



Updates & Announcements March 4, 2021

All-Church Game Day March 14!

Fun! Prizes! Friendly Competition! Join the Education Committee on Sunday, **March 14th at 4 pm** for an Intergenerational Game Day event. We will be playing games appropriate for all-ages on Zoom. (The zoom link to join will be in the announcements that day.) Join us for games of Heads or Tails, Bingo, and Scattergories. Unique Bingo cards can be downloaded free at this website: bingobaker.com#1228516. You can play these Bingo cards directly on your computer, tablet, or phone or print cards out ahead of time. **If you would like to have Bingo cards sent to your home, please sign up [HERE](#) (and let us know by **March 8** so we can mail them).** Paper and a pencil are recommended for Scattergories. That's all you need! So pop some popcorn, gather your crew and join the fun! Questions? Feel free to contact Amy: amy@westminstermadison.org.



Click on the image to see Pastor Scott's weekly announcements:



- Children's Story: Today's story is about Jesus celebrating the Passover (the Last Supper) with his disciples based on Mark 14: 12-25. Click on the following words for the: [STORY](#), [VIDEO](#), [COLORING PAGE](#)



Check out the latest happenings at Westminster in the March Newsletter [HERE](#).



Homebound Highlights (rotating each week): Jack Hamann, Gloria Hanson, Margie Knott, Hugh Moss, Wade Waggener

Members & Friends: Betty Smith, Dianne Stevens, Seema Tahir, Carla McCann, Barb Vogesang, Sara Pope and family, the Fletcher family

- Kids: Join Liane Kosaki this Sunday at 10:00am for a special talk about prejudice and stereotypes. Over the next few weeks we will focus on our Lenten theme of anti-racism. [Attached HERE](#) are some resources for reading if you'd like to start the conversation at home.

Lenten Book Study tonight (3/4) at 7:00pm!

Anxious to Talk About It: Helping While Christians Talk Faithfully about Racism
By Carolyn B. Helsel - led by Pastor Scott. Books are still available in the church office (\$16) so let us know if you want one. Here is the reading schedule (so for tonight read chapter 3):

- March 4** Mapping Racial Identity Development (Chapter 3)
- March 11** Listening to Different Stories about Race (Chapter 4)
- March 18** Expressing Gratitude (Chapter 5)
- March 25** Spiritual Practices for Race Talk (Chapter 6 and Conclusion)

[CLICK HERE \(zoom link\) to join the Thursday study.](#) Having trouble? Go to zoom.us and enter the following: Meeting ID: 874 7287 3078
Passcode: 299773

Calling All "Actors" for Passion Sunday Reader's Theatre

Pastor Scott is looking for 9 participants for our Reader's Theatre version of the passion story from the Gospel of Mark. We need both men and women, of all ages! There will be no costumes, and no lines to memorize. Everyone will be reading from a script from various locations at the front of the church.

Palm/Passion Sunday, the first day of Holy Week, falls on Sunday, March 28 this year. We will hold a one-hour rehearsal from 8:30a-9:30a on Saturday, March 27, and video tape the entire worship service immediately following the rehearsal. Expect to stay no later than 11 am that Saturday. Masks are required, and we will be socially distanced throughout.

Interested? Send an email to Pastor Scott at

Scott@westminstermadison.org. Deadline to respond is Thursday, **March 11.**

Special Mission Update: 3pm this Saturday- All are welcome!

Westminster continues to support the Kibera Girls Soccer Academy (KGSA) in Kenya. This school began as a safe-haven for girls growing up in Kibera, the largest slum in Kenya, but has evolved into a thriving school that provides these

Agrace Offers Three Virtual Grief Support Groups

This spring, three professionally led Agrace grief support group series will meet virtually (accessible with a tablet, computer or smartphone). For details, fees or to register, visit Agrace.org/GriefGroups or call (608) 327-7118.

-Bridges Support Group for adults meets every other Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Pre-registration is required.

-Journey Through Grief for adults meets Thursdays, March 18 to April 22, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Pre-registration is required.

-Spouse/Partner Loss Support Group for adults meets Wednesdays, April 21 through May 26, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Pre-registration is required.



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girls with unimaginable opportunities. This school now provides FREE secondary education and an opportunity to attend college to 130 girls living in Kibera.

Join the mission community **this Saturday, 3/6/21 at 3:00 pm via Zoom** and meet the new Executive Director, Katy Troyer, of KGSA Foundation which is the US-based organization who provides the financial and technical assistance to KGSA. She will be updating us on the foundation and answering questions. [CLICK HERE](#) to join the zoom call at 3pm Saturday. Or go to zoom.us and enter: Meeting ID: 873 2823 7777 Passcode: 918169

Dorothy Blotz, Accompanist
Vern Forsberg, Pastor
Emeritus

For Sunday Worship and Bulletins, click the image below:



Online Giving:

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.

LENTEN ADULT FORUMS

Sundays at 11:45am via Zoom

Join us this Sunday at 11:45am for a Lenten Adult Forum

Guest Speaker: This week at our adult forum we will hear from Dan Davidson, Principal at our partner school, Thoreau Elementary. He will provide information on disparities at the local level and the specific situation at Thoreau, our Adopt a School partner. He will also discuss what we can do as a partner to the school to reduce disparities. Look for the zoom link in Sunday's email.

Powerpoint from Last week's Speaker

Gloria Ladson-Billings was kind enough to pass along the powerpoint that she presented in last Sunday's forum. [CLICK HERE](#) to view it.

One Great Hour of Sharing

Around the world, millions of people face challenges to obtain food, clean water, sanitation, education and opportunity. For more than 70 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has provided a way to share God's love with our neighbors to help meet these hardships.

Your OGHS gifts will support Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP) Grants, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Programs (PDA) and Self-Development of People (SDOP) Grants. These programs and grants work to serve individuals and communities from initial disaster response to ongoing community development. For example, 94 grants totaling over \$1 million and impacting 20 countries were given through the PHP. This helped purchase food, animals, land, water and seeds to help alleviate hunger and support sustainability. In 2019, 5,676 volunteers served on PDA work teams and in 2020, \$6.5 million was granted in the US and 56 countries for disaster relief, over half of which was for COVID-19

response. The SDOP committee works with economically poor communities around the world to overcome oppression and injustice. Since SDOP's began, over 5,000 projects have been supported that have worked to aid communities to find solutions to their own challenges and improve their lives. The OGHS offering will be collected through Easter Sunday. You can send/drop off a check to the church or even use our online giving system. (Please be sure to write OGHS in the memo/notes when donating). *When we all do a little, it adds up to a lot.*

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