

# THE MESSENGER

Newsletter from Westminster

OUR MISSION IS TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE IN ALL WE DO

Psalm 85:12:

*"The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest."*



11 - Melinda Campbell  
20 - Kim Nations  
30 - Sylvia Lawson-Cook



## Following Jesus in Footsteps of Kindness



“He has told you, O mortal, what is good;  
and what does the Lord require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?”

### **Micah 6:8**

Micah was a prophet who lived and prophesied during the 8<sup>th</sup> c. B.C. His contemporaries were Isaiah, Amos and Hosea. Micah wrote to Israel and Judah to warn them that judgment was coming and was calling them to repent because there is forgiveness for all who repent. Sound familiar?

This verse is one of the great triads of the Christian faith. Here the prophet Micah recounts for Israel and Judah what the Lord God asks of his people. Just three things – do justice; love kindness; and walk humbly with God.

Though we can't really take the three and separate them, we can look at what it means to love “kindness.” How do we love “kindness?” It seems that this is a significant kind of love, a love that is a way of life. We serve a God who is merciful and kind and stays with us every step of the way, one who has promised to never leave us or forsake us. This kind of love is what is required of us. To love kindness. To love it, to embody it, to make it personal and real and right here and now. When we embody kindness, we bring the kingdom of God here. Here and now.

Jesus did that. He loved kindness and brought kindness to people wherever he was. Remember the woman at the well? He spoke to her, he engaged her in conversation, he cared about her and she drank it in. He gave her kindness.

Sometimes it is helpful to ask oneself – is there a place in my life where I can give or receive kindness? Where have I received it lately, where have I given it or perhaps where do I need to extend it?

Following Jesus means that we walk in kindness and though the popular bumper sticker today says, “practice random acts of kindness” I prefer one that says, “practice intentional kindness everywhere you go.”

August 27, 2025

Congregation,

September 1 - November 29, Pastor Angie will be on Compassionate Family Leave. Please pray for her healing during this time away. Session is strong and capable and can be counted on and trusted to be the courageous spiritual leaders that they are during this time. If you have questions or need something please contact them. Your current Elders on session are Mary Garrison, Adrienne Müller, Barry Clark, Sylvia Lawson Cook, Holly Cagle, Randy Washburn, and Clerk of Session Kathy Jones.

Our church needs healing as well. Pray for our church and as you pray, take action too. What action needs to be taken? First and foremost - stop the gossip. Do not listen to it and do not pass it on. Help one another to build up the leadership and not tear it down. During ordination and installation each member of this church made a vow to support the elders and pastor and one big way is to stop the gossip. The rumors are destructive and untrue. Your church and its leaders will thank you.

Proverbs 26:20— *“Without wood a fire goes out;  
without a gossip a quarrel dies down.”*

### WARNING TO PAY ATTENTION

<sup>1</sup>We must pay the most careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away. <sup>2</sup>For since the message spoken through angels was binding, and every violation and disobedience received its just punishment, <sup>3</sup>how shall we escape if we ignore so great a salvation? This salvation, which was first announced by the Lord, was confirmed to us by those who heard him. <sup>4</sup>God also testified to it by signs, wonders, and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

Hebrews 2:1-4



## Westminster Presbyterian Church

### Chapter 1337— “Prayers and Squares”

#### The Prayer Quilt Ministry.



Westminster Presbyterian joined “The Prayers and Squares—The Prayer Quilt Ministry” in 2024 and became Chapter 1337. Our first meeting was held April 22, 2024 and soon after, The Versailles United Methodist Church joined us in this ministry.

The purpose of the Prayers and Squares Ministry is to promote an active prayer life among the participants, not just to make and give away quilts. We strive to involve as many people as possible in our prayer efforts.

Please join us for this fun, creative, worthwhile mission. All are welcome and if you do not know how to sew, we will show you! Meetings are from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, every first Saturday and every third Monday of the month at Westminster Presbyterian Church. Text message Holly Cagle if you have any questions at Ph. # 816-244-2543

Prayers and Squares met in August. Holly instructed/demonstrated "Make 8" method of making 8 Half Square Triangles at a time. The group is to bring their 8 Half Square Triangles to next meeting. There will be time to catch up. Currently we are getting multiple quilts ready for prayers.







Feeding  
Body & Soul



October 16, 2025

Westminster Presbyterian will be serving dinner to at  
Ministry House  
119 W. Jasper, Versailles

Free Community Meal, Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.  
All are welcome!



## FACEBOOK PRESENCE

Never miss a Sunday Worship Service!  
Join us from anywhere online at  
<https://www.facebook.com/VersaillesWPC>  
starting at approximately 10:30 a.m.

<sup>15</sup> Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup> Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. <sup>17</sup> And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3:15-17

**INFORMATION**

- ▶ **OFFERING**—first 4 Sundays in August – Pledges \$28,985.00, Non-Pledges \$250.00, Basket \$113.00.
- ▶ **ATTENDANCE**— Average attendance for August—21 persons.
- ▶ **CANCELED**— September 21 serving our neighbors baked goods in neighborly appreciation after church.
- ▶ **CANCELED**— October 12 worship in Dunham Park.
- ▶ **OUR CHURCH WEBSITE** has been given a new and improved look. We are in the process of updating with current photos and information. If you have any photos or information that you would like to see on the website, please email your photos with a description or information to Evangelina: presby1902@gmail.com
- ▶ **LITURGISTS/LITTLE LAMB TIME SCHEDULE** — Please check the Schedule so you don't forget which Sunday you are the liturgist & Little Lamb time leader. Please sign up for available dates.
- ▶ **MINUTE FOR MISSIONS**—If you see the kids during passing of the Peace with “Bounty Buckets” please give them your change. We are collecting loose change for missions in our community. Collected so far— \$362.00 as of 8-10-25 (next counting soon)
- ▶ **TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER** — 9:00 a.m. - upstairs in the conference room.
- ▶ **TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY**— 10:30 a.m.—downstairs in Clingan Hall.
- ▶ **MEN'S WEDNESDAY MORNING COFFEE**— 7:00 a.m. — 10:00 a.m.—downstairs in the dining area “Hill Hall.”
- ▶ **PRAYERS AND SQUARES CHAPTER 1337**—Together with the United Methodist Church, we shall meet on the first Saturday and the third Monday of the month 9:00 a.m. to Noon. September meetings: Saturday, Sept. 06 & Monday, Sept. 15. If you have any questions, please get in touch with Holly Cagle. Ph. # 808-244-2543
- ▶ **REFRESHMENT SIGN-UP LIST FOR FELLOWSHIP TIME AFTER WORSHIP:** On the first Sunday of the month there will be a potluck after church. All other Sundays there will be a light snack. Please check the refreshment sign-up list on the bulletin board in the kitchen to sign up on available dates. Please do not forget your date. Thank you!
- ▶ **SUNDAY SCHOOL—ADULT & CHILDREN**—9:30 a.m.
- ▶ **SESSION MEETING:** Wednesday, September 24, at 10:00 a.m. (Meetings 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. of the month)

### Did you know?

The church has processes in place to request funds for college scholarships or to assist with paying for vocational, trade school or other types of life enrichment opportunities. In the past, a number of Scholarships were awarded to eligible church members and Life Enrichment funds were provided to all ages of members and friends for various types of trade schools.

**Scholarship** applications require you to be a Westminster Presbyterian member for one year, to have completed 26 college hours at an accredited college and be working toward your first associates or bachelor's degree. Transcripts of completed hours must be submitted with the application.

**Life Enrichment** applications require you to be planning to attend vocational or trade schools or any institution which can enrich your life.

Applications are reviewed and awarded by the Session. Scholarship funds are only issued to the college.

Application forms are available in the office.

### When Autumn Leaves Begin to Fall by Kathleen Higham

*When autumn leaves begin to fall  
I think of Him most of all  
Colors bursting with the sun  
Rays shine down on everyone.*

*There is a leafy autumn smell  
I walk on softness where they fell  
Floating gently to the ground  
Touching down without a sound.*

*Animal are scurrying to and fro  
Instinctively the creatures know  
The leaves scattered everywhere  
Beautifies a place once bare.*

*Rising up to the bluest sky  
A tree looks down, creaks a sigh  
Nestled in her hollowed place  
Life will wait through winter's race.*

*When the tress at last have shed  
Sturdy branches though not dead  
Beneath the earth roots hold tight  
Tall and stately through the night.*

*When autumn leaves begin to fall  
The Father orchestrates it all  
Blooms in waiting seem to say  
He is coming back someday.*

*Again, dressed in a formal gown  
Branches filled and hanging down  
See the miracle of God once more  
Birds leap from her branch to soar.*

*Here I stand in wonder of this  
A soft wind blows to me a kiss  
My spirit tells my mind to hush  
Peace abounds in Christ for us.*

*The seasons change, come and go  
But this is what I truly know  
When autumn leaves begin to fall  
I think of Him most of all.*

**Hours:**

**Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.**

**Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.**

**Fellowship/refreshments after Worship**

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