



Updates & Announcements September 2, 2020

Thoreau Community Fundraiser

Stop by the Chocolate Shoppe at Sequoya Commons on **September 3rd from 4 - close**. 20% of the sales from this time period will be donated back to the PTO. Please help spread the word and invite friends and neighbors!

The Chocolate Shoppe Ice Cream Company's Sequoya Commons location is helping the PTO raise funds to provide ongoing scholarship for at risk students who need all day child care with the Wisconsin Youth Company. This will allow students to be supported at Thoreau by child care providers to help with their virtual learning, and provide breakfast and lunch to our students.



The September Newsletter is here! [CLICK HERE](#) to read the latest happenings at Westminster Presbyterian as we kick off the Fall!



Click the photo for a weekly message from Pastor Scott



Children's Time with Amy -**STORY TIME** -[CLICK HERE](#) for a weekly story with Children's Ministry

Coordinator, Amy Poland, as we explore God's world. What do you do when you are afraid? Join Amy as she explores what God says about being afraid in Isaiah 41:10.



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

Members & Friends: Betty Smith, Kathy Costello, Rick

- NO SUNDAY SCHOOL - Enjoy your Labor Day Weekend!

Drive-by Donuts & Prayer Ribbons – on Rally Sunday

Rally Sunday is coming soon – September 13. Fellowship will be providing donuts that can be picked up between 8:30 and 10:00 AM at the Yuma Street entrance. We encourage you to save your donut to share during the Coffee Hour Zoom that morning. If you have not joined us on Zoom for Coffee Hour yet, this would be a great time to try it out. We will also be happy to deliver donuts to anyone who cannot do the drive-by pick-up. If you would like delivery, call Katie in the office at 238-3121. Please let us know by Tuesday, September 8. We also plan to have a sugar-free offering. ALSO - When you pick up your donuts you will have the opportunity to create a Prayer Ribbon. We will give you a length of colorful plastic ribbon and you can write something to pray for on it with a Sharpie pen. We will tie the ribbons to the railings and walkway in front of the church.

Rally Sunday- September 13 - Join us for a special Sunday worship and forum!

Guest Preacher: Jon Anderson, Founder and Executive Director, The Collaboration Project -Westminster welcomes Jon Anderson to our pulpit for Rally Sunday. Jon served as a pastor in the Madison area for twenty years before launching Collaboration Project in 2019. He has a passion for serving the local church and encouraging the church as they serve the most vulnerable. Jon has a history of starting programs centered on engaging the church in local service. He helped begin Madison Missions, a local youth service camp, that engages hundreds of students every summer. He also co-founded the Kingdom Justice Summit which annually brings together hundreds of people from dozens of churches around Christianity and justice in our city. Jon is thrilled to dedicate his time and talents toward bringing churches together for the good of our city.

PLUS A FORUM - Join us at 11:45am on Rally Day via zoom for a special forum with our mission partner **Shannon Murphy, Executive Director of KGSA Foundation.** Shannon joined the KGSA Foundation in April 2016. She holds a master's degree in global social work from Boston College. Prior to joining KGSA, she worked as the director of development for a social enterprise in Nairobi, as well as in various fundraising roles for non-profit organizations in Boston and Bangkok. She is a returned Peace Corps volunteer from Bulgaria and currently lives in Boston. She is thrilled to be a part of the KGSA community!

Focus: Kibera Girls Soccer Academy

Zimmer, Dan Prine, Dianne Stevens, family of Chris Logterman, Lou Ann Schermerhorn



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Scott Anderson, Pastor

Joe Chrisman, Minister of Music

Amy Poland, Childrens Ministries Coordinator

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Dorothy Blotz, Accompanist

Vern Forsberg, Pastor Emeritus

Kibera is the largest urban settlement/slum in Kenya. It is a diverse and vibrant community full of caring and hardworking individuals and families. However, Kibera faces many challenges including high unemployment, poverty, overcrowding, and insecurity. It is underserved by health, education, and sanitation services. Kibera's schools face overcrowding, undereducated teachers, high teacher attrition, and lack of resources to provide necessities including school lunch, water, and sanitary pads. Due to high costs of school fees and materials, many students cannot afford to go to school. The Kibera Girls Soccer Academy works to address these issues by providing quality, affordable education to girls in Kibera. The Academy is supported by mission dollars from Westminster

Blessing of the Animals- Send in your photos!

Thank you for sharing your furry loved ones (below). If you would like your animal to "take part" in our Blessing of the Animals service (September 27), please send us a photo by September 18. You can send them to Katie at info@westminstermadison.org (or by mail if you prefer). If you've sent one in already - thanks!

Nansi Jo Colley teaching virtual class: "Meditation is Easy" at MSCR!

Meditation is Easy! Join us for a straightforward easy meditation practice. We cover techniques for meditation, tools for establishing a daily meditation practice and troubleshooting your meditations. This class is for novices and seasoned meditators alike. Bring a journal and pen. **Sep 10, 2020 to Nov 19, 2020:**

Thursdays- 1pm to 2pm Price: \$39.00 (Resident)

\$54.00 (Non-resident)

Ages: 50 and up

Click this link for registration:

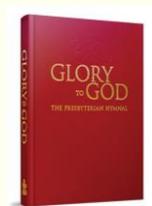
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MADISON WEST HIGH AREA COLLABORATIVE (MWHAC)

Have you been watching the activity in Fellowship Hall of preparing boxes & bags of food for delivery to close to 400 families each week? With teachers returning to the virtual classroom, new volunteers are needed starting in September. Would you like to help? On days and times convenient for you? To signup one week at a time? For the activity of your choice? If the answer is yes, contact Rhea Schultz for more information. (608-841-1878). Thank you!

Intergenerational Recipes

Hello Westminster families! Since we can't gather in person for an intergenerational potluck this year, the Education Committee would love to put together a Westminster Cookbook instead so we can still share our favorite recipes with one another. Please send us your passed-down family recipes or old favorites, along with any special memories or stories that accompany them to Erin Nass, by email erin.e.nass@gmail.com or mail (church address 4100 Nakoma Rd. Madison, WI 53711). In the spirit of a true intergenerational event, please include your kids or grandkids! Do they have special meals they love, around the holidays? We'd like to include them all! Please have all submissions sent in by October 31, and we will work on compiling them and figuring out distribution. Bon appetite!



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 **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. 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**

For Sunday Worship & Bulletins click the image below:



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