

THE LAMPLIGHTER

Presbyterian Church of West Salem October 2022

Trusting in the saving grace of Jesus Christ and guided by the Presbyterian tradition, the vision of the Presbyterian Church of West Salem is to provide a friendly and open environment that encourages spiritual growth for people of all ages.

From the Pastor's Desk....

Ok! School has started, Sunday School has Started, Adult Sunday School has started, Youth group has never really stopped, so if you're looking to learn more about the faith, you have plenty of opportunities to do so, and possibly more coming! Keep your ears open for announcements on a New Member class, and Confirmation classes as well.

This time of year in churches often gets an emphasis on education, but there is another emphasis as well... stewardship. Stewardship can be a bit of a complicated thing because we often use the same word to mean different things. For some, stewardship is collecting and keeping money, for others, Stewardship is taking the money you have and USING it... wisely.

For the record, I subscribe to that second school of thought.

I generally don't like talking about money in church because it's a very personal topic, it's hard to make general statements. What is a very generous gift from one household might be irresponsible for another, or even impossible to a third. The fact of our society is right now most people have less money available than they are used to.

In light of that, the fact that the church has been in the black my whole time here (a fact I ascribe to the generosity of our congregation, not my own governance) is impressive and humbling. I'm also fairly certain that you gave us that money so that we could do ministry, not so that our financial worksheets could look super impressive.

So whatever form your financial giving has taken recently, thank you for it. Thank you for your support, your worshipful giving. And if you really DO want to know more about how money works in the church... meh, we can always have another Sunday School class, right?

Pastor Dan







Adult Bible Study
Sundays from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.
in the Chapel Room
We will focus on the lectionary scripture
presented that Sunday.
Bring your Bible or use one from the church.

Sunday School



9:00 am

All kids K-5 welcome to come play some games and get excited for Sunday School.

Parents: please stop in and register your kids and update contact info

Peace and Global Witness Offering

Every year our church participates in the *Peace and Global Witness Offering*. It is one of our four special offerings collected throughout the year. The Peace and Global Witness Offering will be collected starting September 4th thru October 2nd (World Communion Sunday). This Offering

encourages the division, and around the is allowed to in our local Please be in this worthwhile



church to cast off anxiety and fear, discord and embrace God's mission of reconciliation to those corner and around the world. Our congregation retain 25% of this offering to be given to a cause community that promotes peacemaking efforts. prayer about this offering and consider a gift to cause.



Thank Offering - The PW Thank Offering began in 1888 when women were asked to give one dollar over her usual contribution for mission. Two of the recipients this year are: Westminster Presbyterian Church in Dayton, OH to help survivors of a tornado secure safe housing; Presbyterian Home for Children, Talledega, AL to secure safe housing for adults with multiple disabilities.

There are envelopes in the chair pockets or write "Thank Offering" on your check. Thank you for your help with this mission.

FALL CANVAS 2022

As hard as it is to believe, fall stewardship season is upon us!

Each year we reflect on where we have been as a church and where we would like to be in the future. As we do that, we also renew our pledges for the upcoming year. This year's fall stewardship campaign theme is "United as One in Christ." The Presbyterian Church of West Salem has a long history of working together through both good times and hard times. It takes an effort from each of us for our church to continue to be the Light of Christ in our community and greater world. Pledging is one way in which we can help our Finance Committee map out our future, at least for the coming year. Pledge cards can be returned to the church office either by mail, in person, or dropped in the offering plate any Sunday.

We ask that you return them by Sunday, October 16th. Thank you for your continued support of your church family!



Saturday, November 12th 8 am - Noon

Presbyterian Women will have the Fall Festival this year after a three-year absence.

This includes breakfast with homemade cinnamon rolls, cookies, crafts and raffle. Please give items you would like to donate for the raffle to Lois Sanwick or Helen Harold.

We ask each family to contribute 6 dozen cookies for the cookie sale. The proceeds go to local and worldwide missions.



Apple Pies

We have apple pies for sale now! Thanks to Ben Baker, who donated fourteen bushels of apples to us, we were able to make over 100 apple pies. We now have frozen apple pies for sale. We are selling them for \$9.00 each.

You can purchase them after church or call Diana Engel at (608) 786-1560 or 1-(608) 386-0860 to purchase them during the week.

October! October! October!

October is right around the corner and we have some fun events coming up. That means the Annual Pumpkin Painting and Trunk or Treat. Pumpkin Painting will be on Sunday, October 23rd right after church. Kids of all ages are welcome. A small snack will be provided. All the painting supplies and pumpkins will be there.

Also come see us Halloween night down at the Village Park for Trunk or Treating. It goes from 3:00PM-5:00PM. We will be seeing between 800 to 1,000 children, so if you can donate some candy it would be greatly appreciated!

You can leave the candy at church in the kitchen or contact Sherry Bonsall (608-786-1280) or Richard Calvetti (608-518-7624).

Thanks

Membership & Evangelism

Tabitha Circle



Bring your crafts and join us!

The first and third Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m.



Fellowship time in the Fellowship Hall 9:30am – 10:00am

Presbyterian Church Community Dinner



Wednesday, October 26th 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Please drive under the church canopy and remain in your vehicle.

Workers will place pre-packaged dinners
in your vehicle for you and your family.

Per Capita

Per Capita is an obligation for each member of the Presbyterian Church.

The Per Capita is \$33.70 per member for 2022.

Prayer Chain:

Becky Auna	608.786.0097
Marilyn Bahr	608.786.0315
Rose Cooper	608.369.3848
Sharon Cullmann	608.797.1732
Diana Engel	608.786.1560
Helen Harold	608.786.0856
Vickie Holt	608.786.1659
Sharon Shaw	608.786.0653



Birthdays to Celebrate in October 2022

Carlin Servais	October 03
Mark Wolf	October 04
Margie Denson	October 05
Diana Engel	October 05
David Noel	October 06
Pat Brummond	October 07
Trisha Jones	October 07
Payton Wolf	October 07
Helen Harold	October 08
Kristjan Sells	October 08
Clark Burdick	October 10
Gwyn Calvetti	October 10
Randy Griffin	October 10
Vickie Bain	October 11
Pete Hass	October 11
Sheryl Lee	October 17
Terry Loging	October 17
Sharon Shaw	October 17
Jessica Steinborn	October 17
David Silbaugh	October 18
Lynda Bahr	October 19
Easton Gerdes	October 19
Evelyn Benzing	October 20
Heidi Horton	October 20
Rachel Winther	October 21
Ava Schuster	October 22
Kim Seeger	October 22
Scott Griffin	October 25
Christopher Matthews	October 26
Colin Hass	October 28
Wilbert Steinborn	October 28
Gideon Wolbrink	October 28
Jaycob Brown	October 30
Joyce Garves	October 31



Nursery

OCTOBER 2022 SCHEDULE

October 2 Evelyn Raymer
October 9 Lily Oldenburg
October 16 Deacon Meyers
October 23 Brynn Loging
October 30 Aliana Jones

ELDERS

Class of 2022 Shayna Arndt Kristjan Sells

Nancy Olson Mike Siekert Anna Bohnsack: Youth Elder

Class of 2023 Charles Engel Nick Miller

Richard Calvetti Sara Oldenburg

Class of 2024 Becca Bohnsack Kelly Crusan

Sherry Bonsall Greg Meeuwsen

DEACONS

Class of 2022 Becky Auna Jackie Siekert

Vickie Holt Mary Tschida

Janice Seeger

Class of 2023 Helen Harold Diana Swim

Carol Griffin Jenni Loging

Tithes and Offerings can be mailed to:

Presbyterian Church of West Salem PO Box 861 West Salem, WI 54661

New Members!

We will be having a New Member class and luncheon on Sunday, November 13th following the church service. If you know of anyone who wishes to join, please have them contact Pastor Dan at the church office (608-786-0910), Sherry Bonsall (608-786-1280) or Richard Calvetti (608-518-7624).

On the following Sunday, November 20th we will be welcoming the new members into our church family during the church service.



Church Cleanup Day

Many hands helped clean and maintain our building! A BIG Thank You to all who helped!!



October 2022 Worship Teams

<u>Liturgists</u> <u>Sound Room</u>

October 2nd Barbara Hopkins Josiah Wolbrink

October 9th Jackie Siekert Evan Crusan

October 16th Tiffani LaJeunesse Lily Oldenburg

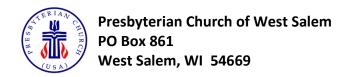
October 23rd Avis Evenson Gideon Wolbrink

October 30th Kevin Arndt Ethan Crusan

Music: Julie Baker, Lisa Jones, Greg Meeuwsen

Head Usher: Dave Bohnsack

Communion: Nick Miller, Becca Bohnsack, Vicki Holt, Sara Oldenburg, Sherry Bonsall, Mary Tschida



Please submit newsletter information to the office by the 15th of each month: preschurchws@gmail.com



Visit our website: www.presbyterianchurchwestsalem.com



625 W Franklin Street • West Salem, WI • 54669 • 608.786.0910 Sunday School 9:00 am • Sunday Worship 10:15 am

OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Dan McCurdy • Monday through Thursday 8:45 am. - 2:00 pm.

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