



Everyday Faithfulness

“Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people.” (Acts 2:46-47)

As I write this, Rachel and I rapidly approaching our wedding at the end of September. Our to-do lists are long, and at times we’ve felt overwhelmed by all the details that go into planning a celebration like this. What has sustained us most, though, is the community of friends and family from many seasons of life who have been with us through countless ordinary days: sharing meals, checking in by text, celebrating small victories, sitting with us in hard seasons. Knowing they will gather with us on that day makes the big moment feel less daunting and more like the natural continuation of all those small, faithful moments of showing up.

Church life is a lot like that, too. The “big” moments matter — baptisms, memorial services, Christmas Eve, Easter Sunday — but the heart of our life together is shaped in the ordinary, week-to-week choices to show up for one another. I see it in the smiles offered to a new visitor, in the meals left quietly at a doorstep, in the people who tend to the flowers and organize the

memorial garden, in the steady rhythm of worship even when life is busy or hard. When I read Acts 2 and imagine those early believers breaking bread with glad and sincere hearts, I think of you all, a faithful fellowship rooted in the everyday rhythms of being a community of Christ-followers together.

This October, we have a chance to reflect on that more deeply. Later this month, we will begin a series exploring our church’s six core values, the things that define who we are and shape the way we live out our faith. We’ve done this before, but it is a helpful practice to revisit what our values mean to us and how they speak to us in this particular season. Your presence, your stories, and your prayers matter as we listen for God’s call to us as a church.

So, consider this your invitation to keep showing up. Whether you can join us in person or listen to the worship podcast later, whether you’re here every week or are just finding your way back, your presence makes a difference. Together, we are becoming the body of Christ in this place, one small, faithful step at a time. And when the big moments happen, we’ll be there for each other as well.

Peace,
Rev. Hannah Lundberg



Engaging Our Neighbors



Lunches for Hope Clinic

There are a couple weeks left to contribute to our Fall Sack Lunch Drive for Hope Clinic. We are looking for just a few more items to reach our goal of 96 lunches!

Visit westpresa2.org for the signup link, and please drop off items at Westminster by Sunday, October 12th. Collection bins are located at the Scio Church and West entries.

If you have questions or would like to help with the packing out of the lunches on October 13th, contact Lynda Berg (743-649-0036 or lrwberg@sbcglobal.net).

Thank you all for your faithful support and generosity as we reach out into the community and continue to help our neighbors in need.

Habitat House of Faith

Westminster has one more opportunity this year to serve with Habitat House of Faith on Friday, October 31st. We have space for a few more people to sign up! Visit our website for more information and to register.



Football Parking Tailgate

We have two home football games coming up in October! 10/4 is Wisconsin— kickoff at noon. We'll gather around gam to share a breakfast potluck together while we park cars. Then, join us again on 10/18 for the Washington game (kickoff TBA). Go Blue!



Gemini Recap: Music in the Air

On a cool and cloudy Saturday afternoon in early September, we were warmed by joyful music! Over 100 people gathered on our hillside to enjoy the music of Gemini with clapping, dancing, swaying, and singing. It was a delightful afternoon with multiple generations enjoying the music, the fellowship, and coming together as community.



Our Life Together

Mugs Anyone?

Westminster will be acquiring new 11 oz coffee mugs for our events and internal use! Each mug will include one of our 6 Core Values on one side and the Westminster logo on the other. If you would like one (or more!) of your own, we will be including some extras in the order. Mugs will cost \$9 each. We estimate they will be available for pickup at Westminster later in November.

An order form can be found on our website, and payment can be made online as well. Get your order in by October 26 to secure a Westminster mug of your very own!

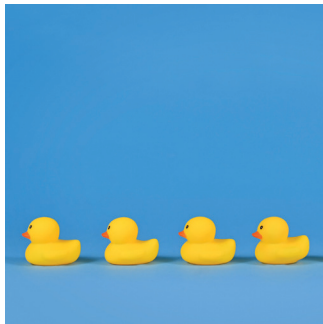


Exciting Updates from the Children and Families Ministry Team

While our Sunday School programming for children has been on hold the past couple years, we are now blessed with several new families and many children joining us for worship! The Children and Families Ministry Team wants to provide some more structured Christian Education for them. We are planning a Sunday morning curriculum time for two groups of children: an elementary-aged group, and a combined middle school and high school group. We will meet once a month to start: on the second Sunday of the month. We will be using the "Follow Me" curriculum, which provides an intergenerational approach to learning about and living out our faith. During that Sunday School hour, the library will be available as a fellowship space for parents. We would love to eventually offer classes more often for these young people, but this is dependent on having additional volunteers to serve on a rotating basis as teachers or classroom assistants. If you are interested, please contact Cathy Daniels (catld1121@gmail.com) for more information.



Above: some photos from our Children and Families Breakfast in early September



Getting your Ducks in a Row

Westminster will be hosting a lunch and learn workshop on November 9 to provide information on spiritual care, estate planning, and places to call home. A good resource for all ages, "Getting Your Ducks in a Row" is intended to address topics of memorial service and family support care, estate arrangements, and housing options as we age. We will include a check list of things to think about and resources to help you. A lunch will be provided. Please sign up on the bulletin board.



This Month's Preaching Schedule:

October 5: Rev. Judy Shipman (World Communion)

October 12: Rev. Hannah Lundberg

October 19: Nate Veldhoff

October 26: Rev. Hannah Lundberg

Learn and Grow Together

Reading Through the Bible Group meets Sundays at 9:30am. For more information, please contact Marcia Anderson (hilden.anderson@gmail.com).

Sunday Morning Adult Ed meets in the fellowship hall at 9:30am.

Monday Bible Study: Sermon Conversations are weekly at 1:00pm online. The Zoom invitation is in the Friday Good Things and Sunday podcast emails.

Mary Martha Group meets the first and third Mondays at 7:00pm via Zoom. Please contact Margaret Klammer (mklammer@comcast.net) for more information.

Matthew 25 Study Group meets at 7:00pm on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. For meeting info please contact Carol Hufnagel (carol.hufnagel@tetrattech.com) or Elizabeth Tidd (lizbeth0405@yahoo.com).

Thursday Book Club meets weekly at 1pm at Westminster and over Zoom. Please contact Linda Harnisch (rlharnisch@gmail.com) for more information.

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