

WESTBY UMC
September 11, 2022

** please stand in body or spirit*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* GATHERING SONGS *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High* #2088 TFWS
Holy is the Lord

* CALL TO WORSHIP

L. Though we may be inclined to brag, let us come together with humility.

P. How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

L. Though we may be tempted to use harsh words, let us come together with gentleness.

P. How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

L. Though we may want everything to happen quickly, let us come together with patience.

P. How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

L. Though the world around often encourages hate, let us come together in love.

P. How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.

L. In humility, gentleness, patience, love, and unity,

P. Let us worship the God who has called us together.

* OPENING PRAYER

How very good and pleasant it is, Lord God, to be drawn together by you as brothers and sisters in Christ. Help us this hour to listen for and lean toward your voice which speaks beyond the words we utter. Move us past our doubts that we might step forward with a faith that does not end when we leave this place. Nudge us to touch areas of our lives that need to be touched, so that we might then recognize that no door is so heavy that it can lock you out. This we pray in the name of your Son. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

COMMUNITY PRAYER

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

* HYMN OF INSPIRATION *Together We Serve* #2175 TFWS

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 4:1-16

MESSAGE *"The Church and God's Standards – Part 1"*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS, LIVES AND SERVICE

*** Please place your offering in the plate as you leave, or send your offering by mail, or drop it off in the church mailbox by the south doors. ***

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

* OFFERING PRAYER

* CLOSING HYMN *They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love* #2223 TFWS

* SENDING FORTH (Unison)

Go out, and make known the mystery of the gospel.

Keep alert and pray at all times. Draw strength from God's power and so stand firm against all that would corrupt you.

And may God arm you with truth and righteousness;

May Christ Jesus give you words of Spirit and life; and may the Holy Spirit draw you near to God's presence and bless you with honor and grace. Amen

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Music: Jane Gaskell
Pastor: Erika Martinez-Flores

WELCOME TO ALL WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY!

*Welcome in the name of the Lord.
If you are visiting with us for the first time,
please fill out a visitor information card.*



WESTBY United Methodist Church September 11, 2022

Coming Events:

Sept. 11 10:00 AM – Fellowship
Sept. 14 6:00 PM - Growing in Faith Study Group - Lesson 6 (2 Corinthians 6:1-10)

PRAYERS

Jorge, Cory (Julie's brother-in-law), those who are traveling, Norseland residents, our church family, Sunday School families, Pastor Erika, unnamed concerns, our church in ministry.

Pastor Erika – Westby Office Hours

If you have something you'd like to discuss with Pastor Erika in person, she is available during these times: Sunday mornings before worship (8:30-8:50) and Thursday (10:00-1:00).

Mission of the Month – Baskets of Love

September's mission of the month is Baskets of Love. This is a mission that we like to complete before Christmas so that in December, we can purchase gift certificates and give to families in need so they can purchase food for a holiday meal. If you wish to give, please make your checks payable to the church or put cash in an envelope marked "Baskets of Love". We will buy gift certificates with whatever we have received by November 15th. We would also like the names and addresses of families or individuals who might need some extra help. Thank you!

Westby Senior Meal Site

The Westby Senior Meal Site is now open at our church. Meals will be served Monday-Thursday, at 11:30 AM. Please call 608-637-5201 by 9:00 AM to reserve and order a meal for that day. Jane Gaskell is the server for this location.

Prayer Request Box

There is a prayer request box on the table in the narthex. Please write your prayer request on the note card and put it in the box. Our Thursday Morning Prayer Group will then pray for these requests when they meet on the 1st Thursday of the month.



9:00 AM Worship
10:00 AM Fellowship after Worship

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*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.*