

THE ABBEY NEWS



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From the Pastor



"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." What a blessing it was to give children in our community an actual bed to lay their precious heads down at night. This is a day that will stay with many of us for a long time. May we continue to find ways to bring the children of God's kingdom into God's presence, one service at a time.



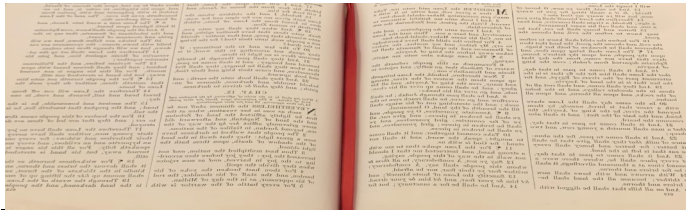
**NO KID SLEEPS
ON THE FLOOR
IN OUR TOWN!**



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 **November 3rd** during worship!



NOVEMBER SERMONS

November 3: Prepare for the Road Ahead
Matthew 25:1-12

November 10: Keep Trying, Matthew 25:14-29

November 17: You Can Give Enough,
Matthew 25:31-36

November 24: The Standard
of Forgiveness, Matthew
18:21-35



SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE BED DELIVERY DAY!



We were so blessed to help our friends at Sleep In Heavenly Peace deliver 35 beds to some precious children in our community! Their motto is “No Kid Sleeps on the Floor in our Town”! What a wonderful mission project! Thank you all!

STEWARDSHIP SPAGHETTI DINNER



Many thanks to Shepherd Chuites for organizing an awesome spaghetti dinner to kick off our Stewardship! We were also blessed to recognize our Rev. Audrey for Pastor’s Appreciation month!



TREASURER’S REPORT

September Income: \$18,698.00
September Expense: \$11,469.71
Over/Under: +\$7,228.29

YTD Income: \$122,042.22
YTD Expense: \$117,525.48
Over/Under: +\$4,516.74

Thanks be to God for His many blessings! As you can see, we have overcome the \$10,000.00 deficit from our yearly insurance payment in January. Thank you all so very much for your generous giving. Through your efforts, through God’s guidance, we can continue to serve as the Hands and Feet of Christ!



Our PW Circle Sisters sent a donation of \$300.00 to our friends at Black Mountain Presbyterian Church to aid in the cleanup efforts, relief for all of the rescue workers and many other needed operations in the Black Mountain and Swannanowa Valley from the devastation of hurricane Helene.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



Our PW Circle will held its meeting in October and continued our new Bible study “The Spirit-Filled Follower of Jesus”. Thank you Lynn Blackmon, for a wonderful lesson! God is so good! Our mission project for the month of October was a wonderful day of bed delivery with Sleep in Heavenly Peace. We delivered beds for some precious children that have never had a bed of their own! Join us this month for our meeting on **November 4h**, 4:30 pm in Gossett Hall. We will celebrate the PW Thank Offering! Nancy Johnston will be our leader for this most special meeting! The Thank Offering will be our mission project for this month. Bring a goody to share or just bring yourself!





November Flowers



Please contact Shepherd Chuites if you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary or make a donation in honor or memory of someone or your favorite charity.

Get Into God’s Word!



Rev. Audrey will be offering a **morning** devotional once a week to introduce some of the topics she will cover in her sermons each week! This is a great time to get together and discuss topics on line and/or just hear a bit of encouragement to get you through the week!



Our next Men’s Bible study will be November 4th. All men will meet at Gossett Hall beginning at 10 am. We will continue our study of the Book of Romans. Don’t miss this awesome opportunity to share how God is working in your life, prayer requests and praise reports while diving into God’s Holy Word!



Ladies, please consider joining us for Circle each month. We will be celebrating our Thank Offering. We will meet on November 5th, 4:30 pm in Gossett Hall. Bring a goody to share or just bring yourself! We would LOVE to have you!



Please keep our wonderful country in your prayers during this season of uncertainty and unrest around the world. God is our only answer to heal our land and keep us safe from harm. Continue to pray for all of our brave men and women in the military that fight the battles each day for us all to live in freedom. Pray and then get out to the polls on November 5th and vote!



Invite a friend to church! We have such a wonderful church family and one that should be shared with EVERYONE!
Please consider asking a friend to join us for worship on **November 24th!** They will only be a visitor ONCE! God Bless You!



Dates to Remember!

- 3
- Men’s Bible Study 10 am
- Holy Communion
- Session at 12:30 in Gossett Hall
- 4
- Presbyterian Women 4:30 pm
- 6 and 12
- Dot’s Kitchen
- 10
- Church Lunch at Puerto Nuevo!
- 10, 17&24
- Elder Elect Training
- 24
- Invite a Friend to Church Sunday!
- Poinsettia Order DUE
- 28
- Thanksgiving Day!
- Tuesdays
- Yoga with Kate 6 pm in Gossett

Yoga with Kate



Grab your yoga mat and come on to Gossett Hall for “Yoga with Kate!”.

We meet every Tuesday evening at 6 pm.in Gossett Hall. We would love to have you!



Choir Notes

Our choir has begun rehearsals for our annual Christmas cantata! We will meet in the sanctuary each Sunday at 2:30. Members, please be listening to your CDs and go online at this link <https://youtu.be/ZPj1AWZXEBo>

We will be presenting Lloyd Larson’s “Morning Star” during worship on December 15th. Mark your calendars for this most special service in the life of our church!



November Birthdays

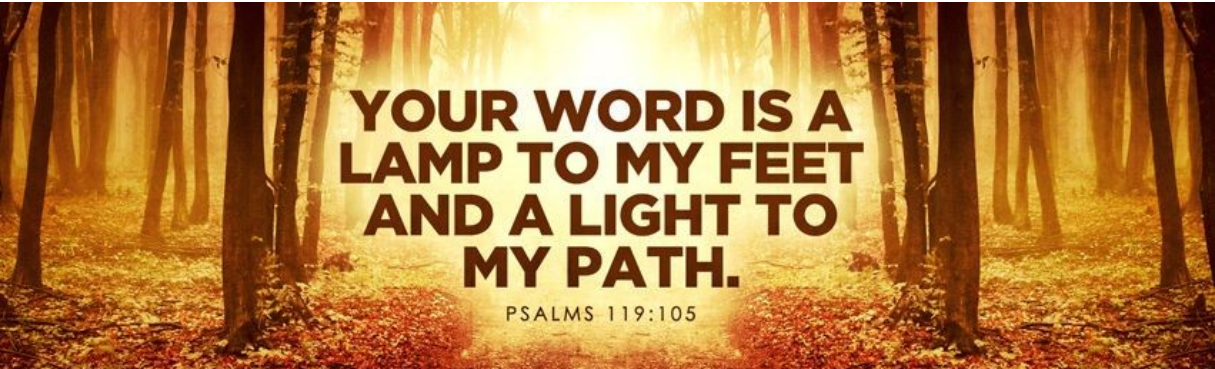


- 15– Dan Jennings
- 16– Fred Blackmon
- 17– Kenneth Towe
- 18-Michael Meades
- 23-Joey Roeder
- 26-Clifton Mabry, Miriam Wray, Shari Waldo
- 30-Luke McPhail



NOVEMBER WEEKLY BIBLE IN A YEAR SCRIPTURES

1. Jeremiah 49:1-50:46, Psalm 119:121-128, Proverbs 28:6, Titus 1:1-16
2. Jeremiah 51:1-52:34, Psalm 119:129-136, Proverbs 28:7-8, Titus 2:1-15
3. Lamentations 1:1-2:22, Psalm 119:137-144, Proverbs 28:9-10, Titus 3:1-15
4. Lamentations 3:1-5:22, Psalm 119:145-152, Proverbs 28:11, Philemon 1-25
5. Ezekiel 1:1-2:10, Psalm 119:153-160, Proverbs 28:12, Hebrews 1:1-14
6. Ezekiel 3:1-4:17, Psalm 119:161-168, Proverbs 28:13, Hebrews 2:1-8
7. Ezekiel 5:1-6:14, Psalm 119:169-176, Proverbs 28:14, Hebrews 3:1-9
8. Ezekiel 7:1-8:18, Psalm 120:1-7, Proverbs 28:15, Hebrews 4:1-16
9. Ezekiel 9:1-10:22, Psalm 121:1-8, Proverbs 28:16, Hebrews 5;1-14
10. Ezekiel 11:1-12:28, Psalm 122:1-5, Proverbs 28:17-18, Hebrews 6:1-20
11. Ezekiel 13:1-14:23, Psalm 122:6-9, Proverbs 28:19, Hebrews 7:1-28
12. Ezekiel 15:1-16:63, Psalm 123:1-4, Proverbs 28:20, Hebrews 8:1-13
13. Ezekiel 17:1-18:32, Psalm 124:1-8, Proverbs 28:21, Hebrews 9:1-28
14. Ezekiel 19:1-20:49, Psalm 125:1-5, Proverbs 28:22, Hebrews 10:1-18
15. Ezekiel 21:1-22:31, Psalm 126:1-6, Proverbs 28:23, Hebrews 10:19-39
16. Ezekiel 23:1-24:27, Psalm 127:1-5, Proverbs 28:24, Hebrews 11:1-16
17. Ezekiel 25:1-26:21, Psalm 128:1-6, Proverbs 28:25, Hebrews 11:17-40
18. Ezekiel 27:1-28:26, Psalm 129:1-4, Proverbs 28:26, Hebrews 12:1-29
19. Ezekiel 29:1-30:26, Psalm 129:5-8, Proverbs 28:27, Hebrews 13:1-25
20. Ezekiel 31:1-32:32, Psalm 130:1-4, Proverbs 28:28, James 1:1-27
21. Ezekiel 33:1-34:31, Psalm 130:5-8, Proverbs 29:1, James 2:1-26
22. Ezekiel 35:1-36:38, Psalm 131:1-3, Proverbs 29:2-3, James 3:1-18
23. Ezekiel 37:1-38:23, Psalm 132:1-9, Proverbs 29:4, James 4:1-17
24. Ezekiel 39:1-40:49, Psalm 132:10-18, Proverbs 29:5, James 5:1-20
25. Ezekiel 41:1-42:20, Psalm 133:1-3, Proverbs 29:6, 1 Peter 1:1-25
26. Ezekiel 43:1-44:31, Psalm 134:1-3, Proverbs 29:7, 1 Peter 2:1-25
27. Ezekiel 45:1-46:24, Psalm 135:1-7, Proverbs 29:8, 1 Peter 3:1-22
28. Ezekiel 47:1-48:35, Psalm 135:8-14, Proverbs 29:9, 1 Peter 4:1-19
29. Daniel 1:1-2:49, Psalm 135:15-21, Proverbs 29:10, 1 Peter 5:1-4
30. Daniel 3:1-4:37, Psalm 136:1-9, Proverbs 29:11, 2 Peter 1:1-21



Mark 11:24

“Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive *them*, and you will have *them*. ”

Pray



Town Prayer Meeting! Join us for prayer every Tuesday morning at 9 am at the gazebo in downtown Westminster. Rev. Audrey has served as a guest minister! Come join us!

Robbie McClure (Marie Dunnam’s brother) Elizabeth Christensen (Kathy Skillen’s niece), Arthur Skillen (Kathy Skillen’s brother) Bob Hartness (Rev. Audrey’s dad), Clifton Mabry, Sam and Edna Dillard, Kathy Skillen, Al Belauskus, Sue Costa, (Paula Meades and Shari Waldo’s friend), Dr. George Harper, Marie Dunnam, Debbie Thrift, Trey Bratcher (Clifton Mabry’s grandson), Patsy Morgan, Otto Tysland.



On October 6th, Session met in Gossett Hall to further discern God’s Will for our church. As always, please keep your Session in your daily prayers. Shepherd reported that we overcame our \$10K deficit that began the year carrying from an insurance payment. A generous donation of \$4K was given to the church. Even without this wonderful gift, we would have been \$500 to the good! Elders are working on their individual budgets for 2025 and will present a full budget to the congregation very soon. We were reminded about the Stewardship Spaghetti Dinner on October 24th. All were encouraged to attend. God continues to bless our “Small but Mighty” church!



On Saturday, October 5th, our awesome group of servants with Westminster Hope ComeUnity met for a retreat to share where this mission is headed and where God is leading it to go! Many exciting opportunities are coming down the pike and we look forward to seeing where God leads us!



“Hanging of the Greens” December 1st

Save the date for our annual “Hanging of the Greens” service. Don’t miss this most special service that was introduced to our church years ago by our dear friend Don Reid. We will decorate our already beautiful sanctuary with all the wonderful Christmon decorations! We will celebrate the wonderful tradition on Sunday, December 1st, during our worship service.



FUN TIMES AT DOT’S KITCHEN!!



“Until They Are All Fed”