

Westminster Presbyterian Church

February 2017 Messenger

***With Christ as our Cornerstone we
Believe, Become, Belong, Build***



"We are God's work of art... and, We are fellow workers with God."

Ephesians 2:10, 1 Corinthians 3:9

As I looked out upon our congregants who gathered last Sunday for our congregational meeting, I was inspired by the potential that I saw in the faces of all gathered in the social hall. Some faces I knew were lifelong members who have devoted much time, money and love to our congregation. I also saw new faces, men and women who just recently have begun to journey with us on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights. The foundational truth is that God has created all of us with great gifts and we're all called to work with God to

strengthen the Kingdom of God here on this earth.

During the next 2 weeks I ask you to consider the potential of Westminster as we prayerfully focus on our need as a congregation to increase our 2017 pledge in order to avoid having to use reserve funds to balance our budget for this year. Please refer to our finance chair, Kristie Brown's article for our current financial picture which is contained in this newsletter. Please fill out your pledge card which if you didn't receive at the meeting will soon be in your mail box. Our finance team is suggesting an increase of \$32.05 per month to your pledge or a one-time gift of \$384.62 to cover both the shortfall from 2016 and the need for 2017. If our 260 giving units could do this we could reach our goal of \$100,000.00. One could certainly give more if inclined and no gift is insignificant.

On Sunday, February 12, please bring your card to worship as together we will bring our cards forward as a symbol of our unified effort to be the people of God that God intended us to be. This is a great opportunity and I join you in the privilege we have to be the church.

Let us fulfill our hopes together.
Pastor Tricia



Sermon Series - Pay Attention!

This is a phrase we heard often as we navigated school days. Our teacher instructed us to "Pay Attention", he or she didn't want us to miss out on important lessons. So imagine if our master teacher Jesus is hoping that we'll pay attention to what is happening around us and we don't follow directions. Perhaps we'll miss an important life lesson. The gospel of Luke looks closely at Jesus' words and actions that challenged and taught all types of people. We can learn much as we pay attention to these stories and also are open to what God is teaching us today

through our relationships, joys and struggles. We invite you to listen and pay attention as we experience Worship together! We encourage you to read the text before Sunday and pray for insight and inspiration.

Blessings!
Pastor Tricia and Pastor Dan

February 5	Pay Attention: Tough Love	Luke 6:20-31
February 12	Pay Attention: Forgiveness and Gratitude	Luke 7:36-50

February 19	Pay Attention: Healing Costs	Luke 8:26-39
February 26	Pay Attention: Back to Reality	Luke 9:28-45

Music Ministry

Worship With us Sundays at:

9:00 am for Traditional Worship and 11:15 am for Contemporary Worship

Special music for our services this month:

February 5	9:00 am 11:15 am	Sanctuary Shared Life Center	Chancel Choir & Church Mice Worship Team
February 12	9:00 am 11:15 am	Sanctuary Shared Life Center	Chancel Choir & LightShine Worship Team & LightShine
February 19	9:00 am 11:15 am	Sanctuary Shared Life Center	Chancel Choir & Messenger Choir Worship Team
February 26	9:00 am 11:15 am	Sanctuary Shared Life Center	Meisteringers Worship Team

Messengers and Families,

There have been so many wonderful compliments about our Christmas Eve service sharing *Beneath A Shining Star*. I am very proud of you. The next time we sing in service will be Sunday, February 19 at the 9:00 service. Leading in service is always a special time for the children. If you are unable to make it, or have any questions, please contact me at charissa.lambert@wsr.k12.ia.us or send texts to 319-269-5779.



Church Mice and Families,

It has been so good meeting our new Church Mice this year! The next time the Church Mice sing is Sunday, February 5 at the 9:00 service. It will be so nice to have all the children that are at practice on Wednesday night to lead in worship this day. If you are unable to make it, or have any questions, please contact me at the information above.

Love and Blessings,
Charissa Lambert



On Sunday, February 26, join us at 4:00 pm for a variety of musical talent provided by the members of Westminster, our Chancel Choir and others. A free will offering will be taken as this is a fundraiser to help those traveling to New York this June where members of our church will be singing at Carnegie Hall.

Appetizers and drinks will be offered. Childcare will be available.

Music Survey

Our Music Ministry Task Force has begun to meet with the goal of making a recommendation to our Personnel Committee in regards to our needs in music leadership for our church. It would be very helpful if you could click on the link below and take a brief survey about your opinions regarding our music ministry. Please complete this survey by February 19. Hard copies are available in the office if you would rather complete your answers in written form. If you have questions please contact anyone who is serving on the task force which includes Pastor Voigt, Jo Broadston, Sarah Hellman, Kerri Powell, Bruce Rempe, Jennifer Owen-Kuhn and Pastor Jacobs. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/77Q29DK>



FORMATION

Wes Pres Youth

We've just completed our first month of 2017 and it does not appear that this year will be slowing down much! There are a number of activities that you will want to mark on your calendars! If you have questions about any of the following events, please contact Scott Cose at the church.

Mall of America - Saturday, February 11

The bus is full! For those who signed up, we will meet at the back lot by 6:30 am and the bus will leave at 7:00 am. We'll arrive at the mall at approx. 10:30 am and shop for the day. You will be responsible for your own meals and the youth will need to be with an adult. We'll load the bus at 6:00 pm and arrive back at the church at approx. 9:00 pm. The cost for the bus is \$30.00 per person. If you have questions, please contact me at the church.

Junior High Dance

Our next junior high dance will be Friday, Feb. 17. Senior high parents whose youth will be making the Puerto Rico trip, remember if you volunteer for the dance, the proceeds will go towards the mission trip!

And if you have never chaperoned before, now would be a great time to get your feet wet! There will be a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center.

Summer Camp Trips

Junior high Great Escape July 10 - 15

Our junior highs had a great turn out for our Great Escape trip with 27 youth and 4 adults planning to attend to date. It is not too late to sign up if your son or daughter is interested in attending. I have extra copies of the release forms and informational packets if you need them.

Senior high Puerto Rico June 25 - July 1

We had a great senior high mission trip meeting last week. To date we have 15 senior highs and 2 adults who will be making this trip. If you did not receive a packet with forms and information about the trip, I have extras. Parents, remember that the release form needs to be notarized!

MARCH GALA

Youth fundraising event, March 24

Please join our youth for their bi-annual fundraising event on Friday, March 24. We will be serving heavy hors d'oeuvres and beverages. Tickets will be \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 12 and under. There will be both a live and silent auction as well as live entertainment by our youth. If you would like to help the youth with this event by donating an item, please contact me at the church. As always we thank you for your support!



2017 Dance Date

2017: Feb. 17, March 31, April 28, May 19

Peace,
Scott Cose

Wes Pres Kids



In a few short months, we will be experiencing temperatures that cause us to complain of the heat. Can you

believe that?!? That must mean it is time to start planning which summer camp your child will be attending. Here at Westminster, we support both Camp Wyoming in Jones County, IA, and Lakeshore Center at Okoboji in Milford, IA. Both camps offer a Christian based experience and would be a wonderful place to send your child.

Camp Wyoming's vision is to offer transformative experiences to equip people of all ages for a journey of faith. Lakeshore Center at Okoboji provides a sacred place and invites all to experience the life-changing love of Christ in the beauty of God's creation.

It is important for you to register for camp as early as possible in order to ensure your child's spot for the summer. Registration for BOTH CAMPS has already opened! You can register your child online through Camp Wyoming's website at www.campwyoming.net. Lakeshore Center's website is www.lakeshorecenteratokoboji.org. Registering online is easy and helps expedite the registration process.

BOTH CAMPS offer a voluntary three-tiered pricing program for their summer camp experiences. This pricing program gives you the ability to choose one of three prices that is most appropriate for you, based on your financial needs. This system is freewill and voluntary. Whatever you pay, every camper will be given the same amazing camp experience.

If you are in need of a partial scholarship from the church to help pay for your child's camp experience, please talk to Alisa.

Alisa will be in Hammond, LA, from Saturday, February 4 until Saturday, February 11. She is going on the Presbytery Mission Trip with 26 other individuals from neighboring churches. The group will be building houses with Habitat for Humanity while they are there. Alisa is very excited to be going and will miss you all while she is away.

Please be planning ahead. **March 1** is Ash Wednesday. We will still be serving a meal from 5:00-6:00, followed by Discovery Night programming. However, **Discovery Night programming will only go from 6:00-6:45**, in order for the children to be able to attend the 7:00 Ash Wednesday service with their families. Please make a note of this in your calendars.



Alisa Engelhardt



Discovery Night Meals

This year for the Discovery Night meal, we are offering 10 meal punch cards. This way, if you do not eat dinner every Wednesday evening here, you will not lose out on any money. The cost is \$30 for the 10 meal punch card. Purchase them as needed. You can buy them at the table outside the Social Hall on Wednesday evenings during meal time or during the week in the church office. As always, you can just purchase a single meal on Wednesday night too.



Fusion Cooking

Our young adult group (Fusion) will be gathering again this month for a night of cooking. On Saturday, February 25, we'll be gathering at the Arickx's at 4:00 pm and I'm sure they'll want the RSVP - call the office email dan@wpcw.org, or message Pastor Dan on Facebook.

Westminster Family Outing

I do not know about you - but nothing screams Christian Fellowship more than a hockey game! That's why, on Sunday, February 19, we are going to take in a Waterloo Black Hawks game. Please RSVP by calling the office or email Pastor Dan at dan@wpcw.org. Game time is 3pm and tickets will be around \$7. Also, if there is enough interest, we can provide child care at the Church.



Results from our Annual Chili/Soup Cook-off Jan. 29

Congratulations to our 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. We wish to THANK ALL of the participants for their wonderful chili's, soup's and decorations. What a fun and TASTY evening it was!!



**1st Place
Chili
Voigt Family**



**1st Place
Soup
Grace Sliger**



**1st Place
Decorations
Hesse Family**



**2nd Place
Chili
Crawford Family**



**2nd Place
Soup
Ritter Family**



**2nd Place
Decorations
Coulter Family**



**3rd Place
Chili
Hesse Family**



**3rd Place
Soup
Jordan Family**



**3rd Place
Decorations
Jordan Family**



Adult Sunday School Opportunity:

The Journey

This class started on September 18 and was limited to the number of people that could attend. It is now at capacity. **Facilitators:** on Sunday morning- Cindy Harmon and Troyce Vich and Monday evenings- Pastor Tricia **Location:** Meets in the Children's Library

Adult Education Class Opportunities for February Please join us!

Small Group Lent Study

In my life - and I think many would agree - there has been no better way to grow in faith and discipleship than by gathering consistently with a small group of people to study and pray together. During the 6 weeks of Lent (March 1 - April 15) we are encouraging people to do just that. To get into a group, you simply sign up for a day and time on the sheets in the Welcome Center. Sign-up by yourself or gather some of your friends together. At the end of February we will let you know who is in your group; ask who is willing to host. You will gather once a week for 6 six weeks on the same day and time.

What will you Study? Great question! We are going to be using a DVD curriculum on the Heidelberg Catechism taught by M. Craig Barnes (President of Princeton Theological Seminary). Sound boring? I hope not, but if you need a little prodding, I'll elaborate. A catechism is document that not only explains our faith, but is also meant to be used to teach our faith. And which of us does not have questions from time to time about what exactly it is we believe? The Heidelberg Catechism is a very old but also very beautiful statement on what Christians believe.

My hope for all of us, is that through this season of Lent and through these small groups, that we might be able to explore the questions we have about what we believe, but also encourage and strengthen each other as we grow in our faith.

Sermon Talk Back

Let's be honest - it's easy to hear the sermon on Sundays and forget it by the time Lunch is over. This class is designed for those who want to engage a little deeper into the scripture text and reflection from that morning's worship. Each Sunday in February we will have facilitators in the Chapel after worship to guide a discussion on the scripture and whatever questions come to you while listening to Tricia's or Dan's sermons. **Will meet at 10:10 am in the Chapel**

Acting out the Scriptures

This class is for those who love, or would love to try, acting out the scriptures. This class will be gathering through the month of February to create and act out skits on various passages in Luke. **Will meet at 10:10 in the 3rd floor Loft**

Building Up the Body of Christ: On Wills, taught by Eric Johnson

This class is the first in a hopeful series of classes taught by our own members with particular expertise or interests that will build up and strengthen our church members. This month's class will be the last two weeks of February (19 & 26) taught by local lawyer Eric Johnson. One week will be on Wills and Estate Planning, and the other week on disability planning (POA, Med POA, and Living Wills). This is going to be a can't miss class. You might even want to think about sneaking out during the last hymn to grab a seat. **Will meet at 10:10 am in Room 216**

Weekday Adult Opportunities

Mondays

Bible Study for Women: Rev. Cathy Young leads a weekly, in-depth Bible study for women from 9:00 to 10 am on Mondays in the Shared Life Center. All women of Westminster and the wider Cedar Valley are invited to attend the study. The group will work its way through the four New Testament gospels, beginning with Matthew. Women are asked to bring their favorite Bible. **When:** Monday's at 9:00 am. **Meeting dates for January - April:** February 6, 13, then resumes April 10. Any other dates, the class is NOT meeting. **Where:** Room 216. **Facilitator:** Rev. Cathy Young

Bible Study for Men: Join us on Monday's at 9:00 am in Room 216. Benefits galore are available: sharing insights, relishing in God's grace, watching fellow men grow in knowledge and also in spiritual strength. You are not required to bring any biblical knowledge with you other than an ability and desire to meet "brothers in Christ." Currently Revelation challenges the group. **When:** Monday's at 9:00 am. **Where:** Adult Library.
Facilitator: Rev. Dan Voigt.

Sweet Hour of Prayer: Join with us to review prayer joys and concerns of our extended church family. All are welcome. **When:** Mondays at 1:30 pm. **Where:** Pastor Tricia's Office.

Wednesdays

Wednesday's at Westminster for Adult learning and support

Band of Brothers

A weekly time to gather as men, study God's word, deepen our faith and support one another. This fall we'll begin with a series entitled: *Faith Questions in a Skeptical Age* by Scott J. Jones

When: Wednesdays 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm. **Where:** Adult Library. **Facilitators:** Pastor Dan and Bruce Jacobs

WOW - Women of Westminster

This group is designed to be an oasis in your mid-week. We study a variety of topics.

When: Wednesdays at 6:00 pm - 7:15 pm. **Where:** Room 216. **Facilitators:** Kerri Powell and Pastor Tricia

Centering Prayer

Meets Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 8:30 am in the Chapel and Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm.

Session Minutes

Session minutes from January. Click [HERE](#) to view.

Westminster Destination Trip Informational Meeting

Every other summer, Westminster is offering a trip to get away and enjoy one another in a retreat setting. This summer from July 30 - August 4, we will be traveling to the North Shore of Lake Superior. You can come to an informational meeting on **March 5 during the Sunday School hour at 10:10 am in the Social Hall with snacks.**

Mark your calendars!! Westminster Destination!

During the summer of 2015 Westminster engaged in its first common community vacation trip. This trip was to Lake Okoboji in Northern Iowa -- and was greatly enjoyed and embraced by most everyone who was a part.

Building on that experience, the committee is now planning for a 2nd trip. So, mark your calendars! Summer 2017, July 30 - Aug 4 -- we will be joining together again to enjoy a new destination; Lake Superior's North Shore. This area is much embraced, and often return-visited by those whom have come to know it. For most, this will be an introductory trip to the area. For others, it will be a long-awaited return visit, and for others another of many trips to the beauty of the North Shore.

We will be utilizing Cabins, hotel rooms, and camping spots -- and have rented a local "social hall" for our meals and common gathering times. Embedded in the North Woods of Minnesota, this location will be a little more "nature" and a little less "tourist" than Okoboji. But, don't let that fool you. There is a great plenty to keep you and your family busy.

Visit our web-site at <http://www.westminsterdestination.org> for more information -- and preliminary cost numbers. More details and firm numbers will come soon.

The North Shore is a VERY popular vacation destination. We have reserved a "set" of rooms, cabins, condos, and campsites. We can adjust these numbers now, but it will become increasingly difficult as the event approaches -- as all spaces will quickly be consumed. As soon as you can determine your intent to participate, please let us know. This will allow us to adjust our accommodations as far out as possible - and hopefully accommodate everyone wanting to go. Please feel free to invite friends, families, cousins, and grandparents to join us on this trip.

Bruce Rempe, Chairman Westminster Destination Committee

Church Bookies

Calling all women! You are invited to join us on the third Sunday of the month. Our next group meeting is Sunday, February 19 at 7:00 pm in the Adult Library.

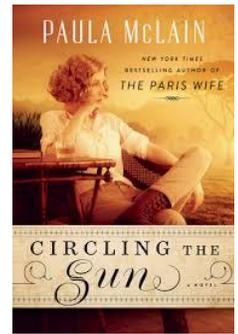
Contact Cindy Harmon with any questions at 268-0049 home or 239-9761 cell.

February: *Circling the Sun* by Paula McLain

March: *Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd

April: *The Zookeeper's Wife* by Diane Ackerman

May: *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese



RESOURCES

Finance

Thank you for your generous giving in 2016. Receipts of \$707,921.56 were received, which was 91% of our budget.

Expenses for 2016 were \$735,907.61, which left a shortfall of \$27,986.05. Funds from the budget reserve covered this shortfall.

BUDGET SUMMARY					
	DECEMBER	DECEMBER	YTD	YTD	BUDGET
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 87,927.63	\$ 119,941.95	\$ 707,921.56	\$ 770,884.02	\$ 780,000.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 5,567.29	\$ 3,224.52	\$ 43,602.59	\$ 40,852.52	\$ 44,000.00
OPER & MAINT	\$ 8,200.15	\$ 6,182.69	\$ 85,763.46	\$ 90,249.99	\$ 94,000.00
CHRISTIAN ED	\$ 1,618.49	\$ 1,843.94	\$ 21,066.87	\$ 17,739.58	\$ 21,800.00
PERSONNEL	\$ 43,210.96	\$ 36,536.39	\$ 465,511.69	\$ 439,906.58	\$ 493,000.00
MISSION	\$ 4,344.87	\$ 5,032.92	\$ 76,638.62	\$ 76,670.62	\$ 78,000.00
MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$ 3,383.64	\$ 2,398.68	\$ 13,476.89	\$ 12,594.84	\$ 15,000.00
STEWARDSHIP	\$ 356.94	\$ (900.00)	\$ 1,328.16	\$ 557.37	\$ 1,500.00
HOSPITALITY & DEACONS	\$ 175.48	\$ 755.52	\$ 3,851.49	\$ 3,077.66	\$ 5,000.00
MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH	\$ 416.40	\$ 963.00	\$ 2,796.19	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 5,700.00

PER CAPITA	\$ 1,822.28	\$ 1,748.47	\$ 21,871.65	\$ 20,981.64	\$ 22,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 69,096.50	\$ 57,786.13	\$ 735,907.61	\$ 707,230.80	\$ 780,000.00
REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ 18,831.13	\$ 62,155.82	\$ (27,986.05)	\$ 63,653.22	
MONTHLY BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS:					
\$4000.00 in December for snow removal					
Expenses exceeded receipts for 2016 by \$27,986.05					

2017 Budget

Below is a look at the 2016 and 2017 budget. Pledges came in for 2017 at \$631,000.00. With this budget, there will be a need to use \$60,000 from the budget reserve, unless giving increases. Please mindfully consider increasing your 2017 pledge to fulfill our budget needs.

	BUDGET	BUDGET
	2016	2017
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 780,000.00	\$ 828,554.00
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 44,000.00	\$ 43,650.00
OPER & MAINT	\$ 94,000.00	\$ 99,500.00
CHRISTIAN ED	\$ 21,800.00	\$ 23,300.00
PERSONNEL	\$ 493,000.00	\$ 530,045.00
MISSION	\$ 78,000.00	\$ 82,000.00
MUSIC & WORSHIP	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
STEWARDSHIP	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
HOSPITALITY & DEACONS	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
MEMBERSHIP & OUTREACH	\$ 5,700.00	\$ 5,700.00
PER CAPITA	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 22,859.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 780,000.00	\$ 828,554.00

2 Corinthians 9:7

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Please continue prayers for a generous and blessed 2017.

Kristie Brown
Chair of Finance Committee

Seeking New Paths

Our capital campaign continues and we are so very thankful for the great response to our challenge to plan for our future. As we go to print we are at \$936,625.00 pledged, we've raised this amount just since September. If you have not yet filled out a pledge card please consider your part in this important effort. Since we built the Shared Life Center in 2004, over 500 new members have joined Westminster. As we seek to improve our building and also expand out the welcome center imagine how much more growth could occur. Also, we're providing more space for our community to use for their purposes as well. It will take all of us to reach our goal of 1.4 million so please join the team!



SEEKING **NEW PATHS**



MISSION

Free Community Breakfast - February 4 at 8:00 am

How does a delicious homemade breakfast sound, along with a time of fellowship? You are invited to attend our monthly community breakfast, held on the first Saturday of the month. The men of Westminster cook up a delicious meal and there is a time of devotion and fellowship. We'd love for you to join us and bring a friend or two!



Community Breakfast

Sunday Supper Update

The ministry of Sunday Supper continues every Sunday evening at First Presbyterian Church in Waterloo! Have you attended yet? It is a great way to meet community friends and enjoy a great meal together!



It starts at 5 pm in the lower level of First Pres which is located at 505 Franklin Street. If you would like to lend a hand some Sunday with the food prep, hospitality or clean up please see the schedule which is located in the Welcome Center or call volunteer coordinator Angie Andrews at 319-290-3120 to pick a time. There are TWO different shifts to choose from:

* OPEN which is 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm and this includes food prep, serving line or greeting

* or CLOSING which is 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm and could include serving, assisting with carrying trays and the inevitable joy of clean up!

Volunteers are always needed! Check out the sign up sheets in the Welcome Center! Please contact Mary Lisa Mueller 319-274-9650 with any questions. Special Thanks to Jackie Malecek who helps with the overall scheduling chart and our amazing chefs Jo Grapp, Ann Northey and Dee Jordan.

Westminster Picture Directory

Photo directories are available at the church office Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm. To cover the costs of the paper, printing and supplies, there is a \$5.00 charge per copy.

Westminster Scrip Cards

SCRIP is a program where the church purchases prepaid gift cards at a discount (ranging from 1.25-16%) and then sells them at face value. The discount goes into an account that can be used for a variety of uses based upon the church's needs.



Gift cards can be used to give as gifts, to make everyday purchases, or to help maintain your monthly budget. We offer quite a variety including gas, grocery, restaurants, movie theater, clothing, crafts, home improvement, sports, car repair, Visa & Discover and SO much more!

If you purchase one \$25 gift card each month for a year, you could raise \$20 for the church. For 300 members to make that commitment could mean \$6000 for 1 year. Think of the possibilities!

Our SCRIP table will be open on the first and third Sunday's in the Welcome Center. SCRIP is also available in the office Monday-Friday. Click [HERE](#) for the current scrip list! Fill it out and bring it with you on Sunday mornings to have your order filled! Cards that we do not have available can be ordered for you.

Don't forget to share this opportunity with friends and family- the more the merrier!

If you have any questions or would like to special order cards, please reach out to Sarah Hellman at sari@cfu.net or contact the church office.



Medical Equipment Lending Program

The Deacons have adopted a Medical Equipment Lending Program. A few of each item listed below would be held in a closet to be loaned on a short term basis to Westminster members. Should you have any items that we can use, please contact the church office at 234-5501. Thank you!

Wheel Chair Walker Bed Rails Shower Chair
 Cane Crutches Bathtub Grab Bar Other

Presbyterian Women

Executive Board: Wednesday, February 1 at 10:30 am
Circles: Wednesday, February 15 at 10:00 am
Lesson 9: "Hope", Revelation 21-22



PIECEMAKERS meets each Thursday 9:00 - 12:00. Our mission will continue to make quilts and children's clothing. We welcome new members. Drop by on any Thursday to get acquainted and see how your talent could help out.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Just a reminder that there are prayer shawls available in the Welcome Center for you to take to someone you know who may be sick, have a new baby or just maybe needs a hug of love. These shawls were made by a very special group of women who then prayed over them. Please feel free to take one for yourself as well!



Do you go away for the winter months?

If you are one of those who gets out of the cold during the winter and heads to warmer climates, would you please contact the church before you leave town and let us know a forwarding address, whether you are having your mail held or if they simply return your mail as un-deliverable (which happens a lot).

If we know this information, we can make the appropriate changes to all of the mailings we send to you while you are away. If we are not contacted by you, then we pay for the mail going to your address, and then we are

charged even more to have it returned back to us. One envelope returned can cost the church over \$1.15. May not sound like a lot, but it adds up when it happens every week.



We appreciate your help with this endeavor to be more cost efficient!

Egg Cartons for the Food Bank

Our local Food Bank is asking for egg cartons. If you wish, you can drop them off to the church office or save up and deliver them to the Food Bank at 1605 Lafayette in Waterloo.

Friendship Club

On Thursday, February 2 we will meet at 6:00 pm in the Social Hall. Our program for the evening is Steven Nielsen, Library Director. This is a potluck, so bring a dish to share. All are welcome. There is no age limit as to who can attend! Join us!

Our Condolences

- Nancy Grarup and her family on the passing of her mother Theo Cormaney
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Westminster Church Calendar

To view all the events happening at Westminster, click on www.wpcw.org and view the calendar from our homepage.

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