

Westminster Messenger
May, 2018
With Christ as our Cornerstone we
Believe, Become, Belong, Build

"Commit your work to the LORD, and your plans will be established."

Proverbs 16:3

It has truly been exciting to see the efforts of months of planning and praying come to life in the addition of our new Welcome Center. Great thanks to all who have made our capital campaign come to life. This new space will be dedicated to God's glory and use on Sunday, May 20 in between services. On this special day we'll also celebrate our graduates and commission our Senior High for their mission partnership to Puerto Rico in early June.



It is important to note that our Elders and Deacons are excited to use our new space not only for mission inside our walls but also for outreach with groups from outside of Westminster. We also are grateful that our future generations will have this unique space as well as a soon-to-be remodeled Social Hall where decades more of vital ministry can take place.

As you read through the pages of this newsletter, let us rejoice in God's faithfulness and the great responsibility we have to be generous with our prayers, time and money to build God's kingdom. I consider it a great privilege to lead you as one of your Pastors and on the 21st of this month I will begin a 3-month sabbatical. Much has changed since 2014 when I experienced my last sabbatical. It has been a full, abundant and of course exhausting 4 years so I welcome the time off and more importantly I am very thankful for Pastor Dan and his leadership.

I look forward to this beautiful month of May and may your days be full with the goodness of God!

Pastor Tricia



Celebrating Sally!

Our beloved secretary, Sally Boger, will retire at the end of May and we would like to honor her on **Sunday, May 6.**

Please join us for a reception in between services so you can thank her for her 14 years of service to our congregation.

We will shower her with cards and good wishes so mark this date on your calendar!

Dedication - Save the Date - Sunday, May 20

We will dedicate our new Welcome Center in between services on May 20.

This is a special celebration of this great space that will help us strengthen our fellowship times, educational tools and will be used as an outreach space for our community.

Let's celebrate this way to Seek New Paths!



Sermon Series

The month of May will find us primarily in Paul's letter to the Philippians and then a focus on remembrance for Memorial Day weekend.

May 6	"The More We Get Together"	Philippians 1:1-18a
May 13	"An Uplifting Love"	Philippians 2:1-13
May 20	"It's Time to Rejoice"	Philippians 4:4-7
May 27 One service 10:00 am	"All Our Losses, All Our Grief's"	Psalm 23

Music Ministry

Worship with us Sundays at: 9:00 am for Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary and 11:15 am for Contemporary Worship in the Shared Life Center.

Special Music for this month:

May 6	9:00 am 11:15 am	Sanctuary Shared Life Center	Chancel Choir Worship Team
May 13	9:00 am 11:15 am	Sanctuary Shared Life Center	Chancel Choir Worship Team
May 20	9:00 am 11:15 am	Sanctuary Shared Life Center	Chancel Choir Worship Team
May 27	10:00 am	Sanctuary	Special Music



Musical Opportunities Abound at Westminster!

Summer Special Music

A schedule is now available to sign up for offering Special Music this summer at Westminster! If you have musical gifts you would like to share with the congregation, please contact me to sign up for a Sunday that works for your schedule.

patrick@wpcw.org or 234.5501

Worship Volunteers- A/V Techs

If you would like to join the Worship Audio/Video Tech Team for the 9am or 11:15 worship services, summer is the perfect time to do so! We are always excited to train sound and video volunteers and can work with your schedule. Please contact me if you are interested in joining this ministry of Westminster. patrick@wpcw.org or 234.5501

Camp Music Mania July 9-13

All students entering 1st through 8th grade are invited to join us the week of July 9 for UNI Community School of Music's *Camp Music Mania Pirates!* The camp will run from 9am -12:30 am with a concluding Family & Friends Performance on Friday July 13 at 12:30pm. Activities include singing, dancing, piano, and Orff instruments (xylophones). Activities will be showcased at the camp performance on the final Friday of camp. Rockin' Rhythms will be incorporated into all class activities. Registration is now available at wpcw.org/cmm both online registration and paper forms are available to download for mail in registrations. Contact me with any questions at patrick@wpcw.org or 234.5501 ext. 110

Patrick Marchant



Formation

Summer Camps

Camp is one of the most influential factors in growing the faith of our children and youth. We are blessed to be able to have two options available to us: Camp Wyoming and Lakeshore Center. Please stop by the table in the Welcome Center to pick up brochures for summer camp options.

You can also visit their websites to learn more:

<http://campwyoming.net/>, <https://www.lakeshorecenteratokoboji.org/>

Also, keep in mind the Westminster Mission Committee has set aside funds to offer scholarships to make camp more affordable. If you are looking for someone to go with, Pastor Dan will be the Camp Pastor at Lakeshore Center for a short week camp from July 8-11 (Sunday - Wednesday). They have camps available this week for 3rd -12 grades. Feel free to talk to Pastor Dan if you want to know more.

Pastor Dan



Wes Pres Youth

The past school year has had plenty of events and we're not done yet!



Fifteen of our 8th graders celebrated being confirmed on April 29. Those being confirmed were: Emma Brainard, Blake Buckley, Calli Heinzerling, Jordan Gorman, Karli Hogle, Sam Lund, Camille Malecek, Alexis Nelson, Laura Rempe, Layton Ritter, Hayden Secor, Madison Tieskotter, Nathaniel Smith, Cody Wallbaum and Preston Zingg.

These young people completed 3 years of studies and worked very hard to achieve this memorable goal. Congratulations Confirmation Class of 2018!

Great Escape

A number of parents have asked when the final payments should be in for Great Escape. If possible, I would like to have the final payments in to the office by June 17, along with your release form and insurance card. If other arrangements need to be made, please contact me at the church.

Junior high Dance

We will be having our last dance of this school year on May 18. We've had a very successful year with our dances. Many, many thanks for all who have participated by chaperoning!

There will be a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center. Please take a moment and consider helping with our last dance. If we could get 20 adults to help, that would be wonderful.

50 Years of Westminster Dances

As most of you know by now, Westminster has been the host to our junior high dances for 50 years. These dances have offered a safe place for these young people to come when there was not always a place for them to go.

So, in fifty years, Westminster has held 450 dances that took over 9,000 chaperones to watch over 190,000 students. WHAT A TRIBUTE TO WESTMINSTER! I hope you saw the article about our dances in the Courier.

PLEASE NOTE: On Friday, August 24 of this year, we will have a "Class Reunion" for anyone who has attended a Westminster dance. Watch for more information concerning this event!

Senior Highs

The next several months are going to be busy ones for our group. I am going to list the events dates and times. Please mark them on your personal calendars or enter them into your smart phones!

May:

1 Graduating seniors meeting in the senior high room at 6:00 pm. Please bring your pictures, bio forms and a copy of your speech at this time.

2 Final senior high Wednesday night meeting. We will meet at 6:00 pm at Peppers in Cedar Falls.

8 Graduating Senior dinner at the Cedar Falls Brown Bottle at 6:00 pm Come join your Pastors and youth leaders for a celebratory dinner.

20 Graduation Sunday. We will participate in the both the 9:00 and 11:10 services with the PowerPoint presented at the 11:15 service.

June:

6 Puerto Rico meeting

9 Leave for Cedar Rapids for our P.R. trip.

10 Fly out of C.R. for Puerto Rico

16 Return from P.R.

24 Senior highs who went to P.R. will present at the adult forum between services.

Partners In Ed (PIE)

On May 14, we will have our Pen Pal luncheon at the church at 12:00. Please make every effort to be here! They are very excited to meet their friends. RSVP to the church office as soon as possible.

Parents, if your student is pen pal and will be attending the lunch, please make sure that they have a note from you, excusing them from school. Please contact Scott at church if rides are needed!

Books for Kingsley Elementary

Kingsley will be holding their biggest fundraising event on May 11. They have requested that we donate new or slightly used books to give away as prizes. If you are willing to help with the book drive, please bring your books to the church where they can be dropped off in Scott's office. Thank you in advance for helping with this event!

Peace,
Scott Cose

Wes Pres Kids

Due to a SNOW CANCELLATION on April 18, our 5th Grade Graduation was postponed to April 25, our last week of Discovery Night. We honored **16** young people who are graduating from the Children's Program and moving into the Youth Program! This year's fifth graders are Kaileyna Baldwin, Kaylynn Crawford, Kai'Jaieya Davis, McKenna Galanits, Trenton Grapp, Ella Haines, William Hoffman, Marisa Nieman, Myla Ortman, Ariauna Ostdahl, Addison Risetter, Benjamin Ritter, Mathias Smith, Morgan Tieskotter, Reagan Westphal and Hannah Williams. They are very excited and looking forward to all the quirky activities and new friends that await them as they move into the Youth Program next year.

April 25 marked the Last Discovery Night for 2018. The Preschool through Elementary kids enjoyed the "Grossology" program presented to us by the Grout Museum. The museum staff brought five experiments for the kids to try out. It was so much fun! Thanks to all our dedicated volunteers who prepare and clean up after the meal, as well as those who teach the kids throughout the night. Your contributions to the Discovery Night program are greatly appreciated and made this year a success.

May 13 is the last day of Sunday School.

Heartfelt 
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

May 13 is Volunteer Appreciation Sunday. There are so many wonderful people that help to make our Children's Program a success! Thanks to all of the Sunday School teachers, and those who substitute teach. Thank you to the lovely ladies that are our Sunday School Grandparents. Thanks to everybody who leads a class, cooks the meals, or cleans the kitchen on Wednesday nights, helping to make Discovery Night a success. On May 13, there will be an insert in the bulletin listing all of our volunteer's names. Be sure to tell them how much you appreciate them!

Summer Sunday School will be in June and July. ALL children, from 3 years old through 5th grade, will meet together in room 307 (the craft room) on the 3rd floor.

VBS is June 12-16. Come enjoy a week filled with Bible stories, skits, music, crafts, mission education, games and new friends. VBS is open to children who are 3 years old through those that are entering the 5th grade. There is no cost to attend, however, we will collect an offering each day that will go to support a local mission project. Go to our website at www.wpcw.org/vbs to **register online** beginning May 13.

Please consider donating snacks for the VBS volunteers. Snacks can be homemade or store bought, whichever is more convenient for you. In the past, we have enjoyed donations of muffins, bagels, fruit pizza, croissants, fresh fruit, and vegetable trays, just to name a few. Look for the Sign-Up Sheet on the VBS table in the Welcome Center beginning May 13. Thanks for your help!

Alisa Engelhardt

Inquirer Gathering - Sunday, May 6

If you have been visiting or regularly attending Westminster and would like to learn more, we invite you to an Inquirer class to be held at 4:00 pm on Sunday, May 6.

This time together will give you the opportunity to meet our staff members, learn about what makes Presbyterianism distinct and hear about all the great ministries happening at Westminster! Many of our Elders (leadership board) will come towards the end of our time together for you to hear from them and introduce yourselves. Around 5:30 pm we'll enjoy a celebration dinner together. Childcare will be provided beginning at 3:45 pm and then your children are welcome to join us for the meal. An optional tour after our dinner will be available if you are interested.

Should you decide to join Westminster, you would then be welcomed into membership on Sunday, May 13 at the 9:00 am service. Please contact the church office by May 2 so we will know to expect you. You may also email Pastor Dan at dan@wpcw.org.

The Journey

We are offering a summer Journey experience, an in-depth study over 15 weeks. The Journey curriculum invites you to walk through the process that will deepen your faith and refresh your spiritual life. It explores the biggest questions of faith: Who is God? Who am I? What does God desire to do through me? Together we will discuss: "In the midst of all of life's activity, do you ever feel like you are just skimming the surface? Do you wonder if there is more to this life with Christ? Have you have been called to something greater?" Come join us for the Journey.

The class size is limited to 8 so save your spot by calling the church office. If you have questions concerning the class, please call either pastor or Troyce Vich at 319-240-8605. This summer class will be offered on Wednesday evenings, 5-6:30 beginning May 2nd and ending August 15.

Facilitator: Troyce Vich

Location: WPC - 3rd floor loft

Cost: \$150 which includes all workbooks and secondary books. Scholarships are available from our CE committee.

The Journey

This adult discipleship class continues its in depth study and is full/closed.

Sunday Morning Class

Reading the Bible Differently

The truth is the Bible can be very difficult to deal with for many Christians. From a God who demands genocide, to backwards suppressive roles for women, many have either had to come up with complex theories about why this is okay, or sadly, have disregarded reading scripture all together. For these 3 weeks we will be doing a follow-up study on Peter Enns, *The Bible Tells me So*. In this class time we will be looking at difficult texts and pondering together multiple ways of reading them. Come with an open mind and ready to challenge yourself. **When:** April 29, May 6 and May 13. **Where:** Chapel. **Facilitator:** Pastor Dan

Weekday Adult Opportunities

Mondays

Bible Study for Women:

Rev. Cathy Young leads a weekly, in-depth Bible study for women on Mondays. All women of Westminster and the wider Cedar Valley are invited to attend the study. The group is studying the Book of Acts. Women are asked to bring their favorite Bible. While regular attendance will facilitate learning, women are welcome to pop in when they can.

When: Monday's at 9:00 am. **Where:** Room 216. **Facilitator:** Rev. Cathy Young

Bible Study for Men: Join us on Monday's at 9:00 am in Room 216. Benefits galore are available: sharing insights, relishing in God's grace, watching fellow men grow in knowledge and also in spiritual strength. You are not required to bring any biblical knowledge with you other than an ability and desire to meet "brothers in Christ." Currently they are studying the Reformation. **When:** Monday's at 9:00 am. **Where:** Adult Library. **Facilitator:** Rev. Dan Voigt.

Sweet Hour of Prayer: Join with us to review prayer joys and concerns of our extended church family. All are welcome. **When:** Mondays at 1:30 pm. **Where:** Pastor Tricia's Office.

Wednesdays

Centering Prayer

Meets Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:30 am in the Chapel and Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm.

Church Bookies

Calling all women! You are invited to join us on the third Sunday of the month. Our next meeting is Sunday, May 20 at 6:00 pm.

A look ahead at books to read:

May: *Wonder* by RJ Palacio

June: *Under the Wide and a Starry Sky* by Nancy Horan

Contact Cindy Harmon with any questions at 268-0049 home or 239-9761 cell.



Resources

Stuff Etc.

What is Stuff Etc? - Stuff Etc. is a consignment shop in Waterloo. If you are ready to say goodbye to some of your favorite items, consign them **NOW** with Stuff Etc. Furniture, housewares, home decor and much more are taken on consignment.

How do you help Westminster Presbyterian with your donations?

Consignor (Westminster) will receive 50% of the final sale price as listed on the church account. A buyer's fee is added to the price tag of each item and will not be reflected on the church inventory list. This is a fee incurred by the customer to offset the expenses of processing.

Stuff Etc. accepts consignments **Monday through Saturday**. Advise Stuff Etc. that your donations are for **Westminster Presbyterian Church, Act. 15018. No appointment drop off** of 1 tote or 1 medium trash bag per day per customer. Furniture and large appliances are accepted 7 days a week without an appointment.

Items must be clean, current styles, no garage sale stickers, free of odor and in season. Check their website or in-store signs for consignment standards.

Please help support this trouble-free way of getting rid of unwanted items in your home.

If you have any questions, please contact Becky (Becky@wpcw.org) or 319-234-5501. Stuff Etc, 1210 Flammang Drive, Waterloo, IA 50702

Finance

Budget Summary for March 2018.

BUDGET SUMMARY					
	MARCH	MARCH	YTD	YTD	BUDGET
	2018	2017	2018	2017	2018
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 35,854.09	\$ 46,281.57	\$ 238,585.32	\$ 199,720.59	\$ 806,700.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 3,883.86	\$ 4,379.05	\$ 9,322.17	\$ 10,918.89	\$ 42,150.00
OPER & MAINT	\$ 13,486.01	\$ 8,798.63	\$ 41,488.92	\$ 27,078.51	\$ 100,000.00
CHRISTIAN ED	\$ 415.84	\$ 235.16	\$ 2,673.59	\$ 3,867.68	\$ 24,100.00
PERSONNEL	\$ 46,256.80	\$ 40,973.47	\$ 134,708.84	\$ 122,347.84	\$ 541,110.00
MISSION	\$ 6,146.07	\$ 362.71	\$ 18,152.53	\$ 10,545.80	\$ 82,000.00
MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$ 1,913.57	\$ 742.87	\$ 3,720.20	\$ 2,718.31	\$ 15,000.00
STEWARDSHIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34.00	\$ 1,500.00
HOSPITALITY & DEACONS	\$ 335.37	\$ 429.84	\$ 749.57	\$ 705.08	\$ 5,000.00
MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH	\$ 71.52	\$ 233.20	\$ 617.57	\$ 1,094.31	\$ 5,700.00
PER CAPITA	\$ 2,008.96	\$ 1,904.91	\$ 6,026.88	\$ 5,714.73	\$ 24,110.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 74,518.00	\$ 58,059.84	\$ 217,460.27	\$ 185,025.15	\$ 840,670.00
REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ (38,663.91)	\$ (11,778.27)	\$ 21,125.05	\$ 14,695.44	

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How much of your purchase does Amazon donate? The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. The purchase price is the amount paid for the item minus any rebates and excluding shipping & handling, gift-wrapping fees, taxes or service charges. From time to time, there may be offer specials, limited time promotions that increase the donation amount on one or more products or services for additional donations.

Can you receive a tax deduction for amounts donated from your purchases on AmazonSmile? Donations are made by the AmazonSmile Foundation and are not tax deductible by you.

Please consider this easy way to help support Westminster Presbyterian Church. If you have any questions on this, please contact Becky at the church 234-5501 or email Becky@wpcw.org.

Thank you
Finance Committee

Scrip Cards

SCRIP is a program where the church purchases prepaid gift cards at a discount (ranging from 1.25-16%) and then sells them at face value. The discount goes into an account that can be used for a variety of uses based upon the church's needs.

Gift cards can be used to give as gifts, to make everyday purchases, or to help maintain your monthly budget. We offer quite a variety including gas, grocery, restaurants, movie theater, clothing, crafts, home improvement, sports, car repair, Visa & Discover and SO much more.

If you purchase one \$25.00 gift card each month for a year, you could raise \$20.00 for the church. For 300 members to make that commitment could mean \$6,000.00 for 1 year. Think of the possibilities!

The SCRIP table will be open the first and third Sunday in the Welcome Center. SCRIP is also available in the office Monday-Friday. Click [HERE](#) for the current scrip list! Fill it out and bring it with you on Sunday mornings to have your order filled! Cards that we do not have available can be ordered for you.

Don't forget to share this opportunity with friends and family- the more the merrier! If you have any questions or would like to special order cards, please reach out to Sarah Hellman at sari@cfu.net or contact the church office.

Mission

Free Community Breakfast-Sat. May 5 - 8:00 am

How does a delicious homemade breakfast sound, along with a time of fellowship? You are invited to attend our monthly community breakfast, held on the first Saturday of the month. The men of Westminster cook up a delicious meal and there is a time of devotion and fellowship. We'd love for you to join us and bring a friend or two!

Women Build - May 12

Westminster Women - Join us for a day of fun and fellowship while helping to build a local family's new home in honor of the 11th annual Habitat for Humanity's annual Women Build.

We will work from 8:30 am - 3:00 pm. No construction experience necessary. We will be assisted and supervised by an experienced Habitat for Humanity construction supervisor. If you aren't able to help work on the home but would like to help out in another way, we are also looking for volunteers to provide an easy lunch for us.



Please call the church office to sign up to volunteer to work on the home or provide lunch. Lori Johnson will contact you the week of the event with the address of the home and the type of work we will be doing.

Sunday Supper Update

The ministry of Sunday Supper continues every Sunday evening at First Presbyterian Church in Waterloo! Have you attended yet? It is a great way to meet community friends and enjoy a great meal together!



It starts at 5 pm in the lower level of First Pres which is located at 505 Franklin Street. If you would like to lend a hand some Sunday with the food prep, hospitality or clean up please see the schedule which is located in the Welcome Center. There are TWO different shifts to choose from:

- * OPEN which is 3:30 pm to 5:40 pm and this includes food prep, serving line or greeting
- * CLOSING which is 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm and could include serving, assisting with carrying trays and the inevitable joy of clean up!

Volunteers are always needed! Check out the sign up sheets in the Welcome Center! Please contact Mary Lisa Mueller 319-274-9650 with any questions.

Care

Deacon Medical Equipment Lending Program

We have available the following items to be loaned on a short term basis to Westminster members:

Wheel Chair, Walker, Bed Rail, Shower Chair, Cane, Crutches and others.

Due to the generous donation from a Westminster Church family, we now have available an electric wheelchair if there is ever a need.

Contact the church office if you are in need or should you have any items that we can use, please let us know by calling 234-5501. Thank you!

Other Church News

Over 60 Fellowship - Thursday, May 9 - 9:00 am

Cedar Rapids to the Czeck/Slovak Museum
May 9 - we'll depart from church at 9:00 am
Arrive 10:00 am / Tour / Lunch in the Slovak District / Home
For Virtual Reality Tour - Purchase timed tickets at the entrance

An epic WWI story you've never heard.

Cost \$10 general rate, \$9 Sr. rate and Veteran rate is \$5 (Let us know when you RSVP if you are a veteran.)

(if we get 10 or more people, cost goes down to \$8 per person)

This exhibition represents a collaboration in which two CR high schools joined together with an author, the museum staff and a graphic novel artist to present a commemoration of the Czech and Slovak courage and triumph. A must see.

RSVP by May 7

*Virtual Reality Station *three replica train cars *period artifacts
*large scale interpretive panels that tell the story in graphic novel form

Guts & Glory: The War Train YouTube video tells how men made their way around the world so they could begin their own nation: *Czechoslovakia* <http://www.ncsml.org/exhibits/guts-and-glory>

Baseball at the Waterloo Bucks!

Join us for a Waterloo Bucks Game on **Wednesday, June 6.**

Cost: \$5 per person. Must pay for tickets in advance at the church office.

Games starts at 6:30. Fireworks will follow.

Call or email the office or look for a sign-up sheet on Sundays if you want to go.



Church Pool Party and Golf Event - Save the date!

Sunday, July 29. Details to follow but make sure to get this date on your summer calendars!

Friendship Club

Join us on Thursday, May 3 at 6:00 pm Dr. Larson and Dr. Miller from Cedar Valley Eye Care Center will speak on Macular Degeneration. This is a potluck so bring a dish to share and ALL are invited!

Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women Executive Board

Wednesday, May 2, 10:00 am. Friendship Village, 3rd Floor Cove Lounge
Darlene Peterson, hostess

Circle:

Wednesday, May 16, 10:00 am., Children's Library

Because of cancellation in April due to weather, we will have Lesson one of our new book *Cloud of Witnesses*. If you don't have your new book, see Sally in the office.

Church Women United

May Friendship Day, Luncheon

Unity Presbyterian Church, 11: 49 Hammond

Friday, May 4, 12:00 p.m.



Join Our Circle

Are you a new member, visitor or been associated with Westminster for many years and yet long for a one on one connection? Joining a Circle is a great way to get acquainted with Westminster Presbyterian Women.

The Circle meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month (September through May) at 10:00 am at the church.

Purpose: Spiritual growth through group.

Discussion using our study book "Who Is Jesus?".

Mission: To nurture our faith through study, justice, peace and giving.

Please contact Jean Butler at 296-1855 or just join us the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 10:00 am in the Children's Library. We look forward to welcoming you. See you there.

Piecemakers

The Piecemakers quilting group is seeking new members! This group meets Thursdays from 9:00 am to noon, on the 2nd floor of the church, across from room 216. No sewing or quilting experience is needed! If you are interested in joining us, we are happy to teach you some basic skills. We need people who are willing to sew a basic straight stitch in order to put the quilt blocks together, as well as those who would like to tie the layers of the quilt together with a needle and yarn. We support our local community by donating our finished quilts to the Red Cross, pregnancy centers, and foster care programs. If you want more information about joining this fun and rewarding ministry, please contact Alisa Engelhardt.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Just a reminder that there are prayer shawls available in the Welcome Center for you to take to someone you know who may be sick, have a new baby or just maybe needs a hug of love. These shawls were made by a very special group of women who then prayed over them. Please feel free to take one for yourself as well!

As a reminder, this group meets on the 4th Monday of the month at 9:30 am in the children's library! We would love for you to join us!

Session Minutes

Click [HERE](#) to view the minutes of the April 24 Session meeting.

Our Condolences

- Deb Smith and her family on the passing of her mother, Mary Smith
 - Brenda Northey and her family on the passing of her mother, Rozella Williamson
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Westminster Church Calendar

To view all the events happening at Westminster, please visit our website at www.wpcw.org. The church calendar can be found on our home page.

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