

WESTBY UMC
September 18, 2022

** please stand in body or spirit*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* GATHERING SONGS *O Worship the King* #73 UMH
Shout to the Lord

* CALL TO WORSHIP

L. Here today there is love, freely available to all. Not our human loving, fragile and intermittent, but God's supreme love.

P. May a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, break forth into joyous songs of praise.

L. Here today is love, higher than our loftiest hopes, deeper than the immensities of time and space, God's inclusive love.

P. Let the seas roar their praise, and everything in them. Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills sing together their happiness.

L. The joy of the living Christ Jesus be with you all.

P. And also with you.

* OPENING PRAYER

Holy God, your faithful love toward us never ends!

It is as sure and dependable as the sky over our heads.

We praise You! We've gathered together in this place to offer you our worship and our thanksgiving; to declare to any who will listen that You are our God, and we are Your people. May Your Spirit be at work among us as we worship, opening our eyes to the light of Your presence in this place. 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

Shine, Jesus, Shine #2173 TFWS

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 5:1-20

MESSAGE

"The Church and God's Standards – Part 2"

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

What a Mighty God We Serve

* 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.*

Coming Events:

Sept. 18 10:00 AM – Fellowship
Sept. 19 Newsletter Articles Due
Sept. 21 6:00 PM – Church Board Meeting – Everyone is welcome to attend!
Sept. 22 9:30 AM – Morning Bible Study Group

PRAYERS

Family of Tom (Verna's cousin), Diane (Verna's cousin), 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.



WESTBY United Methodist Church September 18, 2022



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