

Westminster Messenger

April, 2021



Join us Sunday in person at 10am

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Resurrection means new life
New life means growth
Growth means change
And change can be beautiful
But it also can be scary.

And do we have a month of resurrection celebration ahead.

April 11 - We will commission the search committee that will be looking for our next head of staff.

April 18 - We will celebrate with our graduating confirmands and welcome them as new members of the church.

April 25 - We will recognize our graduating seniors, and wish them well on their next endeavors.

New life. Growth. Change.

These moments can all be thrilling. Filled with joy and anticipation for what lies ahead. But they also carry with them a sense of uncertainty, maybe even fear. Not to mention the mourning that we can still feel for what was, and is no longer.

The old staff. The innocence of youth. The kids still living at home.



Change though, as hard as it is, is also necessary for new life and growth to come. As any good gardener could tell you. So, we cherish moments in life and the people there with us, while their there. But we also don't want things to stay that way forever. Even if we do wish it for a moment. After all, even the best day would be torture if we couldn't escape it.

So I invite you to come to worship this month with all the anticipation that new life brings.

Both the excitement and fear. The joy and worry.

And let's look to God for assurance that whatever comes next,

God is there, and God is doing what God always does.

Bringing new growth, and a hopeful future.

Grace and Peace,
Dan



Pastor Nominating Committee

Sunday, April 11 we will commission our PNC at the 10:00 am service. Meet the team and read how they answer the question "What excites you about being on the PNC?".



Scott Cose, Elder

"I am excited to work with a group of our members to focus on what is best for our church, and in this case, WHO will be best to lead our church into the coming years. Knowing that it will be long hours, lots of discussion, some in agreement and some not. However, each of us will be united in doing God's work and praying for His guidance."



Regina River, Elder

"I'm excited to be on the PNC to have an opportunity to help select an individual that can excite and rejuvenate the congregation!"



Judy Clauson

"I have been a member of Westminster since 1967 and during those years there has been many ups/downs, twists/turns, surprises/disappointments, joys and through it all, it has remained my Church home. This opportunity came and I felt the nudge to get involved, to become part of the PNC, with the encouragement of my family and the feeling that God was pushing me in this direction to serve my church, I volunteered. I have many questions to be asked and answered and look forward to getting the process started. I am excited and ready for this challenge and ask for the guidance, courage and care of the Holy Spirit and for your prayers of encouragement and support for the glory of God."



Kendal Crawford

"For me it's being part of a vital and diverse group that represents our church family who are all looking for an individual to be that perfect fit as our next head of staff. This isn't just a volunteer position, it's a commitment at looking into the future for Westminster and I'm so blessed to have been asked to be a part of it."



Steven Jordan

"I am excited to be a part of the PNC as it will allow me to take a hands on approach in the process and with the decision on what the church's next steps will be."



June Klein-Bacon

"What excites me about being on the PNC is that I will have an opportunity to to be a part of supporting the culture at Westminster Presbyterian, to be a welcoming environment for all in our community to support and grow their faith journey."



Jennifer Owen-Kuhn

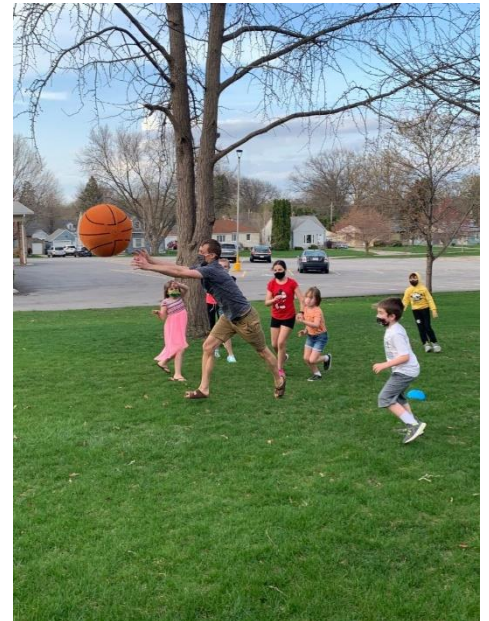
"I am excited to be a part of the PNC to learn and be a part of the process we go through in choosing a head pastor. I also get to work with a great team of people in selecting our future head of staff who will help lead our church after all of the changes and challenges of the pandemic and who fits the vision we have for Westminster."

Last Night of Wes Pres Wednesday

Wednesday, April 28 will be the last Wednesday until the fall. We will have games and a celebration! All will be meeting at their normal times!



Wes Pres Kids



Enjoying the warm weather and outside activities this week!

Wes Pres Youth

Wes Pres Youth has been BUSY throughout the month of March! From celebrating the life and death of our Savior from our series, "What is Easter" to our family nights where we bonded over Cupcake Wars, we have had a blast! We're excited to see what April has in store for us to learn about and how we can grow closer together.

Enjoy pictures by following <https://linktr.ee/wespresyouth> and checking out our "2021 Collection" Album.



March was Women's History Month! Our youth spent their time learning about some of the remarkable women who make Westminster what it is today. From our youth group to every awesome female at Westminster, we are so grateful to do life with you. Thank you for all you do for us and the different ministries you are a part of!

Erica Rissi

Weekly Zoom Morning Bible Studies

Women's Monday Morning Bible Study starting at 9am with Rev. Cathy Young. This group meets on Mondays. Next class is April 19.

Men's Wednesday Morning Bible Study starting at 9am with Pastor Dan.
Contact jodi@wpcw.org to be added to the weekly Zoom link reminders.

Church Spring Clean Up Day

We will be having our annual church spring clean up day on Saturday, April 17 at 9:00 am! We are looking for extra hands to help pick up sticks, do a bit of raking and just help beautify and prepare our church lawn for summer! Bring a pair of gloves and a rake.

Rain date is May 1.

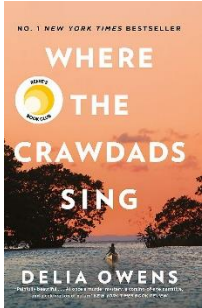


Mother's Day Fundraiser Brunch

The Youth will be hosting a fundraiser brunch on Sunday, May 9. This is open to all mom's, grandma's or a special female figure in your life. Please mark this date on your calendar and more information will be coming shortly.

VBS 2021 is ON! June 21 - 25

While we have yet to work out all the logistics for a SAFE but great week, we are excited to announce we will have in person Vacation Bible School this summer! If this is a week you would like to help with, whether it be as a teacher, helper, set up volunteer or just to provide treats or supplies, let the church office know (jodi@wpcw.org or dee@wpcw.org) More details and registration information will be coming at a later date.



Women's Book Club

The Westminster Women's Book Club meets via Zoom on the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6:00 pm. This group is open to all women! If you would like to be added to the Zoom invite list contact Sandy Lewis at sandycnm@cfu.net or 319-504-2802 or Vicki Grimes at vicki.grimes@uni.edu or 319-240-5296.

On **April 18** - "Where the Crawdads Sing" – by Delia Owens

On **May 16** - "The Girl with the Louding Voice" by Abi Dare

From the Finance Department

BUDGET SUMMARY						
	FEBRUARY	FEBRUARY	YTD	YTD	BUDGET	BUDGET
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 29,137.48	\$ 63,830.35	\$ 94,528.04	\$ 115,299.69	\$ 665,681.00	\$ 775,505.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 691.77	\$ 2,131.62	\$ 3,493.17	\$ 4,991.42	\$ 26,200.00	\$ 35,700.00
OPER & MAINT	\$ 4,285.93	\$ 4,956.77	\$ 10,990.87	\$ 17,210.36	\$ 86,000.00	\$ 94,750.00
CHRISTIAN ED	\$ 501.79	\$ 802.33	\$ 783.22	\$ 599.45	\$ 14,550.00	\$ 24,100.00
PERSONNEL	\$ 26,936.45	\$ 41,172.13	\$ 53,347.28	\$ 83,309.00	\$ 462,125.00	\$ 511,221.00
MISSION	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,250.91	\$ 7,697.74	\$ 10,816.51	\$ 47,000.00	\$ 63,000.00
MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$ 165.20	\$ 460.03	\$ 232.41	\$ 1,859.62	\$ 4,023.00	\$ 15,800.00
STEWARDSHIP	\$ 33.52	\$ -	\$ 33.52	\$ 59.31	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
HOSPITALITY & DEACONS	\$ 326.60	\$ 302.98	\$ 366.39	\$ 301.16	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH	\$ 125.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 71.40	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 5,700.00
PER CAPITA	\$ 1,615.25	\$ 1,561.14	\$ 3,230.50	\$ 3,122.28	\$ 19,383.00	\$ 18,734.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 38,681.51	\$ 56,487.91	\$ 80,350.10	\$ 122,342.51	\$ 665,681.00	\$ 775,505.00
REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ (9,544.05)	\$ 7,342.44	\$ 14,178.94	\$ (7,042.82)		

BUDGET SUMMARY						
	MARCH	MARCH	YTD	YTD	BUDGET	BUDGET
	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 43,642.36	\$ 85,884.52	\$ 138,171.40	\$ 200,984.21	\$ 665,681.00	\$ 775,505.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 2,879.30	\$ 2,221.11	\$ 6,372.47	\$ 7,212.53	\$ 26,200.00	\$ 35,700.00
OPER & MAINT	\$ 5,546.51	\$ 6,705.54	\$ 16,537.38	\$ 23,915.90	\$ 86,000.00	\$ 94,750.00
CHRISTIAN ED	\$ 271.04	\$ 1,086.42	\$ 1,054.26	\$ 1,685.67	\$ 14,550.00	\$ 24,100.00
PERSONNEL	\$ 25,474.94	\$ 40,696.89	\$ 78,822.22	\$ 124,005.89	\$ 462,125.00	\$ 511,221.00
MISSION	\$ 3,350.00	\$ 2,628.82	\$ 11,047.74	\$ 13,447.33	\$ 47,000.00	\$ 63,000.00
MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$ (353.82)	\$ 88.75	\$ (121.41)	\$ 1,948.37	\$ 4,023.00	\$ 15,800.00
STEWARDSHIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33.52	\$ 59.31	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,500.00
HOSPITALITY & DEACONS	\$ 230.92	\$ 350.86	\$ 597.31	\$ 652.02	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH	\$ 125.00	\$ 478.14	\$ 300.00	\$ 547.54	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 5,700.00
PER CAPITA	\$ 1,615.25	\$ 1,561.14	\$ 4,845.75	\$ 4,683.42	\$ 19,383.00	\$ 18,734.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 38,139.14	\$ 55,815.67	\$ 119,489.24	\$ 178,158.18	\$ 665,681.00	\$ 775,505.00
REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ 4,503.22	\$ 29,868.85	\$ 18,682.16	\$ 22,826.03		

Giving

If you would like to support the work of Westminster, you can do so at wpcw.org/giving any time.

Presbyterian Pantry

The pantry is open on the first Saturday of the month and the 3rd Thursday. We are always needing volunteers to help pass out food on these days but we also need help pre-packing the food the day or two prior. You can call the church office at 234-5501 if you want to come in and help pack. Go to wpcw.org/volunteer to help when the pantry is open.

We have distributed food boxes to 196 individual households to date. We are averaging 50-60 per opening.



Worship In Person or Live Stream

We worship in person each Sunday at 10:00 am or you can view from the comfort of your own couch! You can watch Sunday's worship service with us live, or any time after by visiting wpcw.org/worship.



I want to thank everyone that sent cards and letters during Lloyds long journey at Hospice and Deery Suites. All the thoughts and prayers meant so much to the entire family.
Thanks again and God Bless,
Margaret Harp

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