



Updates & Announcements September 30, 2021

NOTE: Katie will be on vacation from October 4-7. There will be volunteers in the church office from 9am-1pm. For pastoral emergencies, you may contact the office during that time or Pastor Scott directly.

Newsletter

Our **WPC OCTOBER NEWSLETTER** is now available. [CLICK HERE](#) and catch up on all the church happenings!

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Pastor Announcements



- **Children's Story:** This week is story time with Lucia! "The Baby in the Basket," from Read Aloud Bible Stories vol. 4, by Ella K Lindvall and H Kent Puckett. [CLICK HERE](#)

New Policy for Small Groups Serving Food at Church

Session has adopted a new policy regarding food served indoors for small group settings (such as Women's Circle, committee meetings, etc.). Food can be served for indoor meetings under the following guidelines:



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS...

Homebound Highlights:
Margie Knott, Hugh Moss, Patrick Mullin, Bucky Pike, Joyce Schultze

Members & Friends: Carla McCann, Kelly McCann, Gloria Stange, the parents of Jessica Salt, Ruth Hein & family



Have a hearing aid? We have a hearing loop in our sanctuary! [CLICK HERE](#) for

1. All participants must be fully vaccinated.
2. The group needs to be informed in advance that food will be available.
3. Participants can remove masks and must be socially distanced when eating.
4. Masks must be worn at all times when not eating

[more information!](#)



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

For Sunday Worship and Bulletins, click the image below:



Walk Through Worship

If you haven't joined us lately for in person worship, [CLICK HERE](#) to watch a brief video with Pastor Scott with updated information about in-person Sunday worship and what to expect.

Coffee Hour

A reminder that coffee hour is held outside on the Yuma Street side entrance at church after the service (weather permitting). Please feel free to join us - there is seating available!

Online Giving:

Reminder: Fall Education

Children's time is during worship in room 11 and Adult Sunday School will be after worship in the MJB lounge at 11:00am. This will also be available via zoom (link will be sent Sunday morning). Please note, at this time there will be no children's Sunday School after worship. **The nursery is open again on Sundays from 9:30am-11:45am for children 5 and under with our previous nursery staff.**

Handbells

Are you interested in playing handbells for an upcoming worship service? We would love to have you join us. Please contact Joe Chrisman, Minister of Music, at westminstermusic@sbcglobal.net as soon as possible to indicate your interest.

1¼ Yards of Fleece Needed

Come join the Education and Mission committees on Sunday, October 10 following the service for an intergenerational event to make fleece blankets for Afghan refugee children in Wisconsin. We will be tying fleece blankets (like we did for Project Linus) to give to the children currently housed at Fort McCoy. The Mission committee will be assembling resettlement packages to give to the families (more information will be coming regarding this) including the blankets for the children. Please consider donating 1¼ yards of fleece fabric in child-friendly patterns or \$15 to cover the cost of purchasing fleece to make one blanket by **October 6**. Checks can be made to Westminster with "fleece" in the memo.

Rummage Sale

We have tentatively scheduled the Rummage Sale at Westminster for **Saturday, October 23**. A final decision will be made 2 weeks before depending on volunteers and covid guidelines. As you know, this is a big undertaking and we can't do it without a lot of hands on deck. From set-up to cashiers...please consider helping. There is a sign-up in the Narthex or you can email Katie in the office. For donations, you are welcome to bring them during normal church office hours the week of the Rummage Sale (starting October 18). Please do not bring anything earlier as we currently do not have any available space.

Paper Bags

Thea's Table (who was part of the West Food Collaboration) is in need of paper bags for their weekly food deliveries to families in need. If you have any to spare,

please put them inside the bin that is inside the Yuma doors during normal church hours. Thanks!

Crop Walk - Ending Hunger One Step at a Time

Each year congregations across the United States walk to raise funds to end hunger and poverty through long term sustainable approaches to significantly reduce or eliminate hunger. This year, the Crop Hunger Walk will be held on October 17—you can register to walk or contribute funds to the Crop Walk by going to this link: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2021/event/madisonwi>

Peace and Global Witness Offering THIS SUNDAY

“May the God of Peace ... grant you peace at all times in all ways.”

This is a daring prayer especially in our current time of great division across the world and in our own communities. A gift to the Peace and Global Witness Offering enables the church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of conflict and injustice across the world. 25% of this offering stays with our church to support peace efforts in our own community, 25% stays with our presbytery, and the remainder goes to PCUSA to advocate globally for peace and justice in cultures of violence through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness. We will be collecting the peace offering on World Communion Sunday October 3. Please put “Peace” in check memo.

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.

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