

WESTBY UMC
Twenty-Third Sunday After Pentecost
October 28, 2018

** please stand as you are able*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING HYMNS

*I Thank You, Jesus
Forever*

*GREETING EACH OTHER IN THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST

*GREETING OF THE COLLECTIVE

L: God is Good.

P: All the Time.

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P: God is Good!

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*unison*)

**Lord you give us endless reasons to be deeply grateful.
Every harvest is from our Lord, every blessing is from our God.
Mold us to live each day, walking in the way of Christ,
seeing with the eyes of the Spirit, and loving as God loves.
Let us receive with joy all we have been given
and respond with thanksgiving. Amen**

*OPENING HYMN #98 UMH *To God Be the Glory*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN OF PREPARATION #2036 TFWS *Give Thanks*

NEW TESTAMENT READING Colossians 3:15-17

MESSAGE *Spirit of Gratitude* Pastor Pam

OFFERINGS OF GIFTS, LIVES, AND SERVICE

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY #95 UMH *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

*OFFERTORY PRAYER (*unison*)

God of our abundance.

We bring ourselves and our simple gifts to You.

Let our hearts be truly grateful for every breath, every tear, every joy, every heartache. Use these gifts and use us to further your kingdom. In Christ. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN #158 UMH *Come Christians Join to Sing*

*BLESSING

L: Whatever we say or do

P: Let us say it or do it with gratitude and for the glory of God.

L: Let us live in Jesus according to His Gospel.

P: Father I give myself humbly to You in gratitude for everything in my life.

*BENEDICTION

WELCOME TO ALL WORSHIPING WITH US TODAY!

Coming Events

Charge Conference forms are due now.

Saturday Retreat Bazaar and Dinner 4-7:30

October 30 Charge Conference at Viroqua UMC 6:30
(our four churches are bringing fruit)

Sunday, November 4 ALL SAINTS DAY

On All Saints Sunday, we remember all those who have joined the church eternal in the last year. If you have a family member who passed since November 1, 2017, please verify with Pastor Pam that they are on the list to be remembered.

PRAYERS

Area communities affected in floods and our response to needs.

Kendal and the Oney-Siam family (Amanda & Brian); Pam (Donna's daughter); Michael; baby Evelyn liver transplant; the family of Verda Land; the family of Erline Klecht; the family of Carol Hall; Sunday school; the ministry of this church; those in need in our community; unnamed concerns.

Attendance: October 21 - 18

Contact Information: Pastor Pam Harkema, Office and Parsonage Phone: 608-648-2528

Pastor's cell phone: 989-666-1277 E-Mail pastor@driftlessministry.org

Pastor's Sabbath is Friday.

Westby United Methodist Church is part of the Driftless Regional Ministries which also includes Faith UMC, New Hope UMC, and Retreat UMC.

Sunday Schedule:

8 a.m. New Hope and Retreat Worship at Retreat in October

9:30 a.m. Faith UMC Worship S3297 Salem Ridge Rd, La Farge, 54639

10:45 a.m. Westby UMC Worship, 202 East State St., Westby, 54667

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, please submit it by Tuesday night the week before the desired service. Send to westby-umc@driftlessministry.org

Mission for October: Operation Christmas Child (OCC)

Donations to cover the shipping costs and plastic totes would be appreciated. School supplies, hygiene items and fun toys which fit into a shoebox are also appreciated. We cannot send candy, toothpaste, gum, food, liquids or lotions.

Adult Sunday School Leader Needed:

We currently need someone to lead the adult Sunday school class. If you are interested in helping or have questions, please contact Tim Gaskell or one of the church board members.



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¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. ~Colossians 3:17

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:15 AM Fellowship

10:45 AM Worship

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202 East State St., Westby, WI 54667**

Our calling is to reach all people with the life-changing power of God's Love and Grace available to all through Jesus Christ, our Lord.