

THE LAMPLIGHTER

Presbyterian Church of West Salem 625 W. Franklin St., P. O. Box 861 West Salem, WI 54669 Telephone (608) 786-0910 Email: preschurchws@gmail.com www.presbyterianchurchwestsalem.com

October 2020

IN-PERSON WORSHIP

We will return to In-Person Worship Sunday, October 4, 2020

Communion will be served the second Sunday of October—October 11th Our Live Stream Worship option will continue also!

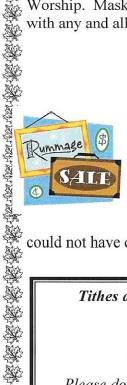
We are in need of one adult to join the Wednesday evening Confirmation team.

If you are interested please, contact Pastor Linda at 651-368-0085 or the church office at 786-0910. *Thank you!*

Looking for a place to serve and volunteer at church?

We have a role for you.....the sound booth needs more helpers. Please consider serving in the sound booth on Sundays during our live streaming production and during the return to In-person Worship. Mask wearing is required when people are near you. Please text or call Tiffani LaJeunesse with any and all questions or interest. (608) 780-7420. Thank you so much.

Our Rummage Sales



We have had two successful, outside, under the canopy rummage sales. For the first one, we sold kitchen items and furniture. Because it was well received, we tried a second one where we sold books, tools, toys, knick knacks and holiday items. We had beautiful weather and good turnouts.

We wish to thank everyone who helped move tables and sale items out of church on Friday morning and then all the items that did not sell and the tables back into church late Friday afternoon. Saturday morning, everything needed to be moved back out under the canopy and then everything needed to be packed up when the sale ended. We

could not have done it without your help. The profit from the sales was \$4,770.00.

~ Diana Engel & Jean Pearson

Tithes and Offerings can be mailed to:

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Please do not use the church street address.

Secretary Office Hours

Monday: 10:00 AM-2:00 PM Tuesday: 7:30 AM-1:30 PM Thursday: 7:30 AM-1:30 PM

August 2020 Financial Summary

Operating Budget

Balance August 1st \$20,882.72 Receipts 15,142.58

Expenses (13,991.64)

\$22,033.66 Ending Balance—August 31st

HIGHLIGHTS FROM SESSION:

- In-person Worship will being Sunday, October 4th
- Communion will be served on Sunday, October 11th
- Sunday School will continue
- Approved handbell choir



| <u>Prayer Chain</u> | | | | | |
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| Helen Harold | 786-0856 | | | | |
| Sharon Shaw | 786-0653 | | | | |
| Vickie Holt | 786-1659 | | | | |
| Sharon Cullmann | 608-797-1732 | | | | |
| Sue Strauss | 786-0758 | | | | |
| Marilyn Bahr | 786-0315 | | | | |
| Diana Engel | 786-1560 | | | | |
| Becky Auna | 786-0097 | | | | |
| Rose Cooper | 608-369-3848 | | | | |
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SER BIRTHDAYS

- 1—Cameron Lambertson
- 3-Larry Haverly, Carlin Servais, Liam Lambertson
- 4-Natalie Haverly, Mark Wolf
- 5-Diana Engel, Margie Denson
- 6-David Noel
- 7—Patrick Brummond, Payton Wolf, Trisha Jones
- 8-Helen Harold, Kristjan Sells
- 10—Clark Burdick, Gwyn Calvetti, Randall Griffin
- 11—Vickie Bain, Pete Hass
- 17—Susan Evans, Terry Loging, Sharon Shaw, Sheryl Lee

19—Lynda Bahr, Easton Gerdes

20-Heidi Horton, Evelyn Benzing

21-Rachel Winther

22-Kimberly Seeger, Ava Schuster

25-Scott Griffin, Brittany Bjorkman

26-Christopher Matthews

28-Colin Hass, Gideon Wolbrink

30-Jaycob Brown

31—Joyce Garves



Elders

| Class of 2020 | Class of 2021 | <u>Class of 2022</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Valerie Olson | Barbara Hopkins | Mike Siekert |
| Carolyn Lindeman | Sherry Bonsall | Kristjan Sells |
| Charles Engel | Becca Bohnsack | Nancy Olson |
| Kathy Schedin | Greg Meeuwsen | Shayna Arndt |

Anna Bohnsack-Youth Elder

Deacons

Class of 2020 Jean Pearson, Nancy Olson, Jackie Siekert, Rita Thompson and Lill Twining Class of 2021 Norm Sanwick, Lois Sanwick, Helen Harold, Diana Swim, Rose Wolbrink

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

The Bible is a spiritual director. People must read Scripture as a word for themselves and ask where God speaks to them. Over the years in Yokohama I taught 3 weekly Bible studies. One for beginners, one in-depth and one on practical Christian living. Sometimes the questions were challenging. Example: what did the N.T. people expect from the Messiah? It forced us as a group to go backwards in history to find out what is expected. Sometimes the word of encouragement was surprising and needed.

What kind of people come to Bible studies?

Seekers: Those trying to understand what Christianity was about--sometimes with lots of questions, antagonistic views they wanted to express, and even other religions.

Interested Learners: Those who wanted to learn about a specific topic.

Mature Christians: Who wanted to be trained in Bible study they could do on their own in any book of the Bible

I believe when we soak ourselves in scripture we come to have a deeper relationship with our Savior, a deeper prayer life and increasing love of worship. In tough times it brings succor to the soul as the Holy Spirit brings scripture to mind. Each day, I know that there is something new in scripture for me. God's word is manna to me every day.

Pastor Linda

Psalm 27:4

Email: pastorlindawsp@gmail.com or phone: 651-368-0085

NEW INDUCTIVE BIBLE STUDY (COVID19 precautions)

WHEN: Sundays, 9:15-10AM, October 11 (we will start and end on time)

WHAT: The Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

WHO: Post confirmation students and adults are welcome

WHERE: The conference room next to the pastor's office

WHY: Learning the cosmic redemptive work of God in Christ and practical Christian living

HOW: You will learn the method to study the Bible inductively

It is not a lecture but working through a handout and student questions

Bring your own Bible, colored pencils for marking it, and if you are able to get the app called Bible Hub for your study tools on your ipad/tablet or smart phone you will have some of the tools right at your fingertips.

On-going MORNING PRAYER via Zoom (7:00-7:25AM) Monday-Thursday

The practice of daily prayer is a way of living out our baptism—dying and rising with Christ. Each night we rest in Christ's peace; each morning we rise to walk in newness of life. Get signed in once and you are in for good -- the link doesn't expire.



September 6 – October 4, 2020 Peace and Global Witness Special Offering

The Peace and Global Witness offering enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our communities and across the globe.

May the God of Peace give you peace at all times, in all ways. Thessalonians 3:16

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will be held on Wednesday, October 7th, 14th and 21st at 1:00 PM in church with masks and social distancing. We will study the 9th commandment and then "Into The Light", finding hope through prayers of lament. Along with a time of prayer and fellowship, we will share some thought provoking life experiences. Please join us.



PW MISSIONS

Due to the lack of the Salad Luncheon and Fall Festival, the main fundraisers for Presbyterian Women, the mission giving to local worldwide mission is suffering. Please consider writing a check to Presbyterian Women so we can continue to be a light to the world.

Columbarium

Reservations may be made for the columbarium. The cost is \$860 per niche which includes engraving and the perpetual care fund fee mandated by the State of Wisconsin.

Contact the church office or a Buildings & Grounds Committee member for more information. The Session approved the new policy which allows anyone in our church or the community to use the columbarium. Our columbarium provides a comfortable way to make advance plans. It is a place of memorial and remembrance of deceased family and friends.

HATS OFF TO:

• All those who have helped with the Live Stream Worship Services in August: Greg Meeuwsen, Barb Hopkins, Julie Baker, Lisa Jones, Sara & Lily Oldenburg, Tiffani LaJeunesse, Gideon & Josiah Wolbrink, Ethan Crusan, Anna and Becca Bohnsack, Helen Harold, Jane Foner, Ann Vallier and our Interim Pastor Linda.

Usher for the month of October: Shawn McAlister October Acolytes: 4—Aliana Jones 4—Kathy Schedin 11—Cameron Lambertson 18—Emmitt Lambertson 18—Tiffani LaJeunesse 25—Brynn Loging 25—Avis Evenson

Confirmation Class Schedule

October 7th—Creation

October 14th—Rebellion

October 21st—Flood

October 28th—TBD

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The sympathy of the congregation is extended to:

...Rita Thompson and family on the death of her mom, Jeanette Kroll, on September 7th.

Lectionary Passages for the month of October:

- October 4th—Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19; Phil. 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46
- October 11th—Exodus 32:1-14; Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23; Phil. 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14
- *October 18th—Exodus 33:12-23: Psalm 99: 1 Thess. 1:1-10: Matthew 22:15-22
- October 25th—Deut. 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 Thess. 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

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| 2020 | Saturday | м | 10 | 17 | 24 | 31 Happy Halloween! |
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| | Thursday | 1 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer | 8 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer | 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer | 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer | 29 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer |
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| | Monday | | 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer | 7:00 AM Zoom Moming Prayer 5:45 Committee Meetings | 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer 7:00 Session Meeting | 26 7:00 AM Zoom Morning Prayer |
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Quick Look Ahead:



- In-Person Worship Services beginning Sunday, October 4th
- PW Bible Study begins Wednesday, October 7th at 1:00 PM
- Communion will be served on Sunday, October 11th
- Sunday Morning Bible Study begins October 11th at 9:15 AM

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Please inform the church office of any change in your address.