



Updates & Announcements November 25, 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 tomorrow. If you missed it last week, you can still click above to join Amy as she explores the first thanksgiving - a story of challenges, family, friends and gratitude.

- SUNDAY SCHOOL - No Children's Sunday School this week.

Westminster is pleased to announce a special program for the Advent and Christmas Seasons: "Here We Come A-Caroling!"

Joe Chrisman, Minister of Music, has organized a collaboration among Westminster, Covenant Presbyterian, Christ Presbyterian, and Pres House musicians to create a carol-a-day offering as a devotional enhancement for each congregation. A carol has been recorded for use every day from November 29 through December 25. During the early days of the program, the carols will represent Advent themes. As the program continues, more Christmas Carols will appear. Be sure to check out this Sunday's email for more details and a link to the Carols!



Thank you to all of our friends and members that helped write our 2020 Advent Devotional and to Sandy Curran and Meg Beally for organizing it! The first day of Advent starts this Sunday, November 29. [CLICK HERE](#) to view and read the devotional. Feel free to share this link with family and friends. (Or if you need paper copy, contact the office and we will be happy to mail you one 608-238-3121 or info@westminstermadison.org.)

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 and drop them off at the church office anytime through December. You can also send in checks - just make them to Westminster and put "Farm" in the memo line. Thank you!

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). 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



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

Members & Friends: Betty Smith, Dianne Stevens, Lisa Jones, Seema Tahir, Betty Bush, Francoise Johnson and family (on the passing of her sister), the family of Cliff Voegeli



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donate them.

As in all things in 2020, we are adapting to our new COVID reality.

Thanks for your continued support and flexibility!

Sunday Adult Bible Study and Coffee Chat Online

Remember to join Pastor Scott and fellow Westminsterites at 11am this Sunday for Coffee Hour and stay on the call for Adult Bible Study after. [Click Here](#) to see the handout from Scott. The zoom link will be send out Sunday morning (it is the same link every week).

Local Fundraiser Next Tuesday

Westminster member Michael Johnson is a coach for the girls rugby team "MadTown Furies." They are having a fundraiser on Tuesday, December 1 from 4pm-8pm at the Noodles in Fitchburg (2981 Triverton Pike Dr.) where 50% of proceeds will go to the team. This is valid for pick-up and delivery! Just make sure you mention the code **GIVING 50** or the organization MadTown Furies when you order (or enter it if you order online). This is an easy way to help a local organization and get a break from cooking!

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