

## *Voice of Westminster*



### **Building Relationships through Service July 2024**

When I started here February 1, 2019, I made the observation that just as *Realty is Location, Location, Location, Ministry is Relationship, Relationship, Relationship*. One of the best ways to begin and develop relationships is through serving others. In fact our mission statement begins with; “We are a servant church...” In July we continue to have wonderful opportunities to serve others through offering ourselves and our time in the *Summer Meal Enrichment Program* held at St. Paul’s United Methodist Church and *Grillin’ Wednesdays* July 10, 17, 24, 31 held outdoors at WPC (where we will serve our neighbors food from 5-7pm). We need those willing to make these both successful by volunteering of their time, and interacting with those God sends. Don’t miss these wonderful opportunities! **Pastor Roger**



### His Hands Free Clinic Shoe Drive

Last week, June 17-21, 2024, Westminster hosted His Hands Shoe Drive. The workers from His Hands sorted and bagged over 21,000 pairs of shoes. It was a very busy week for all. Each bag contains 25 pairs of shoes. You do the math....21,000 divided by 25 and that will tell you how many bags Westminster is storing. The picture below is the children's Sunday School room and as you can see it is literally filled to the doorway with bags and they are stacked at least 6' in the air. His Hands may not have broke the world record of most shoes collected in one week but they sure did fantastic. It is great to see a non-profit find a way to support their endeavor in such a way that it funds them but also lets the community know they are out here to help those with no insurance or under insured. What a great thing for Westminster to be a part of.



### Building Better Bridges - Longest Day Alzheimer's Fundraiser 2024

The bridge club, Build Better Bridge (BBB), that holds a weekly game in the Family Life Center, dedicated a full day to raise money for Alzheimer's.

The American Contract Bridge League has sponsored a partnership with Alzheimer's for the last 12 years. They have earned millions of dollars, a million last year alone, to fight this disease. They encourage individual clubs across the US to hold multiple games.

BBB held three games on Monday, June 17, with 27 total tables in play for the three sessions. They were able to raise about \$3300 for Alzheimer's. They had a free lunch and a speaker, Marc, who informed the group about Alzheimer's.

BBB thanks Pastor Roger leading us in prayer and Westminster for allowing us to use the space for this special day.





## Men's Breakfast Hosts Speaker

On June 12, Erin Foster from Linn County Mental Health Access Center spoke at the Men's Breakfast. She explained how the center operates and the procedures they follow. She explained what they do for people and how the program works from beginning to end. She said it's overwhelming how many people reach out in Linn County for mental or substance abuse emergency help. Can you imagine how many don't?



## Spring Clean-up 2024 was a Success!

On Saturday, June 15, several members and Troy from Hope CDA met together and cleaned up the church property. Many hands make light work and we had many hands. Thanks to Doug Horton, Dave Cosgrove, Brian Read, Veronica and Jo Jo, Jan Kosowski, Pastor Roger, David Basler and Tim & Sue Winegarden. These people worked hard and side by side together and had the property looking great in less than 3 hours. Way to go guys!



## Calendar: Special Events

- July 1 - Deacons Meet 5:00 p.m.
- July 4 - Independence Day
- July 8 - Property Meets 1 p.m.
- Mission Committee 6:30 p.m. (zoom)
- July 10 - First Grillin' Wednesday 5 p.m.
- July 15 - Finance Meets 4:30 p.m.
- July 16 - Session Meets 6:30 p.m.
- July 17 - Second Grillin' Wednesday 5 p.m.
- July 24 - Third Grillin' Wednesday 5 p.m.
- July 25, 26, 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1 & 2 - Westminster Days @ St. Pauls Summer Meals
- July 31 - Last Grillin' Wednesday 5 p.m.



## This Month's Birthdays

James Boardman	July 3
James Shanklin, Jr	July 7
Samantha Johnson	July 11
Sara Tyler	July 11
David Leeper	July 14
Sharon Dewey	July 17
Pam Richardson	July 17
Dick Trotter	July 21
Don Damsteegt	July 31



**NO ADULT ED, SUNDAY BREAKFAST OR  
CHOIR PRACTICE UNTIL NEXT FALL**

Access the updated WPC calendar at  
[crwpc.org/calendar](http://crwpc.org/calendar)

## Calendar: Regular Events

### Sundays

Worship 10 a.m. - Sanctuary  
Beacon of Light 11:30 a.m. - Chapel  
Beacon of Light Community Dinner every  
other Sunday starting on 4/7  
EGPC-1:30 p.m. - Old Dining

### Mondays

Bridge 11 a.m.-4 p.m. - FLC  
Women in Action 7 p.m. - FLC

### Tuesdays

L&F Pantry 2:30-5 p.m.  
Beacon of Light (100 in 24) 6 p.m.

### Wednesdays

Men's Breakfast 7:30 a.m. - Atrium  
Prayer Shawl Ministry-1 & 3 Wednesdays  
9:30 a.m. - Small Parlor

### Thursdays

Beacon of Light (Youth Group) 6 p.m.

### Fridays

Office Closed

### Saturdays

Office Closed  
EGPC 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Old Dining

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## Liturgist Schedule for July

July 7- Dick Trotter  
July 14 - Jan Kosowski  
July 21 - Ben Fashimpaur  
July 28 - Jill Grandia

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## 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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## About Your Newsletter

The "Voice of Westminster" newsletter will no longer be mailed to you but delivered to your email inbox. This was approved by Session. Homebound members will still receive a printed copy as many do not have access to a computer. Printed copies also will be available in the large parlor kiosk.



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