

WESTMINSTER NEWS

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



JUNE AT WESTMINSTER

Worship @ 9:45 am

- June 3** **Second Sunday after Pentecost-Communion Sunday**
Lectionary: I Samuel 3:1-10, Ps. 139:1-6, 13-18,
2 Cor. 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-3:6
Focus Text: Mark 2:23-3:6
Sermon: Putting Sabbath in its Place; Scott Anderson preaching
- June 10** **Third Sunday after Pentecost**
Lectionary: I Sam. 8:4-11, 16-20; Ps. 138; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1;
Mark 3: 20-35
Focus Text: Mark 3:20-35
Sermon: What Makes a Family? Scott Anderson preaching
- June 17** **Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**
Lectionary: I Samuel 15:34-16:13; Ps. 20; 2 Cor. 5:6-10, 14-17;
Mark 4:26-34
Focus Text: Mark 4:26-34
Sermon: Small is Huge; Scott Anderson preaching
- June 24** **Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**
Lectionary: I Sam. 17 32-39; Ps. 9:9-20; 2 Cor. 6:1-13;
Mark 4:35-41
Focus Text: Mark 4: 35-41
Sermon: Storm Tossed Faith; Scott Anderson preaching

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Thank
you*

I wish to thank Westminster members and friends for their prayers for my sister, Louise (Lathrop) Hemstead of LaFarge, WI, who grew up in Westminster Church. She passed away on May 15 at the age of 57 after a 1 1/2 year battle with cancer and its complications. She was a highly awarded leader in the national ELCA (Lutheran church) and in her field of organic agriculture. Recently an endowment was set up at the U.W. for scholarships in her name to women students with leadership qualities in agriculture. You may google her obit at: Obituary for Louise Hemstead, LaFarge, Wisconsin. Again, thank you very much for your care and support. Sincerely, Mary Lathrop

Westminster is Amazing!

Thank you to all that contributed to the Thoreau Summer Reading Program! We have raised over \$6,300. Combine that with the Granquist's matching funds and we have \$11,300, which means that we can fund this wonderful program for 2 years! Pamela Quin shared the news and this was the reply: *I can't begin to thank you and the Westminster Presbyterian Church community for the tremendous support of Thoreau Elementary School and its most vulnerable families! I am "over-the-moon" delighted that thanks to your efforts and the generosity of many Westminster Presbyterian members, Kelly McCann will be able to continue her incredibly important work for two more summers. WOW!! Thank you so very much for sharing such terrific news and for your tremendous leadership.*

*With heartfelt appreciation,
Mary Bartzon, Foundation for Madison's Public Schools*



Community Meal

July 27, 6pm-8pm is Westminster's turn to do the community meal at the Boys and Girls Club in Allied Drive. This is sponsored by the The Allied Dunn's Marsh Neighborhood Association. (ADMNA) The community meal happens monthly and is an opportunity for neighbors to enjoy fellowship and a delicious meal, while learning about local news from ADMNA president Alice Howard. Festive accordion music will permeate the evening, with assistance from children on extra instruments.

We're repeating the menu we had last year: fried chicken made by local Chef Carl Morris, with a salad bar and dessert made by Westminster (cookies/bars).

We need at least 10 volunteers for each category including helpers to serve and clean up at the meal. Please sign up on the poster in the narthex and let Sue B know if you will be bringing your food to the meal or you need us to take it. (Disposable containers are encouraged, but if not, please mark containers clearly so we can return them). We can't do this without your help! Questions? Call Sue Bridson Cell 608-345-3645 or Home 238-0038

A Note from the Worship Committee

The debate rages on, or so it would seem, as to how the church should evolve, or if it should, to gather in the flocks of the non-church going Christians of the world. Here at Westminster the Worship Committee too is vexed by the ongoing questions of what we can do to engage new potential members and if there is a need to reconsider how we worship. We have been tasked with talking with our fellow congregants about the meaning of Presbyterian worship and if the shifting culture context is leading us to consider changes. Now, you likely won't hear buzz words like "contemporary" and "traditional" in part because these not only unfairly frame the conversation but also because they really fail to capture the point. Contemporary simply defined means occurring simultaneously or in the present while traditional means existing in or as part of a tradition or long established habit. Thus a contemporary worship can be traditional just as much as traditional worship is contemporary. The real question before us then is whether our worship service and style is inviting to visitors and new members or if we have become so engrained in tradition, or habit, that we have created a ritual that makes it more difficult for someone to engage. We ask only for your honest and prayerful responses as we try to discern the path ahead.

Speaking of tradition, we have arrived at summer which means the annual rite of passage as we...wait, we won't be changing our worship time? That's right Westminster friends, no need to set your alarms earlier because **worship time will remain at 9:45**. Due to popular demand we will continue with our current worship time through the summer. See how easy that was to create a new tradition contemporaneously? See you on Sunday!

An Update on the Hayes Family Fundraiser

Together we have raised over \$5,700 for the Hayes family and their nonprofit Casting Off Globally! They are so deeply appreciative and wanted to share a word of thanks personally...

There are few, if any, words that can truly capture the appreciation our family wants to express for the outpouring of support shown this past weekend. First, we want to express our thanks to the Mission Committee for their initiative in putting together the luncheon. Second, a heartfelt thank you to the Deacons who worked tirelessly to set up Fellowship Hall, solicit lunch contributions, and to create such a welcoming environment. Finally, we would like to thank those who attended and the congregation of Westminster as a whole. Throughout this process you have all provided inspiration at various points as we have wrestled with our plans, our concerns, and of course our joys. Though we still have two months before we depart we can already feel how much you will be missed. We will carry you with us always in our hearts and prayers. We want you to know that we intend to exemplify the warmth, giving, and inclusiveness that you all have shown to us. Everyone who hears our story will know that it was kindled in the fellowship of Westminster. We cannot think of a better way to conclude then by the words of John Kennedy, saying "as we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

With love and appreciation, The Hayes Family



Adult Fellowship Night

Come join us for adult fellowship at Café Hollander on Friday June 29 at 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcome. This is a great way to meet other families at Westminster and enjoy some "kid free" adult time. Contact Sara Hayes with any questions: (608) 260-5131 or saradehayes@gmail.com.

Cheri Krause was kind enough to share the following about her mission trip to Honduras:



Honduras ENT Mission Trip

On March 10, a group of ENT Surgeons, Registered Nurses, Audiologists, and other volunteers, 16 total, boarded an airplane in Madison, WI and flew to Honduras for an ENT medical mission trip. On this trip we perform surgery and see patients in a clinic. For many of us this wasn't the first trip. It was my 7th year on the trip.

We were especially excited to go this year as many medical mission groups cancelled their trips between November 2017 and February 2018. There were massive protests following the election for a new President of Honduras. Many Honduran citizens were killed and injured during these protests. Fortunately for our group the inauguration of the new President was at the end of January and the political unrest was (mostly) over.

Health care for the poor in Honduras is extremely limited and most of them depend on the many medical mission groups to help them receive the care that they need. The poor make up the majority of the population. Most of these people also lack access to decent housing and basic plumbing.

The first day that we were there we saw 85 patients that needed surgery. We had to take care of those that needed surgery the most. Unfortunately we only had enough time and staff to operate on 37 of them. We usually operated on patients between 10 and 12 hours a day, occasionally more.

We also saw almost 400 patients in the clinic over the time that we were Honduras. Many of our patients happened to be children from a local orphanage. We also work with a company that provides free hearing aides to patients after our audiologists do their hearing screenings. If the screenings result in the need for hearing aides, another volunteer makes a mold of the ear for the hearing aide to be manufactured.

The patients and their families that we help each year are so grateful. I am so thankful that God has given me the ability to help them.

Cheri Krause





Weekly Announcements Deadline

Have a weekly announcement? Send them to Katie in the church office no later than Tuesday (of the week that you want it printed). Please keep weekly announcements under 100 words. Katie: info@westminstermadison.org

Summer Newsletter Deadline

We are doing a summer newsletter for July & August, so please submit content for these months by June 15. (Articles are not limited in wording like above). Please also feel free to share any photos from church events and services - we'd love to include them in the newsletter! Katie: info@westminstermadison.org

JUNE BIRTHDAYS



Ann Martin 6/1

Jamie Ringsmuth 6/1

Denise Meier 06/03

Jon Tanke 06/04

Renee Leonhardt 06/05

Thomas Leonhardt 06/07

Tonja Lepien 06/07

Jan Browning 06/08

Joel DeSpain 06/08

Doug Kornetzke 06/11

Ed Cothroll 06/12

Judith Braucht 06/13

Robert Bush 06/13

Jason Kornetzke 06/13

Jeff Zebrowski 06/15

Lynn Chapman 06/18

Cliff Voegeli 06/18

James Siverhus 06/21

Arnold Chandler 06/24

Jean Berndt 06/27

Sandra Curran 06/28

Pamela Vicen 06/28

APRIL SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

Session called for a Congregational meeting on May 20th for the purpose of electing an Elder to fill an open position in the class of 2020. The Nominating Committee will present Merle Brunsting as candidate for the position.

Scott and Ed Cothroll will attend the John Knox Presbytery meeting Christ Presbyterian Church, Oelwein, Iowa on Tuesday, May 15th.

Session approved Mission Committee proposal to hold a neighborhood fund raiser for the Madison Area Jail Ministries on Saturday, September 29th. Education and Mission Committees are exploring intergenerational events for the summer and fall.

Treasurer Dave Granquist reviewed the March financial reports. Monthly Statement of Activities will be available for elders to review after the Stewardship meeting the 3rd Tuesday prior to Session meeting on the 4th. Tuesday. The May Session meeting will be held on the 29th since Scott on leave on the 22nd.



UPDATED WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	Liturgists	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Servers
6/3/2018	Linda Kwiatkowski	Garrett Fletcher	Karen Stephens	Doug Evans
		Julie Madden	Gary Stephens	Liane Kosaki
		Kathy Key		Ed Cothroll
		Betsy Mullin		Jeff Hayes
6/10/2018	Hayes Family	Rhea Schultz	Dave Granquist	
		Judy Graham	Kathy Granquist	
		Paul Bishop		
		Linda Bishop		
6/17/2018	Andrea Kenny	Judy Stone	Doug Halls	
		Marjorie Hamann	Juanita Halls	
		Ed Cothroll		
		Lee DeSpain		
6/24/2018	Meg Adamson	Bob Weber	Abe Aberle	
		Erin Nass	Carrie Aberle	
		Kathy Key		
		Andrea Kenny		

Thank you

Please Keep Us in the Loop

Have a change in address? Are we missing your birthday? Do you have an announcement for the newsletter or weekly insert? Please let us know! Just call or write Katie in the office: info@westminstermadison.org or 238-3121. Newsletter articles are due on the 15th of each month. Weekly insert announcements are due the Tuesday before it is published. Thanks!

JOYS & CONCERNS

Please keep the following members and friends in your prayers for health, peace and wholeness:

Jack Browning, Shirley Toomey, Vern Forsberg, Wade Waggener, Ann Friedley, Marjorie Hamann and son Jack, Peg Zimmer, Nancy Prine



JUNE 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 9:45 AM Worship	28	29	30 7:00 PM AA 7:30 PM Choir Practice	31 9:30 AM Thursday Morning Book Group	1 5:30 PM DBSA	2
3 FOOD SUNDAY 9:45 AM Worship	4	5	6 7:00 PM AA	7 9:30 AM Thursday Morning Book Group	8 5:30 PM DBSA 6:30 PM Shelter Dinner Madinah Last Day of School	9 5:00 AM Shelter Breakfast
10 9:45 AM Worship	11 9:30 AM Knitwits at WPC	12 1:00 PM Esther-Naomi Circle	13 7:00 PM AA	14 9:30 AM Thursday Morning Book Group	15 5:30 PM DBSA 7:00 PM Doin' R Thing Dance	16
17 JUST BAKERY SALE 9:45 AM Worship	18	19 3:00 PM Stewardship	20 7:00 PM AA	21	22 5:30 PM DBSA	23
24 9:45 AM Worship	25	26	27 7:00 PM AA	28	29 5:30 PM DBSA	30

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Ever seeking guidance from the Holy Spirit, we strive to follow Jesus Christ by being...

Attentive to the Word,

Faithful to our covenant with God and each other, and

Diligent in ministering to the needs of the world.

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