

March 2022 Messenger

Prayer Requests

Margaret Michaels – prayers as her son, Brian, passed away 2/21 in Arizona. Services in Arizona and locally will be planned at a future date.
(3266 E. Shaulis Rd., W'loo '02; 296-1009)

Christian Smith – prayers as he has been deployed; pray for our troops.
(Skip & Shelly 216 Oakwood Dr., Evansdale '07; 232-6662; shelly2306307@gmail.com)

Prayers for patience as we continue to consider COVID challenges while preparing safe ministries.

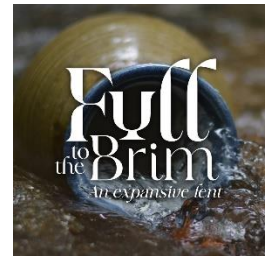
Joys

Prayers to all our beloved church members.

If you would like to send a birthday card, here is a list of special birthdays to those 80+ years this week
Dottie Plager, 1400 Maxhelen Blvd., #2103, Waterloo, IA 50701, birthday is March 12.

Full to the Brim

As we move through Lent together this year, the theme we will be using to guide us on the journey is “Full to the Brim.” During the next 6 weeks, as we look at different texts from the Gospel of Luke, you are invited to imagine what it would be like to live a full life. One that focuses not on the draining voices that say, “there isn’t enough” or, “you’re not good enough,” and instead on the endless outpouring of God’s grace. A life that is so filled with the love of God that it refreshes, restores, and ultimately overflows out of us.



To help us on the journey I’d like to bring four resources to your attention.

1. Lenten Devotional Booklet, full of commentary, poetry, visual art, written reflections, hymns and journaling prompts.
2. Daily Devotional Cards – short reminders for each day to remind you of God’s expansive love. Great for anyone but especially youth and young adults.
3. Reflective Assessment tool – to help you see where you are in life and where you want to grow.
4. Children’s Lessons for Families – with core affirmations, Bible story paraphrase, book suggestions, questions, and art prompts.

All of the above can be found in the Welcome Center.

Be well, and do good.

Dan

March Scripture Series

March 6: Luke 4:1-13

March 13: Luke 13:31-35

March 20: Luke 13:1-9

March 27: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

April 3: John 12:1-8

April 10: Luke 19:28-40 (Palm Sunday)

April 17: Luke 24:1-12 (Easter)

A Report from the PNC

On behalf of the PNC, we are happy to announce that our Ministry Information Form has been approved by the Presbytery's Commission on Ministry.

We began this journey a year ago. An in-depth Mission Study of Westminster Presbyterian Church took seven months. Our Session and the COM approved this study. We then wrote the MIF (Ministry Information Form) which has also been approved by Session and COM.

Now our MIF will be sent to the Church Leadership Connection in Louisville, Kentucky. They will begin matching our MIF with Pastors who are searching for a church. Once we receive the Pastors Information Form, we will read, process and select a candidate who will best fit Westminster's needs. This has been an arduous process. The PNC members seek your patience, prayers and support. as we continue this journey.

Peace,

Scott Cose, Jennifer Owen-Kuhn, June Klein-Bacon, Kendal Crawford, Steven Jordan, Regina Rivers and Judy Clauson

One Service Sundays

We will have just ONE service at 10:00 am on **March 13 and March 20**. No Sunday School or WPW (on March 16).

CONFIRMATION will meet March 13 at 9:00 am. Will not meet on the 20th.



Daylight Savings is March 13!
Don't forget to turn your clocks forward on
Saturday night!!

Chili / Soup Cookoff

February 20 we had a great night of tasting homemade soups, chilis and even fresh homemade bread! A BIG thank you to those who cooked and those who attended!

Best Chili - the Schuster Family!

Best Soup - the Haines Family!

Best Decorations - the Knight Family with their Star Wars theme,

and Sesame Street came in 2nd Place!





Card Making Class

On Thursday, March 10 at 2:00 pm, we will hold our monthly card making class. Cost is \$15 and that includes all the materials needed to make 4 cards. Please sign up in the Welcome Center or email dee@wpcw.org or jodi@wpcw.org so the teacher knows how many kits to make up! This class is open to anyone who would enjoy an hour or so of fellowship!

Labyrinth Event

Join us March 12 or 13 (or both) for walking prayer meditating on the quiet, indoor labyrinth from 9am-12 on Saturday or on Sunday morning until 12:15pm. Deacon staff will be available to assist with instruction or help.

From the Kids Table

Here are the lessons this week in the Youth and Children's Ministry:

Wes Pres Kids -
The Prodigal Son
Luke 15:11-32

Wes Pres Youth -
Ash Wednesday Service
Jr. High 6-7pm and Sr. High 7:30pm-8:30



Sunday School - Tempted, Luke 4:1-13

Please contact Dan dan@wpcw.org or Steven steven@wpcw.org with questions



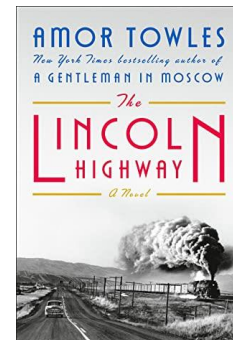
Easter Joy Celebration

Join us Saturday, April 16 for loads of fun Easter festivities. We will have treats, crafts, and an egg hunt!

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 **March 20** - "The Lincoln Highway" – by Amor Towle
On **April 17** - "Shiner" by Amy Jo Burns



Announcements

- To watch previous worship services, go to wpcw.org/worship.
 - LIKE and view what we are doing on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/wpcw.org>
 - Presbyterian Pantry will be open next on Saturday, March 5, from 9am-11. **We need 6 volunteers for this Saturday.** Please sign up to help with the pantry at wpcw.org/volunteer. Our Presbyterian Pantry served 52 households on 2/17.
 - Piecemakers are meeting every Thursday 9:00 am to noon. Non-sewers are welcome!
 - Three Presbyteries are organizing a Mission Trip Opportunity: Mission Study March 3-16, 2022; Israel-Palestine. More information on this is in the Welcome Center.
 - Daily devotional books, *These Days* and *Our Daily Bread*, are available in the Welcome Center next to the prayer shawl cart.
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A Look Ahead

March

2nd: Ash Wednesday service, 6:30 pm
12th & 13th: Labyrinth Event 9am-12
13th: ONE service at 10am
14th - 18th: Spring Break - No WPW
20th: ONE service at 10am

April

14th: Maundy Thursday service at First Pres, CF, Jr. High Lock-in
15th: Good Friday service at First Pres, W'loo
16th: Easter Joy Celebration
17th: Easter Services at 6:30am, 9am and 11:15am
22nd: Senior Celebration Lock-in (H.S.)
24th: Confirmation

27th: Last WPW

May

1st: Graduation

8th: Mother's Day Brunch, Teacher Appreciation

June

20th - 24th: Vacation Bible School

July

11th - 16th: Great Escape

16th - 24th: Sr. High Trip



VBS 2022! June 20-24

Summer Camp at Lakeshore Center at Okoboji

Hey, if your kids would be interesting in attending camp this summer, check out this link.

www.lakeshorecenteratokoboji.org/summer-camp



Save the Date!

Westminster will once again host a packing event for Feed My Starving Children. The dates are: October 17 - 19!

BUDGET SUMMARY

	JANUARY	JANUARY	YTD	YTD	BUDGET	BUDGET
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 62,063.97	\$ 67,248.64	\$ 62,063.97	\$ 67,248.64	\$ 595,484.00	\$ 665,681.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 1,916.51	\$ 2,801.40	\$ 1,916.51	\$ 2,801.40	\$ 29,500.00	\$ 26,200.00
OPER & MAINT	\$ 9,884.03	\$ 6,704.94	\$ 9,884.03	\$ 6,704.94	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 86,000.00
CHRISTIAN ED	\$ 534.08	\$ 281.43	\$ 534.08	\$ 281.43	\$ 15,550.00	\$ 14,550.00
PERSONNEL	\$ 34,481.95	\$ 26,410.83	\$ 34,481.95	\$ 26,410.83	\$ 366,877.00	\$ 462,125.00
MISSION	\$ -	\$ 3,697.74	\$ -	\$ 3,697.74	\$ 48,500.00	\$ 47,000.00
MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$ 438.40	\$ 67.21	\$ 438.40	\$ 67.21	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 4,023.00
STEWARDSHIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
HOSPITALITY & DEACONS	\$ 28.94	\$ 39.79	\$ 28.94	\$ 39.79	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,400.00
PER CAPITA	\$ 1,504.75	\$ 1,615.25	\$ 1,504.75	\$ 1,615.25	\$ 18,057.00	\$ 19,383.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 48,838.66	\$ 41,668.59	\$ 48,838.66	\$ 41,668.59	\$ 595,484.00	\$ 665,681.00
	\$ 13,225.31	\$ 25,580.05	\$ 13,225.31	\$ 25,580.05		

Are you looking for a way to support Westminster? Check out the options at wpcw.org/giving



To my Westminster Church Family and Staff,
My sincere thanks and appreciation for all the cards, calls, texts and emails received over the past few months following knee replacement surgery. All this love and encouragement has definitely helped me through the healing process.

Blessings, Ann Northey

I want to truly thank all of you for the birthday cards! I don't think I've ever gotten so many good wishes on any of my birthdays. I guess 92 was the jackpot and I'm truly overwhelmed and thank you all from the bottom of my heart. I hope some day you all may be blessed the same way. Ninety-two is a long time to live and thank the Lord I can still help myself.

Opal Hanna

Broadcast Techs Needed!

Sound and broadcast techs are needed for both 9:00 am and 11:15 am services. If you are willing to learn and help, please contact Jodi at jodi@wpcw.org.

Free Tax Service

AARP is offering free tax service. Appointments are required; to sign up call 319-334-1019 (weekdays between 9 and 5) to schedule.