



September SERMON TITLES

SEPTEMBER 1
"Pressing Onward"
Phil. 3: 1-4

SEPTEMBER 8
"Jesus at the Center"
II Cor. 4:1-12

SEPTEMBER 15
"Always and Only"
II Cor. 13: 1-14

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MONTHLY NEWS FOR AND ABOUT OUR CONGREGATION

Dear Westminster Friends,

As I enter what I believe will be our last month together as pastor and congregation, I know that there is a certain anxiousness in all of us. I feel it as your pastor, because I have thought for a long time that I would be here until I retire. I am sure that you feel it because of the lack of answers to questions, some of which have yet to be asked. But I want to encourage you this month to refuse anxiety, and to embrace the reality of hope.



PASTOR CHUCK LEGVOLD

I've had to come to grips with some difficult realities in my ministry over the past few months, realities which are hard to admit to myself and to others, but now that I have grappled with them, my anxiety level is significantly reduced. My realities are things like my age, my gifts, my skill set, and my experience, and how those things can't forever fit into a situation which seemingly needs something different in order to move forward.

As I have wrestled with these things, I have re-read a book which has been helpful to me—and to many others—in the past. It is *Necessary Endings* by Dr. Henry Cloud. His insights have struck again at the root of my own fears, and I'd like to share the quote which has bolstered me most:

"All of your precious resources—time, energy, talent, passion, money—should go to the buds of your life or your business that are the best, are fixable, and are indispensable."

What Cloud is saying to me is that there are things I cannot change (or fix) about my life—the realities I noted above. I will never be young again, or have a family with young children, or be as flexible as I once was. I am what I am and cannot be what I am not, as my old friend, Dave Becker, has recently told me. I need to be satisfied with that, and I am. And Westminster needs to be satisfied that they need a different kind of pastor for the next decade and more, a pastor that I cannot ever become, no matter my desires.

While painful to admit, this is the simple truth. I am moving on to something and somewhere else because you need someone different. I am at peace with that, and you should be, too. Next month, in my last column at WPC, I will tell you where I am going, and what I'll be doing soon, by God's grace.

Prayerfully,

Pastor Chuck



September BIRTHDAYS

Laura Stowell	2	Stevie DeChaud	13
Eric Ashina	2	Judy Rhoads	17
Ernie Poochigian	5	Dick Austin	20
Terry Ensminger	10	David Heeg	20
Emily Gatske	12	Norrain Phelps	25
Bill Gatske	12	Chuck Roys	28
		Brian Lents	29

WPC BRIDGE GROUP

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

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 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 most recent meetings, the Session:

- ◆ Called a congregational meeting for August 11 to elect additional church officers
- ◆ Met with our presbytery liason, Rev. David Aldridge, who established a Transition Team which will oversee the departure of Pastor Chuck and the arrival of a Transitional Pastor at WPC
- ◆ 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.

Plan on attending the **Patriotic Concert** here at **Westminster** on **Sunday, November 10** at **3:00 PM** in the **Family Life Center**.

The afternoon will include patriotic and wartime music performed by **Chuck Wolter** and **Julianne Vickers**, vocalists; **Alan Loek**, trombone; **Carolyn Hansen**, piano and others. **Dessert will be served. Make sure to invite your friends and neighbors to this awesome event as we honor all Veterans.**

Patriotic Concert

IN HONOR OF ALL VETERANS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2019 - 3:00 PM

Westminster Presbyterian Church - Family Life Center
10 N. Edgelawn Drive, Aurora

WPC WITNESS TEAM UPDATE

Let us all give thanks for an incredible season of baseball from our Indians. The season record was 11 wins, 3 loses, and 1 tie. The Indians season ended with a loss to the Blue Jays (4-3) in the semi-finals. A tough loss, made tougher the day after when rule violations came to light. Coach Mike and his coaches used the tough lesson to talk about integrity and honor, as well as how God uses these experiences to help build strong young men and women. We gathered as a team on championship Sunday and watched the game together. It was bittersweet, but a great teaching moment. In the end, the Dodgers returned to the Championship and defeated the Blue Jays.

This season was filled with opportunities to meet a diverse group of kids, coaches, and parents. We experienced many incredible blessings from the mission. We served over 280 meals on All Star Saturday. We were told that we provided the largest servant squad of any church. 25 servant hearts from WPC ministered to our community thru something as fun as a hot dog lunch. We distributed over 200 Life Books over the season and we just received a Spanish translation that we hope to share in the future. We prayed before every game and we also provided Gatorade, waters, and snacks.

The Mission Team was able to see some additional needs and desires of the surrounding communities. We talked to parents and discussed their struggles. We interacted with kids to hear their fears. We forged friendships with the Indian coaches, as well as many other coaches. We believe there are other opportunities to grow our bonds. The Witness Team will be exploring the possibilities.

None of this is possible if not for the generous hearts of our covenant partners. Some of the kids and coaches had this to say: "You were the best sponsors anyone has ever had. Thank you for caring enough to come to the games and thank you for the treats. Most of all, Thank you for believing in us."

-Jason Drury, Witness Elder



WPC BOOK CLUB

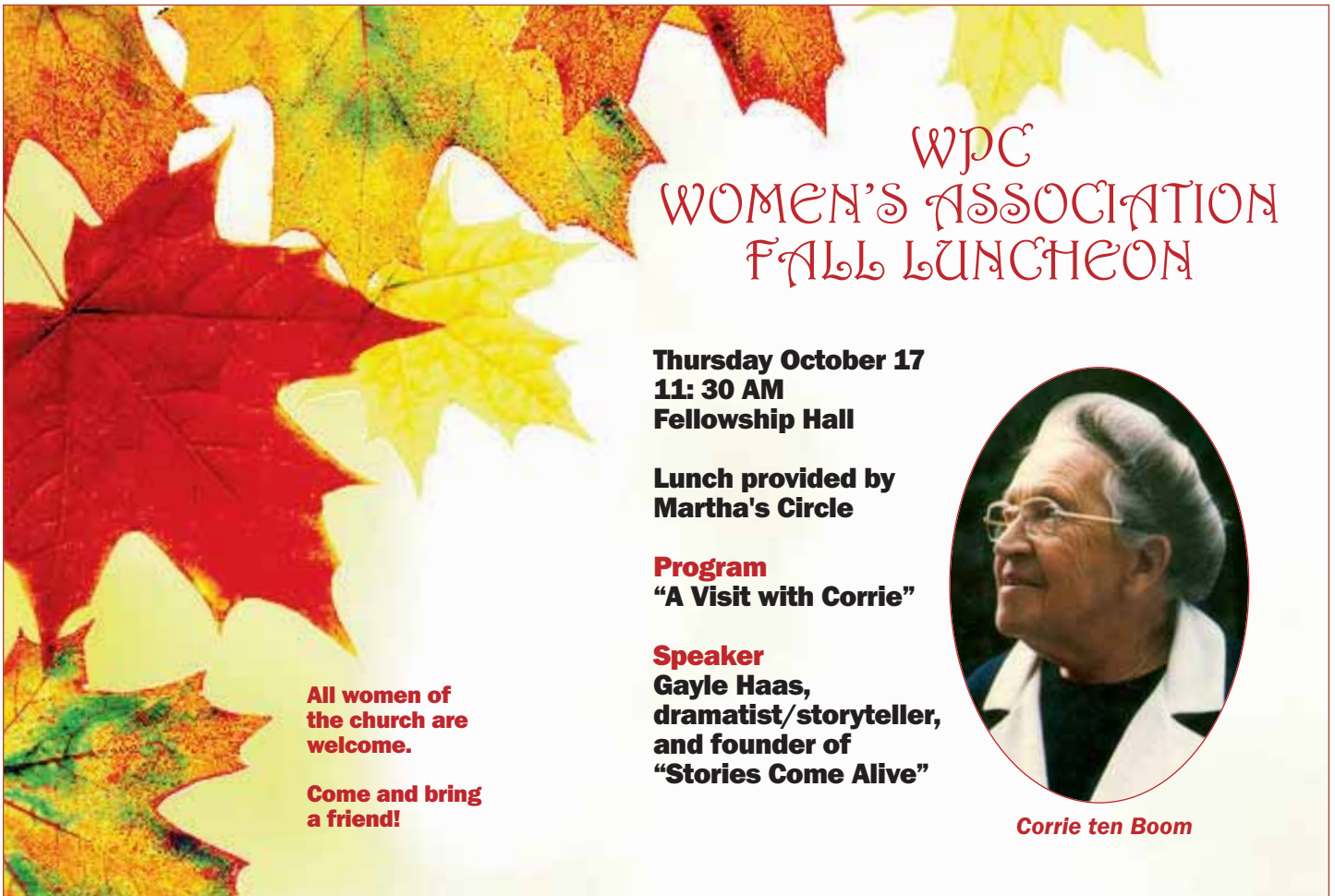
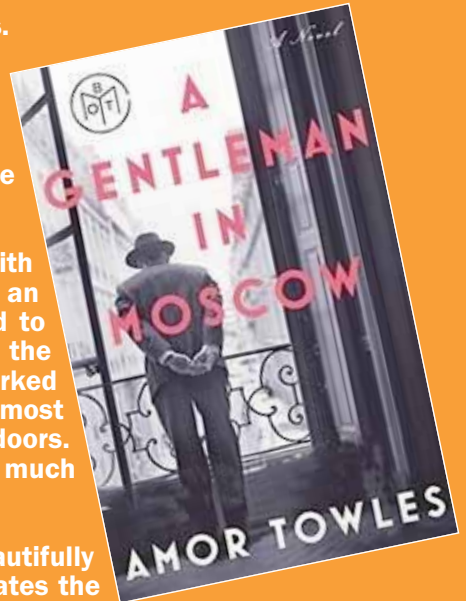
The book for discussion will be *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles.

We will meet on **September 17th** at **1:30 PM** in the **West Conference Room**.

Copies may be picked up in the church office to sign out to read before the meeting.

A Gentleman in Moscow immerses us in another elegantly drawn era with the story of Count Alexander Rostov. When, in 1922, he is deemed an unrepentant aristocrat by a Bolshevik tribunal, the count is sentenced to house arrest in the Metropol, a grand hotel across the street from the Kremlin. Rostov, an indomitable man of erudition and wit, has never worked a day in his life, and must now live in an attic room while some of the most tumultuous decades in Russian history are unfolding outside the hotel's doors. Unexpectedly, his reduced circumstances provide him a doorway into a much larger world of emotional discovery.

Brimming with humor, a glittering cast of characters, and one beautifully rendered scene after another, this singular novel casts a spell as it relates the count's endeavor to gain a deeper understanding of what it means to be a man of purpose.




WPC WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION FALL LUNCHEON

**Thursday October 17
11: 30 AM
Fellowship Hall**

**Lunch provided by
Martha's Circle**

**Program
"A Visit with Corrie"**

**Speaker
Gayle Haas,
dramatist/storyteller,
and founder of
"Stories Come Alive"**



Corrie ten Boom

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

**Come and bring
a friend!**

WPC ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Our free event was enjoyed by many with ice cream, toppings and fun games. It was held on Saturday, July 27 in our FLC.



Whatever We Do

In *Surprised by Joy*, C.S. Lewis confessed he came to Christianity at the age of thirty-three, “kicking, struggling, resentful, and darting his eyes in every direction for a chance to escape.” Despite Lewis’s own personal resistance, his shortcomings, and the obstacles he faced, the Lord transformed him into a courageous and creative defender of the faith. Lewis proclaims God’s truth and love through writing powerful essays and novels that are still being read, studied, and shared more than fifty-five years after his death. His life reflected his belief that a person is “never too old to set another goal or dream a new dream.”

As we make plans and follow dreams, God can purify our motives and empower us to devote whatever we do to Him.

From the most ordinary tasks to the greatest challenges, we can live for the glory of our almighty Maker, who “works out everything to its proper end”. Every action, every word, and every thought can become an expression of heartfelt worship, a sacrificial gift to honor our Lord, as He watches over us.

God can’t be limited by our limitations, our reservations, or our tendencies to settle or dream small. As we choose to live for Him - dedicated to and dependent on Him - He will bring about His plans for us. Whatever we do can be done with Him, for Him and only because of Him.

“Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and He will establish your plans.” - Proverbs 16: 1-9.

- Reprinted Our Daily Bread, September 2019

With Grateful Appreciation...

Luncheon for Pastor Chuck
and Bonnie

Sunday, September 15, 12:00
Family Life Center

*“For I know
the plans I have for you,”
declares the Lord, “plans to
prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future.”
- Jeremiah 29:11*

RSVP by September 8

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QUESTIONS? Email Susanne @ sfuller521@aol.com

NAME _____

NUMBER ATTENDING _____

WPC MUSIC

I have just returned from attending the Sing! 2019 Getty Music Conference in Nashville. From the moment I arrived until 3 days later when the conference ended, my head, heart and ears overflowed with music, God’s Word, choir rehearsals, more music, preaching, singing on the stage at the Grand Ole Opry at a Hymn Sing with 4000 people singing, more rehearsals, joy and laughter, reading God’s Word out loud with 7000 people, singing old hymns with Joni Eareckson Tada (in harmony with 1000’s of people and no accompaniment), more singing with the Getty’s and friends, singing “Handel’s Messiah” with thousands, attending the Getty Christmas Concert at the Grand Ole Opry, singing “In Christ Alone” in an unplanned flash mob with the 600 voice choir in the middle of the Opryland Resort while standing around waiting to board buses to go to the Bridgestone Arena to celebrate Jesus’ Resurrection with 13,000 people, together singing beautiful music to our Savior and King! The excitement reminded me of going to Billy Graham Crusades many years ago, only better! Thank you all for giving me the opportunity to attend this awesome conference again this year! - **Carolyn Hansen**



Westminster Presbyterian Church **SEPTEMBER 2019**

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 CCS No School LABOR DAY No Church Rentals 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM CCS Soccer Practice 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM TOPS IL #2386- Aurora Chapter	3 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM WPC Staff Meeting 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM CCS Committee Meeting- Library 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM CCS Volleyball Practice- FLC 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Yoga	4 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM AA Groups 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM CCS Soccer Practice 6:30 PM Chancel Choir 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM LCC Worship -Sanctuary, FLC 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM AA District Meeting	5 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM CCS Volleyball Practice- FLC	6 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 8:15 AM - 3:15 PM CCS School Day 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM CCS Volleyball Practice- FLC 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Room Rental set-up, FLC	7 2:00 PM - 10:00 PM Room Rental- FLC
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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.

