

Weekly Newsletter 10.8.21

This Sunday we will continue exploring Spiritual gifts as we engage the question, how do I know what my gift is. We will look at Romans 12: 1-8 and use the acronym of PLACE to discern what our spiritual gifts are and how we use them to serve one another. looking forward to seeing you in the church or on Zoom.



Dear Fellow Travelers,

I hope everyone has enjoyed the beautiful sunny days this week. As we prepare for the colder autumn days ahead, let us always remember that the warmth of God is with us.

Reminder if you wish to enter the church please mask up, practice social distancing, and good hand hygiene. We will be continuing this practice until things change toward the positive. We thank you for your cooperation.

The trustees and deacons will be meeting on October 14th for a joint meeting at 6:30pm to be followed by separate meetings of these 2 groups.

Upcoming Events

WLCC Men's Group

The next WLCC Men's Group meeting will be on **Saturday October 9th**. For those able and willing, we will meet around **9 am** and do annual light **fall cleanup** and misc. projects around the church such as trimming the bushes, raking, installing a front door closure, etc. Then in the late morning we'll order pizza and share lunch together. Feel free to stop by and help anytime during the morning, that is convenient, and even if you aren't able to help, come **over around after 11 am and share fellowship and food**. If you have any questions please contact Tom Kahl or Phil Gomez.

Missions Lunch

Greetings from your Missions group,

Fall is here, the colors are getting vibrant and your Missions team is hard at work to feed you and raise money in the same time.

This month, we decided to switch gears a bit and feed you lunch!

Stop by after the service from 11am-12pm this Sunday, Oct 10, and grab a lunch to go to enjoy!

The menu is composed of sandwiches, chips, fruits and cupcakes.

Any funds raised this month will go to Neighbors in Need (NiN), which is the annual UCC offering to support ministries of justice and compassion throughout the US.

More than ever, people over many paths of life need help and support. Some of those individuals could be our neighbors, friends... Let's show God's Love to all of them.



Missions will accept your gift to NiN until October 31.
Thank you and God Bless.

Your Mission team (Lorinda, Jackie, Susan, Dick, John and Christine)

Trunk or Treat

Growth Committee is sponsoring a Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot on **Saturday, October 23rd from 1-3pm**. We invite anyone who is interested in participating to please join us. Opportunities to be involved include (but are not limited to):

Decorate your trunk, hatchback or truck bed and hand out candy.

Work as a team to decorate a trunk, hatchback or truck bed.

Host or co-host a simple game for kids.

Donate candy to be handed out.

In case you've never seen a trunk or treat, like myself, please see photos below with different examples of how some people have tricked out their vehicles for trunk or treats. Some of these are quite elaborate. Don't let that scare you off! Decorations can be simple! This should be fun for everyone.



There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board after church. Please talk with a GC member if you have any questions. Members are Donna, Meghan, Jackie, Christine & Justine

Thank you,
Growth Committee

Chicken and Biscuit Dinner

Our next supper will be a takeout Chicken & Biscuit Dinner, with homemade apple pies, on **Saturday, October 23rd from 5pm-6:30pm or sold out .**

Harvest Dinner

We are looking for donations of food and volunteers to help with cooking, prep and clean up for the Harvest Dinner. This is a free meal for the community. **We would need help on Friday and Saturday, October 29th and 30th**, with Friday being a turkey cooking day and Saturday being a day to finish the preparing of all other elements and serving of the meal drive thru style. If you can help in any way, please sign on the sheets located on the bulletin board by the parking lot door. Thank you

Women's Fellowship continues to meet on **Thursday mornings at 9 AM**. This past week we met outside and had a good group and discussion about the Holiday Fair. What a fantastic group of women!! We do hope to meet outsider a few more times. We suspended our study and will look at the next 4 stories the coming week. If you are interesting in joining us please contact the church office or come on Thursday morning at 9. We are continuing to make preparations for our **Holiday Fair on November 6 which will be open from 8:30 am to noon**. This will be a scaled down version of Christmas bazaar with offerings that could be used for Thanksgiving as well as Christmas. We are in need of raffle baskets, hand crafted goods and food items for the bazaar. We will also need people to set up tables and take tables down. If you have questions please speak up we would be glad to answer your questions.

Thank you to all who have been contributed to the **Little Food Pantry**. It has seen some withdrawals as well as some additions. Canned goods have been flying out the pantry door. Canned pasta and vegetables have gone very fast. Some other **items that go quickly are peanut butter, ramen noodles and coffee**. At present we have plenty of mac and cheese, pasta and rice, but anything you donate is greatly appreciated. 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.

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