

# WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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**Sunday, September 15, 2019**

**Rev. Lorne Bostwick**

**Scripture: Matthew 5:3-12** *“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.”*  
**Sermon: The Beatitudes -**

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

8:15 AM Traditional Worship  
9:45 AM Contemporary Worship  
11:15 AM Traditional Worship

## Boulder Knoll Scroll



### AUTUMN AT WESTMINSTER

As summer draws to a close, Westminster is gearing up with a fall schedule of special events and educational opportunities. We hope you join the fun and fellowship, and celebrate the wonders of this new season of faith!



*Elijah & Hannah enjoying the wonders of Sunday School*

**September 11, 2019**

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In our ongoing commitment to keep communication flowing during the transition, below are important updates from several key committees.



**FROM THE MISSION STUDY TEAM**

The Mission Study Team was appointed at the June 19, 2019 Session Meeting. It had its first meeting on July 10<sup>th</sup> for orientation to its work. The team broke into several groups to research and accumulate data and statistics on a variety of topics that will be addressed in the Mission Study. Each of these teams have written narratives that will be useful for drafting the Mission Study. These have been circulated among the Mission Study members for review and continued discussion. At its last meeting on September 2<sup>nd</sup> the Mission Study Team began the process of discerning what, out of the accumulated data, could give definition to a mission statement for Westminster Presbyterian Church. Because summer has been filled with vacations into the month of September, the team has been continuing their discussion beyond meeting times on Google Documents, where they continue to dialogue. Their next meeting will be on September 26<sup>th</sup> when they will have a discussion of core values and consider what are the unique strengths, programs, and gifts Westminster offers to the South Salem community.

**TRANSITION NEWS**

While the Mission Study team is doing the more important work, we are also working on a few other transitional tasks that need to be accomplished before a new pastor arrives. A task group has been working on the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, which they presented to Session at its last meeting. Several questions about the restated bylaws required additional explanation, which has been prepared for the next Session meeting. These will come to the January Congregational Meeting for your approval. We are also working on an Administrative Operations Manual, our filing system, and interim shifts of staff responsibilities as we prepare to provide the next pastor with a flexible staffing model that can be adjusted as necessary.

**STAFFING FOR CHILDREN’S MINISTRY**

We are pleased to announce that Krisha Horn, Director of Family Ministry and Adult Education will be taking up additional hours to staff Children’s Ministry. We hope also to hire a part-time administrative assistant to help Krisha with phone calls, publicity, cross-check volunteers and helpers to make sure they have the appropriate child protection training, replenish supplies for Christian education and the nursery, and make sure set-up instructions are communicated to the appropriate people, and other tasks. Krisha brings passion, intelligence, imagination and well-developed relationships here at Westminster to the job. We are all delighted she agreed to answer the call.

In Christian Partnership - Lorne



**In the Clerk’s Corner**

The business of last month’s Session Meeting on August 21<sup>st</sup> was primarily focused on planning for the start of our new school year and the return to three Sunday worship services. After receiving the minutes from the various committees, there were several motions to be considered, discussed and voted upon.

- ◆ The Session began the process of selecting and electing three Presbytery Commissioners who will represent Westminster Presbyterian Church at the Presbytery meeting in November. Christine Speak, Rachele Hughes and Lynnea Lyman.
- ◆ The Session took a preliminary look at the updates that are being recommended by the Personnel Committee to our Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws to bring the language into alignment with the PCUSA Book of Order.
- ◆ The Mission, Peace and Eco-Justice Committee presented their proposal for a Process for Decision Making that will be discussed and considered as a standard for all committees.
- ◆ Budget and Finance presented a proposed budget for 2020 reflecting the requests of the committees. This budget will be discussed over the next few months to set priorities and goals for 2020.
- ◆ The Nominating Committee initiated a discussion about the job description for the Deacons. The Deacons and various committees will engage this discussion toward a revision of the job description.
- ◆ Session voted to extend the Child/Youth Protection Policy training renewal from 3 years to 5 years.
- ◆ Session voted to appoint or reappoint the Child/Youth Protection Policy Response Team each year at the July meeting of Session.

As always, please feel free to ask questions of your Elders, Clerk or Pastor at any time.  
David Turner, Clerk of Session



**LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD PEOPLE....**

Every now and then, Westminster needs extra help with projects that involve heavy lifting & moving. Building & Grounds will pay the rate of \$20 an hour to reliable workers who can help when needed. Each job will take between 1-2 hours. If you have a flexible schedule and would like to earn a little extra money, call the office at (503) 364-3327, Ext. 103, and Jean will forward your name to the Building & Grounds crew. Thank you in advance!

## Adult Education Fall 2019

### SOAR (Sunday Opportunity for Adult Renewal) 9:30 or 11:00 AM in Russell Hall

**September 22:** "The Peace & Global Witness Offering at Work" with Mission/Peace/Eco-Justice

**October 27:** Homelessness in Salem: A Panel Discussion will be rescheduled

**November 10:** "Being Present to Others in Need" with Stephen Ministers



### Fall Frenzy (Sunday Evening Series)

October 20, October 27 and November 3

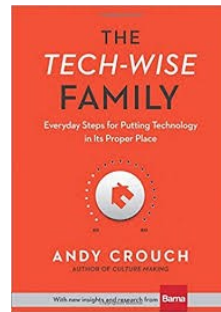
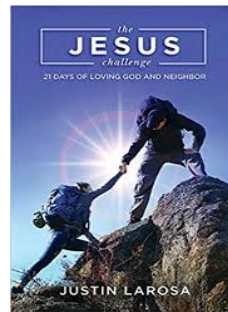
5:00-7:00 PM, dinner included for \$5 / Childcare available



**Explore** the topic of "Ancient Israel's Neighbors: How Unique was Israel and the Bible?" with Dr. Brian Doak,

Associate Professor of Biblical Studies at George Fox University.

**OR join** one of two small groups to take on a 21-day challenge together:



**Watch for details on the Inquirers Class - "Being Presbyterian: Foundations of Presbyterian Discipleship" during Fall Frenzy. For new members AND current members who are looking for fresh inspiration!**

## OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup> IS WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

2nd Thessalonians 3:16, "Peace at all times in all ways." That is the message Paul delivered, and the message we share as we approach the annual Peace & Global Witness Offering. On World Communion Sunday, October 6th, Presbyterian churches across the nation will make contributions to enable peacemaking and reconciliation.

Fifty percent (50%) of the offering collected will go to causes around the globe. 25% will be shared by Presbytery of the Cascades and Synod of the Pacific, and the final 25% stays with our congregation. The Mission/Peace/Eco-Justice committee plans to use those funds to support the local refugee community. Over the past 3 years Salem has welcomed at least 15 refugee families mostly from the war torn Middle East conflicts. Many of these are women with children who previously spent years in camps. Salem is their first home and we can help bring them peace.

**RED CROSS RETURNS TO  
WESTMINSTER ON  
SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> (1-6 PM)**



The ongoing, critical need for blood is bringing the Red Cross back to Westminster a little sooner than usual. If you are able to contribute, call the Red Cross at:

1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or go on-line to <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give> to schedule your donation time. Thank you!



## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Gathering on September 29

You are invited to Boulder Hall after the 9:45 Blended Service for coffee, and a visit with the committees of the church. Each committee will have a table where they will introduce their members, their mission, and the activities they take on to meet their mission. You will also have an opportunity to join the committees or sign up for specific activities. Expect some of the committees to tempt you with delicious treats.

### SPEAKING OF 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY...

The Mission, Peace, Eco-Justice Committee's next 5th Sunday donation drive is September 29th. This month they are collecting donations for Liberty House, a child abuse assessment center that offers a safe, comfortable child-friendly environment for children and their families facing concerns of abuse, neglect, trauma or grief.

They will be collecting the following items:

- Individually-wrapped packages of bite-size snacks (Goldfish, pretzels, graham crackers, candies, applesauce)
- Art Supplies: canvases, colored pencils, acrylic paints & brushes, glue, stress balls, dream catchers, stickers, small journals, bubbles, Slime, strong-smelling lotions or hand sanitizers.

Deposit items in the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday trunk in the Narthex.





## EMAIL SCAM HITS WESTMINSTER

As you may be aware, some church members recently received emails—supposedly from Rev. Bostwick—asking them to purchase gift cards on his behalf. This is an insidious SCAM, and if you receive such an email, please delete it without replying. We are not the only Salem church having this problem, and in fact, this is a national epidemic.

Below is an article from Christianity Today Magazine. It addresses the problem of email fraud attacking churches, and is a good reminder to carefully monitor all emails you receive.



### New Scam: Emails Target Worshipers

Scammers are now targeting worshipers in a gift card scam, warns the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). Posing as a pastor or other church leaders (through an email that looks familiar and legitimate), these scammers ask worshipers for gift-card contributions to a good cause. The FTC explains: The imposter asks you to buy a popular gift card—frequently, iTunes, Google Play, or Amazon—and then asks for the gift card number and PIN on the back of the card. Those numbers let the scammer immediately get the money you loaded onto the card. And once that's done, the scammer and your money are gone, usually without a trace.

Encourage congregants to closely evaluate emails that appear to come from a church leader by carefully looking for some typical warning signs. "For example, the email address isn't the one normally used by the church, and the service provider is different, too. The message may begin with a simple 'Hi,' but doesn't include a recipient's name. There also may be spelling errors, including the pastor's name," says the FTC.

If you would like to know more about these scams and the effects on churches, the Federal Trade Commission's website is full of information.

<https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/blog/2019/07/worshipers-targeted-gift-card-scam>

## CHARITY CIRCLE MEETING, SEPTEMBER 24TH



Charity Circle will begin their exciting new PW/Horizon's Bible Study, "Love Carved in Stone", a fresh look at the Ten Commandments, by Eugenia Anne Gamble. Dolores Byrnes will lead the first lesson and Bonnie Shaughnessy will hostess. The meetings begin at 1:30 p.m. in Eastminster Room at the church.

The Circle welcomes all. For more information, call Dolores Byrnes, 503-364-6646.



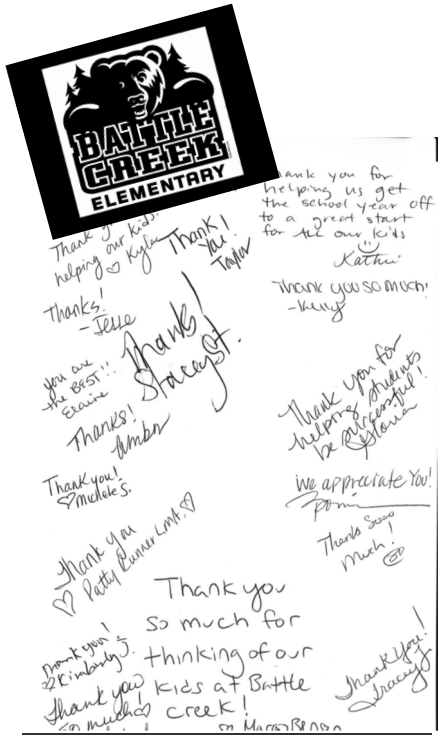
## WESTMINSTER BOOK CLUB, SEPTEMBER 25TH

The club has chosen: "The Baker's Secret" by Stephen Kieran to review September 25<sup>th</sup>. A dazzling novel of WWII, a tale of courage, determination, optimism and the resilience of the human spirit, set in a small Normandy village on the eve of D-Day.

Looking ahead to October 23<sup>rd</sup>, the club will review "The Dearly Beloved". The debut novel by Cara Wall, is a beautifully written story about the complex relationship between two couples. Charles and Lily and James and Nan have been brought together when the men are assigned as ministers of the Third Presbyterian Church in Greenwich, New York in 1963.

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





Thank you note from Battlecreek Elementary School for our back-to-school backpack donations.



**SEPTEMBER 21st - WE DINE!**

Next Sunday, Sept. 15, is the LAST DAY to sign up for Dinner for Eight. Please join a group of friends for fun, food, and fellowship. Dinner is pot-luck style.

Questions: contact Susan Ray at 503-689-1179 or raysu1@comcast.net.



Westminster  
Festival  
of  
Fine Art

It's hard to believe the Festival of Fine Art is only one month away! The sign-up sheets are in the Narthex, and as always, there are many ways to be of help at the Festival. We have an exciting roster of artists, with many disciplines and mediums represented. Here is this year's schedule:

**Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>** - Artist's Reception 7-9 PM  
Music by Gail Gage Jazz

**Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>** - Gallery Open from 9 AM—5 PM  
Art Demonstrations 10-5

**Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>** - Breakfast w/the Arts\* 9 AM  
Gallery Open from 10 AM—5 PM  
Art Demonstrations 10-5

**Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>** - Gallery Open from 9 AM—Noon

\*Breakfast ticket price: \$7

Breakfast Guest Speaker—Kathy Dinges, Community Arts Education Director, Salem Art Association

*Thank you in advance for helping to make this year's Festival a grand success!*

WESTPRES CALENDAR

<p><b>Sun., September 15</b></p> <p>8:15 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9:45 AM Children's Education Hour 9:45 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP 11:00 AM Mid Hi Youth 11:00 AM Confirmation Meeting 11:15 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 5:30 PM High School Youth</p>		<p><b>Sun., September 22</b></p> <p>8:15 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 9:30 AM SOAR 9:45 AM Children's Education Hour 9:45 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP 11:00 AM SOAR 11:00 AM Mid Hi Youth 11:15 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP 5:30 PM High School Youth</p>
<p><b>Mon., September 16</b></p> <p>10:00 AM Library Staff</p>		<p><b>Mon., September 23</b></p> <p>10:00 AM Library Staff 1:00 PM Red Cross Blood Drive</p>
<p><b>Tue., September 17</b></p> <p>12:00 PM South Salem Connects 3:00 PM Westminster Travelers Meeting 5:00 PM Bells 7:00 PM Men's Night Out 7:00 PM Yoga</p>		<p><b>Tue., September 24</b></p> <p>10:30 AM Pastor's Bible Study 1:30 PM Charity Circle 5:00 PM Handbells 7:00 PM Yoga</p>
<p><b>Wed., September 18</b></p> <p>8:00 AM WBS @ WestPres 10:00 AM Bible Study @ Chlanda's 4:15 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Scout Troop # 108 7:30 PM N.A.</p>		<p><b>Wed., September 25</b></p> <p>8:00 AM Women's Bible Study @ Westminster 9:00 AM Presbytery Meeting 10:00 AM Bible Study @ Chlanda's 10:30 AM Westminster Book Club 4:15 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Session 7:00 PM Deacons 6:00 PM Scout Troop # 108 - Boulder Hall 7:30 PM Live 4 Today (N.A.)</p>
<p><b>Thurs., September 19</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Newcomers 9:30 AM Tea with Jesus 11:00 AM Newcomers Board Meeting—Russell Hall 5:30 PM Mission Peace E/J 5:30 PM Praise Team 6:00 PM Venturing Crew 7:00 PM Brass Quintet Rehearsal</p>		<p><b>Thurs., September 26</b></p> <p>1:30 PM Stephen Ministers 5:30 PM Praise Team 6:00 PM Venturing Crew 6:00 PM Girl Scouts 7:00 PM Brass Quintet Rehearsal 7:00 PM Choir</p>
<p><b>Fri., September 20</b></p>		<p><b>Fri., September 27</b></p>
<p><b>Sat., September 21</b></p> <p>10:00 AM Family Hike at Baskett Slough 6:00 PM Dinners for 8</p>		<p><b>Sat., September 28</b></p> <p>9:00-NOON Handbell Choir Retreat</p>

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Our Love and Prayers go out for:

- ◆ Barbara Tallman, who is recovering from heart surgery.
- ◆ Pam Hubble's sister, Peggy Denton, who is having her 2nd kidney removed.
- ◆ Walt Friday, who is recovering from a broken toe.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Sandy Chlanda's friend, Shannon Patterson, who is going through a difficult time.
- ◆ Bill and Donna Grupe, as Bill continues to recover from a stroke, and as they move to a new residence.
- ◆ Jinny Mitchener (friend of Pat and Ed Stahl) whose husband, Karl Sr. passed.
- ◆ Cheryl and Stan Jewell at the passing of Stan's mother.



Continue to Remember:

Cynthia Currin, Eleanor Embick, Sharon Gilliam, Tim Holsten, Bill Hruska, Duff Kannier, Mark Lawrence, John Trigg, Barbara Jewell  
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  
Dianne Greenlee's mother, who is experiencing health issues  
Monte Gunnings, brother-in-law to Carolyn Jones, who has lost use of his legs  
Susan Tanabe's friends, Leslie Parpart, Carol Jacobson Reece and Kim Higham, who are all in need of urgent prayer as they undergo cancer treatment  
Pam Hubble, who is recovering from serious illness.

THANK YOU TO AUGUST USHERS

Jeff Kovach	Pat Randle	Arlene Pate
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The deadline for submission of articles for the next Boulder Knoll Scroll is **Monday, September 23rd @ 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



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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