

WESTMINSTER WITNESS

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2021

"GROWING IN FAITH, REACHING OUT IN LOVE"

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR MIKE



"The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;" Psalm 23:1-2

Practice the Pause

About three to four months ago, my wife said to me, seemingly out of the blue, "Mike, maybe you should consider the idea of a Sabbatical." Over our almost two decades here at Westminster, this idea of intentional rest has come up, but it has never really stuck. I always felt that things were good and that we would pursue this somewhere down the line. However, this time when I heard those words, it made me stop. It made me pause. This time I would not simply dismiss this notion. In fact, this idea of a sabbatical nestled into my heart and my mind, and it quickly grew. By the next day, I had laid out the framework for what my Sabbatical Leave would become. Of course, there was much work that was needed to be done researching, approaching our Presbytery and our Session, and as always, committing it to prayer. But I truly believe that God had put the right words into my wife's mouth at the

right time so that I would truly listen and respond. It was and is time for me to Practice the Pause!

Our psalmist speaks about this pause when he classically shares how the Good Shepherd MAKES us lie down. God knows when we need to rest. He sees when we need nourishment and restoration. Regardless of how crazy and hectic life is, our God has prepared green pastures and still waters for you and for me. He has given specific locations and specific times for rest, for renewal, for energy, and for strength. This amazing Psalm begins with the timeless perspective that our Shepherd will provide for us, and he will give us all that we need and want. Isn't it interesting that the first provision given is resting in fields that give nourishment and walking beside calm and serene waters that quench our thirst?

I recently saw this Facebook post (sent to me by...you guessed it, my wife) from the Southern Gospel group Ernie Haase and Signature Sound:

Practice the pause. When in doubt, pause. When angry, pause. When tired, pause. When stressed, pause. And when you pause, PRAY!

Practice the pause. That is my challenge for all of us in the coming weeks. As schools begin again, as the pace of life increases, as we return from our Summer cabins, as we re-engage with friends and neighbors, let's all be sure to pause. Let's together look for the moments in which we can rest and pray and read scripture and worship. These moments aren't always easy to come by, but scripture is clear that our God

will give them to us. He will create green pastures and still waters in our lives. We just have to be willing to stop and pause in order to see them and enjoy them. Let's all commit to practicing the pause together and receiving the blessings of what our Good Shepherd gives us. Amen!

*God Bless;
Pastor Mike*

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Session News & Happenings from the Summer

Items Approved in our Clerk's Report:

Membership: Jamie Huisken – LOT. Baptisms Performed: Brody David Berhow - ; Arthur Davidson – 8/8/21; Lincoln Massmann (Private)- 8/8/21. Lord's Supper was served collectively on 7/4/21 & 8/1/21; and at the Strobel Holden Wedding on 7/10/21.

Your Session met for a specially called Session

Meeting on Thursday, July 1st and approved the following items: *Serving of Communion at the Strobel/Holden Wedding on July 10th. Transfer of Membership of Jamie Huisken to WPC; Two male chaperones, Jason Baron & Caleb Wundermachen, who helped drive out and drive back for the Youth Mission Trip; Mike Taylor, from Gideon's Bible, to do Minute for Missions on August 22nd and take a free-will offering; Baptismal request for Arthur Waynn Davidson on August 8th (parents: Jesse and Lindsey Davidson).*

Your Session met in person on August 17th. Below are the discussions and actions of Session that have taken place over the Summer:

Items of Discussion coming from our Committees and any Session Actions that were taken:

Personnel/Finance is working with Rev. Olmsted on his Sabbatical and on supporting and encouraging Rev. Wundermachen during this time. Are in consultation with N/D regarding Children's Ministry Director Search. *Approved wages increase for Office Assistant/Media Specialist and hour and wage increase for Children's Ministry Director. Approved Pastor Appreciation for Nov. 28th.*

Facilities/Grounds approved bid from Harty Mechanical for \$10,000 to replace all drinking fountains. Worked with Morem's on the removal of two trees and the trimming of hanging branches. Will also be working on installing filters in kitchen faucets and toilets. Will begin placement of the WPC Free Community Food Pantry.

Worship/Outreach: *Session approved ending Outdoor Worship on August 29th and worship indoors beginning on Sept. 5th.* Continued discussion on new COVID Protocols. Preparing for the Free Corn & Pork Feed Community Outreach for 8/25 at 5:30pm.

Mission/Fellowship: *Session approved the acceptance and placements of our New WPC Free Community Food Pantry. They will assist with serving the Corn & Pork Feed on Aug. 25th.*

Nurture/Discipleship: *Session approved the creation of a Children's Ministry Task Force to search for a new director. Are developing a plan for volunteers to lead Sunday School in the Fall. Pastor Britt introduced a new Youth Ministry structure.*

Session voted on and approved the following: *Approved our PCI DSS Compliance Renewal; Approved our Free Community Food Pantry; Approved June and July Treasurer Reports* Meetings were closed with prayer and the singing of the Doxology.

Deacons News

While our deacons do not meet during the summer, that doesn't mean we aren't active. Throughout the summer, we have kept in touch to make sure our members have been reached out to and cared for. We continue to show our support through our meal ministry and were able to supply over 16 meals to congregants during the summer.

We are excited to be able to meet again in September as we have been coming up with ideas to continue to improve our ministry of connecting and loving God's children.

As deacons, we constantly are reminded of the ministry that God has given us - to be the hands and the feet of the church. We realize more than ever, the importance of community, fellowship, and outreach. In fact, one of our functions is to help find greeters. We know it can be hard for those who are new and visiting to connect, and we also know that greeters help our visitors be seen and welcomed. The deacons are always looking for people who are interested in greeting and welcoming people into our church building every Sunday. If you're interested, contact the office, and we will let a deacon know!



2021 RUMMAGE SALE

Friday, October 1, 2021

Saturday, October 2, 2021

As you are cleaning and sorting during the weeks ahead, please consider starting your "take-to-the-Rummage Sale" box. Contact Gloria Aanonson or Dayle Wedeking if you have questions.

Items accepted are good, clean clothing for children, women and men (including plus sizes), shoes, small furniture, sporting goods, Christmas decorations, knick-knacks, linens, small household appliances (in working order), dishes, games, toys, puzzles, and books.

(You may start bringing in your items on September 20th)

Festival of the Nativities 2021

Friday, December 3, 2021

Saturday, December 4, 2021



Westminster will host our Annual Festival of the Nativities, a nondenominational, FREE, family event open to the community.

The focus is the season of preparation for Christ's birth through the lighted display of Nativities. Seasonal Christian music, children's crafts, and refreshments are also special features at this event.

Remember: Please mark your calendars!

2022 Stewardship – #Love One Another

This year through our Stewardship Campaign, we will explore how as believers we can share God's abundant love by serving, caring, and helping to redeem others. Join us as we explore how we as individuals of faith and we as the body of Christ can faithfully manage God's grace and share in never failing love. We will learn how our faithful giving not only supports our congregation but also helps transform our community and our world.

You will soon be receiving your Stewardship Packet in the mail, and we encourage you to take a look at all it offers. Please consider ways in which you can give out of God's abundance and to read together as a church the daily scripture readings that are provided. Please stop by our Stewardship table beginning October 24th and learn more about how you can give back to our God.



Trunk or Treat, Sunday afternoon, Oct. 31st at 2pm



Trunk or Treat is coming this Fall on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 31st. We will have our Trunk or Treat Volunteers decorate their car trunks and can even dress up in a costume themselves. Kids will get to trick or treat at each decorated vehicle. We will need “trunkers” who will decorate their vehicle and pass out candy which they have supplied. If you are willing to be a “trunker” volunteer, sign up with Pastor Britt. What an amazing opportunity to share the Gospel with our neighbors!

WPC Staffing Opportunities



We have an open position for the Director of our Children’s Ministries. We are looking for someone who is relationally focused. This person would reach out and engage with our young families and provide opportunities for service and education throughout the year. We have begun the process of searching and praying for the right individual to fill this opening. If you or anyone you know might be interested in this position, please contact the Pastoral Staff or our Personnel and Finance Committee. Job descriptions are available for this position on our website. We prayerfully trust and know that God will continue to provide the right people for our staff, and that through their unique gifts, we will be blessed.



CHILI COOK-OFF

Come join us for our 4th Annual Chili Cook-off on November 7th on our Ingathering Sunday! Dust off your chef hat, put on that apron, and wow us with your chili! Meat, poultry, vegan, any kind of chili can be entered! See if you can be the Best Chili for 2021! Signups will start soon in the Fellowship Hall.

ALL CHURCH CELEBRATION SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH AFTER THE WORSHIP SERVICE!

Let us all come together to celebrate our new Fall Ministries and encourage Pastor Mike as he heads off on his Sabbatical. We will be enjoying an ice-cream sundae bar, bubbles, and welcoming and celebrating our teachers for the new Sunday School year. Background music will be provided by Emma Evans-Peck! Join us in the Fellowship Hall after the Worship Service!






CHILDREN'S
Ministry
NEWS



This year we will be transitioning out of our old rotation model. We look forward to our new curriculum with "Kids own Worship" which will help take our children on a journey through the Bible over the course of their time in Sunday School.

Each Sunday will include a lesson, games, singing, and other activities. If you are 3 years old through 5th grade, we can't wait to have you join us as we study God's word together!

Commissioning of Teachers

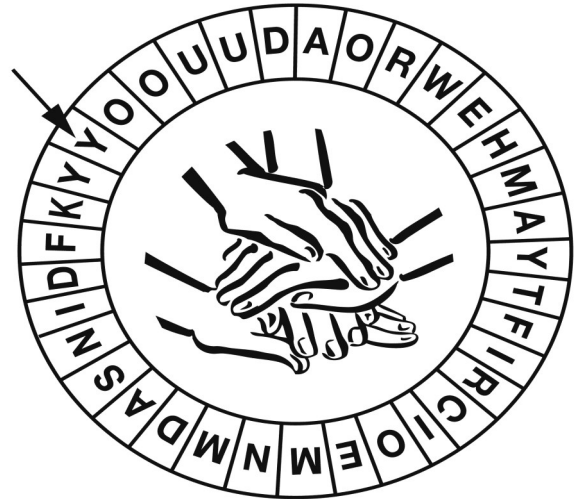
Faith Education teachers will be commissioned on September 12th.

All our faithful teachers are invited to be present during the church service.

Our education leaders are remarkable believers that want to share God's Word which will teach children about faith and share God's love.

Puzzle!

Beginning at the arrow and moving clockwise, write every other letter on the spaces below to discover what Jesus says about his friends.



" Y _____

 _____ ."

JOHN 15:14, NIV

Answer: "You are my friends if you do what I command." John 15:14, NIV

*3rd grade Bible Presentation
on September 12th:*

Olive Jones

Nora Nelson





NEW NAME!!

Our youth group has a new name!
 We will now be known as LIFT
 (Love in Fellowship and Truth)
 Youth Ministries.

We are so excited for what this
 year has to offer! Can't wait to see
 you there!

Youth Sunday is October 17th

Save this date!!! It's almost our time
 to lead our church in worship.



**Confirmation
CLASSES**

Confirmation begins on September
 19th. Confirmation is a time for all
 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students to
 have a chance to delve deeper into
 their faith. Confirmation meets on
 Sundays from 11:00-11:45 in the
 Youth Room.

A big welcome to our incoming
 Confirmands!!

Landon Hatleli

Lauren Nelson

Riley Szyszkowski

Eva Taylor

Samuel Vortherms

When: Sep. 19

Cost: \$35

Meet at the church at
 12:30, and we will
 drive over together for
 an afternoon of
 paintball. Bringing friends is encouraged.



RSVP by September 15th

We will no longer
 be having Youth
 Group on Sunday
 nights.

Starting in the fall
 on September

15th, Youth Group will be **every**
Wednesday night from 6:00-7:30 pm
(unless otherwise noted).

We will serve pizza for dinner, play
 games, and break into two groups (high
 school and middle school) to study God's
 word. We look forward to seeing you and
 hope you will bring a friend or two!





Brody David Berhow July 11, 2021

Arthur Waynn Davidson, August 8, 2021

Lincoln Eugene Massmann, August 8, 2021

*Thank you to Jacky Dietz, Selene Schulz, Pam de Leon,
& Coleen Olmsted for helping in our Church Office
while Cindy Jayes was away in July &
August. You are all so appreciated!!
Pastor Mike, Pastor Britt, Cindy, & Eric!*

(Please let the church office know if you'd be interested in volunteering in the future)



Our Adventurer's Club is expanding! We are now inviting 2nd graders to join our ranks up through 5th grade. Adventurer's Club meets every month to grow in our faith, develop friendships, and have fun!

You can always bring a friend along on these adventures. A calendar of events has already been sent out, but contact Pastor Britt if you have any questions.

Keep an eye out for some of our upcoming events on September 12 and October 10!



Prayer Shawl Ministry



The Prayer Shawl Ministry

9:30 a.m. in the Parlor
Every Thursday

Do you knit, crochet, loom? If you don't know how to do any of these things, no problem! There is someone there to teach you. There are supplies, including yarn too.

How about a cup of coffee or tea and great conversation?

It is almost impossible to find a group so dedicated to praying and serving and supporting others and each other.

Prayer Shawl Ministry is open to everyone; men, women, friends, everyone!



Meals
Ministry

Did you know we have a Meals Ministry through our Deacons? Have you ever been on the receiving end of our Meals Ministry? We are so blessed by the excellent cooks we have within our congregation who, under the guidance of Louise Berhow, make your time convalescing from a surgery or illness or family emergency so much more tolerable and enjoyable without the added concern of feeding yourself or your family/spouse! If you would like to become part of this wonderful and much-needed ministry, please contact Louise Berhow or our church office. If you are in need of meals, please contact your deacon, a pastor, or the church office.

Thank you!



Chancel Choir

I am hopeful that Chancel Choir will be able to sing on their regular Sundays this fall, but we will be watchful for any changes in Covid related rulings.

At present, we will be singing on Sunday, Sept. 12th, Oct. 3rd and 10th. Our normal schedule is to sing on the first two Sundays of each month, with rehearsal on the previous Wed. at 7:20. We also do a warm-up rehearsal on the morning that we sing at 8:45.

If there are any of you who would like to join the choir, now would be the perfect time! Just give the church office or Sue a call at 507-437-4940.

Sue Radloff, Director

Sunshine Singers has been continuing over the summer for ages 4-2nd grade on Sundays. These rehearsals will continue year-round, and on September 15, we will be rehearsing on WEDNESDAYS at 5:30-6pm for ages 4 years old -5th grade! We look forward to seeing our elementary school kids again to share music, movement, and worship! Thank you to all of the children and helpers who joined us over the summer.

Miss Emma



Music News

Spirit Ringers will begin rehearsals on Wednesday Sept. 1 at 6:15. Regular rehearsals are every Wednesday, and we play for church on the fourth Sunday of each month (September – May). New ringers are welcome. Please contact Ann Flisrand at 438-4079 or annflis44@charter.net



Ann Flisrand, Director



Rainbow Ringers

is open to all children from grade 3 through grade 6. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays starting September 15th from 4:45-5:25. We play for church on Dec. 12, a Lenten service, and Mother's Day. This is a chance to work on teamwork, reading music, and being independent, as no one else can play your part. If you have any questions, please contact me at annflis44@charter.net or following church. *Ann Flisrand, Director*

WESTMINSTER STRINGS

Westminster Strings will be performing on Sunday, Oct. 31. This group is open to any string players (violin, viola, cello, and bass) with at least 2 years of playing experience. We normally perform on the 5th Sunday of the month. *Sue Radloff, Dir.*



**Wesley David
Sherman
July 21, 2021
to Alex & Eric
Sherman**

**Proud Grandparents:
Dave & Leanne Clasen**

4 Yvonne Tedrow
6 Jacey Baron
6 Susan Hodge
6 David Sundal
7 Shirley Hinrichs
8 Isabelle Wilhelmi
10 Amanda Bridgeman
10 Sarah Bridgeman
10 Emma Potter
11 Peter Tangren
12 Ted Hinrichs
13 Darlene Perry
14 Darlene Berhow
16 Emily Lassiter
17 Joanne Sass
17 Marvella Sydenstricker
18 Richard Carlson
18 Jason Stoulil
18 Ronald Wangen
20 Renee Harnack
21 Gloria Aanonson
21 Junia Lassiter
23 Mach Diang
23 Daniel Hooker
23 Tommy Olmsted
25 Peniel Kpelevi
25 Mary Ann Rasmussen
25 Sarah Wehner
26 Elizabeth Carlson
27 Richard Robinson
30 William Momsen

1 Elissa Volkman
4 Cassie Walker
5 Loretta Davidson
5 Seth Sayles
6 Marie Trocinski
7 Cinde Goskeson
9 Julie Lura
9 Millie Masse
9 Makiah Rumsey
10 Jesse Davidson
14 Alexis Greeley
16 Ariel Speltz
16 Sharon Toland
16 Benjamin Walker
18 David Berhow
20 Emily Wood
22 Marjorie Bridgeman
22 Jennifer Weaver
23 Janet Hooker
25 Gavin Larson
26 Coleen Olmsted
28 April Greeley
28 Nancy Heimer
28 Milo Sundal
30 Phyllis Crabtree
30 Alex Sherman
31 Madison Christenson



**Serving Our
Country**

**Alex Charlson
(Jacky Dietz's great-
nephew) -
Army (Jordan)**

**Seth Clasen -
Army**

**Bryce Gerber -
Marines**

Christine Hiegel - National Guard

Paul Mueller - National Guard

**Garrett Smith (Pastor Mike's
nephew) -**

Air Force

If you or a family member are actively serving in the military, please contact the church office, and we will include them in future Witnesses.

If you or someone in your family has a birthday in September or October and it is NOT listed, that means the church office doesn't have your birth date. If it is incorrectly listed or missing, please contact the church office so we can update our church records.



Food Packing

We are excited to invite the entire church family to partner with Real Hope for the Hungry in a mission against world hunger. Join us on **Wednesday, October 6th at 6pm - first for a pizza dinner** and then to package highly nutritious meals that will be sent to malnourished children all over the world. Our church has committed to funding a full pallet of meals which costs \$1,800. We will have a table in the Fellowship Hall beginning September 12 where you can give your donation to help fund this worthy cause.

Strive Men's Bible Study: 3rd Monday Night of the Month - 7:00pm @ Church

Join us for our Fall Study!! We will meet on September 20th; October 18th; November 15th at the Church from 7:00pm to 8:15pm (ish). Our study, 'The Prodigal Son', is a DVD curriculum which will allow us to hear from popular Author, Pastor, and Speaker—Matt Carter on how we can 'return' to our Father in our lives. Nathan Toland will be facilitating the group. We hope you can join us.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study Beginning Again!!

On Tuesday, September 21st at 10am, we will begin meeting again in the Parlor. This is a great chance to enter into God's Word and join in on lively discussions, plenty of laughter, and spiritual growth. Our study will be led by Pastor Britt and Betsy Wuebker this Fall.



Men's Thursday Morning Bible Study

Join us on most Thursday mornings at 6:30am as we gather around God's Word (and also a donut and hot cup of coffee)! We will be going through a group led DVD Study. All men are welcome, and we hope that you can join us. **Come to our Kick-Off Breakfast at Perkins on Thursday, September 23rd @ 6:30am.**

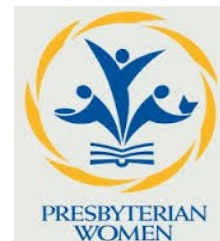
A huge Thank You to Rollie Hansen for this beautiful replica of our porte-cochere as our new Free Community Food Pantry which has been installed on our 6th Street side of the church by our Facility & Grounds Committee. Check it out! Bring in nonperishable food items on September 12th to help fill our Pantry.





PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Nurture Faith, Support Mission, Work for Justice and Peace & Build Community




Spotlight On Kiva



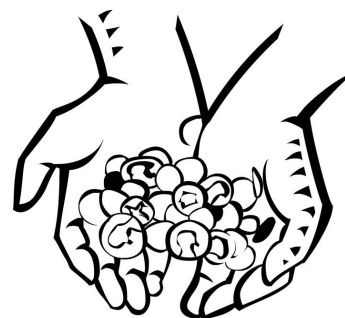
Villa Elisa, Paraguay

Liliana Lucia's story

Liliana Lucia is from the city of Villa Elisa. Liliana Lucia continues to serve the community with her fundamental project, a water distribution business called Aguasan. She says that her previous loan allowed her to carry out maintenance on the well. She is the type of person who puts in a great effort to continue improving the service she provides.

She is asking for this new loan to carry out further maintenance on the well, and therefore be able to continue providing the service. She is grateful for the new opportunity for a loan which will be a great help to her.

This loan is special because It finances communities to dig wells, build pipelines, and installs water meters.



*Save your change for
the Money Jar!*

THE PENNY JAR –located in Fellowship Hall

Coins are still being collected. PWC will continue to match all coins received and will be given to Austin Public Schools' Lunch Tray Program. Austin Public Schools have recognized there is a segment of the parent population who don't qualify for any help and just misses the eligibility for free and reduced lunches. These are the kids who are lost in the shuffle; they're the children whose families are working hard but just don't make enough to pay for a hot lunch. It takes about \$450 per child, per year to provide hot lunches. Please be a Lunch Guardian Angel.



Lunch Angel



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



Nurture Faith, Support Mission, Work for Justice and Peace & Build Community

Witnessing to the Promise, Nurturing Faith and Engaging in Mission, Working for Justice and Peace

As the Summer closes, our schedules change, and we look forward to meeting together for fellowship and study. Plan to join one of our Bible Study Groups:

Rebekah Bible Study

September 23rd

9:30 a. m. in the Parlor

Contact: Selene Schulz 507-433-8377 or 507-438-3299

We will continue using the book, [A Hop, Skip & Jump Through the Psalms by Rev. Dr. Sean L. Forde](#). Please join us as we discuss the versatility of the Psalms. If you do not have the book, no worries, we can provide copies for you. Everyone is welcome to share treats and coffee or tea.

Pot Pourri Bible Study

will meet September 28 and October 26 at 5:30 PM in the Parlor. We begin with a delivered pizza and fellowship. Bible Study will continue with the [WOMEN OF THE BIBLE](#) video series by Anita Gutschick. We will learn about Bathsheba, who in her youth, misuses her beauty with dire consequences. Text or call Gloria Aanonson (507-438-7393) for information and to make a reservation for supper.

RUMMAGE SALE, OCTOBER 1 & 2:

This Fund Raising event is always a lot of fun as we work together to offer donations at very reasonable

prices to the community. Sometimes, it sounds more like a party with chatting and laughter as volunteers get acquainted.

Donation drop-off begins Monday, September 20 with labeled tables in the Fellowship Hall and on the Stage indicating where to place your items. Produce and Baked items will be accepted on Thursday, September 27. Please label your baked items.

Rummage Sale set - up is Monday-Thursday, September 27-30, 9am – 2pm and Wednesday evening, time TBD. Additionally, after school and early evening times may also be arranged (Contact Gloria to schedule a task.) Volunteer signup will begin Sunday, September 12.

All proceeds go to local, national, and world missions.

As we declutter our homes, garages, and closets of good useable items to recycle in our community, let us find a parallel in the words of Jesus in the feeding of the five thousand: *When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples: "Gather pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted."* Gather your good, used-a-bit items in good repair. Fill up our Rummage Sale tables and let nothing be wasted.

Mid October, we are hosting the Lakes and Prairies Synod PW Coordinating Team. These women from MN and surrounding states will meet to plan their year and work on a mission project. Some of them will be joining us in worship on October 17. Please make them feel welcomed.

Gloria Aanonson

PWC Moderator



Church Directory

UPDATE

New Addresses

Watch for the new updated Church Directory coming soon!

April & Jeremy Greeley family:
2841 Monroe Dr NW
Rochester, MN 55901

Sidney Brown:
1630 Lor Ray Dr
North Mankato, MN 56003-2832

Maria Nordean Trocinski family:
1206 19th Ave SW
Austin, MN 55912

Karol Pelletier family:
32168 Fireside Dr
Temecula, CA 92592-5153

Helen Hecimovich:
310 2nd Ave NE, Apt 121
Austin, MN 55912
New Phone: 507-433-9749

Justin & Mallory Lindquist:
11450 Colony Row, Unit 211
Broomfield, CO 80021-4117

Karen & Rich Winter:
1207 Overlook Lane NW
Preston, MN 55965
Cell (Rich) 507-440-1221
Cell (Karen) 507-440-0764

Kandi Winter family:
1300 4th Ave NW
Austin, MN 55912

Pat Rodewald:
New phone number: 507-440-2831

Emily & Tony Wacholz:
213 Birch Ave S Apt 3
New Richland, MN 56072



United in Marriage

Emily Carlson & Brandon Wood
May 29, 2021

Madeline Strobel & Alec Holden
July 10, 2021

Justin & Mallory Lindquist
August 7, 2021

Emily Goskeson & Anthony Wacholz
August 21, 2021

*She opens her arms to the poor and
extends her hands to the needy.
Proverbs 31:20*

SALVATION ARMY CEREAL CART

Thanks everyone for being so generous and keeping our commitment to furnish cereal for the Salvation Army cereal shelf. Please remember to continue bringing cereal when you can. The Austin community needs our help.

2021 Deliveries -
January - April: 272 pounds
May: 132 pounds
June: 40 pounds
July: 63 pounds
Year-to-date total: 507 pounds.

Thank you, the Mission Committee





Now you can give via text or online



Give easily and securely from
anywhere, anytime.

Via Text Message

Text givewpc to 73256

On our website

www.westminsteraustin.com



Detailed instructions on how to give online are
available on the welcome table.
Any questions, stop in the church office.

*Friendly
Reminder*

Keep filling the cereal cart!

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday

8:30am-4:00pm

Friday (closed 9/3 & 9/10)

8:30am-12:30pm

Church Phone

507-433-3258



One of our pastors will be on call each
weekend, Friday through Sunday, to take
care of any urgent matters. Please call the
church office phone number for direction.

PER CAPITA

Per Capita is money each church is
asked to pay to cover the administrative costs of
the PCUSA General Assembly, our synod, and our
local Presbytery. **The payment due for 2021 is
\$36.50 per member.**

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CHURCH WEBSITE

Did you miss a sermon or want to hear one again?
All sermons and bulletins are under the Worship
Service tab. There are 6 weeks of colored bulletins
on the website. The Calendar and Witness tab
includes colored copies of the Witnesses from the
previous year. These can be useful for writing
current Witness articles and looking up past events.
Are you looking for information on an upcoming
event? Do you need a registration form? Do you
wish to give online? Click the **Give Now** button,
now with new giving options and follow the
prompts for online giving.

If you have church activities or
pictures you would like posted on
the church website, please email
the information to Eric at
secretary2@westminsteraustin.com
or drop it off in the church office.
Eric updates the church website
every Wednesday.



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUEST

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September/October 2021



WHAT IS NEW AT WESTMINSTER

New Wednesday Night Youth Fellowship called "LIFT"
(Love in Fellowship & Truth) for 6th grade - 12th grade

Adventurer's Club is now fellowship for
2nd grade through 5th grade

Check out our new "Free Community Food Pantry" at our 6th Street Entrance!!

If you're passing by our 6th St. entrance, you will probably notice a new addition. Thanks to the expert craftsmanship of Rollie Hansen, we now have a permanent Free Food Pantry to bless our community. This amazing replica of our *porte-cochere* will contain year-round, free, non-perishable food items available for anyone in need. We will be dedicating this new ministry on Sunday, September 12th, and we will need your help. Please bring with you to church that morning any nonperishable food items that you have so that we can 'fill our church' with blessings for our community.

