

WLCC Weekly Newsletter 8.5.22

This Sunday, August 7th, we welcome Minister Skye Murray to lead our worship service. Her sermon titled; "Choosing the Better Part" will be preceded by the reading of Luke 10: 38-42. We hope you can join us in the sanctuary or on Zoom!

Luke 10:38-42

"Choosing the Better Part"



Dear fellow travelers,

Why is it that before we have a guest come to our house we are busy scurrying around cleaning and picking up? We move things out of sight for what? What impression do we want to give? Are we afraid to show who we really are? God accepts us as we are, don't you think others will accept us?

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.

The Upper Room

The latest edition (September-October) of *The Upper Room* is available on the table to the right when walking in the church building.

Pastor Kirsty Address

If you would like to send Kirsty a letter, below is her new address and email:

Kirsty DePree
311 5th St, Apt 6
Bay City, Michigan 48708

Email: kirstydepree@gmail.com

Calendar for the week of August 5-12

August 6 - Worship 10 AM with guest preacher, Rev. Skye Murray

August 9 - \$anctuary \$crip orders due

August 11 - Women's Fellowship 9 AM

Trustees and Deacons Meeting 6:30 PM

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Welcome to August, we are certainly in the dog days of summer now but the joy of the summer bounty of fruits and vegetables makes it worthwhile. I will be placing the \$crip order on Wednesday, August 10th so please have your orders in to me or the office by Tuesday the 9th. The only bonuses this month of interest are AutoZone offering 10% and Shutterfly offering 16.5%.

On another note, this week I was notified by Raise Right that the shipping and handling will be increasing as of August 15th. So this will not affect us this month but it will going forward. I currently charge a \$1.00 shipping and handling fee per order which most months is enough to cover the current \$8.75 S+H although some months we fall short. This is usually made up by months that we collect more than \$8.75 and by a few people who include more than their \$1.00. My goal is to not eat into our profits to cover the new charge which will be \$10.50.

To be perfectly honest, I do not think this program has been really embraced by the congregation. Most months we have less than 10 orders, usually 7-8 orders come in. I would welcome opinions about this and would like to know from the "regulars" if they are willing to absorb the increase and perhaps pay \$2.00 for S+H per order. We could also decrease order frequency to every other month. Other ideas would be welcome. We have until the September order to decide.

As always, I will include an order form and the latest retailer list with this email(attached to this newsletter). I am available to help with orders or to discuss the program.

Thank you,
Judi

Joint meeting of Trustees and Deacons

Our next joint meeting will be August 11 at 6:30 PM in the Kilton room after which each group will meet separately.

Community Dinner

We are looking for more people who would be willing to help on the third Thursday of the month so we can continue our service to the community. Please contact the church office or Nancy Simpson if you are interested.

Women's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship meets at 9 AM on Thursday mornings. Come join us for coffee and conversation!

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