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LECTIONARY READINGS

JUNE

06/04 - Day of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b;
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13; John
20:19-23

06/11 - Trinity Sunday

Genesis 1:1-2:4a Psalm 8; 2 Corin-
thians 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20

06/18 - 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 18:1-15 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-
19; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-
10:8

06/25 - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 21:8-21; Psalm 86:1-10,
16-17; Romans 6:1b-11; Matthew
10:24-39

JULY

07/02 - 4th Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 22:1-14; Psalm 13; Ro-
mans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42

07/09 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67;
Psalm 45:10-17; Romans 7:15-25a;
Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

07/16 - 6th Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-
112; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1
-9, 18-23

07/23 - 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 28:10-19a; Psalm 139:1-
12, 23-24; Romans 8:12-25;
Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

07/30 - 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Genesis 29:15-28; Psalm 105:1-11;
Psalm 128; Romans 8:26-39;
Matthew 13:31-33, 44:52 ☼

WESTMINSTER INFANT CARE CENTER

“ATTIC TREASURE” SALE

Saturday, June 10

8 AM to 3 PM



Come and browse our “Attic Treasures” and join us for a day that is filled with food, family fun for all ages, and live music. There is shopping on every block! Be sure to stop by the William R. O'Neill Parish House for lots of good buys. All proceeds go to help support (WICC) Westminster Infant Care Center. ☼

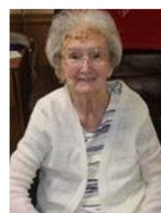
BACH FESTIVAL OPENING CONCERT HOSTED AT WESTMINSTER CHURCH

Friday, June 2 - 7:30 PM

The opening concert of this year's festival will feature Dr. Susan Klotzbach, professor of organ at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington, organist of the Kennilworth Union Church in Kennilworth, Illinois, and organist and harpsichordist of the Peoria Bach Festival for many years. This year we highlight her prodigious talent in the opening recital of the festival. Susan Klotzbach received her Doctor of Musical Arts and Masters of Music in Organ Performance degrees from the Eastman School in Rochester, NY. Prior to that she received a Bachelor's degree in Music from the University of Iowa. She worked as a tenured music faculty member teaching applied organ, harpsichord and church music courses at Houghton College and Carthage College before joining the faculty at Illinois Wesleyan. Come and enjoy music of J.S. Bach on an organ especially made for the interpretation of his music! ☼



WESTMINSTER'S CENTENARIANS



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CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

Circle of Friends will meet again next season in September. We meet nine times a year on the first Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. We meet in homes, at the church, and occasionally in public places. As we join in this time of fellowship, we bring things to the group that challenge our thinking and are of a spiritual nature.

Questions or directions? Please contact Anna Bussian (589-0656). ☸

BI-MONTHLY BIBLE CLASS

Marilyn Luman

We do not meet for a Bible study during the summer months, but we encourage fellowship by attending an afternoon show and eating afterwards. Hopefully there will be some good summer movies. If you would like to be added to our "call or email" list when an outing is scheduled, please call Pat or Marilyn. We always have a good time and we invite you to join us!

Questions? Contact Pat or Marilyn. ☸

WRAPPED IN GOD'S LOVE (WIGL)

Marilyn Luman

A First Federated friend, Carol, has knitted seven prayer shawls and donated them for our comfort cover mission. Rev. Denise and our deacons have access to the shawls when someone is in need. This gift was very appreciated. We encourage anyone who knits or crochets prayer shawls to start one at any time. The need is always great and being wrapped in a soft shawl always feels good when illness or other troubles exist. ☸

FORE!

Join other golfers from the congregation every Monday and Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Kellogg Executive 9 Golf Course, 7716 N. Radnor Road, Peoria. Everyone is welcome to join in. Questions or to see if a round has been canceled, contact Dick Helfrich. ☸

MEN'S COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Come and join us for a good cup of joe and good conversation. We meet at Panera Bread, 2515 N. Westlake, weekly on Wednesday mornings at 7:30 a.m. Invite a friend. There is always room. ☸

PLANNING AHEAD

Now is the time to begin planning on craft items to be made to be sold for the craft bazaar next fall. All proceeds are given to the Westminster Infant Care Center to assist with their mission of caring for babies while the teen mothers complete their education. Your support is greatly needed to "Make, Bake, and Take!" ☸

WESTMARK FOOD PANTRY

Elizabeth Richmond

During the month of **April**, the WestMark Food Pantry provided food to **1417** individuals.

The partnership we have with St. Mark's Church creates an amazing opportunity to help those who might otherwise be hungry. This makes for lots of work for our volunteers but it is great to help hungry, grateful folks. 🌸

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Elizabeth Richmond

Come help unload deliveries: every first and third Tuesday, June 6 and June 20, at 11:30 a.m. Then on Thursday, June 15, at 1:00 p.m., and also on the fourth Thursday of the month, June 22, at 11:00 a.m.

We also can use some help filling in for our regular volunteers on Monday mornings. With volunteers going on vacations during the summer months, we need the extra hands.

The food pantry will be closed on Monday, July 3, so our volunteers can enjoy the long 4th of July holiday weekend.

Questions? Call Elizabeth Richmond or the church office, 309-673-8501. 🌸

PRESBYTERY NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK

The Presbytery Night at the Ballpark will be on **Saturday, June 17, at 6:30 p.m.**! Presbyterians from Central Illinois will meet together at Dozer Park in Peoria to cheer on the Peoria Chiefs! This evening is the Peoria Chiefs "Faith and Family Night" with a special post-game concert by Jason Gray. Then stay tuned after the game for an awesome firework extravaganza. Bring your little ones or the grandchildren as there will be a special friend of the Chiefs, "Fredbird," in attendance to cheer on the Peoria Chiefs, and select Chiefs Players will be on the concourse signing autographs pregame. Tickets can be purchased online at PeoriaChiefs.com. 🌸



P E N T E C O S T

Special Offerings

June 4, 2017

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Each year on Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church.

Acts 2 tells the story of the Holy Spirit descending on the disciples as tongues of fire, and casts them from their place of contemplation and fear, out into the streets, preaching in languages they couldn't understand for the benefit of all the people gathered there. They told the story of Jesus and taught the people what it meant. This was the beginning of faith formation, meant to inspire and encourage all who gathered into a lifetime of faith. Then as today, the Holy Spirit empowers anyone who will receive to change their lives, to radically share, to gather across lines of difference, to join in communities of compassion and care.

On Sunday, JUNE 4, when we gather, we will receive the Pentecost Offering. Gifts to the Pentecost Offering celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and sup-

port our congregation's efforts of faith formation in the first third of life, from childhood through young adulthood. Our congregation will retain 40 percent to be used for local missions. The remaining 60 percent will be sent to the Presbyterian Mission Agency to support national initiatives of our denomination focused on helping children, youth, and young adults develop their life of faith through supportive communities, caring mentors, and faith-related nurture and service. The Pentecost Offering makes a difference for the life of the whole church and for congregations like ours.

You will find an offering envelope in this month's newsletter. If you will be unable to join us on Pentecost Sunday to give this offering, you can fill it out and mail it to the church office. Please mark the memo portion of your check - Pentecost Offering.

Thank you for your support of the Pentecost Offering.

With great anticipation of Christ, and in his love,

Jan Leonard 🌸



THE SEASON OF THE SPIRIT

Pastor Denise Clark-Jones

In the liturgical calendar of the Christian church, Pentecost should be a big celebration day, but for many churches it really isn't made to stand out. We, of the "frozen chosen" variety of Protestants, shy away from anything "Pentecostal." Ironically, Pentecostals don't celebrate Pentecost. I guess they figure they are "Pentecostal" all the time and don't need to celebrate any particular Sunday. You'd think all those people that say they are "spiritual but not religious" would really come out for this one, but I doubt they will.

We've been skipping around the book of Acts since Easter. In this way the lectionary prepares us to understand the power of the Holy Spirit because we already know what it did in the formation of the Christian church. From a small group of followers, Christianity spread like wildfire. In just a few hundred years, Christianity was the official religion of the Roman Empire and was spreading beyond its borders. The whole title for this book of Acts is "Acts of the Apostles," but it would be more aptly named, "Acts of the Holy Spirit."

The Mainline Protestant Church has been pretty skittish about anything "spiritual." We are much better at being "religious but not spiritual." The truth is, neither camp – "spiritual but not religious" or "religious but not spiritual" is very effective or fulfilling. Neither camp gets the passion and the peace that the Holy Spirit offers.

In the past few decades, Mainline Protestant denominations have been trying to bring back more spirituality into our religion. One of those ways has been releasing the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper from the baggage of anti-Roman Catholicism prejudice and rediscovering its power to connect our spirits with Christ's spirit. Healing services have become commonplace in Presbyterian churches. Prayer receives more attention as a life-giving spiritual discipline.

So how do we tap into the power of the Holy Spirit? And when we feel a spirit moving us, how do we know it's the Holy Spirit? If the spirit is drawing you toward an action that the Bible disputes that Jesus would have done, then there is a high probability that it is coming from your own ego rather than the Holy Spirit. We have God's Word as recorded by previous witnesses to God's revelation of self in the

world. These witnesses were inspired by God's Holy Spirit to see, hear, and interpret the signs of God's holiness working in and for the world. If what you feel drawn to do or say does something for you, but not anyone else, then it is not likely the Holy Spirit is guiding you.

Jesus taught, for a new generation, the message of the Old Testament prophets. The Bible tells us these were words that the people didn't want to hear because they often responded: 'What's in it for me?' You see, when we fill ourselves with stuff for ourselves alone, we leave no room for the Holy Spirit to enter and reside. My first mentor in ministry paraphrased the Second Commandment, "You shall have no other gods before me," with the words: If you make a god of your own stuff, you will only be getting more of yourself." Thankfully, no one is beyond God's reach and God's Holy Spirit can enter us without our permission. When the Holy Spirit enters our being, some of our self has to go to make room for God.

Whenever I hear people say they are spiritual but not religious, I want to ask them what spirit they are talking about. If it's the spirit of God, tell me about the nature and character of your God. Tell me how God is leading and transforming your life. If you aren't sure about God, what do you know about this spirit in which you believe? What if we would be so bold as to witness to these so-called "spiritual but not religious," who are reluctant to make any kind of commitment to a particular spiritual path or to give witness to what they believe is transcendent within themselves.

What if we were to tell others what our faith and our church mean to us and how our faith affects how we live our lives? What if we witnessed by our actions, and then explained we act this way or do these things for others because we are Christian? We might ask the "spiritual but not religious": "If this spirit that causes you to claim you are spiritual doesn't give meaning and purpose to your life in a way that affects your actions and your relationships with others, do you need it? Does it have anything with which you can build relationships and help others?"

Like the disciples at Pentecost, we gather on Sunday in one place to empty ourselves. We empty ourselves of shame with confession. We empty ourselves of self-absorption by thanking and praising

May the GOD of HOPE
fill you
with great JOY
& PEACE
as you TRUST in Him.
Roman 15:13

2017 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

(April YTD Operating Budget)

Gary Leonard

Revenues	April YTD Actual	April YTD Budget	Over/Under) Budget
General Offering	\$96,070	\$56,667	\$39,403
WDFund	50,375	142,533	(92,158)
Other Revenues	<u>7,957</u>	<u>2,966</u>	<u>4,991</u>
	\$154,402	\$202,166	\$(47,764)
Expenses			
Operating Expense	\$140,640	\$157,292	\$(16,652)
Major Prop. Improve.		<u>44,667</u>	<u>(44,667)</u>
	\$140,640	\$201,959	\$(61,319)
Net: Rev. less Exp.	<u>\$13,762</u>	<u>\$207</u>	<u>\$13,555</u>

NOTES:

1. Restricted contributions and the matching expense (also known as "pass-thru's) like for Westminster Infant Care Center / WestMark Food Pantry, One Great Hour Sharing, etc. are not included.
2. Revenues - General Offering includes \$12,100 of pre-paid pledges actually received in 2016.

TIPS:

1. You can monitor your Giving throughout the year by requesting access to the church's database (Realm) from the church office.
2. You need only write "WPC" as the payee on checks payable to Westminster. (I wish that I had received this tip decades ago!) 🌸

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION (QCD)

Dick Helfrich

Upon reaching age 70 1/2, individuals with a SEP, SIMPLE, or traditional IRA are required to start taking an annual distribution from the account (referred to as Required Minimal Distributions or RMDs.) However, the individual can instead contribute the RMD amount (or more) to a charity, such as Westminster, and then avoid having to pay income tax on the distribution. This strategy is better than taking a regular IRA distribution and then claiming a charitable deduction because it reduces the adjusted gross income (AGI) of the individual (or married couple filing jointly) on their tax return.

A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) is a distribution paid directly from an IRA to a charity that is not taxable to the individ-

ual. A QCD represents a potential tax saving opportunity for an older individual taking a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from an IRA who regularly gives to charity. 🌸

WICC SALE DAY - JUNE 10

Valerie Sager

Dear Friends of Westminster Infant Care Center:

Our biggest fundraiser of the year is fast approaching and we need your help to make it a success!

It's not too late and we are still accepting items for the WICC sale that occurs during the Moss Avenue Day Sale on June 10, 2017. If you need items picked up from your home, please call Valerie at 224-6238 or Chris at 682-6588 to make arrangements.

We will be at the Parish House on Saturday, June 3 (9:00 a.m.-noon) and we could really use your help to move items up to the Fellowship Hall and place them on tables. Also, the week before the sale (June 5-9) we will need volunteers to help set up, price, and organize items from 9:00 a.m. - noon.

On the day of sale, June 10, we need volunteers to work during the sale hours of 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. We begin setting up by 7:00 a.m. and take things inside at 3:00 p.m. If you're able to help during any of those times, we would surely appreciate it. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Thank you for your continued support of this valuable mission of Westminster Presbyterian Church. All proceeds from the sale go to support Westminster Infant Care Center. May God bless you! 🌸

WESTMINSTER SESSION

Clerk of Session	Brian Hakes Class of 2018
Christian Education	Bonnie Jackson Class of 2019
Church Life	Dorothy Crozier Class of 2019
Finance	Gary Leonard Class of 2019
Membership	Carol Carlson Class of 2017
Missions/Outreach	Jan Leonard Class of 2019
Personnel	Oliver Woodman Class of 2019
Properties	Don Bell Class of 2018
Worship	Suellen Kirkwood Class of 2017

**SESSION MEETS ON THE
THIRD TUESDAY, MONTHLY,
12:00 PM, IN THE PARLOR!**

DEACONS

Moderator	Jeanie Olson Class of 2019
Anna Bussian	Class of 2017
Sue Burnham	Class of 2017
Mary Dill	Class of 2018
Kim Mitchell	Class of 2019
Alice Nash	Class of 2019
Edna Nugent	Class of 2019
Phyllis Rafferty	Class of 2017
Marge Willadsen.....	Class of 2017



SESSION NOTES

From the May 23 Meeting

Brian Hakes, Clerk of Session



- * The Presbytery received and voted to approve the dissolution of call from Alan Finnian as the Executive Presbyter.
- * The June 4 Pentecost Sunday service will include jazz music performed and orchestrated by Dave Hoffman.
- * The water resource program "Gathering at The Well" is scheduled for Saturday, September 30 at 10:00. A luncheon will be provided. Speakers are Scott Reid, a city engineer, and Dr. Yunus Salami, a professor of engineering at Bradley University.
- * The session approved up to \$500 from the benevolence fund, to be matched by the congregation, for support to Zoe Musser, a WICC mom.
- * The session approved issuing a VISA gift card, limited to \$500, to be used for incidentals, purchased by Church Life, for vendors who do not submit invoices.
- * Tote bags have been purchased for use as gifts or distributed to the congregation. The totes have the Westminster logo.
- * WICC will participate in the June 10 Moss Ave. Sale and will have the garage sale on June 14 and 15.
- * The food pantry served 1,417 in April.
- * Westminster and Northwoods Community Church are meeting together to develop a cooperative mission strategy for Roosevelt School.
- * A Presbyterian youth group from Pittsburgh will be staying in the Parish Hall on the night of June 25.
- * Standard will make changes to the ductwork on one of the AC units in the Fellowship Hall.
- * The session is considering repurposing William R. O'Neill Parish House to be used as a community center and contracting with a program director.
- * The session is investigating a special use permit from the City of Peoria allowing the Parish House to be used as a community center.
- * The session approved the scheduling of Jessica Bell's wedding on June 29 at 3:30.
- * Chris Hovey has created 30-second videos to be used for TV spots beginning in August. 🌱

the One who makes all things possible. We meet together to silence our self-dialogues, so that we might engage in conversation with God and our fellowship of believers.

In our worship service, the spiritual takes form in physical things in our sacraments. Water, wine and bread become what St. Augustine described as “visible signs of invisible grace.” At the table we are joined with Christ by following his commandment to eat bread and drink wine together, remembering his sacrifice for us. In our Communion liturgy I say the words: “These are holy things to make us holy.” The bread and cup on this table are holy things because Christ, who promised us the comfort, the guidance, and the advocacy of the Holy Spirit to be his disciples in the world, makes them holy. When we come to Christ’s table we empty ourselves that the spiritual body of Christ will enter into us, nourish our hunger for God, and strengthen us to love and live in the world as Jesus did.

“He changes a wilderness into a pool of water And a dry land into springs of water.”(Ps.107:35)

When Jesus was baptized in the waters of the Jordan River, God sent down the Holy Spirit to rest upon him and dwell within him. To fulfill the vows of

our own baptism, we support our faith community because Christ commanded his disciples to live and work together to be his physical body in the world. The baptized are to be like water on parched land in the world. For this Jesus promised the gift of the Holy Spirit.

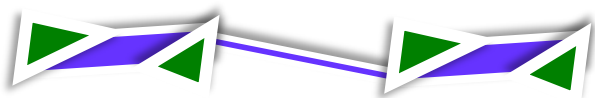
After Pentecost the Lectionary gives us Scripture readings that guide us to a greater awareness of the Holy Spirit. Pay attention to the Holy Spirit working in your life, be a witness to the in-dwelling of the Spirit for others.

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.” (Romans 15:13)

A Prayer for Peace

Praying for peace in a world that has no peace.
Praying for comfort to those who cannot be comforted.
Praying for answers to questions seemingly beyond our numbed comprehension.
Praying for places like Manchester England where acts of terror are thankfully rare yet no less terrible when they occur and places like Israel and Palestine where they are all too commonplace.
Come Lord Jesus, Come.

- Rev. Vernon Gauthier



CELEBRATING WESTMINSTER’S CENTENARIANS

Ashley Foster

“Remarkably modern” were the words Pat Wagner used to describe her fellow Westminster members, Helen Healy and Marge Sutherland. Both of these ladies have lived to be more than a century old. Marge turned 102 in April, and Helen turned 101 in May. Westminster is extremely proud to have had them both as members for so many years.

I recently had the great pleasure of meeting Helen Healy for the first time. She is the longest standing member of Westminster, as she first began attending services when she was a young girl. She has always loved to sing, and she became a member of the choir here at Westminster when she was a teenager. Helen was a primary school teacher at Bartonville Grade School for forty years. So many members of Westminster are retired teachers, which in my opinion, is one of the most noble professions. Helen said she loved everything about teaching. According to Pat Wagner, whenever children come to sing at the retirement home Helen lives in, Helen feels as though she is back in the classroom again. Helen met her husband, Richard, who was a WWII veteran, at a dance at Camp Ellis. They had one son together, whose name is Todd. Helen has some step-grandchildren, as well as a great granddaughter, Sophia, whom she affectionately refers to as “Fifi.” Helen also has one brother, Doc Hammond, who is also a member of Westminster. Helen and her husband were both avid golfers. She also loves to play bridge. Helen would like to thank everyone at Westminster for the cards she receives in the mail. She said that they “keep her going.” It was truly an honor for me to meet this wonderful lady.

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- 19 Janet Andrews
- 19 Alma Fassett
- 21 Adele Fleming
- 26 Hettie Beers
- 26 Phyllis Rafferty
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JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

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- 4 Marcus & Ashley Foster
- 7 Steve & Ann Trower
- 10 Dave & Carol Carlson
- 11 Robert & Betty Jean Oaks
- 12 Michael & Lynn Hedden
- 14 Lee & Edna Nugent
- 18 John & Bonnie Jackson
- 24 Dewey & Sally Fitch
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I have never met Marge Sutherland, but I have heard a lot about her. What an outstanding life she has led. Marge was a member of the Women's Army Corps in WWII. She and her husband, Jim, worked together at an engineering firm. They had no children. The couple lived right next door to Westminster. They had two dachshunds. Marge was very active in the Moss-Bradley Association. She was also part of a group that met once a week and had spiritual study and breakfast together, which sounds similar to the Women's BiMonthly Bible Study that meets in the Westminster Parlor. Marge helped co-found WICC back in 1973, which has made a huge difference in the lives of so many high school girls and their infants. She was also a member of the Peoria Orchid Society. She collected orchids from all over the world, in addition to being a breeder of orchids. Marge also had a heated greenhouse built behind her house that included a lot of high technology. Back when Bradley University was still segregated, Marge and Jim remodeled their attic to house black men so that they had a place to live while attending school. One of these men, Joe Billy McDade, went on to become the first black federal appointed judge in central Illinois. Marge and Jim also rented out rooms in their house to various Bradley students over the years. Marge simply enjoyed the companionship. After she retired from the engineering firm, Marge became the office manager for the Great Rivers of Presbytery. Dan Callahan, Westminster member, also lives right next door to the church on the other side, and he said that Marge was always a very helpful neighbor. Like Marge, Dan also has a passion for flowers and plants, and she let him use her greenhouse whenever he wanted. A lot of societal functions were held at Marge and Jim's house, and according to Dan, the house was a meeting place for all kinds of people. Dan described the house as a "home for anybody." Yvonne Buchanan, Marge's caregiver, says that she is a "delight to work with." She says that Marge is very sweet, and that she loves her like she is her own family. I really enjoyed talking about the life Marge has led with Yvonne, as well as several different Westminster members.

Learning about these two amazing ladies has been a remarkable experience for me. They are both such an inspiration to me, and I hope to make my life just as meaningful as theirs has been. 🌸

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Alan Kupper
- 6 Jill Bell
- 7 Steven Koch
- 8 Bruce Andrews
- 13 Jeanie Olson
- 13 Wanda Terry
- 14 Donald Shay
- 14 Horst Prohaska
- 15 Caden Richmond
- 18 Byron DeHaan
- 18 Ann Belcke
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- 20 Dave Carlson
- 21 Peggy Carter
- 22 Bernard Hofreiter
- 22 Alan Willadsen
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- 23 David Luman
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- 31 Riley Fisher

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

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2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



***Celebrating
the
15th season
of amazing
music of
J.S. Bach!***

*All events with the exception of the first event held
on Friday, June 2, will be held at:*

Trinity Lutheran Church

135 NE Randolph Ave. • Peoria, Illinois 61606

Sunday, June 4th

3:00 p.m. - The Well-Tempered Clavier, Book I: Trevor Magness, piano (free)

Trevor Magness has competed and placed in a number of piano competitions including first place finishes at the Nebraska Music Teachers Association Competition in 2011 and the UNL Undergraduate Concerto Competition in 2012 and 2014. He has given solo performances in many locations, including Fort Worth, Tulsa, Lincoln, St. Louis, Chicago, and Italy. Trevor was the recipient of the 2014 Glenn Korff Distinguished Undergraduate Artist/Scholar Award and is a member of the Pi Kappa Lambda music honor society. He is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Piano at Texas Christian University, where he is a student of Dr. Tamás Ungár. He recently presented the first book of Bach's Well-Tempered Clavier in its entirety, and will be reprising this performance for the 2017 Peoria Bach Festival.

Monday, June 5th

12:05 p.m. - Annual Peoria Bach Festival Young Artists' Recital (free)

Come and hear children of all ages sing and play the music of Bach and his contemporaries. If you or anyone you know would like to perform on this concert, please find an application form on the Peoria Bach Festival website. The application deadline is Friday, May 26th.

Tuesday, June 6th

12:05 p.m. - Bach at Noon: Community Concert (free)

This concert is an opportunity for young adults, adult learners, avocational, and professional musicians to share their God-given talents with the community. If you or anyone you know would like to perform on this concert, please find an application form on the Peoria Bach Festival website. The application deadline is Friday, May 26th.

Wednesday, June 7th

12:00 p.m. - Bach's Lunch/Lecture: "J.S. Bach Meets Martin Luther" (free – call ahead to reserve a lunch)

Have a FREE lunch on us and gain deeper understanding into Bach's music. Lunch is served at 12:00 noon. The lecture will begin at 12:10 and conclude at 1:00 p.m. This year, Dr. John Jost will discuss the connections between Martin Luther and J.S. Bach. The lecture is FREE. Call 309-676-4609 to reserve your spot at Bach's lunch.

3:00 p.m. - "Hey Kids! Meet Mr. Bach": Bach and His Musical Menagerie (Admission \$3 for first child, \$2 for every additional child)

Bring your children to meet Mr. Bach. Mr. Bach takes children on a journey to meet some of his very best friends, the instruments of his orchestra. The program will introduce children to the instruments used by J.S. Bach in his music.

Thursday, June 8th

12:05 p.m. - Upon the Wind: Music by J.C.F. Bach, Schickhardt, and Vivaldi (free)

The Peoria Bach Players return for their third Festival performance in a recital featuring chamber music for winds. The ensemble presents music by J.C.F. Bach and J.C. Schickhardt, and this season ventures outside northern Europe to include two works by Vivaldi. Relish in the rich textures and vibrant colors of this 18th century music written specifically for winds with Peoria Bach Players Lisette Kielson (recorder), Kyle Dzapu (flute), David Cyzak and Jenet Ingle (oboe), Nellie Dixon (bassoon), Carol Wessler (cello), and Susan Klotzbach (harpsichord).

5:30 p.m. - Sacred Baroque Vocal Music: Music of Telemann, Handel, and J.S. Bach (free)

Josefien Stoppelenburg, soprano; Stephen Alltop, harpsichord

Join two of Chicago's top Baroque specialists in an inspiring hour of sacred Baroque music for soprano and harpsichord.

Friday, June 9th

12:05 p.m. - Bach at Noon: Music for Solo Strings (free)

EmmaLee Holmes-Hicks, violin; Dianne Wuthrich, viola; Adriana La Rosa Ransom, cello; Susan Klotzbach, harpsichord

Besides being an organist, Bach was an accomplished string player. Come hear Peoria Bach Festival principal string players perform music of Biber, Francouer, Telemann, and, of course, J.S. Bach

7:15 p.m. - Pre-Concert Lecture

8:00 p.m. – Festival Concert: Reformation Cantatas (Admission: \$15 adults/\$10 students)

Peoria Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra – Dr. John Jost, Dr. Tim Fredstrom, conductors

This concert will feature an organ prelude performed by Kevin Hildebrand; Cantata 80: "Ein feste Burg" (A Mighty Fortress is Our God); Cantata 38: "Aus tiefer Not" (From Depths of Woe); and the hymn, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God." Kevin Hildebrand is Cantor at Concordia Theological Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Saturday, June 10th

7:15 p.m. - Pre-Concert Lecture

8:00 p.m. – Festival Concert: Reformation Cantatas (Admission: \$15 adults/\$10 students)

Peoria Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra – Dr. John Jost, Dr. Tim Fedstrom, conductors

This concert will feature an organ prelude performed by Kevin Hildebrand; Cantata 79: "Gott ist der Sonn' und Schild" (God is Sun and Shield); Cantata 192: "Non danket alle Gott" (Now Thank We All Our God); Cantata 9: "Es ist das Heil uns kommen her" (Salvation Unto Us Has Come); and the hymn, Now Thank We All Our God.

Sunday, June 11th

Festival Worship Services - 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

Peoria Bach Festival Choir and Orchestra – Dr. John Jost, conductor; Kevin Hildebrand, organist

Join us for worship as we sing the hymns that Bach and his congregation would have sung. Come and celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation with Cantata No. 80, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God."



HUNGRY BULLETIN

Ashley Foster

During the school year, more than 12 million children receive free breakfast at school, and more than 31 million receive free lunches. For a lot of these children, this is the only healthy food they get in a day. Many of them go hungry during the summer months. Feed the Children, which is partnered with the Summer Food & Education Program, is a summer meal program that provides kids with healthy meals when school is out. Meal sites include churches, schools, summer camps, and libraries. After eating their meals, kids can stay and learn and

be entertained with books, school supplies, and sports equipment. "This program gives them the opportunity to eat a nutritious meal and stay on track during the summer so that they don't fall behind when they return to school." Just because children are not in school during the summer, it certainly does not mean that they should not be given the resources to learn and grow each and every day. Keeping the mind and body active is extremely important.



HELPING A WICC MOM MOVE INTO HER FIRST APARTMENT

Elizabeth Richmond

Teen Mom Zoe and her son Kalven have been with the Westminster Infant Child Care (WICC) daycare for three years. This year, she is a graduating from Manual High School. Zoe's hard work and dedication to her studies, while raising her son, helped her graduate ranked number five in her class. Zoe has also excelled in the Culinary Arts Program, finding food to be her passion. Her culinary arts team finished in second place in the Peoria Chopped Food competition. She now has a job working at a restaurant this summer and will be attending the ICC Culinary Arts Program in the fall. Zoe is an all-round dedicated student and mom. Unfortunately, due to some difficult family circumstances, Zoe must get her first apartment independently for herself and Kalven. This is a mighty big step for an 18-year-old. I can hardly imagine having that much responsibility and maybe not a lot of support. I am hoping that Westminster will help be that support for OUR WICC Mom as she moves into independence. Zoe needs some basic starting resources to launch her toward independence in her first apartment. Unlike most of us who had help from our families, a couch from an Aunt, an old set of dishes from a Grandmother, or maybe some financial help from a Mom and Dad, Zoe doesn't have that support. If you would like to be that support for Zoe and Kalven, please send the coupon below along with a check to Westminster Church and write WICC Mom on the memo line. The Finance Committee will match the total gifts received up to a total \$500.00 from Westminster's Local Benevolence fund. So, whatever you choose to give, your donation will be doubled! Please contact Elizabeth Richmond with questions.

Zoe & Kalven First Apartment Fund

Enclosed you will find my donation in the amount of \$ _____



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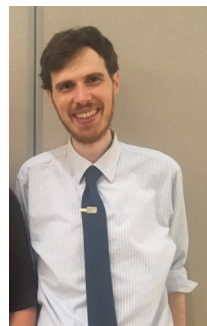
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WPC Apartment Fund
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Peoria, Illinois 61606

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Write on memo line: WICC MOM



Douglas Luman, son of Marilyn Luman, graduated on May 20, 2017, from George Mason University with a Masters in Fine Arts.



Zoe Musser is graduating from Manual Academy and is ranked #5 in her graduating class. Her plans are to attend ICC this fall and major in Culinary Arts. Kalven has been enrolled in Westminster Infant Care Center since he was

an infant and he will be three years old in July. Zoe has excelled as a student and is an amazing parent to Kalven! We wish her the very best as she pursues her future educational goals.



Rebecca "Becca" Wood is graduating from Limestone High School. Her plans are to become a Nursing Assistant. Methodist College is at the top of her list as her favored program to attend. Her son, Kayden, will soon be two years old. Becca worked part time as well as going to school her Junior and Senior years of high school. We are very proud of Becca and wish her and Kayden all the best as she also moves forward on her next educational milestone.

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Find the following words in the puzzle above.

BAPTIZE	GOD	JESUS	PRAISE
SPIRIT	FLAME	HOLY	WIND
PENTECOST		PROMISES	

After you have found the words, write down the remaining letters on the blanks below to read the message of Pentecost. Start at the top left and move from left to right, top to bottom.

JUNE SERVANT SCHEDULE

SERVICES	USHERS	GREETERS	SOUND	LITURGIST	ACOLYTE	COFFEE HOUR
4 SUN AM Communion Pentecost	Horst Prohaska Anna Bussian Alice Nash Kim Mitchell	Dick Helfrich	Marcus Foster	Jan Leonard	Kim Mitchell	Dorothy Crozier Last one of the season
11 SUN AM Trinity Sunday	Alan Kupper Linda Kupper Gary Dutro Marge Willadsen	Dick Helfrich	Pat Flynn	Laura Van Riper	Alan Kupper	<i>NO Coffee Hour Fellowship following the morning service during the summer months. Will resume in the fall.</i>
18 SUN AM Father's Day	Diane Case Susan Leighty Jeff Case Laura Van Riper	Dick Helfrich	Pat Flynn	Jordan Case	Diane Case	
25 SUN AM	Gary Leonard Jan Leonard Dan Callahan Janet Kelley	Dick Helfrich	Pat Flynn	Carol Carlson	Gary Leonard	

JUNE COMMUNION SERVERS

MORNING WORSHIP / JUNE 4

Bread - Diane Case
Wine - Jeff Case
Bread - Brian Hakes
Wine - Pastor Denise
Traveler - Gary Dutro



MORNING WORSHIP / JUNE 11

Bread - Bonnie Jackson
Wine - Suellen Kirkwood
Bread - Gary Leonard
Wine - Pastor Denise
Traveler - Alan Willadsen

If you are unable to work on your scheduled date, please try to find your replacement or switch with someone, before contacting the Ministry Elder with the changes.

*Schedule can also be viewed on the website at
<http://westminsterpeoria.org/worship-servant-schedule/>*

Ministry Elders: Coffee Hour - Dorothy Crozier / Worship - Suellen Kirkwood

JULY SERVANT SCHEDULE

SERVICES	USHERS	GREETERS	SOUND	LITURGIST	ACOLYTE	COFFEE HOUR
2 SUN AM Communion	Linda Kupper Alan Kupper Alice Nash Kim Mitchell	Dick Helfrich	Marcus Foster	Joyce Hakes	Kim Mitchell	<i>NO Coffee Hour Fellowship following the morning service during the summer months. Will resume in the fall.</i>
9 SUN AM	Anna Bussian Horst Prohaska Gary Dutro Marge Willadsen	Dick Helfrich	Pat Flynn	Suellen Kirkwood	Marge Willadsen	
16 Sun AM	Diane Case Susan Leighty Jeff Case Laura Van Riper	Dick Helfrich	Pat Flynn	Anna Bussian	Diane Case	
23 SUN AM	Gary Leonard Jan Leonard Dan Callahan Janet Kelley	Dick Helfrich	Pat Flynn	Jim Burnham	Jan Leonard	
30 SUN AM	Ashley Foster Marcus Foster Suellen Kirkwood Peggy Bragg	Dick Helfrich	Pat Flynn	Jeanie Olson	Marcus Foster	

JULY COMMUNION SERVERS

MORNING WORSHIP / JULY 2

Bread -
Wine - Pastor Denise
Bread -
Wine -
Traveler - Suellen Kirkwood



JUNE

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Weekly - Monday and Thursdays 1:00 PM - Kellogg Executive 9 Golf Course.
All are invited to join in!

Communion AM

10am Pentecost
Sunday Worship
11am Coffee Hour



4

9am WestMark Food
Pantry Open



5

11:30 Food Delivery
for the food pantry

6

7:30am Men's Coffee Hr
10am Staff Mtg

7

8

Monday - Friday / 9am - 1pm / Setting Up for Saturday Sale / 9am - 1pm / Monday - Friday
All are welcomed to come help set up for sale. Lots to do and many hands will make the job go quicker.



11

10am Worship

12

9am WestMark Food
Pantry Open

13

7:30am Men's Coffee Hr
10am Staff Meeting

14

1pm Food Delivery
for the food pantry

15



4-6pm WICC
Rummage Sale



8am to Noon WICC
Rummage Sale

16

17

6:30pm Presbytery
Baseball Night
Peoria Chiefs Stadium

10



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7:30pm
Bach
Festival
Opening
Concert

3

WICC needs help with moving
boxes from lower level to the
Fellowship Hall. 9am til done

18

10am Worship

19

9am WestMark Food
Pantry Open

20

11:30 Food Delivery
for the food pantry
12pm Session Meeting

21

NO Staff Meeting
7:30am Men's Coffee Hr
12pm Finance Meeting

22

11am Food Delivery
for the food pantry

23



8:30 am - 2pm

11:30 Food Delivery
for the food pantry
12pm Session Meeting

NO Staff Meeting
7:30am Men's Coffee Hr
12pm Finance Meeting

11am Food Delivery
for the food pantry

2pm - 5pm - Camp
5pm - Dinner



24

25

10am Worship

26

9am WestMark Food
Pantry Open

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7:30am Men's Coffee Hr
10am Staff Meeting

28

11am Food Delivery
for the food pantry

29

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JULY

Sun

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Communion AM

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10am Worship

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WestMark Food Pantry
Closed in Observance of
Independence Day

Independence Day

4

Church Office Closed

5

7:30am Men's Coffee Hr
10am Staff Mtg

6

1pm Golf at Kellogg's

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10am Worship

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9am WestMark Food
Pantry Open
1pm Golf at Kellogg's

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10am Staff Meeting

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1pm Golf at Kellogg's
1pm Food Delivery
for the food pantry

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Pantry Open
1pm Golf at Kellogg's

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10am Staff Meeting
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9am WestMark Food
Pantry Open
1pm Golf at Kellogg's

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11am Food Delivery
for the food pantry
1pm Golf at Kellogg's

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Bell-Rumfelt
Wedding

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10am Worship

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9am WestMark Food
Pantry Open
1pm Golf at Kellogg's



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10 AM Traditional Worship

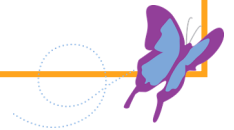
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