

August 2022 Messenger

Please join us for **ONE SERVICE**, Sunday's at **9:00 am**. We alternate locations each week. Here is the schedule for the next month:

- **August 7** - John Butler, Contemporary/SLC/Communion
- **August 14** - Rev. David Feltman, Traditional/Sanctuary
- **August 21** - Andrew Iversen, Contemporary/SLC/Back pack Blessing
- **August 28** - Jonny Craig, Traditional/Sanctuary

Prayer Requests

Marla (Curt) Edler – prayers as she had stents put in after experiencing chest pain. She is now home recovering.

(208 Longview Dr., W'loo 01; 319-239-0024; cmiedler@msn.com)

Skip (Shelly) Smith – prayers as he had shoulder surgery and is home recovering.

(216 Oakwood Dr., Evansdale, 50707; 230-6311; skip3476@gmail.com)

Don Benson – prayers as he has moved to Wellspring Living due to his declining health.

(580 Park Lane #3029, W'loo '02; 291-8269; dbenson5404@yahoo.com)

Leo Telepnev – prayers as his health is declining and is having tests done.

(300 Russell Rd., W'loo '01; 233-8992)

Prayers for our church staff this summer.

Prayer Requests – if you know of someone who could use prayers, a call or visit, please call the church office and let them know.





Great Escape

We had a fantastic week at Great Escape playing games, listening to great sermons, singing and dancing with the band and screaming at the top of our lungs for “spirit points.” The kids had a blast and it was a great opportunity for the kids to take a week away from everyday life and have the freedom to grow closer to God.



Mission Trip

We had an unforgettable week in Blue Knob, Pennsylvania for our mission trip. We met Steve and helped him by extending his fence, landscaping, and building a beautiful pathway. We also made a trip to the 1,000 Steps Trail where we climbed over 1,000 large stone steps to reach the top of a mountain and we got to spend a day at Cedar Point, an amusement park in Ohio where we got to ride roller coasters to our hearts content. We made so many memories on this trip and I truly feel that we left as a group but came back as a family.

Steven Jordan
Youth Director

Personal Care Drive

Concludes August 7

Items needed:

toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, diapers, toilet paper, soap, feminine hygiene, baby wipes, men's/women's shampoo, adult diapers, shaving cream, tissues, kids 3 in 1 body wash/shampoo/conditioner

This year there is also an Amazon Smile wish list. The Food Bank highly recommends this option to donate! Items will get shipped directly to the Food Bank to get into the hands of our clients. Click link below:

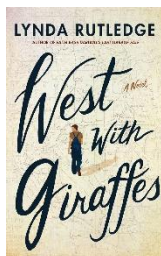
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A very big thank you to all who have donated! Your generous hearts overflowed!

Card Making Class

On Thursday, August 11 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 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!



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 Vicki Grimes at vicki.grimes@uni.edu or 319-240-5296.

August 21 - "Hamnet" by Maggie O'Farrell

September 18 - "West with Giraffes" by Lynda Rutledge

Scrip

The scrip tables will be open next on August 7.

To view and print our scrip order form, click [HERE](#)



Thanks for your help!

Another quarter has passed by and I want to update you on the ongoing hard work and commitment that the Scrip Committee continues doing.

Scrip Committee's Goal for 2022 is to give back to the church operating budget a total of \$5,000. In April, \$1,000 was contributed to the church and I'm excited to report after the second quarter of 2022 another \$1,000 was contributed.

Summer is winding down – there are so many ways that Scrip cards could be used; Road trips (gas cards), backyard gatherings (Subway, HyVee, Wal Mart and various other food cards), garden or lawn sprucing up (Menards, Home Depot, Lowes)... And the list go on and on. The church gets a certain percentage from the cards. They look like gift cards that you see anywhere – but the best part from buying at Westminster is that we get back free money from them.

Thank you to everyone for your support! Don't forget you can call or stop into the church office for Scrip Cards if they are not available on Sundays. If we don't have what you want, they can also be ordered.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Becky Dietz
Financial Secretary

Palmer's Fun Night - Wed., August 17 at 5:30 pm

Join us Wednesday, August 17 at 5:30pm for dinner and tons of fun at Palmer's Family Fun, 1666 W Airline Hwy, W'loo. We will provide walking tacos and drinks. Bring a dish or dessert to share.

Cost is \$6 per person, includes: 2 Go Kart Tickets, 18 Holes of Mini Golf, Jumping Pillow, 3 Batting Cage Tokens.

No pre-payment needed. You will pay Palmer's when you arrive.

This is open to anybody; if you do not want to participate in the games, come for the meal and a time of fellowship. Register to bring a dish to share and to let us know how many to expect please. You may sign up in the Welcome Center or click the button below.

Register no later than **Friday, August 12.**



Backpack Blessing!

Join us Sunday, August 21 for a back-to-school blessing during our 9:00 worship! For those who are returning to school (including teachers), bring your backpack to the service and you will be recognized and blessed as we prepare to kick off the new school year.

Registration Open House & Ice Cream Sundae Bar!

August 31 from 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Drop in and learn about all of our Wes Pres Wednesday classes and music programs being offered this year. There is something for kids of ALL ages as well as the adults! We will update you on the changes as well as hear from all the leaders!

Enjoy an ice cream sundae as you register your kids for the 2022-2023 year.



Join us for a sing a-long on Sunday, September 4 at 9am.

Beginning July 31, there will be a basket where you can put your vote for favorite hymn/s or contemporary worship song/s. Several songs will be drawn and will become part of the Sing a-long to be held on Sept. 4.

A basket and voting slips will be outside of the Sanctuary during our traditional worship Sundays and in the back of the Shared Life Center during our contemporary worship Sundays. **Last day to vote is August 21.**

Wes Pres Wednesday begins September 7!

Please consider helping on Wednesday evenings. Volunteers needed for: cooking, clean-up, and teaching.

Please contact Dee at dee@wpcw.org or call the church office to volunteer!

Fall Kick Off Sunday

Our annual fall kick off gathering will occur on Sunday, September 11. There will be one service at 9am with the Rev. Amy Wiles as our guest preacher.



Join us for a light brunch of breakfast sandwiches, donuts, rolls, and fruit immediately following the service. Please plan to join us as we celebrate together the beginning of our fall programming. If you have questions, please contact the church office.



Sunday School

Come join the Adult Sunday school class located in the chapel and our Children's Sunday School classes located downstairs on October 2nd, November 6th and December 4th.

More details to come soon.

Mid-year Financial Update

As we have passed the midpoint of the year, we want to give you a brief update on Westminster's finances.

Through June 30th, revenues totaled \$305,881 and expenses stood at \$271,331 thus we are running a slight surplus of \$34,570. Both are in-line with our budget forecasts. Last year at this time revenues stood at \$287,979 and expenses were \$264,499.



Revenues have been solid but we know that during the summer we normally experience a seasonal decrease in giving as families enjoy vacations and sporting events. Expenses appear to be trending as expected with the exception of the costs to heat and cool the building, specifically the heating costs were much greater for winter than what we budgeted for. We may have some unbudgeted expenses in our search for our next pastor and the building/grounds. Some tree trimming is needed to protect the building from potential tree limb damage. The committees and Session will continue to watch these costs as we enter Fall.

John Speas
Finance Committee Chair

June 2022 Budget Summary

	JUNE	JUNE	YTD	YTD	BUDGET	BUDGET
	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 74,479.19	\$ 40,125.31	\$ 305,881.46	\$ 287,979.81	\$ 595,484.00	\$ 665,681.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 1,389.77	\$ 2,276.28	\$ 12,510.48	\$ 14,709.39	\$ 29,500.00	\$ 26,200.00
OPER & MAINT	\$ 5,059.54	\$ 3,842.59	\$ 54,915.23	\$ 43,741.87	\$ 95,000.00	\$ 86,000.00
CHRISTIAN ED	\$ 1,533.46	\$ 2,802.75	\$ 5,444.89	\$ 5,438.48	\$ 15,550.00	\$ 14,550.00
PERSONNEL	\$ 25,128.16	\$ 32,436.10	\$ 166,771.04	\$ 164,840.22	\$ 366,877.00	\$ 462,125.00
MISSION	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 5,774.19	\$ 19,155.93	\$ 23,571.93	\$ 48,500.00	\$ 47,000.00
MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$ 497.69	\$ 269.12	\$ 2,173.57	\$ 551.81	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 4,023.00
STEWARDSHIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33.52	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
HOSPITALITY & DEACONS	\$ 54.38	\$ 193.88	\$ 848.10	\$ 1,256.55	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH	\$ 40.00	\$ 245.51	\$ 464.04	\$ 664.21	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,400.00
PER CAPITA	\$ 1,504.75	\$ 1,615.25	\$ 9,028.50	\$ 9,691.50	\$ 18,057.00	\$ 19,383.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 36,957.75	\$ 49,455.67	\$ 271,311.78	\$ 264,499.48	\$ 595,484.00	\$ 665,681.00
REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ 37,521.44	\$ (9,330.36)	\$ 34,569.68	\$ 23,480.33		

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

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



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, August 6, from 9am-11. Please sign up to help with the pantry at wpcw.org/volunteer.
- Piecemakers are meeting every Thursday 9:00 am to noon. Non-sewers are welcome!
- Zumba classes are being held in the SLC on Tuesdays @ 5:30 pm. All are welcome; donations accepted.
- Daily devotional books, *These Days* and *Our Daily Bread*, are available in the Welcome Center next to the prayer shawl cart.