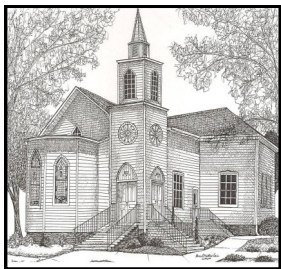


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FROM THE PASTOR

“Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband too, and he praises her: ‘Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.’” ~Proverbs 31:28-29

Proverbs 31’s caption is “Sayings by King Lemuel, an inspired utterance his mother taught him,” according to the New International Version. I discovered this fact as I was preparing for my MeeMaw’s services at the end of July. Like many of your mothers and grandmothers, MeeMaw had her fair share of

utterances that she lived by. The three that stood out to me the most were “Pretty is as pretty does,” “If you don’t have something nice to say, don’t say anything at all,” and “Don’t keep up with the Jones’s. You BE the Jones’s.” She strived throughout her entire life to live up to the wisdom in these sayings. There were times as she got older and started declining that she would have some not-so-nice thoughts about people, and she’d start to say something, and then just stop. And she would remind herself that she wasn’t about to say something nice, so she just wasn’t going to say anything at all.

We know next to nothing about King Lemuel, and even less about his mother. But what we learn from chapter 31 is that she was a wise woman, a woman of strength, dignity, and valor. A woman who put her family first, and because of that, her family delighted in her. What I do think we can learn from her is that it is a good and holy thing to pass on wisdom to our children, grandchildren, and others. Words of wisdom can shape our lives and help us understand the direction in which God is calling us.

What are some of the little bits of wisdom you have learned over the years? What Bible verses stick with you? How might you share these ideas with your loved ones? This month, I encourage you to share with others wisdom that you live by. You could very well share something profound that the other person hasn’t thought about before.

On a personal note, I’d like to thank each and every one of you for your prayers, cards, calls, and support as my family said “til we meet again” to MeeMaw. She was a matriarch in our family, and her physical absence leaves our lives a little less bright. But we give thanks to God because we know that she is reunited with her one true love, other loved ones, and her Lord.

We have really exciting things happening in August! We kick the month off right away with our Presbyterian Women’s meeting August 2nd, the introduction of our new monthly outdoor service during the Homecoming Weekend, and more! Read through the Abbey News to see what’s coming up and what has been going on this summer!

Grace and peace,

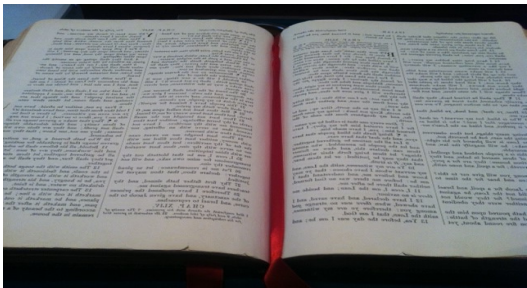
Rev. Audrey



We are so blessed to have a loving and caring church family here at WPC! If you would like to be a part of this family, we would LOVE to have you! You are only a visitor once at WPC! There are so many offerings of service through our church. There is one for YOU!



We will
Celebrate
Holy
Communion
On the 29th
during morning
Worship!



AUGUST SERMONS

- 1: “Put on the Armor of God”
Ephesians 6:10-20
- 8: “The Open Door” Revelation 4:1-11 and
John 17:1-5
- 15: “The Worthy One” Revelation 5:1-13 and
John 1:29-31
- 22: “No More Tears” Revelation 6:1-8; 7:9-17
and John 14:1-4
- 29: Pressley Cox
Bring a friend or friends to join us either face-to-face or virtually on FB Live!



We are so very blessed here at Westminster Presbyterian! We have a wonderful family of friends and servants of Christ to worship and praise God for all of His many, many blessings! We are so thankful that we are able to meet face-to-face as well as virtually. God is so very good!

TREASURER’S REPORT

June Receipts \$ 9,439.80
YTD Receipts \$75,362.02
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June Expenses \$12,455.35
YTD Expenses \$71,822.32
 \$+3,539.70

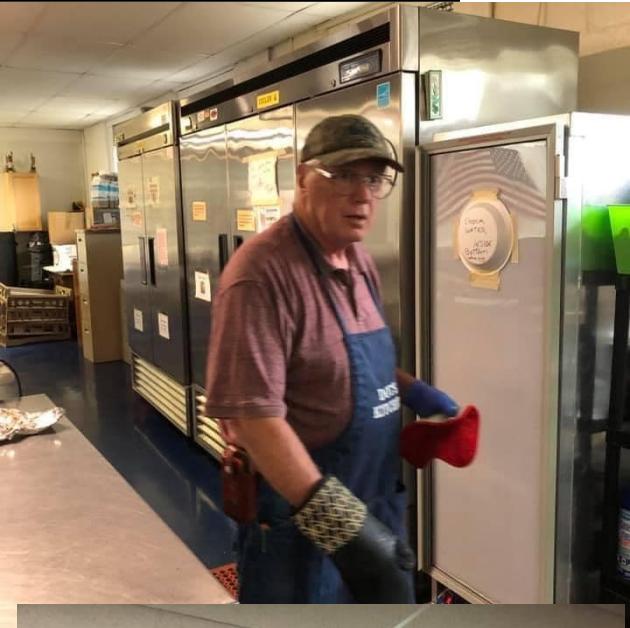


August Flowers

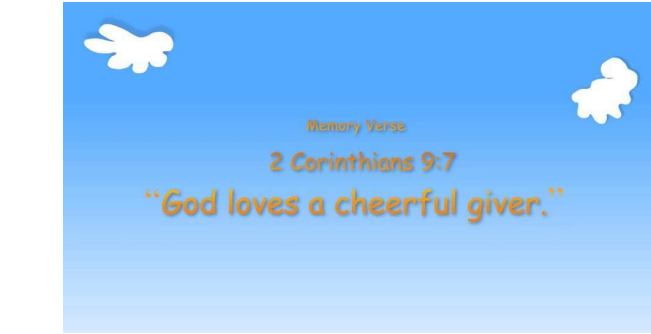


Shepherd Chuites will
Contact you when it is your time for
flowers or donation. Thank You!

WE LOVE OUR DOT’S KITCHEN SERVANTS!



We are so grateful for all of our faithful workers at Dot’s Kitchen. There are more that are not pictured here! We are blessed to have so many of our members who work tirelessly being the hands and feet of Christ in our community!



THANK YOU TO OUR GUEST MINISTERS !

Many thanks to Michael Sanchez and Joe Ellers for leading us in worship while Rev. Audrey was away.





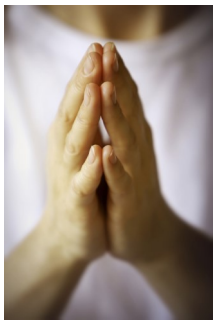
Save the Dates for our Church Homecoming!



Jeremiah 29:12 - Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.

Town Prayer Meeting

Join us for prayer every Tuesday morning at 9 am at the gazebo in downtown Westminster. There will be a guest minister each week.



Imogene Giles, Kathy Darnell, Robbie McClure (Marie Dunnam's brother) Elizabeth Christensen (Kathy Skillen's niece), Arthur Skillen (Kathy Skillen's brother), and Lee Harker (friend of Jan Walsh), Joanne Mason



CHURCH HOMECOMING

Save the date for August 14th and 15th! We will have a "Welcome Home" weekend, starting with a cookout at Chau Ram on the 14th from 5-7, an outdoor 9:30 service on the Gossett Lawn on the 15th, and an 11:00 worship with bagpipes!

We hope to see you all there!



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

It's time to begin a new year for Circle! We will meet on August 2nd at 4:30pm in Gossett Hall. We will be organizing our Bible studies for the coming year as well as discussing all of our mission initiatives! If you have not joined Circle, please come and join us! You will be blessed and we would love to see you!!



Sharing God's Love



Are you looking for opportunities to share the love of Christ in our community? See Linda White or Joey Roeder for Dot's and De French about Oconee United Ministries.



Dates to Remember!

- 8-1 Session
- 8-4 Dot's Kitchen
- 8-10 Dot's Kitchen
- 8- 29 Holy Communion



CHURCH CLEAN-UP CREW!

Many Thanks to everyone who came out to help beautify our sanctuary in preparation for our Homecoming weekend! The church looks beautiful and we are so thankful for your hard work!!

