

IN OUR PRAYERS

Robbie McClure (Marie Dunnam's brother) Elizabeth Christensen (Kathy Skillen's niece), Arthur Skillen (Kathy Skillen's brother) Bob and Debbie Hartness (Rev. Audrey's parents), Clifton Mabry, Sam and Edna Dillard, John Davis, Kathy Skillen, Joel Thrift, Al Belauskus, Sue Costa, (Paula Meades and Shari Waldo's friend), Arlene Touart (Sherry Moats' aunt), Ed Black (cousin of De French), George Harper (former pastor at WPC), Bentley Carver (son of a friend of James Lawson), Jack Harper (cousin of Nita McMillan), Bill McGarry (Christy Todd's father).

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

We express great Christian sympathy to Nancy Johnston and her family. Nancy's mother entered the Church Triumphant on April 26, and a memorial service was held yesterday in Charleston.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

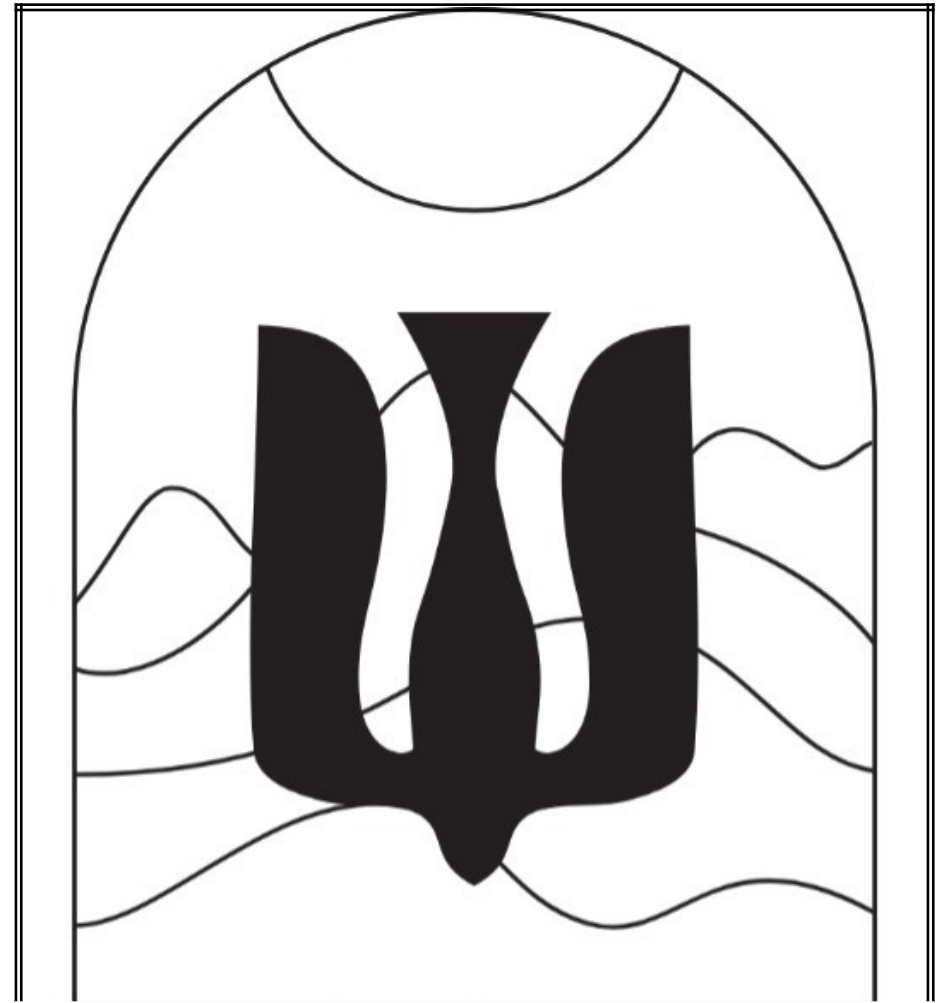
Ladies, remember that tomorrow, **May 6th**, will be our last meeting before our summer break! We have so much to plan at the meeting, so please make every effort to come! We will be studying Chapter 9 in our Celebrate Sabbath Bible Study book. Debbie Therriault will be our Bible Study leader. Bring a goodie to share or just bring yourself! You will be blessed!

PENTECOST LUNCHEON

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, May 19th!** We will celebrate Pentecost during worship. Everyone remember to wear RED! After worship, we will meet in Gossett Hall and enjoy a delicious feast! Meat and drinks will be provided. Just bring your favorite dish and/or dessert and join in! Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Start the Party with us this summer **June 2-6, from 4-6:30 PM!** We have several opportunities to help, plenty of room for kids to sign up, and more! Contact Debbie Therriault for volunteer needs. We are collecting balloons, streamers, and small noise makers to get a "party vibe" going as well! A more comprehensive wish list for VBS is included in the insert in your bulletin. All items can be brought to the church any Sunday between now and May 25th, or dropped off at Gossett any time before June 1!



Westminster Presbyterian Church

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

100 West Abbey Street

Westminster, South Carolina 29693

Rev. Audrey H. Reese, Pastor

revaudreyhrees@gmail.com

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

11:00 A.M.

GATHERING

Prelude: “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”.....Luther

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Call to Worship: He Lives! *“He Lives! He Lives! Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life’s narrow way. He Lives! He Lives! Salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He lives, He Lives within my heart!”*

Prayer of Invocation

***Hymn 246:** “Christ Is Alive!”.....Wren

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy and gracious God, At times we feel so frail and fragile, getting blown about by the latest crisis, by bad news, by our own short tempers and failings. You call us to hold fast to what is good, but so often we flounder, unable to find that solid thing that will center us again.

Help us, we pray. Help us to see You as our center, and to cling to the good that You create in the world. Help us to set aside all our jealousies and prejudices, all of our betrayals and lies, all that adds to the world’s hurt. Help us to grow even more into Christ’s likeness, that we will bear His love and truth to the world. We pray in the name of our Savior, Your Son, Jesus Christ.

(a moment of silent reflection)

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

THE WORD

Anthem: “Come Walk With Me”.....Martin

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Scripture: Acts 8:26-40

Sermon: “Beyond the Walls”.....Rev. Audrey Reese

Prayers of The People

***Apostles Creed** (*The Glory to God Hymnal p. 35*)

Gloria Patri (*The Glory to God Hymnal, p. 581*)

Musical Offertory: “Let Us Break Bread Together”.....*Spiritual*

(During the offertory, you are invited to take a moment of prayerful reflection. We appreciate your gifts to our ministry. Monetary gifts may be placed in the box in the back of the sanctuary, or in the offering plates at the front, as you leave today.)

***Doxology** (*The Glory to God Hymnal, No. 606*)

***Hymn 518:** “Your Only Son (*Lamb of God*)”.....Paris

HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of Thanksgiving and the Lord’s Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

Communion

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

***Hymn 828:** “More Love to Thee, O Christ”.....Doane

Benediction

UPCOMING SERMON: Join us for worship May 12th! Our sermon title will be “When Jesus Interrupts” with scripture passages from Acts 10:44-48. Bring a friend or friends to join us!