

WESTMINSTER NEWS

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



SUMMER AT WESTMINSTER JULY & AUGUST

July 1 - Sixth Sunday after Pentecost - Communion Sunday

Lectionary: 2 Sam 1:1, 17-27; Ps. 130; 2 Cor. 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43
Focus Text: Mark 5: 21-43
Sermon: "Ready for Interruptions" Scott Anderson, preaching

July 8 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Lectionary: 2 Sam 5:1-5,9-10; Ps. 48; 2 Cor. 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13
Focus Text: Mark 6: 1-13
Sermon: "When It's Time to Leave" Scott Anderson, preaching

July 15 - Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

HYMN SING led by Minister of Music Joe Chrisman

July 22 - Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Pulpit Supply: Rev. Julie Waterdu, preaching

July 29 - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

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August 5 - Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost- Communion Sunday

Texts: Psalm 89:20-37; Ephesians 2:11-22
Focus Text: Ephesians 2:11-2
Sermon: "The Dividing Walls" Scott Anderson, preaching

August 12 - Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Sacrament of Baptism

Texts: Psalm 14; Ephesians 3:14-21
Focus Text: Ephesians 3:14-21
Sermon: "Expansive Love" Scott Anderson, preaching

August 19 - Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Texts: Psalm 5:1-12; Ephesians 4:1-16
Focus Text: Ephesians 4:1-16
Sermon: "Unity in Christ" Scott Anderson, preaching

August 26 - Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Texts: Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25-5:2
Focus Text: Ephesians 4:25-5:12
Sermon: "Imitators of God" Scott Anderson, preaching

September 2 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time- Communion Sunday

Texts: Psalm 84; Ephesians 6:10-20
Focus text: Ephesians 6:10-20
Sermon: "Putting on the Whole Armor" Scott Anderson, preaching

Mark Your Calendars:

September 9th is Rally Day

September 29th - Music on the Lawn

October 21st is CROP WALK



NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Festival of Hymn Singing: Singing the Psalms

On Sunday, July 15, our worship of God will be filled with the sound of congregational singing! Using several familiar and favorite hymns whose texts are rooted in the Psalms, which are the church's first hymns, we will offer our praise to God as together we "Singing the Psalms." Please plan to join us for this special Festival of Hymn Singing and invite a friend, neighbor, or colleague to attend worship with you on July 15.

—Joe Chrisman, Minister of Music



Summer Sings!

Have you ever wanted to sing in the Chancel Choir, but haven't been able to commit to the weekly rehearsal schedules? Are you now, or were you ever, a choir member who misses the particular blessings of making music and leading worship?

If you answered yes, then a Summer Sing Sunday is for you!

On Sunday, July 22, and Sunday, August 19, you are invited to assemble with fellow singers in the rehearsal room (Room 7) at 9:00 a.m. We will rehearse music that will be used in the 9:45 a.m. worship service that morning. You can choose to participate on either date (or both) depending on your personal schedule.

If you have adult children or older grandchildren home visiting you on a Summer Sing date, invite them to join you and participate! This opportunity is open to anyone senior-high age or older and it's a wonderful way to introduce a singing neighbor or friend to worship at Westminster for just one Sunday.

Because we will be singing at various points and leading throughout the worship service, Summer Sing participants will sit together in the choir loft during the service. However, we will not wear choir robes.

Are you nervous about whether you can learn the choral music in just 45 minutes? Trust me, you'll be fine! However, if insufficient time with the music would constitute a barrier to your participation, please stop by the rehearsal room after July 15 (for the July 22 Summer Sing) and after August 12 (for the August 19 Summer Sing) and take a music packet from the piano. (Note: Copies are limited. Please only pick up music in advance if you are certain you will be participating in that Summer Sing and be sure to bring it with you on that Sunday morning!) I hope to see you for summer choir on July 22 and/or August 19.

—Joe Chrisman, Minister of Music

Community Meal

July 27, 6pm-8pm is Westminster's turn to do the community meal at the Boys and Girls Club in Allied Drive, sponsored by the Allied Dunn's Marsh Neighborhood Association. (ADMNA) The community meal happens monthly and is an opportunity for neighbors to enjoy fellowship and a delicious meal, while learning about local news from ADMNA president Alice Howard. Festive accordion music will permeate the evening, with assistance from children on extra instruments. We're repeating the menu we had last year with fried chicken made by local Chef Carl Morris, and a salad bar and desserts made by Westminster.

We still need volunteers including servers and clean up at the meal. Please sign up on the poster in the narthex and indicated if you will be bringing your food to the meal or you need us to take it. (Disposable containers are encouraged, but if not, please mark containers clearly so we can return them). We can't do this without your help! Questions? Call Sue Bridson.

Westminster Men's Fellowship Group

A few men in our church have expressed interest in forming a men's fellowship group. Pastor Scott will meet with all who are interested on Sunday, August 26 after worship in the church lounge to discuss ideas and possibilities. Please let Scott know if you are interested in attending (Scott@westminstermadison.org), and if you can't make the August 26 meeting and want to be a part of this effort, to email him.



Interfaith Vacation Bible School in August!

The Education Committee cordially invites "Westminsterites" (the young and young at heart) and their friends to please mark your calendars for this year's intergenerational Vacation Bible School! We are focusing on exploring the theme of Pax, Shalom, Salam: Peace Stories Across Different Faiths. **We will hold VBS from Aug. 20-23 from 5:30-7:30 PM.** We welcome participants from ALL ages, as we gather for dinner, hear and discuss stories reflecting the concept and importance of peace from different faith traditions, and engage in a mission or craft activity to help better understand and promote peace in our different communities. More information about this event, as well as registration materials, will be available soon.

As always, we will need volunteers to help this program run smoothly. If you are interested in assisting, please contact Connie Evans or Liane Kosaki. Thank you!

Plates for Eight - New Start this Fall

The goal of "Plates for Eight" is getting to know people you may not know over a shared meal. Survey responses to the "Dine with Nine" questionnaire from this year's participants were very helpful and overall positive. Please add your name to the signup sheet to be posted in August. New groups will be formed from the list, and a September evening potluck at church (date TBD) will bring everyone together for the first meal.

Groups will have 7 or 8 people, with both singles and couples of mixed ages. Guidelines are that groups will meet for a meal 4 times during the year, roughly once per quarter, on dates of their choosing. During each meal, the group will 1) select a new host/coordinator, 2) plan a date for their next meeting, and 3) agree on their next meal type (potluck, restaurant meal, picnic, etc). We recognize that not everyone will be able to attend every meal. We will assign a host/coordinator for the first meal only. Many people enjoyed potlucks in someone's home, commenting that hosting is simpler and talking easier with less noise. Some appreciated a November fire in a fireplace, and some explored new restaurants. Each group decides what works best for them. Sign up will be in August with a potluck in September (date tbd). Bon appétit!

Fellowship Outing - Pontoon Boat Cruise - Sunday, July 22

Join your fellow Westminster friends on a pontoon boat cruise on Lake Monona and Lake Mendota on Sunday, July 22! The cost is just \$8 per person and it will be a great day for fun and fellowship, 5:00 to 8:00 pm. **Please sign up by July 8** on the kiosk in the Narthex. Payment is due in the office by that date.

Boats are loaded at the MSCR area across from Tenney Park Locks on Sherman Avenue and parking maps will be provided in advance. Feel free to bring non-alcoholic beverages, a cooler, snacks, a jacket, sun screen, cameras, and a hat. Please note that there are no restrooms on the boats, but there is a wheelchair accessible port-a-potty at the dock and there will be a restroom break on the trip. See you there!



The Minor Prophets: God Still Speaks

Tuesday afternoon Bible study group moves to Wednesdays from 12:30 pm- 2pm, starting September 5th

Be honest. When did you last read a book like Obadiah? Or Nahum? Or perhaps the better question is "Have you ever read Obadiah?" or "Where do I find Haggai"?

The Minor Prophets form the last 12 books of the Old Testament. Theologian James Montgomery Boice comments on how the Minor Prophets dramatize the character of God as few other books do: "They highlight God's sovereignty ... holiness ... [and] love In the Minor Prophets, we will hear the voice of God speaking to us in a fresh way ... as individuals and as a spiritual fellowship in the Church."

Rev. Jessica Salt will lead the Bible study group this fall, which begins on Wednesday, September 5. Ordained for over 15 years in the PC(USA), Jessica has served as Pastor to the people of several congregations in Michigan and Wisconsin, and currently serves as Interim Pastor of Caledonia Presbyterian Church near Portage on a part time basis. Jessica is very excited about joining us for this fall Bible study! Newcomers are always welcome!

August Sermon Series and Adult Study: The Book of Ephesians

Beginning August 5, Pastor Scott will be preaching through the Book of Ephesians (see front cover for specific texts), finishing on the Sunday of the Labor Day weekend. After worship each week, Scott will facilitate an informal conversation and sermon talk-back for interested adults in the lounge. Come and join the conversation!

Fall Confirmation Class

This fall Westminster Church is offering a confirmation class for those who will be entering 6th grade through 12 grades. Thus far six students will be participating: Garrett and Sam Fletcher, Sydney and Hayley Krause, Aiden Lepien and Lila Yackee. The teaching staff includes Scott Anderson, Liane Kosaki, Kathy and Chuck Kamp. Confirmation is an important part of the faith journey for all Presbyterians. In baptism parents and the congregation make promises to raise a child in the Christian faith, but it is in confirmation that youth are invited to confirm their baptism and their own willingness to follow Jesus Christ.

The goal of confirmation to teach each person about what it means to be a Christian, what it means to be a Presbyterian, and what it means to be a member of Westminster church. However, the larger goal is to work together as a class along with parents and mentors from the congregation, to seek what it is that God wants in each of our lives. This process invites deep reflection, prayer, study, and lots of conversation!

The class will be utilizing a new curriculum just produced by the Presbyterian Church (USA) called *Big God, Big Questions: Confirmation for a Growing Faith*. Confirmands will meet for 12 sessions beginning **September 9th** and will finish before the Christmas season. Each student will be matched with an adult mentor in the church, and there will be activities that involve parents as well. We welcome newcomers!

Check out our revamped website: www.westminstermadison.org



The church website has been in need of a major facelift. Thanks to the stellar effort of Paul Quin over the last few months, the revamped website is now up and running, with a new look and updated text, links and pictures! It will also work on a variety of devices, including desktop and laptop computers, pads and smart phones.

It is still a work in progress so if you have feedback or other items to be included, email Katie info@westminstermadison.org or Paul Quin.

Many thanks Rhea Shultz, Meg Adamson and Erin Nass for their thoughtful contributions to the new website.

Scott Anderson elected to McCormick Seminary Board of Trustees

In May Pastor Scott was elected to serve a three-year term on the Board of Trustees of McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago. McCormick is one of eleven theological institutions associated with the Presbyterian Church (USA). McCormick's theological education is firmly rooted in the Reformed Tradition. Part of the Reformed tradition is an ecumenical commitment and openness to dialogue with other perspectives within the larger Christian tradition. Nearly 40% of McCormick's student body come from traditions other than Presbyterian. Included are Pentecostal and evangelical students as well as those from Baptist and Methodist traditions. Common to all McCormick's students is an openness to one another that is rooted in a shared faith in Jesus Christ.

McCormick is a seminary which trains women and men for Christian ministry. Holding membership in the Association of Chicago Theological Schools (ACTS) and connected with the University of Chicago, it is an integral part of one of the world's great centers of theological education and research. McCormick is known for its warmth, informality and extraordinary attention to the individual.

Scott joins two other Madison area pastors on McCormick's Board: Nancy Enderle, who served as an interim Associate Pastor here at Westminster, and Erica Liu who currently serves as Co-Pastor of Pres House.

While Pastor Scott is on Vacation...

Scott will be away on vacation from July 9-July 30 and will return to the office on Tuesday, July 31. **Rev. Sandy Nuernberg will be on call for pastoral emergencies during that time. Her cell number is 608-695-4248.** On the three Sundays Scott will be away, our Minister of Music Joe Chrisman will lead a congregational Hymn Sing on July 15, and Rev. Julie Waterdu will serve as pulpit supply the Sundays of July 22 and 29.

SAVE THE DATE: "MUSIC ON THE LAWN" Saturday September 29, 2018 from 4:00pm - 6:00pm

A fundraiser hosted by Westminster to benefit the Madison Area Jail Ministry

Jazz Performance by "Chance Allies" with Food Carts & Just Bakery goods!

\$10 suggested donation - More information to come



JOYS & CONCERNS



Please keep the following members and friends in your prayers:

Jack Browning, Shirley Toomey, Vern Forsberg, Wade Waggener, Marjorie Hamann and son Jack, Peg Zimmer, Nancy Prine, Francois Johnson, Ann Friedley, Agnes Dako, Dorothy Schroeder, Patricia Miller, Marian Rohde

JULY & AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



Marge Hamann 07/02
Andrew Prine 07/02
Margie Knott 07/03
Lee DeSpain 07/07
Mary Koeppel 07/07

Jerry Donnell 07/10
Juanita Halls 07/11
Bob Goller 07/15
Bucky Pike 07/17
Ruth Sheldon 07/19
Rhea Schultz 07/25
Steven Wilke 07/25
Howard Thompson 07/30
Peg Zimmer 07/30
Chuck Kamp 08/04

Vicki Cothroll 08/05
Sue Bridson 08/08
Sophia Lepien 08/08
Carol Birch 08/09
Jaxon Mou 08/09
Mary Cornelius 08/11
Sharon Donnell 08/12
Douglas Halls 08/17
Nanci Knutson 08/18
Jennifer Mou 08/18

Pat Marshall 08/19
Gloria Stange 08/20
Liane Kosaki 08/21
Ruth Peach 08/23
Lee Wilke 08/23
Linda Tanke 08/24
Lee Ihlenfeldt 08/29
Abe Aberle 08/30

MAY SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

Session met on May 20th to receive new members: Lynnette and Mark Tortorich have recently moved to the area from New Orleans. Their son, Nicholas, was born in November and will be baptized here in August. Howard Kidd and Margaret Murphy have a new house in Madison and transferred their membership from First Presbyterian Neenah. Merle Brunsting was elected to fill an opening in the class of 2020 at a congregational meeting on May 20th and was ordained during worship June 17th.

The Stated Session Meeting was on May 29th. Mission Committee reported fantastic support for the Thoreau School summer reading program, resulting in over-subscribing the Granquist matching gift and ensuring that the program can run over two summers.

Also, the soup fundraiser for the Hayes family was successful in both soup and monetary donations (over \$6,000!) The Hayes family will be sorely missed while away. Mission will be looking for members to help with cooking and serving meals at the shelter in their absence. This can be a great family experience. Property Committee is organizing better storage areas and Bob Webster is building new shelving in several closet spaces. A small group of volunteer weeders can use help. See Lu Kummerow

Several committees reported on fall activities: Deacons are planning for Rally Day on Sept. 9. Worship plans a Blessing of the Animals service; Membership will schedule photography sessions Oct. 31-Nov. 2 for a new pictorial directory.

Session will NOT MEET in JUNE. The next meeting is TUESDAY, JULY 31st at 7:00 p.m.



UPDATED WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

	Liturgists	Ushers	Greeters	Communion Servers				
7/1/2018	Linda Kwiatkowski	Ed Cothroll	Karen Osborne	<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr><td>Jeff Hayes</td></tr> <tr><td>Bill Tanke</td></tr> <tr><td>Linda Tanke</td></tr> <tr><td>Thatcher Root</td></tr> </table>	Jeff Hayes	Bill Tanke	Linda Tanke	Thatcher Root
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7/8/2018	Bud Smith	Karen Osborne	Hayes Family					
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		Doug Halls						
		Juanita Halls						
7/15/2018	Erin Nass	Andrea Kenny	Richard Appen					
		Bob Forsberg	Alice Appen					
		Doug Kornetzke						
		Judy Graham						
7/22/2018	Ken Sadeghian	Bob Weber	Dale Rohde					
		Ed Cothroll	Marian Rohde					
		Linda Kwiatkowski						
		Rhea Schultz						
7/29/2018	Juanita Halls	Julie Madden	Doug Evans					
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8/12/2018	Karen Stephens	Paul Bishop	Patricia Miller					
		Linda Bishop	Kathy Key					
		Abe Aberle						
		Carrie Aberle						
8/19/2018	Dave Granquist	Bob Forsberg	The Kwiatkowski					
		Doug Kornetzke	Family					
		Judy Graham						
		Rhea Schultz						
8/26/2018	Sue Dornfeld	Erin Nass	Dick Zimmer					
		Marjorie Hamann	Peg Zimmer					
		Bob Weber						
		Karen Osborne						



JULY & AUGUST 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
JULY 1 FOOD SUNDAY 9:45am Worship 11am Nominating	2	3	4 Church Office Closed for 4th 7:00 PM AA	5	6 5:30 PM DBSA	7
8 9:45am Worship	9	10	11 7:00 PM AA	12	13 5:30 PM DBSA	14 5:00 AM Shelter Breakfast
15 9:45am Worship	16	17 Stewardship (time tbd)	18 7:00 PM AA	19	20 5:30 PM DBSA 7:00 PM Doin' R Thing Dance	21
22 JUST BAKERY SALE 9:45am Worship 5pm Pontoon Boat Trip	23	24	25 7:00 PM AA	26	27 5:30 PM DBSA	28
29 9:45am Worship	30	31 7:00 PM Session				
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5 FOOD SUNDAY 9:45am Worship	6	7	8 7:00 PM AA	9	10 5:30 PM DBSA 6:30 PM Shelter Dinner	11 5:00 AM Shelter Breakfast
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26 9:45am Worship 11am Men's Group Meeting	27	28 7:00 PM Session	29 7:00 PM AA	30	31 5:30 PM DBSA	1

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Faithful to our covenant with God and each other, and

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