



Updates & Announcements November 20, 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. Thanksgiving is coming up and even during hard times, there is still so many things to be grateful for. Join Amy as she explores the first thanksgiving - a story of challenges, family, friends and gratitude.

- SUNDAY SCHOOL - No Sunday School this week. Instead, join us for the Intergenerational wreath making online at 10:30am (below).

Intergenerational Advent Wreath Making Workshop this SUNDAY

The Education Committee invites everyone to join us this Sunday, November 22 at **10:30 am** for an intergenerational Advent Wreath making Zoom program. After, stay on to enjoy coffee hour with Pastor Scott. Zoom link will be included in the Sunday morning email. You can also go to zoom.us and enter the following: Meeting ID: 872 6646 1287 and then Passcode: 549557



Homebound Highlights (rotating each week): Shirley Dieter, Sally & Vern Forsberg, Ann Friedley

Members & Friends: Betty Smith, Dianne Stevens, Lisa Jones, Seema Tahir, Cliff Voegeli, Kurt Hermsen and family, Betty Bush



NOVEMBER Newsletter: [CLICK HERE](#) for all the happenings at Westminster!



Next week we will be email out Westminster's 2020 Advent Devotional booklet which was written by members of our congregation. If you would like a paper copy, you can pick one up at the church or call Katie in the office and we will be happy to mail you one 608-238-3121 or info@westminstermadison.org.

THANK YOU, WESTMINSTER!

When a need is identified, the response of our congregation is always appreciated. And the generosity is never a surprise. Madison Area Jail Ministry thanks you for the Christmas cards, books, and winter coats donated for those incarcerated in the Dane County Jail. Both Mission and Fellowship thank you for the food donations that will help to restock shelves at the Allied Food Pantry. Through the Mission Budget, Westminster has been able to provide the Allied Wellness Center with food cards, gas cards, bus passes, and supplies for its Essentials Pantry. All of these items support its service to the residents of the Allied Neighborhood. Celebrations of Thanksgiving will be different this year. Nonetheless, we wish you a blessed holiday. The Committees for Mission and Fellowship.

Fund a Farm November and December Loose Change

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 the week and drop them off at the church office or bring them to the Drive Through Pie event on November 15th. 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!

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



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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. Even though Knitwits can't be together, we can still knit and donate! Adult hats are welcome too!

Westminster Church Book Drive

As you know, Westminster has been participating in the Angel Tree program at Allied Drive for many years. Unfortunately, this program will NOT take place this year because they are not able to find a way for it to work safely.

But we will still offer an alternative opportunity to help this year. During December, Westminster will be sponsoring a book drive to support the Thoreau School Reading Program. We will be working with Mystery To Me, a local bookstore right here in our own neighborhood.

There are a couple ways you can contribute to this effort including:

1. Dropping off or mailing a check at the church with BOOKS in the memo line and the Mission Committee can use those funds to buy books at Mystery to Me.
2. If you have good children's books that are in like-new condition, you could also donate those. We are looking for board books to give to siblings and picture books for 1-3 graders. If you are cleaning book shelves and have things to donate, there will be a box at church for you to donate them.

As in all things in 2020, we are adapting to our new COVID reality. Thanks for your continued support and flexibility!

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