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WESTMINSTER
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



St. John's
United Church of Christ

JUNE CALENDAR

JUNE 1-21 – JUDY ON VACATION

JUNE 2 – FAITH IN ACTION MEETING 10 AM

JUNE 3 – JACKSON INTERFAITH SHELTER KIDS' ACTIVITIES 5:15 PM

JUNE 7 – GUEST PREACHER PASTOR RICK MORGAN FROM INTERFAITH SHELTER

JUNE 11 – SENIORS' TRIP TO THE DETROIT TIGERS GAME

JUNE 14 – GUEST SPEAKER JAN JANKE

JUNE 16 – INTERFAITH FAMILIES ACTIVITIES 5:15 PM

JUNE 19 – FOOD PANTRY AND BABY SPRINKLES 10AM-12PM

JUNE 21 – WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION; GUEST PREACHER REV. JOHN BEST

JUNE 21 – WPC ANNUAL MEETING 11:15 AM

JUNE 27 – RED, WHITE, AND BLUE COMMUNITY DANCE 7-9 PM

EVERY WEDNESDAY—YARNS-ARTS-CRAFTS 10AM-12PM IN THE PRAYER ROOM

EVERY THURSDAY—JACKSON PERSONAL CARE MINISTRY 5-6:30PM



In June, the sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, June 21 with Rev. John Best.



SAVE THE DATE

Our Fall Craft & Vendor Show will be Saturday, October 3, 12 - 5 PM. Enjoy live music, with food offered by the Crow's Nest "As the Crow Fries" food truck. Email cindy.osborne@partnership.place for more information.

June 2026

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Mission Updates

Our **May Food Pantry** served 83 people representing 188 family members. 2100 pounds of food were distributed. The community dinner on May 12 provided a hot meal to 47 persons.

- Contributed by Carl Robinson

Our **Baby Sprinkle** continues to serve families by providing diapers, wipes, and clothing from newborn to size 6. The May Baby Sprinkle served 31 families representing 51 children. Thanks to all who helped! We continue to need children's clothing size 2 through 6 and diapers size 4 through 6 as well as Pull-ups.

- Contributed by Donna Benedict

The **Samaritan Fund** continues to assist with rent and utilities. In May four people received rent assistance and 10 people received utility assistance. The emergency food pantry provided eight sacks of food, and eight people used our church showers.

- Contributed by the Church Office

At the **Jackson Interfaith Shelter** in May, two kids participated in craft time with Cindy, Heather, and Jessie. Five parents and seven children participated in the Interfaith Family activities here at Partnership Place on May 19. Cindy Osborne and Atalie from Jackson Interfaith organized the activities. Our next family night is June 16 at 5:15 PM.

- Submitted by Cindy Osborne

The **Jackson Personal Care Ministry** served 154 guests during the month of May. If you would like to help with this worthwhile ministry, please sign up in the Community Room.

- Contributed by Margo and John Fenstermaker

Our **Clothesline Ministry** provides clothing items throughout the year. During the summer months we will hang the "Save a Sole" socks that were collected in March. Thank you to everyone for your generosity!

The next **Interfaith Shelter Dinner Church** will be July 22. At least three volunteers are needed to serve the meal and share in worship. This ministry occurs on the fourth Wednesday, every other month. Please see Dawn Depner if you would like to help.

The **Community Country & Western Dance** on May 23 was a great success. The next dance will be June 27 from 7-9 PM. The theme is "Red, White, and Blue." There will be free food, music, and fun for everyone! Many thanks to Linda Miller and her team.

Contact Information

To receive the Zoom link for Sunday services, please visit partnership.place and click "Subscribe". You will receive the Partnership Place Weekly Digest with the Zoom link.



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From the Pastor's Screen

REST AND RETREAT

At the end of May, I attended the UCC Clergy Retreat at Tower Hill in Sawyer, Michigan, which is a short walk from Lake Michigan. Every day we enjoyed worship, yoga, free time, and a variety of workshops. We gathered for all our meals and finished each day with a bonfire. This year 24 clergy enjoyed the camp, classes, and conversations. It was restorative and meaningful in a way I had not anticipated. I'll share more about this in the July newsletter.

In June I'll be resting at home and traveling to the West Coast to visit my family. While I love you all, I also appreciate the time away. Thank you in advance for allowing me the time and space to get recharged.

If you need assistance while I'm away, Marva and Evelyn are available Monday through Thursday, 10 AM to 5 PM. They will contact me if it's necessary. Rev. Mike Young is available in case of emergency and the office can provide his contact information.

Prayerfully, and gratefully,

Pastor Judy

Y.A.C. Group Take on a Project

Y.A.C., the yarn, art, and craft group that meets each Wednesday at church has taken on the project of weaving the cane seats in Donna's chairs. A recent mishap found one chair seat busted. The other chair seats appeared to need some assistance and when Lynn found this



information she began to see what may be done to bring the chairs back to usefulness. She removed the aged seating and looked for persons interested in replacing the cane seats. Here the persons caning are Lynn, Pat, and Miriam. Jeannine had come to YAC and was interested in learning. Miriam use to cane chairs and she helped Lynn find and order the needed supplies, she put together instruction of the seven-step caning process and brought her tools and showed the others how to start the process. This will take a few weeks of meeting on Wednesday.

- Submitted by Miriam Brown Dorsey

Pictured above, left to right: Jeannine Daugherty, in front is Pat Baumgartner, behind her is Lynn Kenworthy, and to the right is Donna Meservey. Photo taken by Miriam Brown Dorsey.

Come to me,
all who labor and are
heavy laden, and I
will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28 NRSV

BE THE BLESSING
SOMETHING FOR
EVERYONE!

HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO
TO BE A BLESSING:

INVITE FRIENDS TO CHURCH

OFFER YOUR MUSICAL GIFTS

DONATE CHILDREN'S
CLOTHES & DIAPERS

SIGN BIRTHDAY CARDS

VISIT THE HOMEBOUND

HELP WITH COFFEE HOUR

PRAY

NOTICE WHO'S MISSING
AND REACH OUT WITH LOVE!



The hallway got a new
coat of shine, many
thanks to Carl

WPC Annual Meeting June 21

The Westminster annual congregational meeting will be held following the June 21 worship service, with Rev. John Best serving as moderator.

The agenda will include the installation of elders, presentation of the 2026 budget, election of the nominating committee, and committee reports. The congregation will be asked to vote on an amendment to the bylaws that will remove the language that sets the annual meeting for June. The amended bylaws would omit any mention of a date. The annual meeting could thus be moved to January to coincide with St John's annual meeting and Westminster's fiscal year. The meeting is open to all. Only members of Westminster may vote.

Submitted by Nancy Connell, Clerk of Session



For Mother's Day the men prepared omelets during coffee hour. Pictured here are the chefs Andy Rieman, Marty Baumgartner, and Gary Reasoner. Not pictured: server Dennis Johns.

Happy Anniversary JPCM!

In 2011, representatives from seven churches, including WPC and SJUCC, met to address a need in the Jackson community. While there were several food banks operating in the area, no one was supplying personal care products, most of which are not covered by food stamps. After several meetings, the Jackson Personal Care pantry opened at First Baptist Church on June 7, 2012. We are grateful for being able to serve the community for these many years and are also enjoying our new home at Partnership Place. Thank you to anyone who has volunteered through the years.

Submitted by Margo Fenstermaker

Dance!



Lori, Ann, Latasha, Ryan, Linda, Cat, Dan, and many friends enjoyed the Country Western Dance on May 23.



WPC Monthly Report

Westminster numbers for May:

- Attendance (in person & online) 91
- Pledge/envelope income \$5,785.00
- Expenses \$9,009.04

NOTES:

- When Rev. Kristin Stroble moderates session in person, she is paid \$150 + mileage (total of \$210.90).
- Session meets in odd-numbered months.

Contributed by Bette Watkins

Guest Preachers

Pastor Judy is taking a vacation from June 1 through 21. From May 31 through June 21 we have lined up the following speakers and preachers for our worship services.

On Sunday, May 31, KC Steckelberg was our morning preacher. KC is a Member-in-Discernment for the United Church of Christ and a recent graduate of Western Theological Seminary.

The following speakers/ministers will join us in June:

June 7 - Pastor Rick Morgan from Jackson Interfaith Shelter

June 14 - Jan Janke will be our morning speaker

June 21 - Rev. John Best will preach, serve Holy Communion, and moderate the WPC Annual Meeting (all are invited to attend)

Summer Devotionals

During the summer months, many of us are traveling, visiting family, and weeding the flower beds. We don't take the time to feed our spirits. Here are two free electronic devotionals that you can sign up to receive in your inbox every day.

Sign up for the United Church of Christ free daily devotional here: [Daily Devotional - United Church of Christ](#)

Sign up for Our Daily Bread here: [Email Subscription](#)

May Attendance

Date	Sanc.	Zoom	Total
May 3	54	17	71
May 10	58	21	79
May 17	52	21	73
May 24	46	18	64
May 31	54	23	77

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.'

Mark 6:30-31a

Partnership Board

The Partnership Board consists of the WPC Session and the SJUCC Council, and will meet next on July 8.

Westminster Session members: Sandy Clark, Kathy Johns, Andy Rieman, Pat Baumgartner, Dennis Johns, Gary Kenworthy, and Bette Watkins. Rev. Kristin Stroble serves as the Moderator and Nancy Connell is the Clerk.

St. John's Council members: Carl Robinson, Gary Reasoner, Eric Canter, Gene Johnson, Michele Wilson, Bert Steck, Cindy Osborne, and Jeannine Havens.

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