

Voice of Westminster



September 2025

Sometimes simplicity and brevity are more powerful than a cascade of words. "Be still and know that I am God," (Psalm 46:10) is one of those verses that does not need a commentary, just humble obedience. What a great way to start each day!

Pastor Roger



ROBYN MOON

If you do not know this is Robyn. She joined in worshipping here at Westminster about a year ago. We are happy to have Robyn here. Below she writes to us what encouraged her to return to worshipping:

When my husband Ken passed away I felt motivated to return to Westminster. I felt the need to be around people so I started volunteering at Loaves and Fishes also. After losing Ken, as well as doing Gods work to help those in need, I am feeling better.

I also am a part of a sorority chapter and it is a service sorority. The sorority has voted L & F to be one of our service projects to donate money and or items to in the next year. I am happy to be back and be apart of the happenings at Westminster.



LOAVES & FISHES UPDATE

As L & F enters our second month of operation in WPC, I am happy to report that the transition has gone fairly smoothly. Our numbers are back up to 135 as word has gotten around that we are open again. We have established our basic operation methodology and there are several benefits to the building for our clientele such as more restrooms and much more space. There is a bit more set up work for the volunteers as we section off the FLC on Tuesdays. We have acquired a new cooler via a grant since we moved in. Unfortunately we have found that some foods that we used to get from HACAP are not available this summer, specifically bread and sweets and some produce. These food items have been siphoned off for the governor's food boxes for school children. We have been able to get some bread via a partnership with NFI which, while we are thankful for the resource, is also much more work for our already stretched thin volunteers. The governor's food box "program" is also dependent on the same community volunteers to pack and distribute their boxes which is yet another strain on the non-profits like L & F. Hopefully when school resumes, so will the normal flow of food stuffs. I want to encourage the members of WPC to consider volunteering to see your mission up close. Dear Val Neubauer is stepping up into a leadership role in L & F and we are so excited have her, her energy, and her creative spirit! While I often describe the hardships many of our clientele bear, you should know that nearly all of our clients are grateful, humble, friendly, kind and gracious. - Jan Kosowski





PIE IN THE PARLOR

Sunday, August 3 the members of Westminster were to sample many different kinds of fruit pies. Hopefully people have now changed their minds on what flavor of fruit pie is their favorite! Ann Buckheister, Barb Read and Joyce Sedlacek put this delicious spread of pies together with the help of a few bakers to bring this wonderful fellowship time after the church service. This is definitely going to become a tradition every year.



BACK TO SCHOOL

While WPC's Mission Committee was not able to fully participate in the Back-to-School Giveaway with Beacon of Light this year, WPC's Loaves & Fishes Mission was able to contribute 100 bottles of laundry detergent to this event. The giveaway was September 23rd at the church. Thank you, WPC members, for your support of L & F!

DID YOU KNOW?

The old house next to the parking lot was once owned by WPC and housed our Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry. The church sold the house to Willis Dady and it is named the Westminster House. It is used to house veterans. This week it was reported that the Lowe's Hometowns project has awarded \$50K to make the first floor of this house ADA compliant so veterans in wheelchairs can be housed there. There are four residences in the house. Renovations begin in September and include things like wider hallways and doorways, lower counters and special showers. We can be happy knowing that WPC has played a role in providing housing for these men!



SHOW YOU CARE, SEND A CARD

Westminster has started a new program to help stay in touch with the homebound or someone who is ill or just anybody! Val Neubauer introduced "Show You Care, Send a Card" at the July 13 Sunday service. The cards are available in the Large Parlor. All you need to do is write a kind message. Office Manager, Lisa Freeman, will address the envelopes. Just put the person's name on the front of the envelopes. There is also a copy of the prayer list and a birthday list for the current month. Leave your card in the basket provided. Stop by the church anytime during office hours to fill out a card if you aren't able to on a Sunday.



Calendar: Special Events

Sept 1 - Office Closed for Labor Day
Sept 4 - First Lutheran Bible Study - 9:45am
Sept 7 - Communion Sunday
Sept 7 - Miniature Golf & Lunch 12:00 (noon) @ Twin Pines Golf Course
Sept 8 - Property Meeting 1pm
Sept 8 - Deacons Picnic 6:00pm @ Guthridge Park
Sept 8 - Mission Meets 6:30pm
Sept 13 - The Big AA Meeting 4:00pm FLC
Sept 15 - Finance Meets 4:30pm
Sept 16 - Session Meets 6:30pm
Sept 21 - B.O.L Community Dinner 12:30pm FLC
Sept 28 - Sunday Supper Fellowship 5pm

Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry will be every Tuesday from 2:30 - 5 p.m. at Westminster.

Access the updated WPC calendar at crwpc.org/calendar

Calendar: Regular Events

Sundays

Worship 10am - Sanctuary
 Beacon of Light 11:30am - Chapel
 EGPC 1:30pm - Old Dining
 Chorale Midwest 3:00pm - Choir Rm. & Lg. Parlor
 NA (Face Anything/Fear Nothing) 5pm - Atrium

Mondays

Bridge 11 a.m.-4pm - FLC
 Marion Gospel Hall Youth Group 7pm - Atrium

Tuesdays

L&F Pantry 2:30 - 5pm - Downstairs
 Beacon of Light (100 in 24) 6pm



This Month's Birthdays

Kathie Lane	September 6
Becky Ranck	September 6
Barb Mumford	September 8
Jan Kosowski	September 9
Gary Teig	September 14



This Month's Anniversaries

Doug & Patricia Horton	September 7
Jim Jr. & Jennie Shanklin	September 8
Tim & Susan Winegarden	September 15
Richard & Sherry Cornish	September 27

ATTENTION - If your birthday or anniversary does not appear in the specific month please contact the office so we can get your information updated.

Liturgist Schedule for August

September 7 - Brian Read
September 14 - Pam Richardson
September 21 - Jan Walton
September 28 - David Basler

Wednesdays

Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. - Atrium
Prayer Shawl Ministry-1 & 3 Wednesdays
9:30 a.m. - Small Parlor
WPC Chancel Choir Practice 7:00pm - Choir Room

Thursdays

First Lutheran Bible Study 9:30am every Thur.
thru Sept. 11, 2025
NA (Face Anything/Fear Nothing) 5pm - Atrium

Fridays

Office Closed

Saturdays

Office Closed
EGPC 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Old Dining
NA (Steps in the Right Direction) 11am - Atrium
NA (Sister & Brothers of Serenity) 5:30pm Atrium

Greeters

1st Sunday - Jim Fine
2nd Sunday - Terry Perkins
3rd Sunday - Brian Read
4th & 5th Sunday - Kupka's or Neubauers

**Greeters please be in foyer between 9:30
- 9:45 a.m.**



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