



“I am the vine,
you are the branches . . . “

The week of Dec. 1, 2019

Westminster Presbyterian Church is an inclusive faith family, inspired by Jesus Christ, to call, nurture, and empower disciples.

“C” is for Christmas will be held today from 5-6:30 pm. Taste the variety of chilis and other scrumptious seasonal foods that begin with “c,” at our annual Chili Cook-Off!

Remember to deliver your unwrapped gifts for the **Giving Tree** back to the church (with the tag) on or before Dec. 2. Questions? Contact Gary Haller at 817-757-2980.

Broken tree lights? Bring them to church! Dec. 1 through Jan. 13 Westminster will be participating in the Eastridge School drive to recycle strings of tree lights, extension cords, and other wiring. You’ll find a collection box in the reception area starting next Sun.

Poinsettia can be ordered in memory or in honor of a loved one to be displayed in the chancel for Christmas. Orders are due in the office by Thurs., Dec. 12 to be included in the order of worship. Cost is \$15. Please make checks payable to Westminster and write POINSETTIA on the memo line.

Holiday of Trees will display 20 beautiful trees decorated by community members and organizations. The Heritage League organizes the event, which is held at Westminster on Dec. 5 (10 am to 8 pm) and Dec. 6 (10 am to 7 pm). Tickets are \$1. More details can be found in the Nov. Messenger.

If you ordered **Christmas Cards**, stop by the table in the Garden Room after worship to pick up your order.

Sunday School

Nursery (Newborn through Age 2), 8 am - noon

Kids of Eden (KOE) (Ages 3-5) Room 210

Faith Village (Grades K-5) Lower Level, 9:45* & 10:30 am

Middle School (Grade 6-8) Youth Area, 9 am

Confirmation Class (Grade 9) Youth Area, 10:30 am

High School (Grade 10-11) Lower Level, 9 am

*All children are invited to attend 9:30 am worship and participate in the Children's Conversation before Sunday School.

Sunday Adult Education at 10:45 am:

Bible Class: Parlor	Forum: Lounge
Dec. 1 – Matt. 24:36-44, Isaiah 2:1-5	Jimmy Shelbourn, Images from Isaiah for Advent
Dec. 8 – Matt. 3:1-12, Isaiah 11:1-10	Dec. 1 – <i>A Hope for Peace</i> Dec. 8 – <i>A Promise of Justice</i>

All children (through Grade 5) are invited to sing on Sun., Dec. 8 at the 9:30 am worship service. Whether you are involved in Faith Village, Parents' Night Out, or the preschool, we welcome you to sing *Away in a Manger* and *Silent Night* during worship.

Is there something ***Earth-Friendly*** that you could put in someone's stocking this Christmas?

- Cloth napkins for the Christmas table
- Home-made play dough
- Beeswax crayons
- "Take-along" cutlery
- Stainless steel straw for grown-ups
- Recycled plastic phone case

From Green @ Heart

Special December Dates:

Dec. 8	9:30 am	Children Sing during Worship
Dec. 15	9:30 am	Christmas Cantata
Dec. 24	5 pm & 8 pm	Christmas Eve Worship Services

Thank You to Our Volunteers This Week!

Sandi Larson, Joan Roberts, Barb Andersen, Bob Rediger, Josh Whitfield, Carol Bishop, Jim Bishop, Jim Kinkennon, Linda Pabst, Jim White, Dale Minter, Lisa DeBuse, Andrew Finkner, Leslie Minor

Ministers: All Members

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Val Putnam

Parish Associate: Rev. Dr. Jimmy Shelbourn

Parish Associate for PW: Rev. Ellen Davis

Interim Children's Ministry Coordinator: Sandi Larson

Organist/Pianist: John Ross

Choir Director: Laura Ross

Sound: Steve Braswell and Dale Minter

Ushers: Adam Ferguson, Annie Ferguson, Marcia Hollestelle, Bob Michaud, Sheri Michaud, Roger Van Cleave

Greeters: Alisha Stokes, Kathy Rohwedder, Josh Whitfield

Acolytes: Sam Baltensperger, Colton Graham



Week Beginning Dec. 1

Sun. (1) Advent 1

9 AM Fellowship Time
9 AM Middle School Class
9 AM High School Class
9:30 AM Worship
9:45 AM Faith Village, Kids of Eden (KOE)
10:40 AM Confirmation Class
10:45 AM Adult Forum, *A Hope for Peace*, Jimmy Shelbourn
10:45 AM Bible Class, Matt. 24:36-44, Isaiah 2:1-5
12 Noon Sudanese Worship
5 PM "C" is for Christmas

Mon. (2)

5:30 PM A & P Meeting
5:30 PM Church Life Ministries
5:45 PM Circle #4 at Green Gateau
7 PM Recovery Group

Tues. (3)

11:30 AM Lunch Bunch at Napoli's
1:30 PM Adult Ed Committee
5:30 PM Personnel Committee

Wed. (4)

8 am Heritage League Tree Setup
9 AM Circle #3 Meeting
5 PM Parents Night Out
5:30 PM Westminster Carillon

6:30 PM Westminster Choir
6:30 PM Knit & Sit
7:30 PM Adult Children of Alcoholics (ACOA)

Thurs. (5)

6:30 AM Koop Group
7:30 AM Gingerbread Workshop
10 AM Thurs. AM Bible Study
10 AM Holiday of Trees
6 PM Inquiry Class

Fri. (6)

7:30 AM Gingerbread Workshop
10 AM Holiday of Trees

Sat. (7)

Sun. (8) Advent 2

9 AM Fellowship Time
9 AM Middle School Class
9 AM High School Class
9:30 AM Worship
9:45 AM Faith Village, Kids of Eden (KOE)
10:40 AM Confirmation Class
10:45 AM Adult Forum, *A Promise of Justice*, Jimmy Shelbourn
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