

WLCC Weekly Newsletter 9.30.22

This Sunday, October 2nd, Rev. Karen Lipinczyk is back to lead our worship service. Her sermon titled; "Sometimes It's Just Tears " will be preceded by the readings of *Lamentations 1:1-6*, *Psalm 137*. We hope you can join us in the sanctuary or on Zoom!



*How deserted lies the city,
once so full of people!
How like a widow is she,
who once was great among the nations!*
-Lamentations 1:1

Dear fellow travelers,

Here we are traveling along. Life looks like it has returned to normal, whatever that is. Am I the only one who feels this eerie feeling like something is lurking? Do I not have faith? I need that daily reminder to turn those fears over to God and live being my best me and listen for God.

Reminders: Masking is optional. We recommend wearing a mask. If you are entering the sanctuary, we ask you to practice physical distancing, use good hand hygiene and stay home if you are not feeling well. We will be continuing these practices until the situation changes toward the positive. We thank you for your cooperation.

Calendar for September 30-October 6

October 2- Worship and Communion 10 AM with guest pastor, Rev.
Karen Lipinczyk

October 3- Church Office will be closed

October 4 - Bell rehearsal 5:30 PM

October 6 - Women's Fellowship 9 AM
No choir rehearsal

Upcoming Events

October 8- Memorial service for Cynthia Sleeper 2 PM
(service will be in-person and on Zoom)

October 9- CROP Hunger Walk
(Registration at 12:30 PM in Colburn Park in Lebanon)

October 13- Vocal Choir Rehearsal 6:30 PM

October 22- Men's Group 11:30 AM
Chicken and Biscuit Dinner 5 PM

Vocal and Handbell Choir Hiatus

The vocal & handbell choirs are on a short break with rehearsals. Handbells will return to rehearsals on Tuesday, October 4th and the vocal choir will return on Thursday, October 13th.

Missions

Greetings from your Missions group,

This week-end will see the conclusion of our Neighbors in Need fundraiser. Thank you so much to all of you who already have given, this is so appreciated. Please, continue to be as generous as you can.



Lorinda, Jackie, Dick, John and Christine

CROP Hunger Walk in Lebanon

The CROP Hunger Walk will be held on Sunday, October 9th. If you're interested in participating, please register at 12:30 PM in Colburn Park (the Lebanon green).

The ongoing war in Ukraine, on top of the pandemic and other disasters is causing a global food crisis. Millions are on the brink of famine. The CROP Hunger Walk and the funds we raise will feed the hungry through CWS. When you join this movement to raise funds and donate, these gifts will provide life-saving support like emergency food along with the seeds, tools and programs that will help families feed themselves in the future.

CROP Hunger Walks are community-based walk fundraising events held in cities and towns across the United States, created to support the global mission of **Church World Service**, a faith-based organization transforming communities around the globe through just and sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster. After a CROP Hunger Walk ends, 25% of the funds raised is returned to the host community to support local hunger fighting efforts.

WLCC Men's Group

After a few months hiatus we will be getting together again on **Saturday Oct 22**.

We'll **start the meeting around 11:30 am**, share lunch, do some planning for future activities, and have a discussion topic. If you are able and willing **please come earlier, around 9 am** and help with some light annual chores around the church such as trimming the front bushes. Contact Aaron in the office for any questions.

Women's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship meets at 9 AM on Thursday mornings. Come join us for coffee and conversation! Save **October 21, 2023** for our Christmas Bazaar!

Little Food Pantry

Thank you to all who have contributed food, but we are still in urgent need of food for our pantry! Some items that go quickly are peanut butter, cereal, ramen noodles and coffee, also shelf stable milk. During the warmer months canned and jarred goods are welcome. Food can also be put inside the Food Bin in the sanctuary which is taken to the Haven or LISTEN. Thank you to all who have contributed. Please pass the word on about the availability of food in the Little Food Pantry.

WLCC Giving Options

We have instituted several new electronic (credit/debit/ACH) giving options. Note that these are in addition to the conventional giving methods. **If you are comfortable with the giving method you currently use there is no need to change.** The intent of adding these electronic options is to make giving more convenient, which will hopefully increase our revenue. Note that the church is charged a nominal processing fee with each electronic transaction, so please consider covering that fee if you use an electronic option. The electronic options will allow you to specify where you would like your gift to go (e.g. general fund, memorial gift, missions, etc.). You can access these options by going to the WLCC home webpage (<https://westlebcc.org/> **and clicking on the "Give" tab along the top, or go directly to the Giving page** <https://westlebcc.org/give/>). If you have any questions or problems please see Aaron in the WLCC office or our co-collectors Christine Kidd or Laurie Tostenson.

Faithfully
Nancy Simpson
for WLCC