



Updates & Announcements August 6, 2020



Click the photo for a weekly message from Pastor Scott

August

Newsletter

Wednesday Bible Study this Fall

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Rev. Jessica Salt will be leading the Fall Bible study in September on the Gospel of Matthew using the Kerygma Resource Book. It will be a fantastic way to delve deeper into a foundation for the Matthew 25 movement with which Westminster has recently connected. For this study we will need to order the resource books which are \$24. So please let the church office know if you need a book by August 12 (email info@westminstermadison.org or call Katie at 238-3121). We hope you can join us!



Children's Time with Amy

-Beads, Bookmarks and Popsicle Sticks (extended)

A reminder that the Take-Out VBS pizza boxes included supplies to make backpack charms and bookmarks for students at Thoreau Elementary School. Please return completed projects to the church office by **August 13th** for distribution to Thoreau students. Decorated popsicle sticks for the Collaborative Popsicle Stick Quilt should



Homebound Highlights (rotating each week):

- Patrick Mullin, Bucky Pike, Lou Ann Schermerhorn, Nell Seiberlich, Hugh Moss

Members & Friends:

- Betty Smith, Kathy Costello, Seema Tahir,

be turned in to the church office by **September 3rd** to be included in this unique art project. For questions email amy@westminstermadison.org.

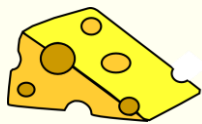
-STORY TIME -[CLICK HERE](#) for a weekly story with Children's Ministry Coordinator, Amy Poland, as we explore God's world. Today's book is "Who Counts?" by Amy-Jill Levine and Sandy Eisenberg Sasso, illustrated by Margaux Meganck, is a creative retelling of three popular parables: the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the prodigal son. As young readers count to help the characters find what's missing, this story teaches that every one of us counts in God's eyes and that everyone should feel counted.

- SUNDAY SCHOOL

Have the kids log on or call in at 10:00 am this Sunday for a fun lesson with Connie Evans! [CLICK HERE](#) for the lesson. To login click this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84720364190?pwd=UTNVTjcweWI0YUR0RThiMUVJWU VXUT09>

Or phone in: 312-626-6799 then enter Meeting ID: 847 2036 4190 and then Password: 566146



A CHEESY THANK YOU!

We are proud to share that because of our generous members, SandyCurran was able to purchase enough cheese to give to every family in the West Collaborative Food Distribution network (in our fellowship hall)! If you put in a personal order, it will be available for pick up at Westminster anytime **after 3:00pm on Wednesday August 12. (Office hours are M-Th 8am-4pm)**. If you need help with pick up, contact Sandy at 608- 469-6100 or email her at ultrascn@charter.net to arrange a delivery. Thank you again for supporting our local farmers and families in need!

Thoreau Back To School Supplies Needed

Although a pandemic time, back to school supplies are still needed by students at our Adopt-a-School Partner Thoreau Elementary School. Virtual school will put a slightly different slant to the needs of the students. When in person schooling resumes, students will not be permitted to bring items from home. So, no backpacks are being requested at this time. Students will require supplies that they can use at their homes, so **pencils (Ticonderoga or Dixon preferred), crayons (Crayola preferred) , paper, notebooks, coloring books, scissors, pens, colored pencils**

Rick Zimmer, Dan Prine, Sara Hayes, Dianne Stevens (friend that donates cards during Christmas for Allied Eviction Prevention)



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and colored markers are requested. You can drop off the items at church or if you are not interested in shopping during a pandemic, we can do it for you. Just make checks payable to Westminster indicating school supplies in the memo line.

Salvation Army Need

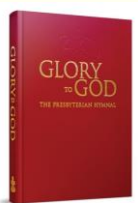
Ruth Hein spoke with a couple of our local charities and identified a couple of needs if anyone has some of these around: the Salvation Army Women and Children's Shelter has a great need for washcloths. The Beacon homeless resource center is in need of men's t-shirts in size large and all the extra large sizes. If anyone would like to donate these, they can bring them to Westminster or contact Ruth Hein. She plans to take over donations by the end of next week (August 13). Ruth: 608-347-4724 or rich4parse@charter.net. Thank you!

Blessing of the Devices August 30th!

Westminster's familiar Blessing of the Backpacks is adjusting to reflect the times this year. Students and non-students are encouraged to grab their computers, phones, iPads and other devices and watch the August 30th worship for a special blessing during the service. This tradition reminds us that God is with us wherever we go and these digital tools of schooling, working and life can be a means by which we serve and bless our neighbor.

Renting from Madison Boats?

If you are renting from Madison Boats, you will find at the end of your reservation that you can donate to a local charity including the Madison West High Area Collaborative, which is the food distribution that is housed right here in Westminster's fellowship hall. This is just one more way to get the word out so feel free to pass it on - madisonboats.com/donate.



Hymnal at Home Program

As online worship continues at Westminster, we are pleased to announce the "Hymnal at Home" program. If you do not currently have a copy of "Glory to God," our denominational hymnal, you may:

1. Borrow one from the church. Contact the church office to request to borrow a hymnal for your home use during the COVID-19 pandemic. Arrangements may be

made for you to either pick up the hymnal from the church office or have someone follow all applicable safety guidelines to deliver a hymnal to you. You will return the borrowed hymnal when the pandemic has ended.

2. Purchase one by contacting the church office who can order it for you. The pew edition of the hymnal, used in the sanctuary, is \$20.00. The large-print edition is \$30.00. An anonymous donor has agreed to cover the costs of shipping. You may make your checks payable to Westminster.

You may request to borrow a hymnal at any time but if you would like to order one for purchase, please let us know **before August 14.**

If you have any questions, please contact the church office at 238-3121 or info@westmintermadison.org or Joe Chrisman, Minister of Music, at westminstermusic@sbcglobal.net.

Join us for Online Coffee Hour Each Sunday at 11:00am!

Grab your coffee and join Pastor Scott and fellow friends for some quality chat time on Zoom. There are two ways to connect: If you have a web camera and microphone on your desktop computer, laptop, tablet, or smartphone, you can join Zoom Meeting this Sunday by clicking this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87266461287?pwd=OERIUHJKbS9mSCtBaGFRVUhXTWJmZz09>

If you don't have a computer (or don't want to use it), you can phone in via a landline or cell **phone: Dial: (312) 626-6799**, follow instructions and then enter **Meeting ID: 872 6646 1287 and Password: 549557**

Mid-Week Coffee Chat

We miss you and we miss each other - so why wait until Sunday for another get-together? Join us on Wednesdays at 10:00am for a zoom chat with your fellow members, friends and Pastor Scott.

Join via zoom by clicking this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85024200857?pwd=aVVJL3BjOUxzQmVBZHdNci9rdVFhZz09>

Or Call: 312 626 6799, then enter **Meeting ID: 850 2420 0857 and Password: 661599**

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