



April SERMON TITLES

APRIL 1

"When Fools We Shall Be"
I Cor. 1: 18-25

APRIL 8

"What is My Only Hope?"
Rom. 14: 5-105

APRIL 15

"What is God?"
Psalms 86

APRIL 22

**"How Many Persons are
There in God?"**
II Cor. 13: 11-14

APRIL 29

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April 2018

MONTHLY NEWS FOR AND ABOUT OUR CONGREGATION

Dear Westminster Friends,

No fooling...Easter falls on April's Fool's Day this year. But it really is no big deal. It's happened before, and it will happen again. Besides...Easter is far more important than April Fool's Day. Jesus played no prank on us. He truly is alive forevermore!

It is that simple, yet powerful, proclamation that makes the biggest difference that the world has ever known. Everything changed that morning. It's not a matter of renewal, but "new-al". Being renewed suggests that it's simply a part of a process, like the cycle of seasons, or making new year's resolutions, but the resurrection of Jesus doesn't just take what's old and give it a new chance. It starts everything all over again, on a new field, with a new hope.

The biggest thing about this newness is that everything has changed between human beings—you and me—and the Living God. Under the New Covenant (as I often express when we come to the Lord's Table), God has changed the rules. No longer are we to be judged strictly according to what we have done in obeying the rules God has set up, because we simply cannot do so.

We are now to be judged, not by what we do, but what Christ has done for us on the cross and from the tomb! When we turn to Him in faith, we are judged by His obedience, and not by our weakness. That truly is a whole new life! Have you come to faith in Him and received it as your own?

But, to be clear, our annual date with Resurrection Sunday does expect that we who have already be "new-ed" through faith in Jesus will choose to be renewed in our commitments to Him. Those commitments included—but are not limited to—things like how we come to worship Him each week with one another, our fellowship with brothers and sisters in faith, our desire to give of ourselves and our wealth to further His message, and becoming flourishing disciples upon whom He can rely.

As His disciples, then, I ask you: how will Easter renew you this year? What will you do—not simply hope or resolve to do—in order that you will grow into the likeness of Jesus? Will you study the Bible more, join a Life Group, come back to worship on a regular basis, share your gift with the WPC family, and learn to love like Jesus loves us?

The Living Savior and Master has played no prank on us...so let us take seriously, and joyfully, our opportunity to be renewed in our faith and commitments.

Faithfully yours,

Pastor Chuck



PASTOR CHUCK LEGVOLD

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WPC Session Meeting Summary

In order to foster better communication within the congregation, your Session is committed to providing a summary of the issues and actions which are a part of its regular meetings. While we cannot always provide a detailed report of discussions, our desire is to let those we serve know that we are intentionally working and moving forward as God guides us.

At our February and March meetings, the Session:

- ◆ Elected Lou Jacobs as Clerk and thanked Tom Westerfield for his service
- ◆ Reviewed the pastor's goals for 2018
- ◆ Received a report on the new shepherding program
- ◆ Heard a detailed report from ECO's National Gathering
- ◆ Set in motion a review of both our bylaws and our personnel manual
- ◆ Elected Barbara Halsey to serve as commissioner to the April presbytery meeting
- ◆ Examined and approved Kim Saunders for ordination as the Deacon for Missions
- ◆ Decided to engage in both Mission Aurora and another Summer of Service at WPC
- ◆ Began reviews and discussions of ministry team goals
- ◆ Received other reports from the various teams
- ◆ Prayed for the congregation and community

Any covenant partner is encouraged to discuss any of these, or other, matters with one of the elders.

We thank you for your patience, faithfulness and your prayerful support.

Financial Update FEBRUARY 2018

Stewardship Funds Received (Y-T-D)	62,402
Memorial Transfers	0
Building Use (Rentals)	8,610
Misc. Revenue	72
TOTAL FUNDS RECEIVED	\$71,084
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$61,848
Total Receipts Budgeted (Y-T-D)	\$70,664
Total Expenses Budgeted (Y-T-D)	\$68,749
Net Income (Loss)	\$9,236

WPC New City Catechism

Starting April 8, Pastor Chuck will begin a preaching series from *The New City Catechism*, which uses 52 questions and answers to teach adults, youth, and children the most important truths of our faith. Edited and compiled by Rev. Tim Keller, Pastor at Redeemer Presbyterian in New York City, it is essential for us to recover the practice of catechesis, which is an ancient form of learning Biblical truth. Keller writes,

“At present, the practice of catechesis, particularly among adults, has been almost completely lost.

If we reengage in this Biblical practice in our churches, we will find again God's Word 'dwelling in us richly.'

(Colossians 3:16), because the practice of catechesis

takes truth deep into our hearts, so we find ourselves

thinking on Biblical categories as soon as we can reason.”

This year, from April to July, Pastor Chuck will preach following the first twelve of the questions in the New City Catechism, which teach us who God is, what God has done, and what God requires. The rest of the 52 total questions and answers will be interspersed throughout the next 2 years.

You are encouraged to prepare for each week, follow along, or use the NCC for your class, Life Group, or family. Both the catechism itself, and an accompanying devotional book, are available through most online booksellers, and also at www.newcitycatechism.com, where you will find additional resources to help you in your study.

WPC SMALL GROUPS' UPDATE By Judy Rhoads, Deacon of Small Groups

CAC + GBK + DBA + SOC + YOU = VSG!

Can you figure out the formula in the title? After you have read this update about WPC's small group ministry, the formula will clearly reveal why it should be important to you.

Our bulletin board outside the sanctuary is calling your name. Some of you may have scooted by without taking a good look. Time to step back and to absorb the 12-foot message, because "There truly IS a Chair Waiting for You!"

As demonstrated by the life of Jesus, let us not forget an important Biblical reason for joining a small group. The disciples were called to develop a relationship with Jesus by joining His small group. A relationship can't be fostered unless you spend time together. Jesus knew that. He also sent disciples out by teams to minister in homes.

WPC's **vibrant, small group** ministry presently has six groups that meet in the homes of covenant partners. We are **connecting and caring** for one another, **gaining Bible knowledge, determining Bible applications** and **servicing others** in our **community**. Because **CAC + GBK + DBA + SOC + YOU** is totally worthy of your time, effort and commitment, we want to increase the number of groups and the number of individuals in some of the established groups.

I realize many of you have participated in previous small group initiatives at WPC over the years, and some of you have known each other for what may seem like "forever". Being a relatively new covenant partner, however, I did not have the opportunity to experience the small group activities that have fostered the strong relationships and friendships I have observed. Others in our church family may have missed these bonding times as well.

If I don't sit relatively near you on Sunday morning, I totally miss the chance to introduce myself and to put a name with a face. My small group participation has helped me to develop relationships with others I may never have had the opportunity to really know.

The message on the small group bulletin board in the narthex is totally true. A Chair IS Waiting for You if:

- ◆ you want to **CONNECT** with **AND CARE** for others in our church family.
- ◆ you want to **GAIN BIBLE KNOWLEDGE** and grow spiritually.
- ◆ you want to **Determine Bible Applications** for your own life.
- ◆ you want to follow the example of Jesus and **SERVE OTHERS** in the **COMMUNITY**.

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For information on how to become involved or to learn more about our small group ministry, please connect with Pastor Chuck, Tom Westerfield, any group leader pictured on the bulletin board or me. Watch for specific, additional ways to make inquiries and/or commitments during the month of April.

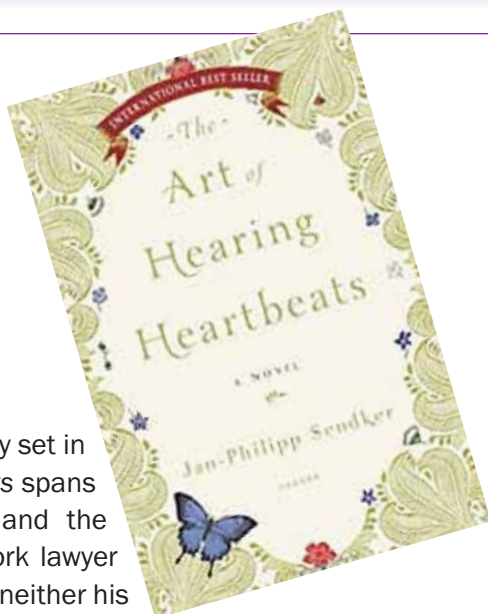


WPC BOOK CLUB

We will meet on **Tuesday, April 17, 1:30 PM** in the West Conference Room.

The book for this month is ***The Art of Hearing Heartbeats*** by Jan-Philipp Sendker.

A poignant and inspirational love story set in Burma, *The Art of Hearing Heartbeats* spans the decades between the 1950s and the present. When a successful New York lawyer suddenly disappears without a trace, neither his wife nor his daughter Julia has any idea where he might be...until they find a love letter he wrote many years ago, to a Burmese woman they have never heard of. Intent on solving the mystery and coming to terms with her father's past, Julia decides to travel to the village where the woman lived. There she uncovers a tale of unimaginable hardship, resilience, and passion that will reaffirm the reader's belief in the power of love to move mountains.



April BIRTHDAYS

Madeline Saunders	3
Jakob Saunders	8
Terry Samuelson	11
Jan Medgyesi	12
Irv Vickers	12
Tom Westerfield	15
Timmy Hansen	17
Rick Genslinger	23
Joan Stransky	28

WPC MARTHA CIRCLE

Martha Circle will meet on **Tuesday, April 24 at 7:00 PM** at the home of Barb Halsey

WPC ESTHER CIRCLE

Esther Circle will meet on **Thursday, April 26, 9:15 AM** in the church lounge

WPC VOLUNTEER DRIVERS By Ernie Poochigian

AS OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST, THERE IS A NEW STEEL "PULL HOOK" IN THE CAB OF THE 14 FT. CUBE VAN THAT IS USED TO PICK-UP FOOD FROM THE NORTHERN ILLINOIS FOOD BANK WAREHOUSE.

THE "STEEL HOOK" IS FOR THE CUBE VAN ONLY TO ASSIST IN PULLING THE REAR DOOR DOWN.

IF YOU DO NOT SEE THE HOOK IN THE VAN, TELL EDDIE AND GET ONE FROM HIM.

HOOK STAYS IN THE VAN!!

WPC BRIDGE GROUP

We will meet on **Thursday, April 19, 1:00-4:00 PM** in the church lounge



WPC PRAYER TEAM

By Dorrie Post

One more installment from Haddon W. Robinson's Jesus' Blueprint for Prayer:

"The Lord's Prayer, as we commonly recite it, concludes with a trumpet blast of praise: 'For your is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.' Since those words seem like an appropriate and fitting way for the prayer to end, it is somewhat unsettling to discover that the sentence does not appear in the earliest and best manuscripts of either Matthew or Luke. Evidently this doxology was not part of the prayer as Jesus originally gave it. In fact, it appears for the first time in the second and third centuries."

PRAYER TEAM

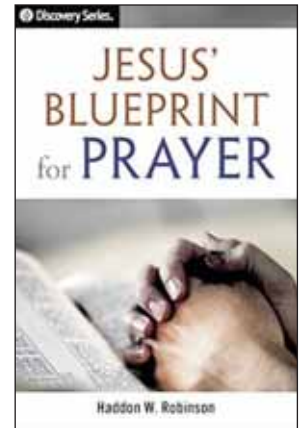
Thursday afternoons
West Conference Room
1:00-2:00 PM

"While this doxology may not have been given directly by Jesus, it can claim broad biblical support. After King David assembled the building materials for the future temple, he

declared, "Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power, and the glory, the victory and the majesty;...Yours is the kingdom" (1 Chronicles 29:11) "In a life of prayer we discover a Father rich and generous and inexhaustible beyond all measure: His IS the kingdom and the power and the glory." (emphasis mine) When we pray as we ought, we affirm God's majesty, trumpet His power, and, through the answers to our prayer, display His glory."

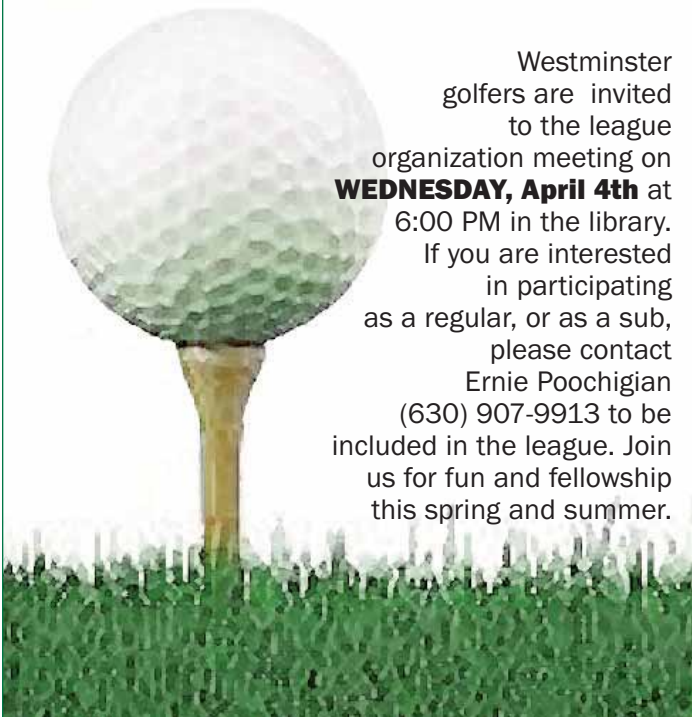
"To really learn about prayer, you must pray. Take it seriously and carve out some time each day to pray. Jesus gave us a blueprint for prayer—use it that way."

As always, please feel invited to join the Prayer Team as it meets on Thursday afternoons in the West Conference Room at 1:00-2:00 PM. You'll be blessed!



WESTMINSTER GOLFERS

Fore!! The grass is green, sky is blue,
and flags are on the greens.



Westminster golfers are invited to the league organization meeting on **WEDNESDAY, April 4th** at 6:00 PM in the library. If you are interested in participating as a regular, or as a sub, please contact Ernie Poochigian (630) 907-9913 to be included in the league. Join us for fun and fellowship this spring and summer.

WPC YOUTH OPEN HOUSE AND BAKED POTATO BAR FUNDRAISER

Our WPC youth cleared over \$700 to provide scholarships for the Taylor Youth Conference.

Over 80 people were served!

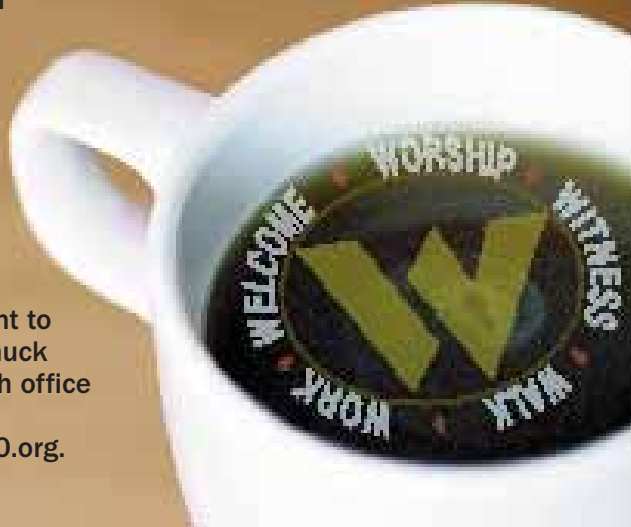
Thanks to everyone for their support!



WPC NEW COVENANT PARTNER COFFEE

Our next Covenant Partner Coffee for those wishing to join the Westminster family will be on Sunday, April 15, at 2:00 PM, at the home of Pastor Chuck and Bonnie Legvold. This 90-minute time for instruction, questions and getting to know one another is necessary to become a formal member of Westminster, which will take place the following Sunday in worship.

Please direct any questions, as well as your intent to attend, to Pastor Chuck by calling the church office or emailing him at pastorchuck@wpc10.org.



PLANNING AHEAD

Mark your May calendars now to celebrate the **National Day of Prayer** on Thursday May 3.

Plan now to attend a critical time of group prayer for our country.

For more information see this website: www.nationaldayofprayer.org



Women's Association Spring Luncheon

**Thursday, April 12
11:30 AM
Fellowship Hall**

Lunch provided by Esther Circle

Program:

Developing Faith in our Young People

Speaker:

Anne Miller, Intersarsity Christian Fellowship at Aurora University

All women of the church are welcome. Come and bring a friend.

Westminster Presbyterian Church **APRIL 2018**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 EASTER SUNDAY No Church Rentals 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM WPC WORSHIP SERVICE - SANCTUARY 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM Life Christian Center - Worship Service - Sanctuary	2 CCS - No School 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM WPC Monday Morning Bible Study 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM TOPS IL #2386- Aurora Chapter 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Westminster Men's Open Basketball	3 CCS - No School 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM WPC Staff Meeting 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Yoga	4 CCS - No School 8:45 AM - 10:30 AM Weight Control 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study/Breakfast - Colonial 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM AA Groups 5:30 PM Bowling Team Organization Meeting- W. Conf. Room 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM WPC Youth Group 6:30 PM Chancel Choir 7:30 PM Hand Bells 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM AA District Meeting	5 CCS - No School 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Thursday Afternoon Prayer Team- W. Conf. Room	6 CCS - No School CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Wedding Reception set up - FLC	7 2:00 PM - 10:00 PM Wedding Reception Rental - FLC 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM Baby Shower Room Rental - FH
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ONE WORSHIP SERVICE SUNDAY 10:30 AM SANCTUARY

Our Mission Statement

Westminster Presbyterian Church exists to lead people into intimate relationships with Jesus, the Son of God, deep relationships with His family, and servant relationships with our community.

