

# March 2023 Messenger



## **Snowshoeing with the Deacons**

Snowshoeing event March 5 with the Deacons has been canceled!

Unfortunately, with there being no snow, we will not meet at Hartman Reserve this Sunday afternoon.

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## **Worship Wednesday Tonight!**

**5:00** Dinner (Pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit, salad bar (we've added some more items, going back to a salad bar), dessert

**5:30** Messenger Choir (2nd - 5th grade)

**5:30** Meisteringers Adult Bell Choir

**6:30** Worship in the Sanctuary

**6:30** Adult Choir

**7:30** Sr. Highs



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## **From Pastor Jonny**

The spiritual practice of lament is one of the most difficult for us to wrap our minds around. We wonder if we're being too much—too honest, too open, too vulnerable—or if we're being faithless for expressing our anger and disappointment to God. In this short, visual liturgy by Pastor Jonny, you're invited to see lament as something different: an act of defiant hope in the sustaining power of God.



March 5 - Communion: 9:00 Traditional Service, 11:15 Casual Service

March 12: 10:00 am Traditional service in Sanctuary - no Sunday School

- Pastor Alice Shirey will be our guest preacher as part of our Lent series.

March 19: 10:00 am Casual service in Shared Life Center - no Sunday School

March 26: 9:00 Traditional Service, 11:15 Casual Service

Services can be viewed online at [wpcw.org/worship](http://wpcw.org/worship)

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## **Adult Sunday School**

William Kay is leading an Adult Sunday School class on the Book of Lamentations, coinciding with our Lenten series. 10:10 am in the Chapel. No Sunday School March 12 or 19.

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## **Prayer Requests**

Chris (Mark) Kennedy – prayers as her mother, Rosemary Delagardelle, passed away 2/19. Services were held last week.

(1226 W. 6th St., W'loo '02; 319-939-6471; [kennedychris111111@yahoo.com](mailto:kennedychris111111@yahoo.com))

Daryl (Susan) Larsen – prayers as he is in the Iowa City Hospital with a torn aorta. Prayers for the doctors to prepare a plan of action.

(4222 Deena Dr., CF 50613; 319-239-3911; [sbrockman2000@aol.com](mailto:sbrockman2000@aol.com))

Vicki (Scott) Cose – prayers as her mom is in the hospital with heart issues.

(1027 Vine St., W'loo '03; 319-830-7754; [vickicose0303@gmail.com](mailto:vickicose0303@gmail.com))

Crystal Gienau – prayers as her sister, Julie, was diagnosed with cancer and is starting chemo treatments.

(205 Southbrooke Dr., #1, W'loo '02; 319-252-7247)

Wally (Becky) Dietz – prayers as his brother, Dennis Dietz, suffered a stroke and is home recovering.  
(1982 Kamille Ct., W'loo '01; 319-215-9181; [becky@wpcw.org](mailto:becky@wpcw.org))

Doug (JoAnn) Asche – prayers as he had surgery and is home recovering.  
(1110 Leona Ave., W'loo '02; 319-230-7854; [djasche2@gmail.com](mailto:djasche2@gmail.com))

Prayers for:

Our homebound church members who are unable to join us in person.  
All of our beloved church members and for our entire community.

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### Joys

**If you would like to send a birthday card, here is a list of special birthdays to those 80+ years this week:**

Mary Ubben, 5323 Meadowlark Lane, Cedar Falls, IA 50613,  
birthday is February 27

Sheryl Annette, 1400 Maxhelen Blvd, #1114, Waterloo, IA 50701,  
birthday is March 5

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### **Friendship Club**

Please join us March 2 in the Coffee House at 6pm for Friendship Club! Our guest speaker will be Ed Ottesen from the Lions Club. Contact Rick Gorman or Dee at [dee@wpcw.org](mailto:dee@wpcw.org) to make your reservation. Bring a dish to share!

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### **Wes Pres Youth**

This month we will not have Wednesday Night programming during spring break, March 15th.

For those that plan on sending their middle school student to Great Escape the \$100 Deposit to sign up is due by March 29th.

Thank you,  
Steven Jordan, [Steven@wpcw.org](mailto:Steven@wpcw.org)

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### **Plea for Pantry!**

For the month of March, we are asking for boxes of cereal.

There is a table up in the Welcome Center where you can place your donation.

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**Daylight Savings is March 12!  
Turn your clocks forward Saturday night.!**

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## Sunday Supper

Westminster has committed to provide 4 - 5 volunteers each Sunday evening. Please consider helping this very important mission. This is a great opportunity to serve as a family or committee/group. Sign up in the Welcome Center.

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## Sunday Broadcasting & Power Point help needed!

We are looking for a few more volunteers to help with Broadcast, Sound or Power Point during our 9:00 and 11:15 worship services. This could be a fun and easy way to help! We would give you plenty of time to train with our awesome techs! If this has some interest for you, please call the office at 234-5501 or just check it out on a Sunday morning. Thank you!

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## Card Making Class

On Thursday, March 9 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](mailto: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!

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## January 2023 Budget Summary

	JANUARY	JANUARY	YTD	YTD	BUDGET	BUDGET
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 63,551.05	\$ 62,063.97	\$ 63,551.05	\$ 62,063.97	\$ 613,777.00	\$ 595,484.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 1,374.47	\$ 1,916.51	\$ 1,374.47	\$ 1,916.51	\$ 25,500.00	\$ 29,500.00
OPER & MAINT	\$ 11,238.83	\$ 9,884.03	\$ 11,238.83	\$ 9,884.03	\$ 116,450.00	\$ 95,000.00
CHRISTIAN ED	\$ 628.69	\$ 534.08	\$ 628.69	\$ 534.08	\$ 19,580.00	\$ 15,550.00
PERSONNEL	\$ 25,554.15	\$ 34,481.95	\$ 25,554.15	\$ 34,481.95	\$ 358,010.00	\$ 366,877.00
MISSION	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 53,500.00	\$ 48,500.00
MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$ 4,203.92	\$ 438.40	\$ 4,203.92	\$ 438.40	\$ 14,600.00	\$ 14,600.00
STEWARDSHIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
HOSPITALITY & DEACONS	\$ 139.27	\$ 28.94	\$ 139.27	\$ 28.94	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,400.00
PER CAPITA	\$ 1,561.42	\$ 1,504.75	\$ 1,561.42	\$ 1,504.75	\$ 18,737.00	\$ 18,057.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 44,750.75	\$ 48,838.66	\$ 44,750.75	\$ 48,838.66	\$ 613,777.00	\$ 595,484.00
REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ 18,800.30	\$ 13,225.31	\$ 18,800.30	\$ 13,225.31		

Are you looking for a way to support Westminster? Check out the options at [wpcw.org/giving](http://wpcw.org/giving)

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## Scrip

SCRIP is a program where the church purchases gift cards at a discount and sells them at face value. These cards are great for gifts, but more importantly they are great for everyday use.



Going grocery shopping? Plan ahead and get a gift card for Fareway, HyVee, Target, or Walmart/Sam's.

Need gas? We have Casey's, Kwik Star, & Walmart. Date night out? We have restaurants and movies! Home renovation project? Menards, Lowes, Home Depot are all available!

Visa cards are GREAT to purchase from the church because they do not require the \$3-\$7 activation fee you pay at the store. We are now able to get \$25, \$50, \$100, \$250, and \$500 in Visa cards.

Not sure how to use SCRIP in your life? Stop by the table and let's chat! The scrip table will be open the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

Sarah Hellman

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Hello Westminster Family!

We want you to know of our many prayers for you guys coming from us at Love, Inc in the name of Christ! We are so thankful for your partnership with us as we lovingly serve our Cedar Valley neighbors in need. Thank you for providing so many faith opportunities to people!



In Christ, Jenny, Cadi, Luann, Chanlea, Riley, Ally and Sydney

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## Free Tax Assistance!

Tax-Aide sites are offering one-visit or two-visit tax assistance. Appointments are required at all sites. One-visit sites will prepare the client's tax return while the client waits...usually 60-90 minutes. At sites operating with the 2-visit model, clients will make a first appointment to confirm ID, complete the intake questionnaire and to drop-off their tax documents. A second appointment will be made at the first appointment to pick-up the completed tax return. For joint returns, both spouses must attend to finalize and sign the completed return for e-filing.

**To make your first appointment, call 319-334-1019** on weekdays between 9 and 5 (beginning January 17) to schedule a free AARP/RSVP Tax-Aide appointment at the following locations:

- Waterloo – Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1301 Kimball Ave (rear entrance) – One Visit Model
- Waterloo – Salvation Army (appts only; no walk-ins), 207 Logan Ave (rear entrance) – Two Visit Model
- Cedar Falls – First United Methodist Church, 718 Clay St – Two Visit Model
- Oelwein – Closed
- Waverly – Waverly Public Library, 1500 W Bremer Ave – One Visit Model

Clients can also schedule their own appointment at [www.vccv.org/taxaide](http://www.vccv.org/taxaide) beginning January 17.





## Lenten Taizé Service

Sunday, April 2, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Begin your journey through Holy Week by attending a Taizé service at First Baptist Church, Sunday, April 2nd at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary led by Rev. Carol Teare and string ensemble.

A Taizé worship service involves sung and chanted prayers, meditation, a period of silence, candlelight, and liturgical readings. There is no preaching. The prayers consist of short chants, repeated again and again.



### **Announcements**

- To watch previous worship services, go to [wpcw.org/worship](http://wpcw.org/worship).
- LIKE and view what we are doing on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/wpcw.org>
- Presbyterian Pantry is open the 1st Saturday of the month from 9:00 - 11:00 am and the 3rd Thursday of the month from 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm. Please sign up to help with the pantry at [wpcw.org/volunteer](http://wpcw.org/volunteer).
- Piecemakers are meeting every Thursday 9:00 am to noon. Non-sewers are welcome!
- Women's Bible Study meets via Zoom every other Monday at 9am. Contact Cathy Young if you would like to join the class.
- Men's Bible Study is meeting Tuesday mornings at 9am in the Coffee House. All men are invited to attend. William Kay and John Butler are facilitating.