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“God is a Being whose center is everywhere and circumference is nowhere.”

Dear Westview,

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers during my unexpected dance with COVID-19 the last couple of weeks. I have learned you can be careful, but if you are around other people who are not as careful you can still contract the virus. I am feeling fine and glad to be out of quarantine. I am however, still wrestling a bit with the fact that I have joined the ranks of those who hosted the virus.

During these days it is Important to keep our “heart space” open. The parables of Jesus all talk about this theme in one way or another. The kingdom of God is a powerful presence—if we keep our hearts open and awake to it. What looks like his favorite parable—the Parable of the Sower—talks about the kinds of soil in which the Word of God is planted. The point is for our hearts to be fertile ground--receptive and uncluttered and free from worry. This is the hardy soil in which the Word can flourish.

I am reminding you (and myself!) as we enter into the season of Lent this month, to keep our hearts open. The invitation is to pay attention to the work of the Spirit of the risen Christ through our emotions, through our relationships, through serving the poor, through even our dreams. Here are some prompts to reflect upon: What has my heart’s attention these days? Is it friends? My physical health? Grief? How might I be distracted from what God might be communicating to me through these concerns?

Session update: The Session is working on several initiatives for 2021. At the time of this writing, we are still discussing and discerning, but a few of the initiatives include discernment about the coronavirus vaccine and returning to in-person worship, relaunching spiritual formation for all ages, outreach into our community, and engaging the congregation in creating a master plan for our facilities.

Please keep our family of faith in your prayers. The days are lengthening a bit, the season of Lent begins this month, and Easter lies just around the corner!

Sincerely In Christ,

Dr. Dan



The church’s new website is UNDER CONSTRUCTION with a planned release date later this winter. Initial pages were created by the Social Media Team under the Outreach MA with guidance from Pastor Dan, and members of Session have been asked to review and update specific pages.

A pilot period will be announced in February via an e-blast, and further input from the congregation will be requested before the actual Go-Live

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Dates & Times to Note

- **February 1**—Social Media Team meeting, 4:00 pm
- **February 2**—Deacons meeting, 7:00 pm
- **February 3**—Worship MA, 6:00 pm
- **February 4**—Outreach MA, 6:30 pm
- **February 4**—Facilities & Administration MA, 7:00 pm
- **February 4, 11, 18, 25**—Zoom fellowship, Host: Harry Heibein, 8:00 am
- **February 7, 14, 21, 28**— Zoom Coffee Fellowship, 9:15 am
Sunday Virtual Worship, 9:30 am
- **February 8, 22**—Round Pantry Set-up
- **February 9, 23**—Round Pantry, 2:00—7:00 pm
- **February 14**—*Valentine's Day*
- **February 15**—*Presidents' Day*
- **February 17**—Spiritual Journeys MA, 10:00 am
- **February 25**—Session meeting, 6:30 pm

Special points of interest:

Join us for
Virtual Worship:
Sundays at 9:30 am

- **2021 Covenant Commitment—\$55.00**

December Treasurer's Report

December Income	\$ 30,567	December Expense	\$ 24,704
YTD Income	\$ 260,285	YTD Expense	\$ 227,136



Upcoming sign-up dates
available for Westview SafeLot Meal:

February 19

March 19

Contact Janet Mulay at 303-776-8548, or
e-mail at janetmulay@msn.com.

2021 Church Directory

They are almost ready!
New Church Directories
will be printed on
Wednesday, February 3rd.

Printed copies will be available
in the church office,
and a PDF copy will be
sent to everyone by e-blast



Because of Covid restrictions, we will not have our Annual Valentine Tea. So.....we challenge you to make/buy a goody, add a homemade Valentine and deliver it to someone you have not seen for awhile.

Let's keep those wonderful Westview connections going. Remember it is always fun to say, "Be My Valentine!"

Have a Blessed February 2021!

Gatherings Ministry Area

Liturgists Assisting in Worship

- Feb. 7: Jay Kintzel
- Feb. 14: Ann Parsons
- Feb. 21 : Nancy Hurianek
- Feb. 28: Barbara Emery-Geiger

Thank You!

Ministry Area News

Round Pantry Ministry In the Snow!!



O u t r e a c h M i n i s t r y

Giving a Piece of Your Heart



Once again, we began the year with renewed hope — renewed hope that situations will improve for our shoppers and renewed faith that The ROUND PANTRY will serve those whose situation means not having enough food for their families and themselves.





Our faith is based on our trust in God's provision as shown in the heartfelt support that comes to us from so many directions in so many ways.

We were blessed with significant monetary donations at the end of 2020. These donations will enable us to fill out categories (such as peanut butter and canned meat) so that all shoppers receive important nutrition.

We have continued to welcome new volunteers as they join current volunteers in packaging and distributing food. And, our volunteers welcomed new equipment that provided increased safety (cones and lane markers, walled canopies, lights and heaters.) This equipment was funded by a grant from Longmont Community Foundation.



We offer to you opportunities to give a piece of your heart to those served by The ROUND PANTRY:

-  **Pray** for the shoppers who are served by The ROUND PANTRY that they may know that the Love of God is real. Pray for our volunteers that they may have energy of body and heart and be renewed in their efforts.
-  **Volunteer** for any of the varied indoor or outdoor tasks listed on SIGNUP GENIUS using this link www.signupgenius.com/go/roundpantry. Just a note: we've been asked if it's OK to volunteer for multiple shifts on a day or to sign up on each day of a pantry week. And, the answer is YES!
-  **Donate** by mailing a check, using the GIVE NOW button on the Westview website, wvpres.org. or bringing a cash donation to the pantry on the second or fourth Monday or Tuesday from 9:00 to 5:00. (go to Registration in the Outreach Place.)
-  **Donate** food by bringing it to the pantry on the second or fourth Mondays or Tuesdays. Come down the ramp on the north side of Fellowship Hall and you will find a shopping cart for donations.



Special Note: The ROUND PANTRY is seeking a volunteer who has interest and experience in public relations, specifically preparing press releases for print or online media. If you are interested, please email us at roundpantry@westviewpres.org .

Other News (cont.)









Beth Kelsic	02/03
Tim O'Brien	02/04
Howard Novak	02/05
Barb Bowman	02/07
Ken Bickers	02/11
Kelsey O'Brien	02/12
Alec O'Brien	02/20
Nancy Sloan	02/20
Norm Poll	02/21
Judy Clark	02/22
Kathy Mustard	02/22
Sarah Bernau	02/25
Ann Parsons	02/25

Wanda and Harry Heibein	02/06
Barbara and Darrell Bowman	02/10
Pam and Art Schneider	02/14
Angela and John Thompson	02/14
Janice and Glenn Bachmann	02/17

THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU AT WESTVIEW!
We would LOVE to have you be a part of us!

GROUP	DATE & TIME	PLACE	SPECIAL NOTES
Thursday Morning Study Group		Damascus Room	Open to: Anyone Meets: Sept-May, 2nd Thursday, monthly Contact: Church Office
Men's Breakfast		Fellowship Hall	Open to: Any interested men Meets: Oct-May, 1st Saturday Contact: Tom Herman (303-776-2511)
Women's Revolving Restaurant Tour		Various local restaurants	Open to: Any interested women Meets: 4th Thursday, monthly Contact: Janice Bachmann (bachmann837@msn.com)
Young at Heart		Perkins	Open to: All who are young at heart Meets: Monthly, 3rd Friday Contact: Wanda & Harry Heibein (303.941.1018; 303.817.6504)

FEBRUARY 2021

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31 9:15 AM Narthex Coffee (zoom) 9:30 AM Worship Service (virtual)	1 4:00 PM Social Media Team	2 7:00 PM Deacons Meeting	3 6:00 PM Worship MA (zoom)	4 8:00 AM Zoom Fellowship, Host: Heibein 6:30 PM Outreach MA 7:00 PM Facilities/Admin	5	6 
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