



Updates & Announcements November 5, 2020



Click on photo for the 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. God made all the wonderful things in this world, including you and me. Join Amy for this sweet story written by Dandi Daley Mackall and illustrated by Michelle Neavill.

**- SUNDAY SCHOOL** - Have the kids log on or call in at 10:00 am this Sunday lesson with Connie Evans. [CLICK HERE](#) for the lesson. To login click this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84720364190?pwd=UTNVTjcweWlOYURORThIMUVJWUVXUT09> Or phone in: 312-626-6799 then enter Meeting ID: 847 2036 4190 and then Password: 566146

**Quick Westminster Survey**

During this time of social distancing, the Fellowship Committee has been exploring ways to transform our regular activities so that we can all still have time together. One of our popular yearly programs is the Plates for 8 where a group of 8 (ish) meet regularly and get to know each other. We are proposing that we continue this tradition but with one small change: groups would meet over Zoom. Please fill out this quick survey, [CLICK HERE](#), so that we can judge interest and get this going. Thanks!

**Pledge Cards Please**

This is commitment Sunday (Nov. 8) and we are asking all to please turn in your pledge cards if you haven't already (by mail, phone or online). This is a very important part of our budget process and especially vital these days as we navigate these challenging times. To fill out your pledge card online:

**SUBMIT PLEDGE** [CLICK HERE](#)

**TIME/TALENT** [CLICK HERE](#)

**Thank you for your support as we continue Westminster's mission in**

## Drive By Pie, Advent Wreaths and Food Drive November 15

Let's celebrate Thanksgiving together! On Nov. 15th from 8:30-10am the Fellowship Committee will be serving slices of pie at the Yuma entrance. Come by and enjoy! We are also teaming up with the Mission Committee to hold our annual Thanksgiving food drive (see details below)—so feel free to bring your non-perishable food items to the church when you pick up your pie! Additionally, the Education committee will be giving out Advent wreath kits to all members—so be sure to grab yours. Or, let us know and we would be happy to deliver them (and pick up food donations if you like. If you would like to make a pie for this event, please call the church office at 238-3121.

## Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive - November 15th

COVID-19 has required our congregation to be flexible. We quickly adapted to virtual worship and Zoom meetings. The Fellowship Committee then came up with the "Drive-by" idea: 1st donuts, then cookies, and, on November 15th, PIES! As we enjoy this new event, we don't want to forget Westminster's tradition of collecting food at Thanksgiving for the Allied Food Pantry. We have 2 ways that you can participate. Bring a bag of food with you to the "Drive-by Pie" on November 15th at the Yuma St entrance. Or request pickup at your front door! For the latter, simply call Rhea Schultz (608-841-1878) or Sandy Curran (608-469-6100) NO LATER THAN November 13th to schedule. We will happily pick up your donation that Sunday. If you have a conflict on the 15th, let us know. We'll schedule pickup for Saturday November 14th. **FOOD ITEMS MOST NEEDED DUE TO SUPPLY CHAIN SHORTAGES INCLUDE:** Hearty canned soups, ramen, jelly, canned veggies other than green beans, pasta of various shapes, dry beans, and dry cereal. Personal care items are always appreciated. Thank you for your participation. And an early Happy Thanksgiving greeting!

## Intergenerational Advent Wreath Making Workshop

The Education Committee invites everyone to join us on Sunday, November 22 at 10:30 am for an intergenerational Advent Wreath making Zoom program. Zoom link will be included in the weekly announcements. Advent wreath kits will be available at no cost and can be picked up during the Fellowship Committee's Thanksgiving Pie distribution on Sunday, November 15. Additionally, the wreath kits will be available in the office during the week of November 16 or delivered by special request. Please call the office at 238-3121 if you want your kit delivered.

*Christ's name.*



### Update on Cliff Voegeli

Many have asked about Cliff. He is currently healing at Oakwood East. He is not up for taking calls at this moment, but cards are welcome.

Cliff Voegeli  
Oakwood Prairie Ridge  
5565 Tancho Dr., Rm. 20  
Madison, WI 53718

### Homebound Highlights

**(rotating each week):** Millie Stevens, Shirley Toomey, Wade Waggener, Mayme Williams

### Members & Friends:

Betty Smith, Jerry Donnell, Dianne Stevens, Flora Adams, Lisa Jones, Seema Tahir, Cliff Voegeli, Kurt Hermsen and family



November's Newsletter is ready! [CLICK HERE](#) for all the happenings at Westminster!

## To All Knitters

If you have been knitting hats, mittens and scarfs over the past few months that you want to donate, we have determined that they can be used by Allied Drive neighbors. You can drop them off at church in the office or Kathy Kamp would be happy to pick them up from you and drop them off (give her a call at 608-441-0970). Even though Knitwits can't be together, we can still knit and donate! Adult hats are welcome too!

## Requests from the Madison Area Jail Ministry

Can you help with any of the following? Chaplain Todd has requested WINTER COATS, CHRISTMAS CARDS, & BOOKS for the men & women in the Dane County Jail. 1) Clean, gently used coats of all sizes are needed for those who have none and are released during cold weather months. 2) Christmas cards with heartfelt handwritten messages of encouragement, hope for the future, God's love, or joy for the Christmas season. The cards should have no sequins, glitter, ribbon, wood, cardboard flaps, or envelopes. Sign with first name only. Seeking 15 - 20 more people to each provide 3 cards with handwritten notes. Blank cards are available at the church office. Call Rhea to have some delivered to your home. (Many thanks to those who have already provided cards.) (3) Books to replenish the Chaplain's Library: Consider donating SOFTCOVER books that have inspired you spiritually. Or go to [madisonjailministry.org](http://madisonjailministry.org) and do a search for Wish List. Consider the list of spiritual books requested by inmates. The UW Library at the Jail is closed due to COVID-19. Carts with books are circulated, but those who enjoy reading would like new titles to read. Your favorite gently used books would be appreciated. If you can help with any of these requests, please contact Rhea Schultz (608-841-1878 or [rannschi@gmail.com](mailto:rannschi@gmail.com)) for pickup or drop off. Our deadline is November 16. THANK YOU!

## Fund a Farm

Once again we will collect loose change to raise money for Fund a Farm! We will extend collecting coins through the months of November and December. Through the PCUSA Presbyterian Mission, money collected will be used to donate an agricultural gift to a family so they can raise food and products to use themselves or to sell and provide income for their family. Whether it is a family of chickens that provides eggs, feathers and fertilizer or a pair of goats to provide milk for cheese, butter or yogurt, the donation of animals provides an ongoing gift. Please collect your coins during



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the week and drop them off at the church office or bring them to the Drive Through Pie event on November 15<sup>th</sup>. Set your “alarm cluck” to make it on time or you can mail donations in with a “Hen-velope” in addition to dropping them off in person. Thank you for your generosity every year to this project!

### **Thank you!**

Thank you to everyone who contributed loose change for the September collection for Adopt a Child’s Education (ACEJ program with the Knysna Education Trust in South Africa. They are affected by COVID, as is the entire world. Some of their preschools have opened but many of the ACE children has not returned to school yet due to virus concerns. Some of the schools may need to close due to the financial implications caused by this virus. When the situation with the schools has been evaluated and there is some clarity as to the number of children in the school, we will be assigned a child to sponsor. Until then, we have pledged to continue sponsorship, whether to an individual child or to the program in general. Please keep all the children, families, teachers and administrators of this program in your prayers.

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