

# Westminster Weekly Window

April 27, 2025

## Today's Message

"Joy and Sorrow"

## Scripture Readings

**Today:** Acts 5:27-32 and Ps. 118:14-29 or Ps. 150 or 2 Kings 7:1-16 and Ps. 2; Rev. 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

**May 4, 2025:** Acts 9:1-6 (7-20) and Ps. 30 or Isa. 61:1-3 and Ps. 90:13-17; Rev. 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

## Serving This Morning

Usher – Suellen Kirkwood  
Greeter – Dick Helfrich  
Coffee Hour – Laura Van Riper  
(donated treats are accepted)

## Serving Next Sunday - May 4

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## Happening This Week - April 27 - May 4, 2025

April 27 – Holy Humor Sunday; *You are invited to wear silly clothes, socks, hats, and come prepared to laugh!*

April 27 – Karen Stewart & H. William Glazier, IBEN Concert, 4 p.m.

April 28 – WestMark Food Pantry, 9-11 a.m.

April 29 – The Care Team, 9-12 p.m. Contact Dan, (309) 657-0530 for more information. **(Tuesday of every week)**

April 30 – Men's Coffee Group at Panera's at Westlake at 7:30 a.m. **(Wednesday of every week)**

May 1 – Staff Meeting

May 4 – Coffee Fellowship 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

## Looking Ahead

May 11 – Coffee Fellowship 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.

May 7 – Moss Bradley Annual Dinner, 6 p.m.

May 13 – Session, 5:30 p.m.

May 26 – WestMark Food Pantry **will be closed due to Memorial Day.**

June 1 – Bach Organ Concert, featuring 9 area organists, 4:00 p.m.

June 2 – Young Musicians Concert, 12:05 p.m.

June 3 – Community Musicians Concert, 12:05 p.m.

June 4 – Lecture/Demonstration, 12:05 p.m.

June 5 – Concert of Baroque Chamber Music, 12:05 p.m.

June 6 – Bach's Goldberg Variations, 12:05 p.m. Pre-Concert Lecture, 6:45 p.m. *then* 2025 Festival Concert, 7:30 p.m.

**Lane closure for the Moss Avenue Reconstruction affects the southside of W Moss Avenue from N Western Avenue.**

**Please watch for flaggers and be mindful of the road work.**

## April Birthdays

02 Marlan Borders  
04 Suellen Kirkwood  
16 Janet Kelley & Gary Panetta

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## Nelda Mae Keene

Nelda Mae Keene was born December 10, 1929 in Peoria, IL. Nelda passed away peacefully on April 13, 2025 at the age of 95. Her parents, Howard and Florence, were loving and devoted to Nelda and her younger brother Walter who arrived in 1933.

Nelda attended Von Steuben Elementary in Peoria, followed by Peoria Central High School, and ultimately earned a Masters Degree in education from Bradley University, becoming the second generation of family members to graduate from the university after her father.

Nelda taught school in Peoria District 150 for 37 years and was an adjunct faculty member at Bradley for 16 years, supervising student teachers. Nelda also had a flourishing 32-year career in real estate brokerage, last working at Traders Realty.

Nelda was very active in her sororities at Bradley, namely: Sigma Kappa, the Alpha Delta Kappa teachers sorority, and the Pi Lambda Theta chapter. She maintained a wide circle of friends in the community and enjoyed hosting large gatherings at her home. She was particularly devoted to her nieces and nephew, Jull Mullen, Eren Keene and Todd Keene, and her great nephew, Andrew Mullen.

Nelda was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Peoria for 60 years, where she was a deacon and Sunday School teacher. She had many hobbies, including playing tennis, gardening, baking, knitting and crocheting, reading, traveling to England, Scotland and throughout the US, and spending time with family and friends.

### [Nelda Keene Obituary](#)

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Join us at Westminster Presbyterian Church today, Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 4 P.M. to enjoy the final concert for the IBEN Arts Series this year! We will welcome Peoria native, Karen Stewart, in a recital of music by Handel, Verdi, Puccini, Bernstein and others.



## Gretchen Iben Arts Series

*Presents*

Karen Stewart , Soprano

H. William Glazier, Piano

Lydia Nosbisch, Harp

**Songs by Handel, Verdi, Puccini, Bernstein, Kennedy-Frazier**

*Free will*

Karen Stewart is a versatile lyric soprano whose voice was described in a Chicago Tribune review as a *"...lush soprano clear and vibrant, the top notes ringing and powerful."*

Karen has enjoyed a career that includes performances in Opera, Oratorio and Chamber Music. Her appearances include performances at Carnegie Hall with the Chicago Symphony, regional orchestras and choral societies, and European tours.