcom	November 20	WPC charter member/elder
Miriam Dobbs	November 22	sister of Kitty Almand
Tom Starnes	December 2	WPC member/elder
Ola Mae Smith	December 7	grandmother of Edwarna Loucks
Jean Cook	December 8	WPC member
Bob Bernhard	December 15	WPC member

THE SESSION

CLASS OF 2010

***Carol Bowden** (Personnel)
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