Westminster Presbyterian Church

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Friday
8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Worship Times

Saturday
5:30 p.m. in the Atrium
Sunday
9:00 a.m. contemporary service in the Family Life Center
11:00 a.m. traditional service in the Sanctuary

Communion is served on the first weekend of each month.

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The Voice of Westminster

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Important News About Your Church Family

On behalf of the entire Session of WPC, we would like to thank all you that took the time to meet with Eddy and Mike from Living Stones Associates while they were here with us May 17-20. Based on their report and recommendations, the Session has entered into a contract with Living Stones to provide 8 months of church coaching to strengthen Westminster as a vibrant, caring, faith community. Over the next 8 months, there will be up to 3 more visits by the Living Stones team, with the next visit to occur around mid-summer. Please keep watch for more details on these important and meaningful opportunities for all of us to grow and commune together.

Blessings to you all,

Mike Zimmermann, Martha Wilding & Steve Allard

Summer Worship Schedule

Beginning the weekend of June 2nd & 3rd, we will transition to our summer worship schedule. Services will be held on Saturday evenings at 5:30 p.m. in the Atrium and on Sunday mornings, our blended worship service, FUEL, will be at 9:00 a.m. in the Family Life Center with the praise band, Pseudolaic, and our traditional worship service will be held in the Sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. with special music offerings each week.

On the third Saturday of each month, Westminster will participate in "Worship in the Park," sponsored by 3rd Ave Churches. 3rd Ave Churches and their congregants are all invited to worship together at Redmond Park! Welcoming and a share meal provided by the church, followed by a dessert potluck (bring any dessert you are able to!), will begin at 5:00 p.m. with worship beginning at 5:30 p.m. Bring the family and your lawn chars as we worship together! These "Worship in the Park" services will take place of the regular 5:30 p.m. Saturday worship services in the Atrium at Westminster. We hope you will join us this summer as we worship the Lord together!

Christian Education News

Sales, Sales, Sales!!!!

It's June and you know what that means? Garage sale season! Don't forget about the toy drive when shopping at the various sales. While we're asking the congregation to consider donating new toys, there are always a ton of toys at garage sales that are in wonderful condition for a fraction of the price! Keep an eye out for those bargains, making sure the toys work, have fresh batteries, and are as clean as possible! This mission to our neighbors would not be able to happen without the wonderful dedication and passion of the entire congregation!

Are you registered yet for PandaMania?

Are your kids ready to go wild about God this summer? That's just what they'll do at PandaMania! Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see God in everyday life—something we call God Sightings. Get ready to hear that phrase a lot! So, you might have noticed the registration board outside the main office. If you have not yet registered, please do so by the end of June. We need to get a count for this year's VBS so that we have accurate supplies and food for all. So mark your calendars for **July 29th through August 2nd from 5-8 P.M.** Join us and become a PandaManiac!!!

Village Clean-Up Day

On Saturday, June 25th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. we will be having a clean-up day for the Village Sunday School rooms. Please drop by the church and help us clean out and spruce up the rooms after a successful year of Sunday School. Pizza will be provided for those volunteers who come to help. So mark your calendars because we need you and your family to lend us a hand!

From the Westminster Foundation

The Westminster Presbyterian Church Foundation Trustees would like to remind the congregation that since the Foundation's creation in 1989 the Foundation has returned $62,072 in real estate and $2,650,441 in cash to the church. Those who have gone before us have sustained the church long after their passing. What a blessing this has been!

Dick Cornish, President	Bob Vancura, Treasurer	Jan Kosowski, Secretary
Barb Schultz	Bonnie Keiper	John Ruth
Scott Olson	Jack Evans	Phil Brooks

Neighborhood Meal & Enrichment Program -- HELP NEEDED !!

The 2012 summer N.M.E.P. begins serving lunches on Monday, June 4th. All meals are served at St. Paul's UMC. Volunteer workers are needed in all areas (food preparation, tray service, dining room supervision/beverage service, and dish machine operation/clean-up). The program depends on volunteer help. Any assistance that you are able to offer is greatly appreciated. Please call Mary Jo Crull (364-3682) or Ruth Nash (297-5661) if you have questions.

Worship Volunteers for June 2012

5:30 p.m. Greeters/Usher
June 2 Jim & Sue Patterson
June 9 Becky Ranck
June 16 Bob & Carol Ferguson
June 23 Jack & Nancy Haney
June 30 Jim & Sue Patterson

9:00 a.m. Greeters/Ushers
June 3 David Marner & Connie Ripley
June 10 Joyce Sankey & Terry Tiede
June 17 Garland & Jackie Alff
June 24 Kirk & Rhae Lampe
June 30 Steve & Connie Allard

10:30 a.m. Head Usher
Scott Olson

10:30 a.m. Greeters
June 3 Dale & Sherry Weiske
June 10 Jerry & Donelle Daugherty
June 17 Kay Clark & Luman Colton
June 24 Chuck & Mary Jo Crull

10:30 a.m. Ushers
June 3 Berta Mullin, Jack & Joyce Sedlacek, Jim & Cheryl Shanklin
June 10 Pat Teig, Claudia Warfel, Dale Weiske, Bob & Joan Zirbel
June 17 Chuck & Dee Davis, Flora Kitzman, Herb & Carm Hammerberg
June 24 John Henderson, Jean Kenison, Bryan & Nancy Hawkins

Offering Stewards
June 3 Steve Allard & Larry Cooper
June 4 Dick Cornish
June 10 Mark Johnson & Tim Stolba
June 11 Dick Cornish
June 17 Jackie Alff & Karol Cooper
June 18 Pat Teig
June 24 Kathie Lane & Mike Coleman
June 25 David Basler

9:00 a.m. Nursery Volunteers
June 3 Jacqueline Fashimpaur
June 10 Tricia Brown
June 17 Julie Sturbaum
June 24 Kim Langley

10:30 a.m. Nursery Attendant
June 3 Antoinette Mukakabanda
June 10 Lauren Zimmermann
June 17 Andrea Schoenbeck
June 24 Marcia Elhart

Computer at 9:00 Service
June 3 Jacob Alff
June 10 Chad Gammon
June 17 Doug Wagner
June 24 Dale Morgan

Liturgist
June 3 Connie Ripley
June 10 Martha Wilding
June 17 Ted Kahler
June 24 David Basler

Coffee Hosts
June 3 Antoinette Mukakabanda & Berta Mullin
June 10 Janet Shaff & Eileen Naber
June 17 Judy Poduska & Kay Clark
June 24 Jack & Joyce Sedlacek

5:30 p.m. Communion Servers
Connie Hayes & Nancy Haney

9:00 a.m. Communion Servers
Brian Cosgrove, David Marner, Tim Stolba, Steve Allard

10:30 a.m. Communion Servers
Gingie Hunstad, Jim & Cheryl Shanklin, Carm Hammerberg, Marcia Elhart, Laura Koontz, Mark Johnson, Bob Warner, Beth Roof

Communion Prep
John & Lisa Conkling, Phil Brooks

Communion Clean Up
Tim Winegarden, Beth Roof, Peggy Loomis

SCHEDULED TO SERVE AND CAN'T MAKE IT?

If you are scheduled to serve on a Sunday and cannot serve on your scheduled day, **please find a replacement or someone to switch with you**. Please let the Church Office know of any changes by Thursday of each week to ensure that it is printed correctly in the bulletin. If you have any questions regarding the schedule, please call the Church Office at 366-7185 or email Christina at westmin@crwpc.org. Thank you for your willingness to serve!

Clinics for Free Medical Care
A Health Ministries Article
By Doug Horton

Greetings to members of Westminster Presbyterian Church from your Health Ministries Committee!

Did you know that there are now two health care facilities within a block of Westminster that provide free or low cost medical, dental, pharmacy, and chiropractic care for individuals that might otherwise be unable to afford such care?

To qualify for care here, a patient can be working, and even insured, but will be screened for income level.

The nearest clinic is LCC, or Linn Community Care, and is located one block west of Westminster. I have written about it before, but it is worth mentioning again. The facility is staffed by full-time physicians, as well as by resident physicians in the Family Practice Residency. This clinic is truly a "Medical Home." Patients are seen by the same physician as often as possible. Appointments for new patients at LCC can be made by calling 730-7200.

His Hands Free Medical Clinic is located one block south of LCC...still a short distance from Westminster. This clinic will not ask questions about income, but has a limited staff and clinic operating times are varied. Care here is provided by practicing community physicians, dentists, and chiropractors that donate their time. Appointments at His Hands can be made by calling 862-2636.

The Health Ministries Committee met on May 17th and have results from our 2012 Blood Drive held in April. 28 people registered and there were 6 first time donors! We reached 90% of our goal! Westminster has continued support to this very worthwhile project and we would like to thank all those who participated and helped out during the Blood Drive.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES

S.A.M. has started planning for the 2012 S.A.M. Fall Bus Trip and we want you to vote for your favorite on **June 10th or June 17th.** The committee has narrowed the choices to three and we have decided to ask WPC members to help us make the decision. The choices are: **1)** Thursday, September 13th - Celebration Belle Cruise, Moline, (Legends Review Cruise at $99 per person). This Legends Musical Review features hits from a number of favorite artists. Your cruise includes a two entrée luncheon buffet. **2)** Saturday, October 6th or 13th - Celebration Belle Cruise, Dubuque, (Fall Foliage Cruise at $99 per person). This 4 hour cruise also includes the two-entrée luncheon buffet. **3)** Wednesday, September 12th - Circa 21: Dinner Theater, Rock Island, (Matinee - "The Dixie Swim Club" a hilarious and touching comedy at $85 per person).

"Ballot" posters will be displayed outside the three worship services. You may also call the Church Office during the weeks of June 10th and 17th and let the volunteer on duty know your preference. Thank you for your help.

Summer Blood Pressure Screening

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING for June, July, and August will be set up outside the office between the two services on Sundays from 10am to 10:30 am . In September we will go back to the regular schedule after the 9am and after the 11 am services.

PW Circle News

Martha/Ruth Circle will meet on Wednesday, June 20th in the Small Parlor for fellowship and coffee. Please look for summer meeting information in upcoming bulletins and newsletters!

Meet the 2012 Ding-Dongs:

Head Coach: Wendell
Assistants: Joan & Jackie
Young Ladies: Emily (Iowa), Rachel (1st round draft pick), Kim (Luther) and Erin (Luther)
Young Adults: Jake, James, Luke, Brad
Old Veterans: JR, Dave, Lee, Ben, Doug, Lefty (back from retirement)
Fan Club: Leanne, Heather, Joyce, Jenna, Jessie, David and Mr. Don
Calling all Ding Dong's: Kirk, Rhae, Aaron, Damon, Abby, Brooke, Laurie, Marsh Kitten & Chris
Once a Ding Dong, Always a Ding Dong! So get your gear and come on out!
Calling Westminster: Please come out and support the team! See Mr. Don's famous hair styles though out the season! Stop by the clubhouse and enjoy post game fellowship with our host Ashley!

Game #1 - Ellis Park Diamond #3
Ding-Dongs versus Sharon Methodist
12 14

Game Summary: The Ding-Dongs (DD's) opened the season Tuesday night in a slugfest at Ellis Park. A rainbow rally of 7 runs in the 5th inning gave the DD's a comeback lead of 12 -11. The rally was highlighted with a 3-run homer by rookie Rachel. It was followed by 6 consecutive hits and 4 more runs! Unfortunately, the DD's were unable to hold the lead and fell 12-14 in a offensive battle. The team features 4 young ladies that hit the ball and play great defense. This should bring new life to the team and many victories in the weeks to follow!
Game Prayer Concerns: Dave's head, Emily's hand and Erin's thumb. Dave took a line drive shot to the back of the head while on third base. He has a nice big goose egg to show and tell everyone on Sunday!
Post Game Interview: Mr. Don says "Thought it was a great game because i knew the other team was really good competition. I am very impressed with the DD's team performance. The DD Ladies can really hit the ball and play defense. Next week, let's go without a huddle & GO GET UM!"

Stephen Ministry News

Stephen Ministry is a new ministry that is just beginning at Westminster. What is Stephen Ministry? They are a special "Christian" service providing one-to-one encouragement for people in need. Through these caring relationships, Stephen Ministers, in love and in care, reach out to those who are hurting and in need of support during difficult times. Stephen Ministers are trained to deal with people who feel: "*Life is more than I can handle alone right now.*" or "*My health, attitude and relationships are suffering.*" or "*I never thought I would be going through something like this.*" The Holy Spirit has a given each of us a gift to use for His glory. Being a confidential caregiver may be a way you can offer His guidance to people who are suffering.

What does a Stephen Minister do? People hurt and we find out in one of many ways—a pastor is contacted, a church member calls, a pew card is dropped in the collection plate, a church staff member hears of a need, or a Stephen Minister just sees a need—and we respond. At that point, a referral is made to a Stephen Minister and confidential care can begin by a phone call or a personal visit. It is then that trust is built and people can begin to sort things out together as love heals and wholeness is restored.

Who are the Stephen Ministers at Westminster? At this time, there are 15 people at Westminster who have received 50 hours of initial training in important caring ministry skills and concepts: Rev. Mary Arnold (Leader), Steve Allard, Kay Basler, Suzanne Coleman, Jerry Hewitt, Lois Kahler, Phyllis Lindsay, Loren & Val Nuebauer, Vicki Roland, John & Beth Roof, Jackie Strother, Randy Walton and Sue Winegarden. If you do not know them, they are easily identified by the blue badges they wear at church.

If you, or someone you know, might benefit from the caring comfort of a Stephen Minister, please call the Church Office at 366-7185 for referral to a Stephen Ministry leader.

Stewardship=Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

First, the good news! Did you read recently that colleges in Iowa are pushing to cut the use of bottled water? They are providing free reusable metal bottles to students, and installing water refilling stations across campus to make it easier to refill the bottles. Just a reminder: you should never reuse your plastic store-bought bottles (if you still use them). The chemicals are released into the water the more the bottle is used. It is always cheaper and safer to drink tap (or filtered if it makes you feel better) water than to buy bottled. Obviously, drinking water is important to our health, but do you remember when people used to walk around with empty hands and drank water at home?

Now, the bad news. A recent study shows that one person throws away 102 **TONS** of garbage in a lifetime. I hope that makes you think a little the next time you head for the garbage can. Can this be recycled? Should I have used paper plates, or washed my own dishes? Why did I buy plastic plates and "silverware" when paper or washing my own plates and silver would have been more responsible? I recently saw a pop-up recycling container that you can take with you to picnics, have at your parties, take camping, etc. so that you can take those plastic cups (never styrofoam) home to recycle, or even better, wash and reuse. You can also order compostable plates. They decompose in the garbage, and are the same that Larry and Karol Cooper use for breakfast at Westminster. Summer is a great time to go green, not only for yourself, but for this wonderful world God gave us to be good stewards for. We don't need more Mt. Trashmores!

With blessings,
Marilyn Lodge

Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
"When did I see you hungry?"

Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry Needs:

June - Pork & Beans, Jello, Tuna Helper, Powder Laundry Soap
Canned & Boxed food; no jars please. Standard size cans,
as most of our guests walk to the pantry.
Toilet Paper & personal products always needed.

Adult Mission Trip

We will have a meeting with regard to our adult mission trip this fall to Joplin, MO on Sunday, June 3rd at 10:00 a.m. between worship services in the Family Life Center. We will cover cost, transportation, and learn a little about our hosts for the week, 1st Presbyterian in Joplin. We will try to cover any questions you may have. As you may recall, we will arrive in Joplin on Sunday, September 30th and will work until Friday, October 5th. This is our chance to give back to the church that stayed and worked with us during the flood of 2008, and to a community that suffered extreme devastation from an EF-5 tornado last May. So far, 21 people have shown interest in going on the trip. If you have considered going and are curious to see what it's all about, please join us!

From the Knitting Basket...

A blogger named Yarn Harlot writes that knitting is "like playing the piano or writing." "You won't learn to become an accomplished knitter unless you do it." The more we practice knitting, the more beautiful our results. With practice, we increase our knowledge and skills of everything we do. This same concept applies to studying God's Word. When we invite God in, He becomes a part of our hearts. But we need to practice with regular church attendance, joining small groups, reading and studying God's Word. His Love changes our actions, decisions, and choices. We get beautiful results by "practicing" our faith.

Linda Smith

June 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 5:30 pm Worship in Atrium
1 9:00 am Worship in FLC 10:30 am Worship in Sanct. **Installation of Officers** 6:30 pm Emmaus	4	5 9:15 am Staff Mtg 3:30 pm Loaves & Fishes	6 6:30 pm EnterActive 7:00 pm Men's Small Grp	7 9:15 am Kindred Spirits 11:30 am Staff Lunch 4:30 pm Kids' Closet	8	9 10:00 am Kids' Closet 5:30 pm Worship in Atrium
10 9:00 am Worship in FLC 10:30 am Worship in Sanct. 12:00 pm Potluck in FLC 2:05 pm WPC @ Kernels 6:30 pm Emmaus	11 9:30 am SAM	12 9:15 am Staff Mtg 3:30 pm Loaves & Fishes 6:30 p.m. Mission Mtg	13 9:30 am 3rd Ave Churches 6:30 pm EnterActive 7:00 pm Men's Small Grp	14 7:00 pm Young Adult Lf Grp	15	16 10:00 am Loaves & Fishes 5:30 pm Worship @ Park
17 **Father's Day** 9:00 am Worship in FLC 10:30 am Worship in Sanct. 6:30 pm Emmaus	18 Newsletter Deadline 4:30 pm Finance Meeting 6:30 pm Communications	19 9:15 am Staff Mtg 3:30 pm Loaves & Fishes 6:30 pm Session Meeting	20 6:30 pm EnterActive 6:30 pm Cong. Life Mtg 7:00 pm Men's Small Grp	21 9:15 am Kindred Spirits 9:00 pm College Dinner	22	23 5:30 pm Worship in Atrium
24 9:00 am Worship in FLC 10:30 am Worship in Sanct. Freedom Fest Choir 6:30 pm Emmaus	25 7:00 pm Property Meeting	26 9:15 am Staff Mtg 3:30 pm Loaves & Fishes Proof Newsletter	27 6:30 pm EnterActive 7:00 pm Men's Small Grp Print Newsletter	28 7:00 pm Young Adult Lf Grp Mail Newsletter	29	30 5:30 pm Worship in Atrium

June 18th is the deadline for the July Newsletter. Contact Christina in the office or email your information to westmin@crwpc.org.