



## September SERMON TITLES

**SEPTEMBER 2**  
"Priorities are Practiced"  
Matt.12: 1-14

**SEPTEMBER 9**  
"Justice is Victorious"  
Matt. 12: 15-21

**SEPTEMBER 16**  
"God's Enemies are Exposed"  
Matt. 12: 22-37

**SEPTEMBER 23**  
"God's Son is Recognized"  
Matt.12: 39-45

**SEPTEMBER 30**  
"God's Friends are Identified"  
Matt. 12: 46-50

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# September 2018

## MONTHLY NEWS FOR AND ABOUT OUR CONGREGATION

Dear Westminster Friends,

During this month of September, we are planning to launch some new Life Groups, and to engage more and more of our covenant partners and friends in this "best practice" for maturing as disciples of Jesus. So I want to ask YOU why you are—or are not—in a Life Group?

I have been asking some of your friends here at Westminster—who are engaged in a Life Group—why they are a part of one and what makes their experience so valuable to them. Here is a summary of their most frequent responses:

- I am learning more about the Bible and how to practice my faith
- I am finding friends on whom I can count
- I am seeing my neighbors and family members in the way that Jesus sees them
- I am learning how to pray and share my faith



PASTOR CHUCK LEGVOLD

*"We could all use more friends, more support, more depth, and more closeness to Jesus."*

Now...wouldn't you say that ALL of these things are completely positive in character? Indeed—knowing more, practicing better, being loved, praying effectively—every one of these benefits are worth whatever investment of time and energy which any of us might have to make. They positively change our lives, our church, and our community.

I have also asked some of you why you are not in a Life Group, and here is a summary of the responses I have heard:

- I don't have the time—we're just too busy
- I already have enough friends who care about me
- I'm already a flourishing disciple of Jesus
- I'm already doing something at church

Now...what might we say about these responses which, by the way, we need to honor as genuine feelings? Aside from wanting to answer each of these replies individually, how might we positively respond? I would—and have—simply respond by asking about why wouldn't someone want MORE. We could all use more friends, more support, more depth, and more closeness to Jesus. And, interestingly enough...that MORE is what Life Groups provide.

I challenge you all to try out a Life Group, even if on a temporary basis. Keep your eyes and ears open for opportunities to become a part of one this very month!

Joyfully,

Pastor Chuck



## Financial Update JULY 2018

Stewardship Funds	212,736
Misc. Revenue	672
Building Use	29,560
Memorial Transfers	8,300
<b>Total Funds Received (Y-T-D)</b>	<b>\$251,268</b>
<b>Total Expenses (Y-T-D)</b>	<b>\$222,040</b>
<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$11,801</b>

We have received \$29,227 more than we have spent. Stewardship Funds received last year through July 2017 - \$209,333 through July 2018 - \$212,736 - up \$3,403 from the same time period.

<b>Total Receipts Budgeted (Y-T-D)</b>	<b>\$247,325</b>
<b>Total Expenses Budgeted (Y-T-D)</b>	<b>\$240,623</b>

## WPC MONDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Monday Morning Bible Study will begin its 60th year this September. In 1958, Polly Davidson began teaching a Bible Study that was open to the women of Westminster as well as friends and women of the community. She remained the teacher until the Fall of 2006. Upon her retirement various members taught until Mickie O'Donnell took over. When Mickie moved, Linda Dudley began teaching and remains the teacher today. Our 2018 season will begin **September 10, 2018 at 9:30 AM** in the Library with fellowship and prayers, the study begins at 10:00 AM. All women are welcome. Bring your Bible and join us.

## 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 July meeting, the Session:

- ◆ Approved the plan to repair the air conditioning system, as well as a capital campaign to help pay for the project and restore financial reserves
- ◆ Approved a group of elders to administer the Lord's Supper during worship
- ◆ Discussed and urged upgrades in our telephone system and social media presence
- ◆ Celebrated successes in Life Groups and outreach ministries
- ◆ 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.

## HOW DO I TELL OTHERS ABOUT JESUS?

**How do I tell others about Jesus?** While it ought to be a natural part of our discipleship and our love for God, many of us have a hard time engaging those around us in meaningful conversations about the Master. There are key things we must first **DO**, and then we can more naturally move into what we can best **SAY** in witness to others.

Pastor Chuck has designed a short (60-90 minutes) seminar-style course that will both encourage and equip you to share Jesus with others in your circle of influence. So...if this is something in which you would enjoy participating, would you please let Pastor Chuck know so that he can work to schedule one or more of these seminars to assist you in the vital part of Christian discipleship?

Using email ([pastorchuck@wpc10.org](mailto:pastorchuck@wpc10.org)), or in a personal note to him, please inform Pastor Chuck of your interest in attending one of these seminars, your availability (weeknights, Saturday mornings, Sunday lunchtime, etc.), and your best contact information (preferably your email address, if available). And be sure to contact him about this just as soon as possible!

## LIFE GROUP MINISTRY HOST OPPORTUNITY

### FOR

ANYONE WILLING TO TAKE A LITTLE RISK AND TO GIVE SOMETHING NEW A TRY

### WHEN

DURING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER...AND, POSSIBLY, BEYOND

For additional information, please be in touch with Judy Rhoads, Deacon of the LIFE Group Ministry. She will contact you with additional information.

I am interested in learning more about being a LIFE Group Host for the month of September. Email:

[judithrhoads@sbcglobal.net](mailto:judithrhoads@sbcglobal.net)

**Are you a  
people-person?**

**Are you willing to  
open your home and  
serve a small snack?**

**Can you follow and  
read the discussion  
questions provided by  
Pastor Chuck after  
each Sunday sermon in  
September?**

**Do you want to grow  
spiritually?**

**Do you enjoy  
interesting  
conversations?**

## WPC PRAYER TEAM UPDATE

The Westminster Prayer Team has continued to meet through the summer months and praises the Lord for answers to our heartfelt prayers for the congregation. We have resumed our old meeting time of Tuesdays at 10:15 AM. We meet in the West conference Room and the coffee is always on! Please join us in praying for the members of WPC.



## WPC COUGARS GAME

More than forty Westminster members and friends enjoyed the annual outing at the Cougars baseball game recently. The BACK ROW once again was invited to sing the National Anthem prior to the game attended by more than 10,600 fans. Following the game won by the Cougars, all enjoyed the fireworks display.





## WPC UPDATE - AND AN OPPORTUNITY

### REGARDING THE REPLACEMENT OF OUR AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM

You are aware of the fact that the air conditioning system for the older parts of our facility failed more than a month ago. Since then, an ad hoc team of our covenant partners has reviewed bids for the project, and the work should now be underway. Our contractor has stated that they anticipate that the project will be completed by August 31, at a contracted cost of \$57,950.

At its meeting on July 30, the Session agreed to pay for this extensive and expensive project in the following ways:

- ◆ First, a reserve account containing \$25,000 will be emptied. (This will be refilled as time goes on.)
- ◆ Second, a limited-time campaign for financial contributions to offset the balance as much as possible will be shared with the congregation. This campaign will end on September 30.
- ◆ Finally, whatever balance is left will be met with memorial funds.

The bill for this project is due on October 1, 2018, so we all need to consider how we can contribute in a way where we can avoid, if possible, the expenditure of memorial funds. Any gift—great or small—will be accepted and deeply appreciated, but be sure to do two things as you contribute: first, mark any check or envelope for this project with “Air Conditioning,” and, second, please make it second-mile giving, rather than diverting it from your regular contribution to our operating and mission funds.

Any questions may be directed to our **Business Affairs Elder, Irv Vickers**.

## September BIRTHDAYS

Laura Stowell	2
Eric Ashina	2
Ernie Poochigian	5
Terry Ensminger	10
Emily Gatske	12
William Gatske	12
Judy Rhoads	17
Fran Marsh	17
David Heeg	20
Norrain Phelps	25
Chuck Roys	28
Walt Kirhofer	29

## WPC Fifth Sunday Benevolence Collection

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

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

## WPC WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION FALL LUNCHEON

**Thursday October 11, 11: 30 AM, Fellowship Hall**

**Lunch provided by Martha's Circle**

**Program**  
**Sustaining Life through Education and Medical Services**

**Speaker**  
**Jana Woodard, Clinical and Program Director at PIC, Pregnancy Information Center**

**All women of the church are welcome.**

**Come and bring a friend!**

## WPC PICNIC



## WPC BOOK CLUB

Our book is *Daisies Are Forever* by Liz Tolsma. Meeting will be on **September 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM** in the **West Conference Room**.

**In the final days of Nazi Germany, the strength of one woman's heart will determine the fate of a family.**

Prussia, 1945

The fall of the Third Reich is imminent. As the merciless Red Army advances from the East, the German people of Prussia await the worst.

Among them is twenty-year-old Gisela Cramer, an American living in Heiligenbeil with her cousin Ella and their ailing grandfather. When word arrives that the Russians will invade overnight, Ella urges Gisela to escape to Berlin—and take Ella's two small daughters with her.

The journey is miserable and relentless. But when Gisela hears the British accent of a phony SS officer, she poses as his wife to keep him safe among the indignant German refugees. In the blink of an eye, Mitch

Edwards and Gisela are Herr and Frau Josep Cramer.

Through their tragic and difficult journey, the fabricated couple strives to protect Ella's daughters, hoping against hope for a reunion. But even as Gisela and Mitch develop feelings beyond the make-believe, the reality of war terrorizes their makeshift family.

With the world at its darkest, and the lives of two children at stake, the counterfeit couple finds in each other a source of faith, hope, and the love they need to survive.





# WPC ICE CREAM SOCIAL

By Jason Drury, Witness Elder

Westminster held a good ole' fashioned Ice Cream Social on July 25, 2018. On behalf of the witness team, we want to thank everyone that helped, served, attended, and invited. We served 8 gallons of ice cream and many pounds of delicious toppings. The question I received most was how many people did we serve? The answer I've given is this...."I counted 26 faces of people who I had never seen in this building before." It was a great pleasure to also welcome our brothers and sisters from LCC (Life Christian Center) as well. Fellowship in anyway is truly a gift from God and the many smiles that night should inspire us to seek it more often.



I hope you will join me in praying that we will find more opportunities to present ourselves to our community and that God will see fit to send us.

God is Good!!



## WPC 10 YEARS!

Carolyn Hansen recently celebrated her tenth anniversary as WPC'S organist and choir director with a commemorative plaque presented by Pastor Chuck.



## WPC BRIDGE GROUP

We will meet on  
**Thursday, September 20**  
**1:00-4:00 PM**  
in the lounge.



# Westminster Presbyterian Church **SEPTEMBER 2018**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>26</b> 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	<b>27</b> 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 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	<b>28</b> 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 10:15 AM - 11:15 PM Tuesday morning Prayer Team 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM WPC Staff Meeting 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Yoga	<b>29</b> 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 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	<b>30</b> 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day	<b>31</b> CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day	<b>1</b> No Church Rentals
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<b>9</b> 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM WPC WORSHIP SERVICE - SANCTUARY 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM Life Christian Center - Worship Service - Sanctuary	<b>10</b> 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 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	<b>11</b> 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 10:15 AM - 11:15 PM Tuesday morning Prayer Team 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM WPC Staff Meeting 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Yoga	<b>12</b> 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 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	<b>13</b> 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day	<b>14</b> CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 9:15 AM - 10:30 AM WPC-Willing Workers	<b>15</b> No Church Rentals
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## 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.

