

Westminster Presbyterian Church

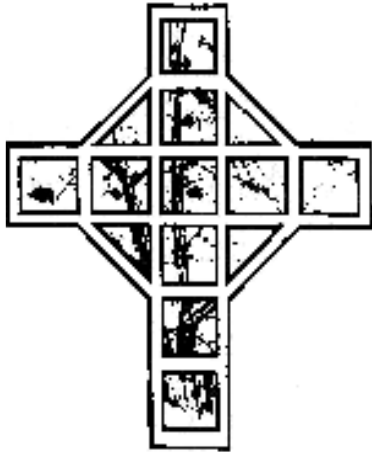
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# *The Triangle*

*March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011*

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AND OTHER REQUESTS

Below are opportunities for you to volunteer time  
or donate needed items.

- ◆ **Lay Leaders** for worship needed (page 7)
- ◆ Plastic **eggs** and real **candy** for Sunday School (page 6)
- ◆ Prepare **meals for TuesdayNightTogether** (page 4)
- ◆ **Soup** and/or **bread** for Ash Wednesday meal (page 5)

## PASTORS' CORNER

*The Rev. Dr. David R. Kegley*

The Lenten season approaches where we walk with Christ to the cross, then the grave, then the empty tomb. The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, the 9<sup>th</sup> of March this year, and concludes with the dawn of Easter morning, April 24. Penitence is a major theme of Lent. To practice penitence one feels remorse for one's sins and reflects on how to be more of the mind of Christ. We celebrate the resurrection of Christ all Sundays of the year, including the Sundays in Lent.

I would like to encourage us to go spiritually where we seldom go in this busy and often distracted culture. Allow Christ to walk with you in the land of your sin and the sin of the world. This is a dark and uncomfortable land. It is often embarrassing, usually appalling and it runs us headlong into feelings of sadness and at times despair. We can feel out of sorts with ourselves and the plight of this world. The Jesus prayer,

Lord Jesus, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

is as good a prayer to pray along this journey. But, there's more...

Most importantly we go to this penitent place with purpose. We go there to give God greater access to our souls. We go there to gain perspective and to adopt a greater humility born of true repentance. And we go there in order to be more grateful to God for Christ's act of forgiveness. The outcome of our penitence is the celebration of resurrection! Sundays, then, are the beginning of a new week where we experience Jesus who conquered sin and death and sprang up in joy to new life.

We usually avoid such dark journeys. We want most to see the bright side of life; to skip Lent and arrive at Easter instantly. But we cannot become whole people without reconciling ourselves with our own brokenness and the brokenness of the world.

Without our practice the world will go on destroying itself and fall drastically short of loving as Jesus loved. With it we will be better prepared to stand humbly with the oppressed, care joyfully for the hungry, have mercy on this world and show it the light of Christ which shines in the darkness.



So give yourself over to God this Lent. Let God know about the real you. God in Christ will be most happy to take that journey with you.

Peace, *David*

# Calendar for This Week and Next

## SATURDAY, MARCH 5

9:00am OCS Auditions (sanct)

## SUNDAY, MARCH 6

9:00am Worship

9:45am Sunday School for all ages

11:15am Worship

Celebrating Holy Communion

Receiving Food Bank offering

12:30pm Youth Group

## TUESDAY, MARCH 8

7:30am Men's Breakfast @ I-HOP

10:00am Horizon Bible Study (chapel)

6:00pm TuesdayNightTogether (see  
page 4 for more information)

7:00pm Bell Choir rehearsal

## ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

10:00am Bible Study (room 12)

6:00pm Soup Supper

6:30pm Worship

6:30pm Stephen Ministries (rm 7)

7:00pm Department meetings

## THURSDAY, MARCH 10

9:30am "Sew Happy" Quilters

12 noon Triangle articles due

7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal

## FRIDAY, MARCH 11

9:15am Book Group (library)

## SUNDAY, MARCH 13

9:00am Worship

9:45am Sunday School for all ages

11:15am Worship

12:30pm Youth Group

1:15pm Golden Delicious lunch at  
Chambers House  
(Panorama)

## MONDAY, MARCH 14

1:00pm Grief Support (library)

## TUESDAY, MARCH 15

7:30am Men's Breakfast @ I-HOP

9:30am Elizabeth Circle (room 12)

11:00am Mary-Martha Circle

6:30pm Naomi Circle

7:00pm Bell Choir rehearsal

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16

9:30am Triangle folding (library)

10:00am Bible Study (room 12)

7:00pm Session (chapel)

## THURSDAY, MARCH 17

9:30am "Sew Happy" Quilters

1:00pm Dorcas Circle

3:00pm Presbytery at Little Church  
on the Prairie

6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal

7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal



# TUESDAY NIGHT TOGETHER (TNT)

## FOOD, FUN, AND FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL AGES!

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 6:00 – 8:00pm

March 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>

April 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

**6:00pm**

LIGHT SUPPER

*Suggested Donation: \$2 (\$5 per family)*

Location: The Fellowship Hall

### MEALTIME HELP NEEDED!

Thank you to Carol Sanborn and Susan Girard for coordinating meals on February 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Thanks also to all of you who helped with set-up, serving, and clean-up.

We are set for March but we do need meals covered on April 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.

Please let us know if you can help!

**6:30pm**

Activities for all ages with childcare provided in the nursery.

**KID'S CLUB (grades 1 - 5)**

**YOUTH FELLOWSHIP (grades 6 – 12)**

### ADULT CLASSES

For a full description of the following classes please see the brochure: *Opportunities for Adult Christian Education* found in the literature racks.

DISCUSSING DIFFICULT ISSUES (chapel)

*This class meets only one more time on March 8<sup>th</sup>*

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY (library)

MUSIC JAM FELLOWSHIP (room 9/10)

“HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?” (room 8)

*Questions about TNT?*

Contact: Pastor Christine Long

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## ASH WEDNESDAY SUPPER AND SERVICE



Please join us for this evening of fellowship and quiet reflection as we begin the season of Lent. Our dinner and service fall on our department meeting night this year. We hope that many of you can come for the dinner and the service. You are also invited to stay to sit in on one of our many departments to learn what we do. Departments are: Buildings & Grounds, Christian Education, Mission & Fellowship, Personnel, Stewardship & Finance and Worship & Music.

**Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

Dinner:  
6:00pm

Worship:  
6:30pm

Departments meet:  
7:00pm

Childcare will be provided.

**We need soup!**

We would love to have as many of you bring soup (or bread) for our dinner. We need eight to ten different soups serving ten people each. Soups can be delivered just prior to dinner and a crock pot is usually the best serving vessel.

Please contact Beth Julian at 943-7009 if you can bring a soup or bread!

*Kate Scriven*, for Mission & Fellowship

## FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### Children and Youth

Our children and youth are busy in their Sunday school classes - a big thank you to our Sunday school teachers who continue to design creative and engaging lessons for our children and youth.

**Our Heifer Project** has collected a whopping \$190 since September! In addition to the ducks & geese, bees, and trio of rabbits we intend to purchase, we also have our eye on buying a goat. Goats make great gifts! In many parts of the world, goats are the key to a family's very survival. We have talked about how they don't need large tracts of land, how a nanny will have 2-3 kids per year, and how they can provide up to a gallon of rich and nutritious milk each day! Last Sunday our children tasted goat's milk - with mixed results!

#### Looking ahead . . .

- On March 13<sup>th</sup>, four Sunday school children will present the Minute for Mission telling the congregation about our Heifer Project.
- Around the last week of April, we are looking to offer a 4/5<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Class Retreat at South Beach Presbyterian in Westport. This would involve two overnights. Keep an eye out for further details.
- Sound View Summer Camps are fun! Several of our 4/5 graders are attending camp together in August. Interested in joining? Let's send our little Westminster Presbyterians to camp together!
- **Easter Sunday** is April 24<sup>th</sup> and we will have our combined Sunday School Easter lesson and Egg Hunt. If you can donate plastic eggs and candy to help with this annual event, you may drop them off in my office.

Blessings, *Rachelle Dudley*, Director of Christian Education

## REPORT ON FEBRUARY PRESBYTERY MEETING

The Presbytery of Olympia was hosted by Westminster Presbyterian Church for a Special Meeting of the Presbytery to vote on a proposed amendment to our Book of Order. The amendment proposes to modify the ordination standards aligning people's commitments more to "The Lordship of Jesus Christ" instead of specific considerations like chastity in marriage and fidelity in singleness as the current guideline states. The Presbytery of Olympia voted "no" to the amendment 78 to 39. Nationally the amendment is receiving a "yes" vote by a slim margin with many Presbyteries still to make their votes.

Tom and Dian Rolfs organized the set-up and clean-up and Judy Whipple helped. The Presbytery supplied the coffee, tea and goodies. Others who helped were Marv Ryser, Dave Ammons and Dwight Whipple.

Ron Marshall, who now is a member of the Longview Presbyterian Church, was present and made a summary presentation. In addition to those already mentioned, a number from WPC were in attendance including David Kegley, Christine Long, Julie Johnson, Audrey Marshall and Kathy Marshall, Connie Robinson and Carol Ryser.

## FOR AND ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY . . .

**Thank You!** Belle Bateman and the family of Clarence “Clancy” Pritchett want to thank each of you for all your cards, donations and loving thoughts and prayers that you sent our way. May we think of Clancy dancing and singing with the stars in the heavens.

*Belle Bateman*



**Our warmest wishes and congratulations** to Katie and Joe Deliberti on the birth of their daughter Tessa Jane. Tessa was born February 12, 2100.

Proud grandparents are Bob and Jane Jones.

**Our prayers and sympathy** to the family and friends of Ellen Haars. Ellen died February 18, 2011 after a long illness. Her memorial service was held at Westminster Monday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

If you would like to **volunteer to be a Lay Leader** for worship, please contact Vaughn Fiess at 357-5407.

### **NEW MEMBER CLASS SCHEDULED**

A new member class has been scheduled for Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:30am. Lunch is provided and the class finishes about 2:30pm.

If you are interested in participating in this class and haven't let us know, please call the church office (357-5750). Or, you may indicate your interest on the back of a Friendship Card at worship. This class is a good opportunity to spend time with our pastors, learn more about the Westminster Presbyterian Church and to meet other church members. You will have the option to join the church following the class.

## WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

February 20 – 169 – (48 at 9:00am service)

February 27 – 170 – (54 at 9:00am service)



## GREETERS FOR MARCH:

*Mary Jo Moorhead and Marlene Epp* (March 6 & 13)

*Dave and Lillian Clark* (March 20)

*Jim and Elaine Wick* (March 27)

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