

WESTMINSTER

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 12, AD 2026



*"THE GRASS WITHERS, THE FLOWER FADES, BUT THE WORD OF
OUR GOD WILL STAND FOREVER."*

- ISAIAH 40:8 -



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Monday – Thursday, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM; Friday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Please silence your cell phones before the service begins.

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† *Those who are able, please stand.*

Morning Worship

Prelude

Ms. Bertha Dykstra

*Blessed Jesus, at Your Word
O Word of God Incarnate
(Hymn #'s 271 and 171)*

*O Could I Speak His Matchless Worth
(L. Mason, arr. Bock)*

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

*O Come, Let Us Sing
(Trinity Psalter Hymnal #95B, vv. 1, 3)*

O come, let us sing with joy to the Lord; our Savior and rock, loud praises accord.
With thanks let us enter his presence and raise our shout of thanksgiving in psalms filled
with praise.

O come let us bow and worship the LORD; before him we kneel, with praises adore.
For he is our God; we're the sheep of his hand, and we are his people who dwell in his land.

† Call to Worship

Psalm 134:1-2

**Leader: Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, who stand
by night in the house of the LORD!**

All: Lift up your hands to the holy place and bless the LORD!

† Hymn of Adoration

Glory Be to God the Father

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† 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.

† Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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.

† 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.

Call to Repentance

Hebrews 10:24-25, pg. 1007

Silent Confession of Personal Sins

Corporate Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father, we come before you acknowledging our failures to live out the community you designed us for. You have called us to have the humility to value others more than ourselves, and to stir up our brothers and sisters to love and good works. Lord, we confess that we have too often been self-absorbed and preoccupied, neglecting to check on those around us and withholding encouragement when others were weary. Forgive us for our apathy. Forgive us for when we have forsaken the fellowship of believers, prioritizing our own concerns over the strengthening of your body. Where we have had bitterness or have harbored critical thoughts toward others, we repent. Help us instead to spur them on in grace. Thank You for the promise that you are faithful. Grant us renewed hearts. By the power of your Holy Spirit, give us the grace to actively love one another, to encourage those we worship with, and to be a reflection of our Savior as the Day of Christ approaches. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hebrews 10:16-18, pg. 1007

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 8:54-61, pg. 289

† Psalm

O God, You Are My God Alone

#63A, vv. 1-5

Prayer of Intercession and Dedication

Mr. Jim Roberts

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

He Leadeth Me
(Hymn #526, arr. Krug)

Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of the Word of God

Mr. Jim Roberts

“The Intentional Christian Church, Part 1”

Acts 2:42-47

pg. 911

† Hymn of Response

May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

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† Benediction

† **Doxology**

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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.

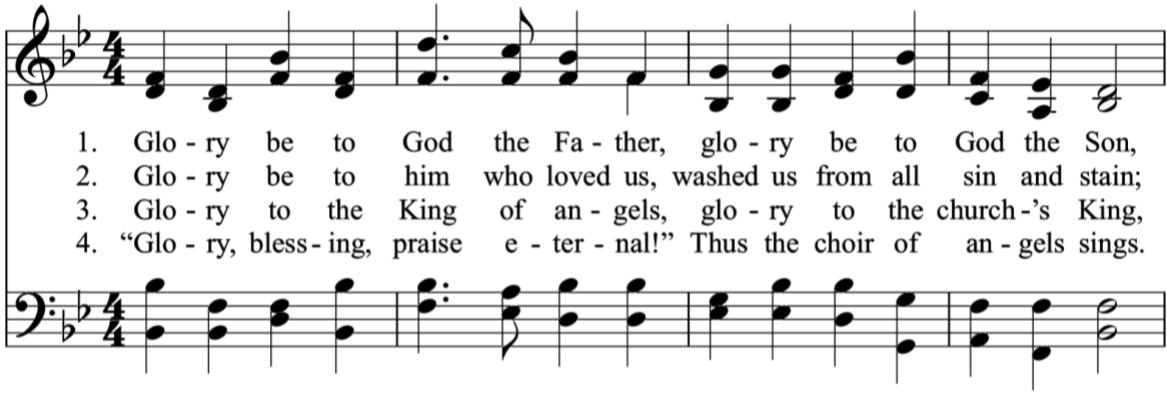
† **Postlude**

Ms. Bertha Dykstra

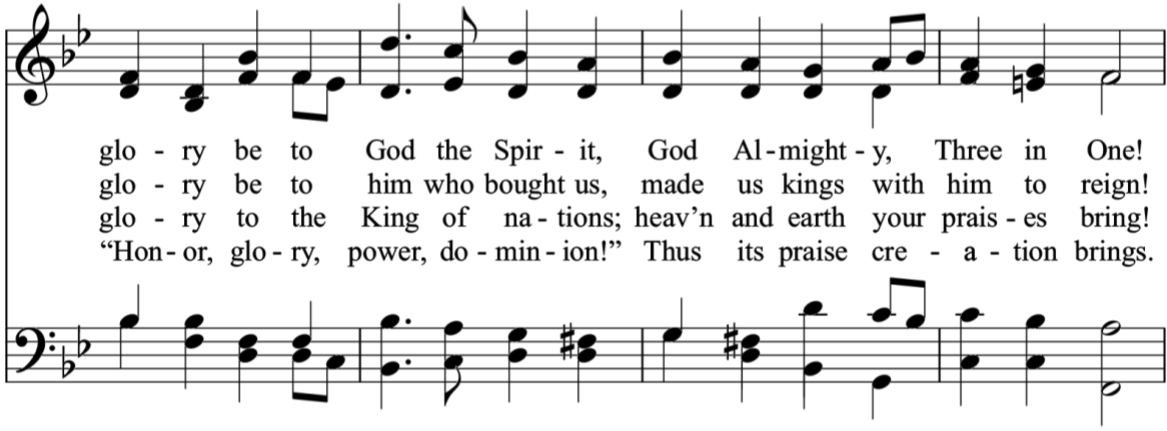
D Minor
(J. G. Sachs)

Glory Be to God the Father

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1. Glo - ry be to God the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to God the Son,
 2. Glo - ry be to him who loved us, washed us from all sin and stain;
 3. Glo - ry to the King of an - gels, glo - ry to the church - 's King,
 4. "Glo - ry, bless - ing, praise e - ter - nal!" Thus the choir of an - gels sings.



glo - ry be to God the Spir - it, God Al - might - y, Three in One!
 glo - ry be to him who bought us, made us kings with him to reign!
 glo - ry to the King of na - tions; heav'n and earth your prais - es bring!
 "Hon - or, glo - ry, power, do - min - ion!" Thus its praise cre - a - tion brings.



Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry be to him a - lone.
 Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the Lamb that once was slain!
 Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! To the King of glo - ry sing!
 Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the might - y King of kings!

Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889; alt.

REGENT SQUARE 8.7.8.7.8.7.
 Henry Smart, 1867

O God, You Are My God Alone



1. ¹O God, you are my God a - lone; with ea - ger -
 2. ²I've seen you in your ho - ly place; your pow'r and
 3. ⁴I bless you, Lord, through - out my life and raise my
 4. ⁶I lie a - wake up - on my bed, re - mem - b'ring
 5. ⁷For you have been my help, O God; I sing for



ness I seek your face. My soul and bod - y
 glo - ry held my gaze. ³Your love is bet - ter
 • hands to you in prayer. ⁵My joy - ful lips will
 you be - fore it's light; on you, my God, I
 joy be - neath your wings. ⁸Your right hand holds and



thirst for you, as in a dry and wea - ry place.
 far than life, and thus my lips will sing your praise.
 • sing your praise; my soul is fed with rich - est fare.
 med - i - tate, through - out the watch - es of the night.
 strength - ens me; to you my soul for safe - ty clings.

6. ⁹But those who seek to kill my soul
 to depths of earth shall fall away;
¹⁰a sword of pow'r will bring them down,
 and they shall be the jackal's prey.

7. ¹¹The king will then rejoice in God,
 and all who swear by him exult;
 but God will stop the liars' mouths,
 the ones who utter what is false.

May the Grace of Christ Our Savior

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The musical score is written for two voices, Soprano and Bass, in a 3/4 time signature with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The lyrics are arranged in two columns, one for each voice part. The first system of music covers the first two lines of the lyrics. The second system covers the next two lines. The third system covers the final two lines, including the concluding phrase 'A - men.' The music ends with a double bar line.

1. May the grace of Christ our Sav - ior and the
2. Thus may we a - bide in un - ion with each

Fa - ther's bound - less love, with the Ho - ly Spir - it's
oth - er and the Lord, and pos - sess, in sweet com -

fa - vor, rest up - on us from a - bove.
mun - ion, joys which earth can - not af - ford. A - men.

John Newton, 1779

STOCKWELL 8.7.8.7.
Darius E. Jones, 1851

Evening Worship

Prelude

Ms. Bertha Dykstra

All Praise to Him
(Kauflin and Merker)

The Lord's My Shepherd
(Hymn #23B, arr. Grotenhuis)

LORD, Plead My Case
(Hymn #35, L. Larson)

Welcome and Announcements

† Call to Worship

John 16:29-33

Leader: His disciples said [...] “Now we know that you know all things and do not need anyone to question you; this is why we believe that you came from God.” Jesus answered them, “Do you now believe? Behold, the hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each to his own home, and will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone, for the Father is with me.

People: I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation.

All: But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

† Hymn of Adoration

All Creatures of Our God and King

#248

† Invocation

Encouraging One Another with Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs

Psalm of the Month *My Soul Is Sinking Down to Dust*

#119D

† Hymn *Man of Sorrows! What a Name*

#352

Confession of Faith

WLC Q. 71, pg. 947

Prayer of Intercession

Mr. Fred Diaz

Offertory

In Thee, O Lord, I Put My Trust
(Hymn #31B, vv. 1-3, 11, arr. Grotenhuis)

Proclamation of the Word of God

Mr. Andy Ball

“A Song for the Stumbler”

Psalm 35

pg. 459

† Hymn of Response

Lord, Plead my Case

#35, vv.1-4

† Doxology

#567

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.

† Postlude

Ms. Bertha Dykstra

All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night
(Hymn #158)

1. All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voice and
 2. Thou rush - ing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in
 3. Thou flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for thy
 4. And all ye men of ten - der heart, for - giv - ing oth - ers,
 5. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in

with us sing al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou burn - ing
 heav'n a - long, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Thou ris - ing
 • Lord to hear, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou fire so
 take your part, O sing ye, al - le - lu - ia! Ye who long
 hum - ble - ness, O praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the

sun with gold - en beam, thou sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam,
 morn, in praise re - joice, ye lights of eve - ning, find a voice,
 • mas - ter - ful and bright, that giv - est man both warmth and light,
 pain and sor - row bear, praise God and on him cast your care,
 Fa - ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spir - it, three in one,

O praise him, O praise him, al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

119D

My Soul Is Sinking Down to Dust

1. ²⁵My soul is sink - ing down to dust; re - vive me
 2. ²⁷In - struct me in your pre - cepts' way; I think up -
 3. ²⁹Keep false - hood far a - way from me and teach me
 4. ³¹LORD, let me not be put to shame; I cling with

by your liv - ing word. ²⁶I told my ways, you
 on your works at length. ²⁸My soul with sor - row
 all your law in grace. ³⁰I choose to take the
 zeal to your de - crees. ³²I run the path of

an - swered me; now teach me your de - crees, O LORD.
 melts a - way, ac - cor - ding to your word give strength.
 way of truth; I set your laws be - fore my face.
 your com - mands, for you have set my spir - it free.

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

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1. Man of sor - rows! what a name for the Son of God, who came
 2. Bear - ing shame and scoff - ing rude, in my place con - demned he stood,
 3. Guilt - y, vile, and help - less, we; spot - less Lamb of God was he;
 4. Lift - ed up was he to die, "It is fin - ished!" was his cry;
 5. When he comes, our glo - rious King, all his ran - somed home to bring,

ru - ined sin - ners to re - claim: Hal - le - lu - jah, what a Sav - ior!
 sealed my par - don with his blood: Hal - le - lu - jah, what a Sav - ior!
 • full a - tone - ment! can it be? Hal - le - lu - jah, what a Sav - ior!
 now in heav'n ex - alt - ed high: Hal - le - lu - jah, what a Sav - ior!
 then a - new this song we'll sing: Hal - le - lu - jah, what a Sav - ior!

Philip P. Bliss, 1875

HALLELUJAH! WHAT A SAVIOR 7.7.7.8.
 Philip P. Bliss, 1875

LORD, Plead My Case

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1. ¹LORD, plead my case when I am charged by foes ma - li - cious - ly,
 2. ⁴May those who seek to take my life en - dure dis - grace and shame;
 3. ⁷With - out a cause, to cap - ture me they spread and hid their net;
 4. ⁹My soul will then re - joice in God, ex - ult - ing in his name.

and fight for me when they at - tack and vent their spite on me.
 may those who plot my o - ver - throw turn back the way they came.
 with - out a cause, to trap my soul they dug a dead - ly pit.
 10. O LORD, who is a God like you? my heart and soul ex - claim.

²Take up your shield and rise to help! ³And say un - to my soul,
⁵May they like chaff be - fore the wind be ev - er driv - en far;
⁸Sur - prise him with de - struc - tion, LORD, and catch him in his net;
 You give the poor de - liv - er - ance from one who is too strong;

"I am sal - va - tion un - to you." With spear, re - strain my foe.
⁶and let the an - gel of the LORD pur - sue them in the dark.
 en - snare him in his hid - den trap; de - stroy him in his pit!
 you save the poor and weak from those who rob and do them wrong.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES

WPC's Age and Stage Adult Discipleship Classes are organized in age groupings to encourage relational connections among people experiencing similar life circumstances.

(Note: There is elevator access for second floor classes in the church and school buildings.)

College Age	What It Means to Be Protestant Explore core convictions of the Protestant Reformation for and why it matters today.	Duncan Cantrell Meets in WCA 205 School Building
20s and 30s	Teach us to Pray Learn to pray from the Lord's Prayer and other prayers in the Bible.	Stacy Murphree Meets the East Transept Church Sanctuary
40s and 50s	Respectable Sins This class, based on Jerry Bridges' book, helps us battle common sins.	Eric Fulcher Meets in the WPC Library Upstairs in the Church Building
60 Plus	The Word was With God An exploration of the nature of God, his Word, and the joy of knowing him.	Stephen St John Meets in WPC Room 1 Upstairs in the Church Building

Other WPC Adult Discipleship Classes include a cross generational class that blends people from all stages of life and our own "seminary lite" BASIC Institute Class.

Cross Generational	Studies in Matthew Explore the Gospel of Matthew with an emphasis on the last half of the book.	Curtis Edewaard Meets in WPC Room 2 Upstairs in the Church Building
BASIC	PT 101: Worldview and Apologetics Study the Reformed worldview and biblical apologetics.	Andy Ball Meets in the WPC Commons Upstairs in the Church Building

Welcome guests! We are delighted that you have come to worship with us here at Westminster. We pray that God will bless you richly through the service and the welcome of our congregation and that you will worship with us again soon. For more information about the church, please stop by the Welcome Desk in the Lobby.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9-1, and Friday, 9-12.

Summer Ice Cream Fellowships: Following Sunday Evening Services

High School Sunday School Classes: No HS classes today due to RYM. Please choose an adult class to attend.

Officer Nominations: We will be accepting nominations for the offices of Deacon and Elder through **August 2nd**. Please prayerfully consider men whom you feel may be equipped and called to serve Westminster in these offices. Nomination forms can be found on the round table in the Narthex. These forms can be turned into the office or placed in the collection plates during the offering.

Downtown Rescue Mission Blue Barrels: The Outreach Team invites you to support our local ministry partner with our annual summer blue barrel drive! Please help us fill the barrels with non-perishable food and hygiene products to support the Downtown Rescue Mission. If you have any questions, please ask Pastor Duncan or a member of the Outreach Team.

Good News Club: We are in the process of starting a SECOND Good News Club at James Dawson Elementary School this Fall. If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please let Pastor Duncan know. We will also be continuing our Good News Club at Providence Elementary School this Fall, and anyone interested in serving either opportunity will need to attend the training seminar - in Decatur on Aug. 15th or online on Aug. 29th.

EVENTS

For events requiring registration, use Realm or the QR Code on the Blue Sheet

Let's Talk: Marriage: Sisters, please join us on **July 13th** at 7:00 pm upstairs in the Commons as we gather to discuss, from a wife's point of view, the joys and challenges of walking with Christ as a married person. Marilyn Armbruster, Sandy Myers, and Laura Smith will be there to help answer questions and lead our discussion. Please send specific questions to jennifer.murphree@wpc-hsv.org, or feel free to write your question and place it in the envelope on the bulletin board in the women's restroom.

Lincoln Village Workday: The Outreach Team is holding a church-wide morning workday at Lincoln Village on **July 25th** at 8 am to support Lincoln's housing program and school. Attendees will need to be prepared to handle tasks such as cleaning, home

maintenance, yard work, or demolition. Please RSVP with Christopher Thompson at Christopher.23thompson@gmail.com by Wednesday, July 22nd.

Baby Shower for KayLee Pearce: We are excited to shower new mom KayLee Pearce and her sweet baby girl on Saturday, **July 25th**, at 2:00 pm in the WPC Commons!

20s/30s Fellowship Lunch: Come join us **July 26th**, upstairs immediately after Sunday School! The theme will be finger foods, so bring your favorite appetizer or party food to share! Larger families (2+ kids) , please consider bringing a second item like fruit or a dessert! Drinks and paper products will be provided!

Women's Fall Bible Studies: Ladies, TODAY is the last day to register for fall bible study to have your book ordered by the church. (You may register later, but you will need to order your own book.) Please register on Realm using the QR codes on the blue sheet or at the table in the Narthex. Details of our four fall studies can be found on the flyer in the Narthex or on Realm. We look forward to digging into God's Word with you!

WCA Teacher & Staff Breakfast: WPC is excited to host the annual Westminster Christian Academy Breakfast for the Faculty and Staff once again. It will be held on Monday, **August 3rd**, at 8:00 am as they prepare to kick off the new school year! We will host the breakfast at WPC in the church's Narthex. We would love to have your participation in the special event! Please consider dropping off a hot, ready-to-serve casserole dish, bringing a prepared fruit tray, OR volunteering on the day of the event (serve and clean up)! For the volunteers bringing food, please drop your dish off by 7:30 am in the church narthex in a disposable pan/platter. Please label the type of casserole/dish with a Sharpie on the foil covering prior to drop-off. Sign up on Realm or the QR Code on the Blue Sheet.

New Members Class: Are you interested in learning more about church membership? Our next New Members Class is scheduled to start on **September 13th**. We will meet on Sundays at 11 am during the Sunday School hour. This class is designed to help you learn more about our beliefs, values, and opportunities for service. It also serves as the first necessary step toward membership. If you are interested in attending, please register using the QR Code on the Blue Sheet.

Registration Events

KayLee Pearce's Baby Shower

July 25, 2:00 PM



Teacher Appreciation Breakfast

August 3, 8:00 AM



20/30s Fellowship Lunch

July 26, 12:30 PM



New Members Class

September 13, 11:00 AM



Women's Bible Studies Fall 2026



Tuesday



Wednesday



Thursday



Friday



Friday Nursery



Summer Ice Cream Fellowship

The Fellowship Team will be hosting an Ice Cream Fellowship that will run through the summer after every Sunday evening worship service (weather permitting). Please plan to join us after the evening service on the lawn by the nursery playground for a casual time of fellowship while enjoying an ice cream bar. Gluten-Free/Dairy-Free fruit bars will be available as well as traditional ice cream bars.



- July 13: 7:00 PM, Let's Talk: Marriage @ WPC
- July 25: 8:00 AM, Lincoln Village Church-wide workday
- July 25: 2:00 PM, Baby Shower for KayLee Pearce @ WPC
- July 26: 12:30 PM, 20/30s Lunch
- October 23-25: WPC Missions Conference

Sunday School for Youth and Children

3-year-olds:	Nursery Pre-K	4 th Grade:	WCA Cafeteria
4-year-olds:	WCA Cafeteria	5 th -6 th Grade Boys & Girls:	WCA 210
Kindergarten:	WCA Cafeteria	7 th -8 th Grade Boys & Girls	WCA 211
1 st Grade:	WCA Cafeteria	9 th – 12 th Grade Girls:	
2 nd Grade:	WCA Cafeteria	9 th – 12 th Grade Boys:	
3 rd Grade:	WCA Cafeteria	College:	WCA 205

Sunday Servants

	This Week: 7/12/26	Next Week: 7/19/26
Coffee Fellowship	Tim & Anita Eno	Mary Sanford & Joanna Paulson
Evening Prayer	Fred Diaz	Joe Crowhurst
Head Usher	Andrew Buhl	Josh Buhl
Nursery	AM: April Stegman, Micah Keel, Caroline Floyd, Suzanne Morcomb, Becky McDaniel SS: Taylor Thompson, Tiina Parlas, Noelle Thompson PM: Bethany Firth, Francesca Finch, Nat Causey, Izy Brady, Tia Thompson	AM: Jess Nuckols, Laura Hall, Jorden Grady, David Perrin, Lauren Stingily, Robin Roberts SS: Taylor Thompson, Noelle Thompson PM: Barbara Laflin, Laura Patterson, Sarah Laflin, Jennifer Murphree, Tim Laflin
Sexton Counter	John Kirkwood	Logan Bryant
Sound Booth	AM: James Pearce PM: Bethany Miller	AM: Eric Fulcher PM: Christopher Thompson



July 12 – July 19, 2026

Morning Worship: 9:30 AM

Sunday School: 11:10 AM

Evening Worship: 6:00 PM

Sunday, July 12, 2026

4:30 PM - Women's Ministry Team Meeting

Monday, July 13, 2026

7:00 PM - Women's Let's Talk: Marriage @ WPC

Tuesday, July 14, 2026

7:00 PM - Women's Hosea Study @ Murphree's Home

7:00 PM - Women's Psalm 23 Study @ Smith's Home

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

10:00 AM - Crown Club @ WPC

6:30 PM - College & Career

7:00 PM - Women's Crazy Busy Study @ Bradshaw's Home

Thursday, July 16, 2026

10:00 AM - Women's Crazy Busy Study @ Nuckol's Home

Friday, July 17, 2026

6:30 AM - Men's James Bible Study @ Sunny Street Café

Sunday, July 19, 2026

4:00 PM - Missions Team Meeting

4:30 PM - Adult Discipleship Team Meeting

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(*currently on sabbatical)