



Updates & Announcements



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Sunday Book Study: Strength to Love - Sermons by Martin Luther King, Jr.

Reading Assignment & Discussion Questions - We have a great group of folks who gathered last week on Zoom for our first discussion of Strength to Love, a book of sermons by Martin Luther King, Jr. Our reading assignment for this coming Sunday is Chapters 4-7. Here are the discussion questions for each sermon:

- What are the main points of this sermon?
- How do you think this sermon addresses the conditions of the congregation who first heard it?
- How does this sermon speak to our contemporary situation? Our nation right now? Our community? Our church and its mission?
- How does this sermon speak to you, personally?

Reading Assignments for future:

January 24: Chapters 8-11

January 31: Annual Meeting of the Congregation (no book study)

February 7: Adult Forum (no book study)

February 14: Chapters 12-15



**Congregational Meeting
January 31**

Please join us via zoom for Westminster's annual meeting at 11:00am on Sunday, January 31. Zoom link will be emailed that morning.



Homebound Highlights (rotating each week): Patrick Mullin, Bucky Pike, Lou Ann Schermerhorn, Nell Seiberlich, Shirley Toomey

Members & Friends: Betty



Smith, Dianne Stevens, Lisa
Jones, Seema Tahir, Hugh
Moss, Carla McCann

-Join us for children's Sunday School this Sunday at 10:00am with Troy Lepien! Look for the zoom link on Sunday morning. To check out the lesson [CLICK HERE](#).

- Let's "make a joyous sound unto the Lord" this week! Join Amy today for a fun song time called "My God is So Great." [CLICK HERE](#) to sing along (look below the video for lyrics!)

Wednesday Bible Study

The Wednesday Bible Study will begin a new study of the *book of Acts* starting on February 3, 2021 with Rev. Jessica Salt. The weekly class will run on Wednesdays, from 12:30-2 pm, via Zoom (or phone), February 3-May 12, 2021. All are welcome!

"The book of Acts chronicles some of the most important events in Christian history: the coming of the Holy Spirit, the birth of the early church, the scattering of Jesus's disciples around the globe, and more. We will explore the biblical text to better understand the history-shaping events that took place in the years following Christ's resurrection paying particular attention to highlights of the gospel of grace throughout the book, connections with the Bible's overarching story of redemption, and theological doctrines taught or reinforced through Scripture." Please let Katie know if you would like to join and need a book info@westminstermadison.org or 608-238-3121.

Collect for the Collab

The Madison West High Area Collaborative (**MWHAC**) at Westminster that feeds over 400 families a week is holding a fundraising auction! Currently they are seeking donations of items or experiences to include in our silent auction and are looking to our community for help. Perhaps you or someone you know owns a local business, has a special talent to share or just has something of value they are looking to donate. Help us canvas the community to make this an auction to remember. We are collecting auction donations until **January 15th! Please contact Alexa Wautier asap if you can help** at 608-320-6929 or anpaliwal@hotmail.com for more details. The auction will be January 28-February 4 - [CLICK HERE](#) for the website. More details coming soon.



Staff

Scott Anderson, Pastor

Joe Chrisman, Minister of Music

Amy Poland, Childrens Ministries Coordinator

Katie Bencze, Church Admin

Dorothy Blotz, Accompanist

Vern Forsberg, Pastor Emeritus

Helping the MWHAC

Now through the end of January, there is an easy way for everyone to help the collaborative's grocery delivery program (housed at Westminster).

The collaborative has been selected by Metcalfe's Market as the Charity of the Month for January 2021. This means you get a 5% discount and the collaborative gets 5% donated to them (up to \$1000) for all in store purchases. Just make sure to use the below barcode flyer below while shopping throughout January. For a printable/larger version of the flyer [CLICK HERE](#).



Plates For 8

Now that the new year has started, the Fellowship committee will be putting together Plates for 8 groups to meet over Zoom. It's not too late to sign up! If you would like to participate via Zoom or would like to be notified when in-person meetings are available again, please email Lynnette Tortorich at lynnetteet@outlook.com by the end of January.

KGSA - Westminster's Global Mission Partner - Opens for Instruction

Kibera Girls Soccer Academy (KGSA) announces that following COVID-19 guidelines they have been able to open their doors again. Due to the pandemic they have been closed since March 2020, causing the girls to need to repeat their current grade level education in 2021.

Westminster's global mission budget donated \$250 to KGSA for pandemic support. From April to August 2020 based upon the generosity of their partners, they were able to redirect funding to provide 175 families, (approximately 875 people) with food, soap, and cooking fuel. That was the equivalent of nearly 100,000 meals.

2021 might be the year that dormitory construction will be completed to house 40 students in a pilot program on campus. The Obama Foundation's Girls Opportunity Alliance is behind this effort. Check the global mission bulletin board for pictures of the construction project.

Newsletter

Find all of the latest Westminster announcements and church happenings in the new January Newsletter - [CLICK HERE](#) to check it out!

A New Way to Give!

Online giving is another easy paperless contribution option that uses debit or credit card transactions as a payment system. This is different from Automatic Withdrawal in that the transactions are handled through a third party vendor. To contribute using a debit or credit card, follow the [THIS LINK](#) to our secure giving site. **Please make sure to specify the name of the offering in the "notes" part of the second page.** You do not have to create account unless you want to save your information for quicker use in the future.



There is even a phone-friendly app that you can also use for this online donation. Download Give Plus from your phone's app store. Then just search for us by zip code "53711." Look for Westminster Presbyterian (make sure it's at 4100 Nakoma Rd. in Madison) and then you can donate. Just click "give now" and follow the prompts. (You do not need to create an account to donate unless you want your information stored by Vanco for future use.)

This is a great and convenient option for special offerings, but please note that 2% of your contribution is used to pay transaction fees, so for pledges, we still highly recommend Automatic Withdrawal. You can contact Katie in the office for more information 608-238-3121.

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