

Welcome to Westminster Presbyterian Church!



LIFE PAX - ON SALE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH

We will be selling Life Pax Sunday in the Narthex before and after all services. The price is still \$2 and each Life Pax provides a meal for one of our hungry and/or homeless neighbors.

Sunday, November 10, 2019

Rev. Lorne Bostwick

Scripture: Proverbs 11:24; Exodus 20:17

Sermon: "Generosity - Part Two"

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

8:15 AM Traditional Worship

9:45 AM Contemporary Worship

11:15 AM Traditional Worship

The mission of Westminster Presbyterian Church is to embody God's purpose in Jesus Christ by reflecting and actively sharing God's love within a dynamic community for all God's creation through worship, education, development of faith, service and fellowship.

Boulder Knoll Scroll



"It was planted in a good soil by great waters, that it might bring forth branches, and that it might bear fruit, that it might be a goodly vine." Ezekiel 17:8

As you walk up to the front doors of our church, take a moment to look at the metal sculpture and fountain in the courtyard where there are "trees planted in good soil by great waters...". This beautiful artwork brings Ezekiel's vision to life and reminds us of the inspired vision of the charter members of Westminster Presbyterian Church. Our church was planted in the fertile soil of a South Salem neighborhood and nourished by a committed church family so it might branch out, bringing God's amazing love and grace to a growing church family and community. This has been the Mission and Ministry of Westminster Presbyterian Church for the past 62 years and this is what we are asking you to support by making a financial commitment through our 2020 Stewardship pledge drive.

However, this isn't all we are asking you to prayerfully consider. Over the years, as our mission and ministry has branched out to serve more people, our physical plant has also expanded to support this growth. Boulder Hall is the latest example of our commitment to capital improvements that enhance our mission and ministry. This year we are asking you to make a financial commitment to help cover the loan payment associated with Boulder Hall.

Your generous response to both the general fund that supports our Mission and Ministry in 2020 and to the Boulder Hall Capital campaign will insure Ezekiel's vision, where Westminster Presbyterian Church continues to bring forth branches, bearing the fruit of an expanding church family, reaching out to our neighbors and caring for people in need in our community and around the world.

November 6, 2019

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2 Dear Friends —

Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. - 1 Corinthians 6:19-20a



There are repeated calls for members of Westminster to contribute their time to the essential ministry of the church. IHN, Advent Crafts, serving on committees, teaching Sunday school, making coffee, setting up tables, cleaning the kitchen, baking some cookies, cleaning up the church grounds, office work, decorating the church for Christmas, and the list goes on through the year. Some of the requests are beyond the capacity of some of our members but certainly not all of them.

There is a developing norm in American churches that considers the church a smorgasbord of activities from which to choose. It has become another place to receive services. We come to church on Sunday to have our spirits lifted rather than to worship God. We go to educational events to have our minds stimulated instead of preparing to give answer for our faith. We look to the church to provide counseling, special services like marriage and memorials, spiritual direction, pastoral care, and support in times of crisis. We expect the church to be a place where supportive relationships develop through our fellowship and we look to the church to be an expression of our service to the community in the name of Christ. In this framework the church is a place of consumption rather than vocation and service. We start to think that the church’s calendar, programs, times of worship, are about us and our convenience rather than God whom we serve. Many of us are not very involved in sharing the responsibility of this ministry. In most churches 20% of the members contribute 80% of the mission and ministry of the church. This is true of time and financial giving.

Being part of a church community is a covenant relationship. As with all covenant relationships, family, marriage, vocational, we get what we put into it. If we keep receiving without contributing, we become entitled and God becomes our servant instead of our Lord.

Discipleship, it seems has morphed into volunteerism. It has become about what we choose to give instead of answering the call to service. We use that language a lot in the church. We need volunteers to teach Sunday School, serve communion, clean-up the grounds. One of the most frequent concerns expressed by leaders in the church is that fewer and fewer people are available to volunteer for positions and service in the church. Have church members lost our sense of calling?

The church cannot be the generous, welcoming, hospitality of Christ unless we all pitch in. We are not volunteers. As we affirm in our baptism, we are no longer our own, but Christ’s with all the benefits and responsibilities that come with discipleship. As we ask you to pray about your financial support of the church, I encourage you to remember that the Church is not a business providing services for which you are paying, it is the body of Christ bringing the Gospel of Christ to one another and to the world. Stewardship of the church, God’s Word, and Christian mission and service is our vocation from the time we are baptized until the day we are called home.

In Christian Partnership — Lorne



YOUR MISSION STUDY TEAM NEEDS YOUR INPUT!

We have been hard at work on the Mission Study Report required for the pastoral transition, and will be asking for feedback on the draft prior to sending it to Session. Save November 10th at 6 PM OR November 17th at 9:45 or 11:00 AM. Join us at one of these times - your voice matters!

LISTENING AS A MEANS OF BEING PRESENT TO OTHERS

SOAR Presentation Sunday, November 10th, at 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Have you ever wanted to know how to be a better friend, colleague, spouse, or parent? Improving our listening skills can make a big difference. Hearing comes naturally, but listening is something we are learning to improve throughout our lives. Our Stephen Ministers will be providing information and practice on being present to each other through listening. It will build on educational opportunities we have had in the past.



THANKS TO FALL FRENZY TEAM

Thank you to Bill Foster & Barbara Friday who cooked delicious meals for Fall Frenzy, and to everyone else who helped shop, prepare & clean up to help make our fellowship possible.



“Have you thought about volunteering to teach or help in Sunday School this year? If you thought about it but didn’t make it happen, now is the time to help us fill a critical need in this area! Talk to Carolyn Lawrence or Krisha Horn for more details. Thank you to everyone who helps make Sunday School a time of growing in grace and gratitude for our kids!”

Thank you to the Swedish Pancake Breakfast Team

What a great team – thanks to Kirsten Adams, Dwane Brennehan, Ted Burney, Jean Christian, Nancy MacMorris-Adix, Doreen Negstad, Susan Ray, Reg Tenney and Steve Tillotson for getting up early Sunday morning to get everything ready, making sure that everyone had plenty to eat and then helping with clean-up. And thank you to everyone that joined us Sunday morning. It was great to see Boulder Hall full of members and friends enjoying food and fellowship as we kicked off our Stewardship Pledge Campaign with a breakfast party to celebrate the Westminster story.

- Paul Negstad

PARENT’S NIGHT OUT— MANY THANKS!

Thank you to everyone who donated food and time to help make Parent’s Night Out a success. Your participation is greatly appreciated!



REMEMBERING SHARON GREENSTEIN - The family of Sharon Greenstein, along with Ted Hughes, invite you to join them at a service in remembrance of Sharon's life. The service will be held at Westminster on Saturday, November 9th at 11:00 AM. A reception will follow in Boulder Hall.

THE "CIVIL" WAR RAGES ON!!!

Keep those food donations coming, and support 'The Ducks,' 'The Beavers,' or the 'Don't Give a Hoots...' By doing so, you're helping families in need throughout the Salem area.

(Half-time scores—in pounds— will be posted November 17th!)



Heartfelt Thanks From Groups We Support

Westminster receives regular letters of thanks from the groups who receive our on-going financial support. Below are just a few of them.

- ♦ **Liberty House**, who supports children in stress
- ♦ **Northwest Human Services**, who support medical, dental & mental health issues
- ♦ **Presbyterian Mission Engagement & Support**, for mission personnel as well as Scott and Elmarie Parker in the Middle East.

These gifts are part of our budgeted items, and thanks to all who regularly support the mission of this congregation. The letters of thanks are posted on the bulletin board.

- Mission/Peace/Eco-Justice Committee

THRIVE

A BENEFIT FUNDRAISER

You're invited to a wonderful evening of storytelling, music, treats, and inspiration in support of refugees (our new neighbors). You will experience food prepared by our new neighbors, music performed by new neighbor youth, and powerful stories of struggle and hope. You will be given the opportunity to financially support Salem For Refugees' vision to see all new neighbors THRIVE in our city. Come! Help make Salem a welcoming place!

Friday, November 15

Cedar Hall at Salem Alliance Church
555 Gaines St. NE, Salem, OR 97301

4pm for Appetizers
- OR -
7pm for Dessert

**identical program at both seatings*

Register at
salemforrefugees.org/thrive

OUR KITCHEN TEAM NEEDS YOU!

Did you know Westminster has NO paid kitchen staff?! We need folks to step up and help keep our kitchen clean, organized, and sanitary for our congregation and for those from the community who use our facilities.

On Nov. 17th we will have sign-ups for kitchen "tasks" that need to be done on a quarterly basis. That's only FOUR times a year! There will be training sessions for all "tasks" so everyone will feel secure and know how to carry out their mission.

Please consider volunteering to help keep our kitchen a clean and healthy environment for all of us to use. See you on the 17th! - Your Kitchen Team



CHARITY CIRCLE MEETING NOVEMBER 26TH



Charity Circle will discuss the third lesson, "Words of Love, Keep the Sabbath" from the PW/Horizon's Bible Study, "Love Carved in Stone". Lesson three's purpose is to understand the gift of Sabbath and to recover a sense of the sacred urgency of Sabbath-keeping for human life and the created order.

Evelyn Aiken will lead the lesson; Dolores Byrnes, devotions; Lydia Slangan, hostess. The meetings begin at 1:30 p.m. in Eastminster Room at the church. The Circle welcomes all. For additional information call Rebecca Dusek, 503-399-8977.



WESTMINSTER BOOK CLUB November 20th.

The club is meeting a week earlier than usual, on November 20. The club will review "Girl Waits With Gun" by Amy Stewart. Quick witted and full of madcap escapades, the author brings us a novel inspired by the true adventures of one of our nation's first female crime fighters!

Westminster Book Club meets at 10:30AM in Boulder Hall. Visitors are always welcome! For info e-mail Dolores Byrnes, winbyrn@comcast.net or call 503-364-6646.

NOVEMBER WOMEN'S NIGHT OUT

Monday, November 11th
6PM @ Gold Dragon Restaurant
4645 Commercial St SE
RSVP to Marlene Buker



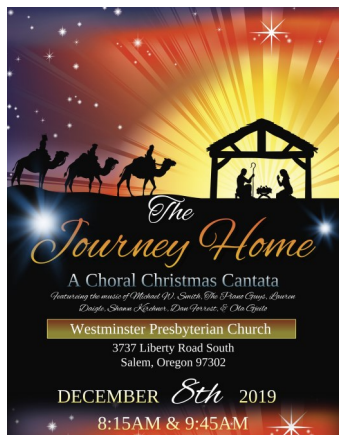


**EMMY® NOMINATED MARCO PANUCCIO
BRINGS "O HOLY NIGHT - A CLASSICAL
CHRISTMAS" TO WESTMINSTER**
"A voice of astonishing lyric beauty"
- Opera News



On the evening of December 19th, Westminster will turn into a concert hall - one night only - as tenor Marco Panuccio performs his one-man concert "O Holy Night: A Classical Christmas." The concert is curated to evoke memories and feelings of hope and joy during the festive season. The program includes traditional holiday classics such as "I Wonder As I Wander," "O Holy Night," and "I'll Be Home For Christmas."

Tickets are priced from \$75 to \$15, and can be purchased on-line at: marcopanuccio.com/performances.



SAVE THE DATE for "The Journey Home"

On December 8th, Westminster's Chancel Choir will present a very special Canata, "*The Journey Home*," at the 8:15 and 9:45 services. Music Director Jeffrey Larkin arranged the piece especially for our Choir along with an ensemble of orchestral musicians. It includes some familiar and beloved Christmas songs, as well as original orchestral arrangements.

Be sure to mark your calendars, and join us for this wonderful musical event. See you on December 8th!



THE RETURN OF THE GIVING TREE:

It's coming soon--For members and friends and everyone. The Giving Tree will appear in early November. The process is: Take the tag(s) and purchase the gift(s) for Oregon State Hospital residents, and for Salem Heights Elementary School. The gifts we donate will be greatly appreciated by their recipients - they well may be the only Christmas gifts these folks receive. The tags will be self-explanatory. This has been a tradition at Westminster for many years, and the TAGS GO FAST--an example of the giving spirit of Westminster. Take your tag and a friend and/or relative and go shopping!!

CHRISTMAS DECORATING — ANOTHER UPDATE!



As you know, we're hoping to expand our Christmas décor into the Narthex and Boulder Hall. Thanks to your help, we're getting there!

PHASE ONE: Christmas trees! Joyful news - We received a grant from the Fine Arts Committee which will fund the BIG 12' tree we wished for. Now we need a few smaller tree to fill things out. Here are the items still on our list:

- A 7-1/2 foot (or bigger) tree, which will be the **Children's Tree** in Boulder Hall
- Several smaller trees for the Narthex

PHASE TWO: As you sort through your bins of Christmas decorations, please consider donating any of the following (gently used) decorations:

- Pine garland, pre-lit if possible
- Lights
- Ornaments
- Ribbon

Contributions will be collected in the church office, and must be here by November 20th. If you have any questions, please contact the church office at (503) 364-3327, or email: office@saalemwestpres.org. THANK YOU for your help in decking our halls!



**Prepare for the Season at our Annual
Advent Craft Event
Sun. Nov. 24 3:00-5:00**



Graham Cracker Houses, Advent Wreaths, Ornaments, and More
We will be looking for a variety of volunteers to help make this event a fun-filled experience for everyone.

**Look for our sign-up board in the narthex
to see how you can help!**

If you have fresh greens or 15-oz Mason jars you are willing to donate for the Advent wreaths or clippers to *lend* please talk to Pamela Schmidling (503-930-4616).



VOLUNTEER CHRISTMAS PARTY

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10TH

**FEATURING:
THE WRIGHT ELEMENTARY CHOIR**

MORE INFO COMING SOON.....

Come to the 29th Annual
Advent Lantern Walk
4:30 pm, December 1, 2019
Salem Golf Club, River Road South

*Listen to the night sounds
Walk – Breathe – Contemplate
Follow the line of lanterns
Prepare for the Season of Advent*



Thank you to the Salem Golf Club and the sponsoring churches:

- ♦ First Christian Church
- ♦ Westminster Presbyterian
- ♦ Trinity Covenant Church

POINSETTIA WATCH
Sign ups for the Christmas memorial or honorarium poinsettias will be posted on the bulletin board in the narthex by November 10th. There will be a total of 30 Poinsettias this year. First come first served.



WESTPRES CALENDAR

Sun., November 10 IHN WEEK 8:15 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9:30 AM SOAR 9:45 AM Children's Education Hour 9:45 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP 10:45 AM Children's Choirs 11:00 AM SOAR 11:00 AM Mid Hi Youth 11:15 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 5:30 PM High School Youth	Sun., November 17 8:15 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9:45 AM Children's Education Hour 9:45 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP 11:00 AM Mid Hi Youth 11:15 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 5:30 PM High School Youth
Mon., November 11 IHN WEEK 10:00 AM Library Staff 5:30 PM Mamaroo 5:30 PM Villages United 6:00 PM Women's Night Out	Mon., November 18 10:00 AM Library Staff
Tue., November 12 IHN WEEK 9:00 AM Nominating 10:30 AM Pastor's Bible Study 4:15 PM Staff Meeting 5:00 PM Bells 7:00 PM Stewardship 7:00 PM Yoga	Tue., November 19 10:30 AM Pastor's Bible Study 12:00 PM S. Salem Connects 4:15 PM Staff Meeting 5:00 PM Bells 7:00 PM Men's Night Out 7:00 PM Yoga
Wed., November 13 IHN WEEK 8:00 AM WBS @ Westminster 10:00 AM Bible Study at Chlanda's 7:00 PM Family Ministry 7:00 PM Personnel 7:00 PM Scout Troop # 108 7:30 PM Live 4 Today (N.A.)	Wed., November 20 8:00 AM WBS @ Westminster 9:00 AM BKS Assembly 10:00 AM Bible Study at Chlanda's 10:30 AM Book Club 7:00 PM Scout Troop # 108 7:00 PM Session 7:30 PM Live 4 Today (N.A.)
Thurs., November 14 IHN WEEK 9:00 AM Children's Ministry 9:30 AM Outreach Comm 11:00 AM Bldng and Grounds 1:30 PM Stephen Ministers 3:00 PM Budget & Finance 5:30 PM Adult Education 5:30 PM Praise Team 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Fellowship Comm 7:00 PM Brass Quintet	Thurs., November 21 9:00 AM Newcomers 9:30 AM Tea with Jesus 5:30 PM Mission Peace E/J 5:30 PM Praise Team 6:00 PM Venturing Crew 6:00 PM Girl Scouts 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Brass Quintet
Fri., November 15 IHN WEEK	Fri., November 22
Sat., November 16 IHN WEEK	Sat., November 23 10:00 AM Advent Craft Prep

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Our Love and Prayers go out for:

- ♦ Christine Speak's brother-in-law, Jim O'Brien, who is undergoing radiation and chemo for throat cancer.
- ♦ Jim & Pat Randle's son, Jeff Randle, who has been hospitalized with medical issues related to Chron's Disease.
- ♦ The Barnes-Nelson family at the loss of Luanne's mother, Rosanne Barnes.
- ♦ Pam Hubble, who is battling aplastic anemia.
- ♦ Barbara Tallman, who is in treatment for lymphoma.
- ♦ Rodger Clawson's son-in-law, Scott Hollis, who has heart disease & liver cancer, and is awaiting transplants for both his heart and liver.
- ♦ Grubby & Laurie Haines friend, Betsy Steinberg, who is undergoing cancer treatment.
- ♦ Grubby & Laurie Haines' son, Jesse, who has complications from cancer treatment.



Continue to Remember:

Cynthia Currin, Eleanor Embick, Tim Holsten, Bill Hruska, Duff Kannier, Mark Lawrence
Mather's great-grandson, James Pratt and his parents
Daphne Russell (age 7), grandniece of Cindi & Bruce Chinnock, is slowly improving
Jennifer Russell, niece of Bruce & Cindi Chinnock, is recovering from surgery for a brain tumor
Tracy Doherty, Lynnea Lyman's friend, who has health concerns and needs a heart transplant
Sue O'Leary, friend of Ben & Bev Silveira, who has cancer
Kathleen Knauss' nephew, who suffers from ALS and is in declining health
Carolyn Jones' friend, Jim, who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer
Betsy Swanson, who is suffering from Parkinson's symptoms & other health issues
Sally Jacklin's daughter, Carrie, who's being treated for MRSA
Sally Jacklin's son-in-law, Joe Huntington, who's in treatment for brain cancer
Barbara Friday's mother, Patricia Schlundt, who suffers with medical and mental health problems
Elizabeth Bennett's friend, Robert Neek, who has health issues
Continued prayer for Rev. Ray Lutke, friend of Sandy and Bill Albright, as he recovers from a series of strokes.
Brian Foote, friend of Sandy & Bill Albright, who was recently diagnosed with leukemia
The family and friends of Sharon Greenstein, at her passing
John Trigg, who has entered hospice
Pat Stahl, who is recovering from having a pace-maker installed

THANK YOU TO SEPTEMBER USHERS

Ken Archibald	Sonya Olsen-	Arlene Pate
Jackie Archibald	Hasek	Sandra Albright
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The deadline for submission of articles for the next Boulder Knoll Scroll is **Monday, November 18th @ 8:00 AM**. Publication is typically every other week. Articles may be submitted directly to the church office or by email to:

jean@salemwestpres.org

Need a Ride?



Do you need a ride to church? Are you available to provide a ride so someone can attend church services? The Ride to Church program would be happy to assist connecting those needing rides with those who are available to drive.

Contact:

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