

# August SERMON TITLES

## **AUGUST 5**

"God's Reality is Grasped"
Matt. 11: 7-15

## **AUGUST 12**

"God's Wisdom is Proved"
Matt. 11: 16-19

#### **AUGUST 19**

"Repentance is Required"
Matt. 11: 20-24

#### **AUGUST 26**

"Rest is Offered" Matt: 11: 25-30

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### MONTHLY NEWS FOR AND ABOUT OUR CONGREGATION

Dear Westminster Friends,

Last month I shared with you that there is a clear difference between "small groups"—which speaks to the size of any group functioning with a purpose in the life of our church, and "Life Groups"—which are intentionally focused around the particular purpose of growing as disciples of Jesus. This month, I want to share with you the three distinctive purposes of Life Groups.



PASTOR CHUCK LEGVOLD

The first distinctive purpose of Life Groups is <u>spiritual</u> growth. As we mature as disciples of Jesus, our fore-

most aim must to be to grow up toward the goal of being like Jesus. Christlikeness requires an intentional process of constant growth, much like the growth we each experience as we move from infancy to childhood, then to adolescence, then to adulthood, and finally, to maturity. It takes both time and intentional effort to learn, grow, develop wisdom, and discover who we are intended to be. As human beings, we are dependent upon parents and teachers to help us become more and more mature, but it is our Life Group partners that aid us in that process as disciples. It is the very best context in which that growth can take place.

The second distinctive purpose of Life Groups is <u>supportive relationships</u>. Being followers of Jesus is not something we can do alone, any more than we grow into responsible and mature adults without the aid of others. Growing up, whether as human beings, or as disciples of Jesus, is not an easy task; we all need help along the way. As I have grown as a disciple, I have needed people to cheer me on when I was tempted to give up. I have needed others to hold me accountable when I make mistakes, and correct me when I have been wrong. I have needed companions on the journey of faith, and so do you. Life Groups are the places where that intimate companionship is best found.

The final distinctive purpose of Life Groups is <u>service to others</u>. This certainly means that the members of each group are there to care for and serve the other members of their group, but that's not enough to mold us into the image of Jesus. Our Master said that we are to be servants to those He places in our paths, and that He is the model of what that service looks like. Life Group members intentionally seek ways they can become like Jesus by reaching into the lives of others in our community and world, sharing their wisdom and strength, even as we share the love and call of Jesus to others to join us. Life Groups are the very best way to share the joys and burdens of serving others.

Ready for a challenge that will help you become all that Jesus wants you to be? Get into a Life Group right now! Just talk to me, Tom Westerfield, or Judy Rhoads today!





# Financial Update JUNE 2018

Stewardship Funds	184,866
Misc. Revenue	672
Building Use	24,350
Memorial Transfers	0

**Total Funds Received (Y-T-D)** \$209,888

**Total Expenses (Y-T-D)** \$202,677

**Net Income (Loss)** \$7,212

We have received \$7,212 more than we have spent. **Stewardship Funds received last year through** June 2017 - \$181,940 through June 2018 -\$184,866 - up \$2,926 from the same time period. Building Use is up \$4,430 from the same time period. Expenses are \$4,209 less from the same time period.

**Total Receipts Budgeted (Y-T-D)** \$211,993 **Total Expenses Budgeted (Y-T-D)** \$206,248

## **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. Tickets are \$12.00 each and may be purchased by check (payable to Westminster Presbyterian). Give checks to Ernie Poochigian.



# 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 its June meeting, the Session:

- Continued a discussion about a vision and goals for the church, and assigned tasks to Session members to begin moving forward on some of the goals, including creating position descriptions for a potential ministry intern and assistant pastor
- Authorized a Clean-Up/Clean-Out Week at the church, scheduled for July 30 through August 4
- Heard a report on the excellent progress of the **Endowments and Memorials Team**
- Noted continuing successes in dealing with necessary property issues
- Encouraged each other to model flourishing discipleship for the congregation, including sharing our faith with others
- 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.

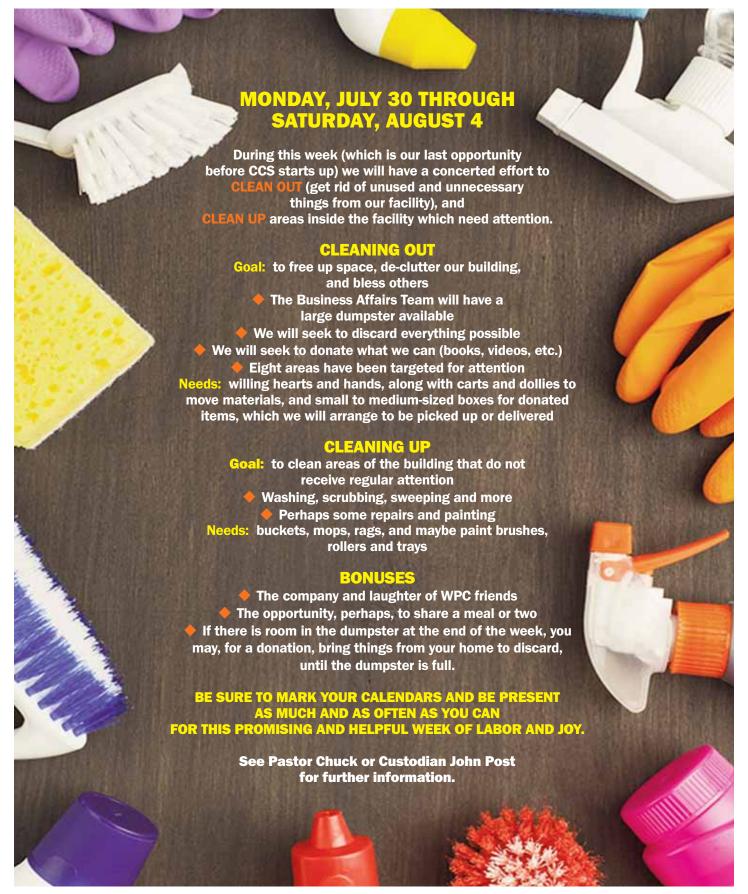
We thank you for your patience, faithfulness and your prayerful support.



9:00-11:00 AM **FLC** 

This quarterly meeting is for all active Elders, **Deacons and Staff.** 

# $\mathcal{WPC}$ announcing the wpc clean out/up week



# WPC PRAYER TEAM



The PRAYER TEAM has gone back to its Tuesday morning schedule, beginning July 17 at 10:15 AM. All are urged to attend the sweet hour of prayer on July 31, August 14 and 28. Please join us in the West Conference Room.

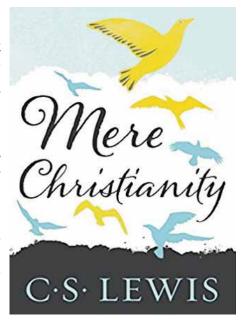
**Dorrie Post** 

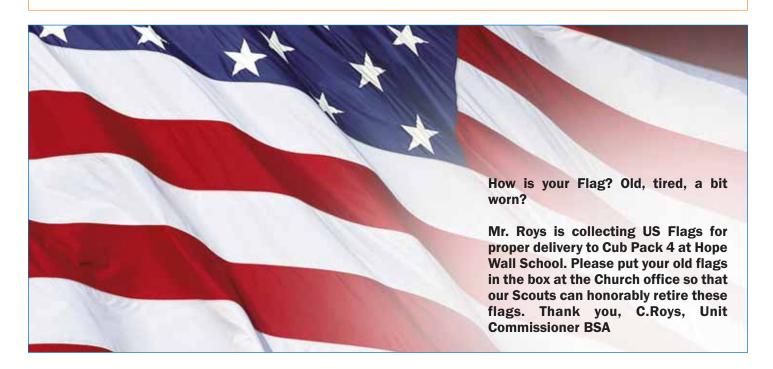
## WPC FAITHWEAVERS

Faithweavers, The Adult Sunday School class will begin a study of *C.S. Lewis's Mere Christianity* beginning August 5, 2018. Everyone, church member or friend of the congregation, is welcome to come each Sunday at 9:00 am to meet in the Library for an hour-long discussion of the book plus a short video clip presentation by Eric Metaxas and other theologians who will give their insight. Newcomers to Faithweavers are especially encouraged to come.

\*Books may be picked up in the Narthex before and after services or in the Office throughout the week. Look for Dorrie or John Post. (If you already have a copy from way back, you do not need a new book.) Questions may be directed to the Posts at 630-844-3041 or dorrie.post @comcast.net.

\*Personal testimony from Dorrie: If you, like me, have shied away from Lewis' classic book, because it is 'just too philosophical', please come to the class. It really is not so difficult to understand as I feared and it will give us an enhanced understanding of our great God. The church has purchased a discussion guide and a video by noted theologians which will help tremendously to guide our new-found knowledge of our Lord and Savior. Let's learn together!





### **HFCC Concert**

Our friends at the Household of Faith Christian Church in Plainfield are presenting a wonderful concert with their own talented musicians and vocalists on August 4. The proceeds from the concert go to their Building Fund, so that they can acquire property of their own and expand their ministry.

Tickets are available from the contacts below for a donation of \$20 each. If you cannot attend, please consider sending them a special donation by contacting Pastor Julius Montero via email at hfccpastor524@gmail.com.



## August Birthdays

Tom Copenhaver	1
Jim Smith	3
Dian Poochigian	5
Terri Samuelson	5
Judie Huss	10
Jenny Drury	10
John Gordon	12
Linda Lemmerhirt	12
Gary Gapinske	14
Karen Needham	14
Doug Kirhofer	16
David Rhoads	17
Bonnie Mayer	18
Don Hill	24
Laura Machuca	24

# WPC NEWSLETTERS

Submissions for the monthly newsletter are due by the 20th of the month.

Please send your text and photos to judyw@wpc10.org.



WPC BOOK CLUB

The WPC Book Club will meet on August 21<sup>ST</sup> at 1:30 PM in the West Conference Room.

We will be discussing **Buddha in the Attic** by Julie Otsuka.

"A gorgeous novel that tells the story of a group of young women brought from Japan to San Francisco as "picture brides" nearly a century ago. In eight unforgettable sections, *The Buddha in the Attic* traces the extraordinary lives of these women, from their arduous journeys by boat, to their arrival in San Francisco and their tremulous first nights as new wives; from their experiences raising children

who would later reject their culture and language, to the deracinating arrival of war. Once again, Julie Otsuka has written a spellbinding novel about identity and loyalty, and what it means to be an American in uncertain times."

We hope that you will join us for a time of discussion of the book. You may pick up a copy of the book in the church office to take home and read.



# Westminster Presbyterian Church August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 FIFTH SUNDAY BENEVOLENCE COLLECTION Mssion 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 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM WPC Session Meeting 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM Westminster Men's Open Basketball	31 10:15 AM - 10:15 AM Tuesday morning Prayer Team 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	3 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	4 No Church Rentals 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Pastor's Preaching/Teaching Prep. Class
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