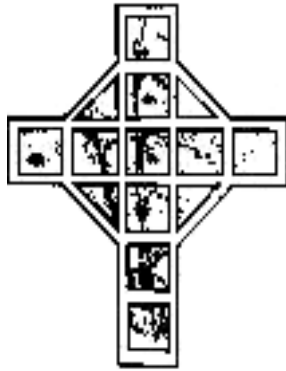


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The Triangle

October 19th, 2010

WORSHIP AT 10:00AM THIS SUNDAY

Please plan to worship with us this Sunday as we celebrate Stewardship Sunday. Most of you have received a letter and pledge card in the mail from the Year Round Stewardship Committee. If you did not receive this mailing, there is information available for you in the literature rack by the library. Pledge cards are also in the sanctuary pew racks.

We will dedicate our pledges during worship. Please read the article "More Than Enough" on page 5 for more information regarding Stewardship Sunday.

Remember the Buildings & Grounds Work Day this
Saturday, October 23, beginning at 9:00am.

PASTORS' CORNER
The Rev. Dr. David Kegley

I'm going to trust that each person reading this understands that I am not the type to manipulate, or to ask you to give your money in an unhealthy over-the-top sort of way.

I want everyone to have food, shelter and clothing and to deal wisely with their money.

Knowing that's where we start, I want to remind everyone that the church needs your gifts. Like most every institution, since mid-2008, we have struggled with budget cutbacks. Our faithful Elders are so on top of the budget and so responsible at cutting back, the rest of the congregation doesn't have to worry about it. That's the beauty of having such a talented group of leaders.

But did you know? In late 2008 the Session developed its usual list of increases in order to expand ministries. Those increases became the hoped-for budget for 2009. Then the pledges were added up and we compared the numbers and came back together in January of 2009. Instead of increases to the overall budget to expand ministries we actually had to make serious cuts. Against the 2008 actual budget we cut back for 2009 in crucial areas like mission support, worship supplies and music, educational supplies and curricula, support for fellowship events, maintenance and computer equipment funds. Our 2009 budget was \$49,503.00 less than 2008's. Less severe reductions were made in our 2010 budget, but it still left programs underfunded. What we did was to trust that the congregation would increase giving, thus support ministries we wished to sustain.

The painful contradiction that most, if not all, philanthropic organizations experience in times of economic crisis is that people are less inclined to give, yet the needs increase. Likewise the church. While all the same needs in the church remain constant—the lights still come on, the furnace still runs, the staff still works as much, if not more—the needs of the mission wing of the church actually increase.

All the news in economic decline is not bad news. People can still be generous and churches can still do good ministry. It seems to me that, within reason, we can increase our giving. We can do what we believe we are called to do as a congregation. The key is proportional giving. Give on a percentage of your income. Increase a percentage or two if possible. And, if you have more economic flexibility than most at this lean time, increase by a proportion in relation to your means.

We do need your gifts!

Peace, *David*

Calendar for This Week and Next

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00am B&G Work Day

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

10:00am Worship

5:00pm Pumpkin Carving and
Potluck (FH)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25

5:00pm Nominating Comm (lib)

7:00pm Bell Choir rehearsal

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

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

6:00pm TuesdayNightTogether

6:30pm Kid's Club, Classes and
Prayer Shawl Ministry

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

10:00am Bible Study (chapel)

7:00pm Deacons (library)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

9:30am "Sew Happy" Quilters

7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

11:00am Ruth Link's memorial

6:00pm Wedding rehearsal

Youth Group Corn Maze
and Lock-in

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

2:00pm Basteys/Engels wedding

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

9:00am Worship

9:45am Sunday School for all ages

11:15am Worship

12:30pm (no Youth Group)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

12 noon Triangle articles due

7:00pm Bell Choir rehearsal

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

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

10:30am PW Board (library)

6:30pm Women's Dinner (see article
on page 5)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

9:30am Triangle folding (library)

10:00am Bible Study (chapel)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

9:30am "Sew Happy" Quilters

6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal

7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS . . .

A little help is needed – maybe from you!!

Sundays, November 14th and 21st – **Sunday School** for the gradeschoolers

We need two teachers.

You will have some choices of how you want to teach the lesson!

Contact Greg Burkhardt at gburkhart@4210@comcast.net.

Sunday, November 28th – **Advent Craft Sunday**

We would love to have you help with a craft!

Contact Karlynn Rayment at 464-3921.

Sunday, December 19th – **Children's Christmas Program** (between services)

We welcome anyone who would like to see this delightful event happen, and would be willing to organize or help.

Please contact Sandy Crouch at smjonescrouch@comcast.net or

Greg Burkhardt at gburkhart@4210@comcast.net

Sandy Crouch, for the Christian Education Department

PUMPKIN CARVING AND POTLUCK

This Sunday, October 24th at 5:00pm

Pumpkin Carving is an All-Church Event! Everyone is invited to the All-Church Pumpkin Carving and Potluck Dinner Sunday, October 24th at 5:00pm. Please bring your own pumpkins and carving tools. We'll enjoy dinner first and then the pumpkin carving and judging. Come for all or part of the evening and enjoy good food, warm fellowship and fall fun.



Child care will be provided and will begin at 5:30pm so families can eat together first. Please bring a dish to share, according to the following chart:

If your last name begins with A-G bring a main dish

H-O bring a salad

P-Z bring a dessert

Beth Julian, for the Mission & Fellowship Department



Stewardship Dedication Sunday

This Sunday, October 24th, 2010

MORE THAN ENOUGH

“And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.” (2 Corinthians 9:8)

Please join us as we gather together for one worship service at 10:00am on October 24th to celebrate all that God abundantly provides to us. We will welcome guest preacher, The Reverend Harlan Shoop to our pulpit and together we will pledge our financial gifts for the 2011 operating budget.

As you prepare to dedicate your pledge next Sunday, please prayerfully consider all that God has provided to you and how you can share those gifts to help support God’s work at Westminster Presbyterian Church and throughout our community. Our service of worship and dedication will be followed by a time of special refreshments and fellowship in our new fellowship hall.

Year-round Stewardship Committee:

*Carl Harris, Julie Johnson, Kathy Marshall, Ron Stoker
and Eden Teachout*

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN’S DINNER

All women of Westminster are invited to a night of food, fun and fellowship. The Naomi Circle will host a soup and bread dinner instead of lunch on Tuesday, November 2nd at 6:30pm in the fellowship hall. We will organize fun and games, so bring friends and join us for a night of fellowship.

If driving in the evening is an issue for you, please call Ruth Getchell who will organize drivers. Please note that the Presbyterian Women’s Board meets at 10:30am on that day in the library.

*Carol Stoker, 459-5189, Moderator of Naomi Circle
Ruth Getchell, 895-7948, Moderator of Westminster’s Presbyterian Women*

FOR AND ABOUT OUR CHURCH FAMILY . . .

Our Prayers and Sympathy to Barbara Soderberg and her family following the death of her husband, Karl Soderberg. Karl died Wednesday, October 13, 2010. A service will be held for him at the church Thursday, October 21st at 1:00pm.

A Reminder: A memorial service will be held for Ruth Link at the church on Friday, October 29th at 11:00am.

Westminster's Child Care Coordinator is Jennifer Tucker. When you need childcare for Westminster events, please call Jennifer at 701-3027 or email her at jlb2@hotmail.com.

The 11th Annual **All-Church Variety Show** is coming **Saturday, November 13th**, beginning at 6:00pm. Anyone is welcome to perform. Remember, we're looking for variety – not talent! Bright yellow **sign-up sheets** are in the literature racks. Fill one out and turn it in to the church office or give to me. The offering will go to Westminster's Special Music Fund.

Terry Shan, wpcmusic@msn.com, Westminster's Director of Music

Thurston County Food Bank: We collect food and monetary donations for the Food Bank the first Sunday of each month. There are baskets for the food in the narthex or it can be collected and brought forward by the children during the Children's Sermon time in worship. Checks should be made to Westminster, noting Food Bank on the check. The next collection Sunday is November 7th.



We also have a collection for **The Other Bank**. This includes personal items such as soaps, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, etc. These items are also collected on the first Sunday of the month.

CAMP QUIXOTE BENEFIT

What: Buster Keaton's classic silent film "The General"
with live piano accompaniment

When: Saturday, November 6th at 6:30pm
Doors open at 6:00pm

Where: Capitol Theater, 205 5th Avenue, Olympia

Donation: At the door (suggested \$10 minimum)

CELEBRATING OUR BLANKETS + OFFERING

*For he delivers the needy when they call,
the poor and those who have no helper.*

Psalms 72:12

A **huge** thank you to everyone in our congregation for their generous support of our recent Blankets + offering. We raised \$2,139.00 for Church World Service and their Blankets+ program. At \$5 a blanket, that's about 428 blankets!!!

Blankets + brings the warmth and security of a blanket to those in need immediately after a disaster strikes. But it does much more than that. It provides food, shelter, safe water as well as the tools, training and other resources needed to help people rebuild their lives. You have been a big part of this mission this year and our congregation makes this ministry of hope a reality for people in need the world over. Thank You.

Kate Scriven, for the Mission & Fellowship Department

INTERFAITH WORKS presents their 27TH ANNUAL INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING



"A Celebration of the Whole Human Family"

Sunday, November 21, 2:30 pm

Tumwater United Methodist Church

1401 Lake Park Drive SW

Tumwater WA 98512 (2 blocks north of Trosper)

Music, words, and songs of many faiths

Children and people of all faiths welcome

Reception with light refreshments following

Offering to benefit the YWCA "Other Bank" and the programs of Interfaith Works

For more information, contact Interfaith Works, (360) 357-7224; www.interfaith-works.org

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

October 10 – **205** (61 at 9:00am)

October 17 – **185** (42 at 9:00am)

GREETERS FOR OCTOBER:

Jerry and Beth Julian



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