# The Westviewer

# Westview Presbyterian Church

Dear Westview,

Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads.

Revelation 4:4

The New Testament is full of references to "elders," which in Greek (the language of the New Testament) is the word "presbuteros," from which we get the English word "presbyterian." Without a doubt, elderhood is one of the most leadership functions in the teaching of the New Testament.

But what is an "elder"? Just because someone grows "older," does not mean they are an "elder." I have met plenty of angry, bitter older men, and they are nowhere near the spiritual maturity of many teenagers I have met in oncology units in the hospital. In the church we elect people to serve on session as an elder, but how does one actually *cultivate* elderhood?

Beginning Sunday, March 13th, my friend Carol Kortsch and I are going to lead a class on elderhood, called "ElderSoul." Carol is a wise woman who has spent years working with influential educator and author Parker Palmer. We will meet in The Gathering Place from 2:00pm – 4:30pm for five consecutive Sundays leading up to Easter.

ElderSoul is for anyone who has entered the second half of life, and it is especially created for those who have entered the last third of life. Designed as different experiential and learning modes in mind, the gathering will be part presentation, part small group work, and part individual work in your own journey of embracing elderhood with wisdom and grace. One of the books we will read is "The Inner Work of Age: Shifting from Role to Soul" by Dr. Connie Zweig. We will talk about many subjects, including how to embrace aging, forgiveness, dealing with our own shadow, passing from this life to the next, and serving others.

To maximize the group work in the class we are limiting the size to twenty-five participants. Members and attenders at Westview will have the first opportunity to sign up, and then we will open the class to other churches in the Presbytery if we still have room. You can call the office or go to the church website at wypres.org to sign up.

"Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put their trust." (Acts 14:23)

Sincerely in Christ,



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# Special points of interest:

Join us for Worship: In-person, and on Zoom Sundays at 9:30 am

2022 Covenant Commitment—\$55.00

# Date & Times to Note

- Feb 2—Deacons meeting, 1:00 pm
- Feb 2, 9, 16, 23—Choir and Bells rehearsal, 7:00 pm
- Feb 3, 10, 17, 24—Men's Coffee @ Ziggi's, 1139 Francis, 8:00 am
- Feb 3— Communications/Evangelism MA, 6:30 pm
   Facilities & Administration MA, 6:30 pm
   Outreach MA, 6:30 pm
   Spiritual Journeys MA, 6:30 pm
   Worship MA, 6:30 pm
- Feb 5—Worship Planning Retreat, 9:00—12:00 noon
- Feb 6, 13, 20, 27—Sunday Worship service, 9:30 am
- Feb 7, 21—Pantry Set-up
- Feb 7—Creating Cards Ministry, 1:00 pm
- Feb 8, 22—Round Pantry, 2:00—6:00 pm
- **Feb 10**—Personnel Advisory Committee, 6:30 pm
- Feb 12—Sweetheart Breakfast, 8:30 am (hosted by Men's Breakfast Grp)
- Feb 14—Valentine's Day
- Feb 16—Mexican Train Dominoes, 1:00 pm
- Feb 17—Session meeting, 6:30 pm
- Feb 18—SafeLot meal provided by Westview
- Feb 21—Presidents' Day

#### Session Notes



At their regular meeting on Jan. 20, Session took the following actions:

- Approved job description of Family Spiritual Formation Coordinator.
   Also agreed to proceed with hiring the position as a 10 hr/week role.
- Approved revised Personnel Advisory Committee Governing policies.
- Elected Clerk of Session and Treasurer for 2022. Harry Heibein, Treasurer; Becky Herman, Clerk of Session.
- Approved administration of communion for Maundy Thursday, Apr. 14
- Requested volunteers for coffee hosts, greeters, and ushers step forward, as many slots are unfilled for upcoming weeks/months.

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Please join us for the Ash Wednesday Service which will be held on **March 2**, 7:00 p.m. in our sanctuary and via zoom.



We're also looking for those who would like to participate during the year by helping to serve communion.

If you've ever served as an Elder and can help, please sign up on the bulletin board in the east hallway of the narthex, or contact Ann Constantinides or Beth Kelsic. Thank you for your support, we couldn't do it without you.

Westview Worship MA

From the Gatherings Ministry Area:



Due to masking requirements and other considerations, our annual Valentine's Tea will instead be a **St. Patrick's Day** celebration!

Be thinking of those favorite green recipes for **March** ...

In February, we encourage you to call, e-mail, or send cards to WPC friends with whom you have not communicated in a while.

Share the Blessing!

# **Sweetheart Breakfast**

Join our Sweetheart Breakfast again this year!
Saturday, **February 12**, 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
All are Welcome.

Hosted by the Westview Men's Breakfast Group



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As this article is being written on the day commemorating the life and wisdom of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. one of his many quotes comes to mind:

"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

The ROUND PANTRY has been blessed to exist in the midst of a generous church and a loving community that believes in service. Everybody can be of great service.

# The ROUND PANTRY invites you to:

- Pray for the shoppers who are served by The ROUND PANTRY that the food they receive will
  ease their situation and the love they experience will lift their spirit. Pray for our volunteers that
  the service they give and the fellowship they receive will fill their hearts and renew their energy
- Volunteer for any of the varied tasks listed on SIGNUP GENIUS using the link at <a href="wvpres.org">wvpres.org</a> :
   ROUND PANTRY: Volunteers. You can now sign up for several weeks / months. And, you can volunteer for multiple shifts on a day or sign up on each day of a pantry week.
- Donate by mailing a check or using the GIVE NOW button on the Westview website, wvpres.org.
- Donate food by bringing it to the Pantry on the second or fourth Mondays or Tuesday mornings.

A quote from a great volunteer who recently joined us and commented on his sign-up: "I appreciated being served at the Pantry [during my time of need] and decided to respond by serving others."

Please know that our volunteers are grateful to have the opportunity to serve and our shoppers are deeply, sincerely thankful for Westview Presbyterian Church and The ROUND PANTRY!

# Westview Souper Bowl of Caring on Super Bowl Sunday

For approximately 30 years, the Presbyterian Church
has celebrated Super Bowl Sunday by having
their own Souper Bowl of Caring.
On Sunday, February 13
we will have large soup pots in the narthex,
for donations of cash or food items.

"Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who need a bowl of soup to eat."

All will be donated to our ROUND PANTRY.

Thank you from your Outreach MA





Thank you so much for the prayers, calls and cards from so many of you. I and my family appreciate your concern for the loss of our dear Stephen.

I miss being there on Sundays, but I am thankful for Zoom and YouTube.

Love and prayers for all.

Margaret Jenkins

# Other News (cont.)





Jennifer Smith	02/02
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Beth Kelsic	02/03
Tim O'Brien	02/04
Howard Novak	02/05
Barbara Bowman	02/07
Ken Bickers	02/11
Kelsey O'Brien	02/12
Dan Dolquist	02/15
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
Angela and John Thompson	02/14

# **SafeLot Shelter Meals**

Westview furnishes the evening meal for 12 people on the 3rd Friday of each month.

Upcoming dates: **February 18, March 18** 

If you can help provide the main dish, a side dish, or a dessert, please call Janet Mulay.

# 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	
Mexican Train Dominos	Feb . 16 1:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall	Open to: Anyone Meets: Wednesday in between Pantry dates Contact: Wanda Heibein	
Men's Breakfast Sweetheart Breakfast this month!	Feb. 12 8:00 a.m.	Fellowship Hall	Open to: Any interested men Meets: Oct—May, 1st Saturday of the month Contact: Harry Heibein	
Young at Heart		Perkins	Open to: All who are young at heart Meets: Monthly, 3rd Friday Contact: Wanda & Harry Heibein Pending Re-open	

# Calendar - View by Calendar

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# **FEBRUARY 2022**

Saturday	5 Planning Retreat 9:00 AM Worship MA Retreat	12 8:30 AM Sweetheart Breakfast	19	26	5 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast
Friday	4	<del></del>	18 Volunteer for SafeLot meal	25	4
Thursday	3 8:00 AM Men's Coffee 6:30 PM Comm/Evang. MA 6:30 PM Facilities/Admin 6:30 PM Outreach MA 6:30 PM Spiritual Journeys 6:30 PM Worship MA	10 8:00 AM Men's Coffee 6:30 PM Personnel Advisory Committee	17 8:00 AM Men's Coffee 6:30 PM Session meeting	<b>24</b> 8: <b>00 AM</b> Men's Coffee	8:00 AM Men's Coffee 6:30 PM Comm/Evang. MA 6:30 PM Facilities/Admin 6:30 PM Outreach MA 6:30 PM Spiritual Journeys 6:30 PM Worship MA
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### **Worship Time:**

Sunday Mornings - 9:30 am In-person, and on Zoom

#### Staff:

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Find us on the web: www.wvpres.org