



July SERMON TITLES

JULY 1

“What Does He Require in
Commandments 6-8?”
Rom. 13: 8-10

JULY 8

“What Does He Require in
Commandments 9-10?”
James 2: 8-13

JULY 15

Guest Preacher

JULY 22

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JULY 29

“The World is Transformed”
Matt.11: 1-6

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July 2018

MONTHLY NEWS FOR AND ABOUT OUR CONGREGATION

Dear Westminster Friends,

During the month of July, our focus is going to be on our Small Group Ministry, specifically on the importance and development of Life Groups here at Westminster. While I am away on vacation for two Sundays, we'll be looking to teach about Life Groups and encouraging every person who is a part of our church family to be an ongoing part of one.

I need to begin, though, by clearing up some misunderstandings about the terms we use to describe this vital ministry. For instance, there seems to be some confusion about what difference there may be, if any, between “Small Groups” and Life Groups.” In ways, they are related to each other, but in other ways they are different.

Small Groups are primarily identified by their size, regardless of their purpose. To be clear, a small group of people is probably no more than 12 people. That means that a choir is not likely a small group, while an ensemble is. A Sunday school class may be a small group, or it may be too large to function as a small group. A softball team could be considered a small group, but a church picnic is not. But numbers do not really define what a small group is for the purposes of this ministry. Small groups are formed around a particular purpose, or set of purposes.

This is why, when we launched a new initiative more than a year ago, we decided to call these groups, “Life Groups.” Life Groups have an intentional purpose of gathering people around fellowship, study, and prayer so that they might grow as disciples of Jesus. This is the singular focus of these groups, as they mutually seek to grow close to Jesus, and to one another. So all Life Groups are small groups, but not all small groups are Life Groups. We want you each to make a commitment, for your own health, for the strength of our congregation, and for the glory of God.

Yes, small groups of all kinds exist, and they can all be doing something good, such as carrying out a mission or offering intercessory prayer, but we want you all to give yourselves to the foundational work of Life Groups, for flourishing disciples is what God desires most, and all of the good works we can think of will then flow from those groups.

I will address this more in the August newsletter, but between now and then, how about giving a Life Group a try? If you want to visit one, or if you are even ready to join one, see me, Tom Westerfield, or our Deacon for Small Groups, Judy Rhoads, and we'll get you started!

Joyfully,

Pastor Chuck



PASTOR CHUCK LEGVOLD



Financial Update MAY 2018

Stewardship Funds	159,142
Misc. Revenue	672
Building Use	20,760
Memorial Transfers	0

Total Funds Received (Y-T-D) \$180,574

Total Expenses (Y-T-D) \$159,501

Net Income (Loss) \$21,073

We have received \$21,073 more than we have spent. Funds received last year through May 2017 - \$184,464 through May 2018 - \$180,574 - down \$3,890 in funds received from the same time period but our expenses are \$13,738 less in 2018 than in 2017.

Total Receipts Budgeted (Y-T-D) \$171,873

Total Expenses Budgeted (Y-T-D) \$171,873

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 May meeting, the Session:

- ◆ Had an extended discussion about a vision for the church
- ◆ Approved a plan for the Small Group Ministry to lead worship July 15 and 22
- ◆ Call a congregational meeting for June 24 to elect new officers
- ◆ Approved the ballot of officers for the June 24 congregational meeting
- ◆ Approved a request to schedule an annual Youth Sunday
- ◆ Eliminated the Youth Ministry Deacon position
- ◆ Named Jason and Jenny Drury as Youth Directors and noted their staff status
- ◆ Noted upcoming capital improvement projects
- ◆ 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.

Volunteers at Work for WPC



A really big Thank You to **Bonnie Legvold** and **Joyce Orland** for their help with cleaning all 158 red chairs in the Family Life Center.

Another really big WPC Thank You to **Ian**, the son of Covenant Christian Pre-School Director **Debbie Nelsen**. Ian is using a carpet cleaner that was given to WPC last year. He is cleaning the entire long hallway on Wednesday afternoons this summer. If you see him, say "Hi".

Ever wonder who keeps the church landscape looking so good? Then thank **Audrey Fechner**, **Ken Bromann**, and **Doug Ecker** for their hard labors in planting, weeding, and trimming.

Finally, please thank **John**, **Ted**, and **Al** for their faithful work most Monday mornings taking care of whatever needs taking care of around WPC. Of course, they are sometimes helped by **Fred**, **Alan**, and **Tommy**, so it gets a little busy, but what's to worry, it all gets done. Thank you guys!

COUGARS BASEBALL TICKETS

Mark your calendars now for Westminster's annual family trip to the Kane County Cougars baseball game on **SATURDAY, AUGUST 18th**. The **BACK ROW** has been invited to sing **THE NATIONAL ANTHEM** prior to the game at **6:30 PM**. It's a good time for fellowship while enjoying the outdoors and baseball.

A sign-up list is posted on the bulletin board in the east hallway near the choir room.. Tickets are **\$12.00** each and may be purchased by check (payable to Westminster Presbyterian). Give checks to **Ernie Poochigian**.



WPC MEMORIAL DAY



WPC THE BECOMMERS



My name is **John Halsey**, and I have been heard to say that my personal spiritual commitment is to glorify God, and I am excited about our pastor's commitment to making disciples. I suspect that we all know what it means to be a disciple, and Pastor Chuck has talked a lot about discipleship in sermons, but how many of us are willing to make the commitment that it takes to become a flourishing disciple.

I would like to form a group (5 or 6) of Covenant Partners/Friends of WPC who will be genuinely and intentionally committed to spiritual growth/discipleship. This group would examine and intensify our covenant with God, choose and pursue (with the help of others in the group) personal growth goals, and be eager to help others in the group attain their declared goals. It would require strong support for one another, a willingness to share, in confidence, personal information, and a willingness to be available for comfort and counsel when needed.

We would meet regularly to share, study the Bible and helpful materials, and concern ourselves with learning and practicing effective prayer. The group would be responsible to create its own meeting schedule times and locations. The working title for such a group would be, "The Becommers."

I wonder if there are 5 or 6 people at Westminster who share this dream with me. I plan to put together a group in the next few months, hoping to begin meeting in September. If you are interested or have helpful suggestions for such an activity, please contact me by one of the following means: house phone 630-553-8424, cell phone 630-263-8424, or see me in person at church!

WPC BOOKS AVAILABLE FROM PASTOR CHUCK LEGVOLD'S LIBRARY

In an effort to both de-clutter his life, and bless others with helpful gifts, Pastor Chuck is on a continuing mission to give away many books in his personal library. Here are some of the books he is happy to let you have:

26 titles by Max Lucado, such as *God Came Near and He Chose the Nails*

8 titles by Chuck Swindoll, including *Improving Your Serve* and *Grace Awakening*

8 titles by Lloyd Ogilvie, including *Lord of the Impossible* and *Ask Him Anything*

Several books by authors such as Philip Yancey, Eugene Peterson, and John Maxwell

There are also Bible commentary series. Such as William Barclay's Daily Study Bible—New Testament, (17 softcover volumes), and Jon Courson's 3 volume commentary on the whole Bible.

Want a challenge? How about taking John Calvin's

Institutes of the Christian Religion, including an analysis which will help you find what you're looking for in this historic work which provides the foundation for Reformed and Presbyterian theology.

Many individual commentaries on various books of the Bible, Old and New Testaments, can find a new home with you, all for the asking.

More options? Books on theology, the life of Christ, prayer, the Holy Spirit, the Church, and leadership are all available to you, not to mention volumes on church history, evangelism, and worship.

You may have them—as many as you would like—at no cost other than coming by my office and walking away with your choices.

You can keep them for yourselves, share them with your Life Group, or give them to others as gifts.

There is a deadline, though...by the end of August, what books have not been claimed will be donated to other organizations. But Pastor Chuck would prefer that you have the books you need or want, rather than having them resold by someone else.

Just see, call, or email Pastor Chuck (pastorchuck@wpc10.org) to arrange a time when you can view what's available and take them with you.

WPC BOOK CLUB

Discussion will be on *Once We Were Brothers* by Ronald H. Balson. The book will be available in the church office to be signed out for you to read before July 17.

**Tuesday, July 17th
1:30 PM
West Conference Room**

Once We Were Brothers is the gripping tale about two boys, once as close as brothers, who find themselves on opposite sides of the Holocaust.

"Elliot Rosenzweig, a respected civic leader and wealthy philanthropist, is attending a fundraiser when he is suddenly accosted and accused of being a former Nazi SS officer named Otto Piatek, the Butcher of Zamosc. Although the charges are denounced as preposterous, his accuser is convinced he is right and engages attorney Catherine Lockhart to bring Rosenzweig to justice. Solomon persuades attorney Catherine Lockhart to take his case, revealing that the true Piatek was abandoned as a child and raised by Solomon's own family only to betray them during the Nazi occupation. But has Solomon accused the right man?"

It is a compelling tale of two boys and a family who struggle to survive in war-torn Poland, and a young love that struggles to endure the unspeakable cruelty of the Holocaust. Two lives, two worlds, and sixty years converge in an explosive race to redemption that makes for a moving and powerful tale of love, survival, and ultimately the triumph of the human spirit."



THE FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

From "In God We Still Trust" by Dr. Richard Lee

On July 3, 1776, following the signing of the Declaration of Independence, John Adams reflected on that important day.

The second day of July 1776 will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever.

I am well aware of the toil and blood and treasure that it will cost to maintain this Declaration and support and defend these States. Yet through all the gloom I can see the rays of ravishing light and glory. I can see that the end is worth more than all the means; that posterity will triumph in that day's transaction, even though we [may regret] it, which I trust in God we shall not.

Patriot's Promise

"The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles" (Psalm 34:17).

WPC BRIDGE GROUP

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



WPC NEW LIGHTS

On May 21, 2018, new lights were installed in the Family Life Center. Installation was done by Windy City Electric Company. Approximately 50% of the cost of this project was paid for by a grant from Commonwealth Edison. Additionally, the parking lot lights in both the east and west parking lots, have been replaced with high efficiency LED lighting. You should notice a real difference in the parking lots at night, due to this change.



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH PRESENTS AN

Ice Cream

Social

Wednesday, July 25th
6-8 PM in our Family Life Center (West Entrance)

Free Event and ALL are Welcome

→ Ice Cream and all the toppings for you to
create your favorite Sundae! ←

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July **BIRTHDAYS**

John Halsey	2
Jim Fechner	3
Mike Farris	4
Susanne Fuller	5
Jeff Fechner	6
John Post	7
Chuck Legvold	7
Joy Rogerson	9
Dick Wilson	13
Joyce Orland	16
Melinda Legvold	17

WPC **Fifth Sunday Benevolence Collection**

**There is a fifth Sunday in
July, September and
December.**

**This is the time we give
to those less fortunate.
Envelopes are provided
in the pews.**

**Please give so that
others may be helped.**

Westminster Presbyterian Church **JULY 2018**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 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 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM TOPS IL #2386- Aurora Chapter 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Communion Server Training- W. Conf. Room 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Westminster Men's Open Basketball	3 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM WPC Staff Meeting 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Yoga	4 No Church Rentals 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 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM LCC Worship/Youth Bible Class-Sanctuary, FLC 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM AA District Meeting	5 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Thursday Afternoon Prayer Team- W. Conf. Room 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Sidney Dove Bible Class- Lounge	6 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	7 No Church Rentals 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Pastor's Preaching/Teaching Prep. Class
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29 FIFTH SUNDAY BENEVOLENCE COLLECTION Mission Aurora 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM WPC WORSHIP SERVICE - SANCTUARY 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM Life Christian Center - Worship Service - Sanctuary	30 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM TOPS IL #2386- Aurora Chapter 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Westminster Men's Open Basketball	31 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM WPC Staff Meeting 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Yoga	1 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Men's Bible Study/Breakfast - Colonial 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM AA Groups 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM LCC Worship/Youth Bible Class-Sanctuary, FLC 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM AA District Meeting	2 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Thursday Afternoon Prayer Team- W. Conf. Room	3 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	4 2:00 PM - 10:00 PM Rivera 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.