

Challenge and Opportunity... Our New Sunday Morning Schedule!

THE OPPORTUNITY:

On Sunday, March 7, we will launch our new Sunday schedule. The most significant addition to our morning gathering is a focused opportunity for Westminster family relationship building between Sunday school and worship. As a largely commuter family, we do not have sufficient opportunity to grow in our inter-family relationships on Sunday mornings...and no other family-wide gathering through the week. Our worship attendance each Sunday averages 240...including visitors. Many families in this body do not know one another. This time of fellowship and connection will provide a vital opportunity for us to build inter-family relationships so that we can...“encourage one another and build each other up” (1 Thessalonians 5:11) and “spur one another on toward love and good deeds” (Hebrews 10:24). As we strengthen each other in the faith, we will be stronger to reach out into the world around us with a living expression of that faith. The beverages and snacks will be most pleasant, but the time together holds the treasure. Please make serious effort to participate in this wonderful new opportunity!

THE CHALLENGE:

This new schedule asks us to arrive for Sunday school at 9:00 am rather than our past schedule of 9:30 am. A thirty minute adjustment in our Westminster family schedule on Sunday will range from “no problem” to “deeply challenging”...understood! The challenge will be answered by the value one puts on relationship building in the body of Christ. This relationship building is not an option for consideration...it is an imperative of WORD-centered believers. We may worship well and learn well but, if we do not love well, we have fallen exceedingly short of our calling in Christ. If we do not love each other well, we will not be effective in loving the world well! This schedule actually enhances the focus of God in our lives. Responding to God’s Word may sometimes be inconvenient but it is always rewarding...honoring God and blessing us! Please pray over this matter as you deliberate the impact of the new schedule on your family life. As we hope to grow larger as a church family, we must grow stronger in relationship with each other. This new schedule will encourage just such strength.

Hope to see all of you on Sunday!! Blessings in Christ...Chuck

New Sunday Morning Schedule

Beginning March 7th

- 9:00am:** Adult & Youth Sunday school classes meet
Children’s choir

- 9:30am:** Children’s Sunday school classes meet
City On a Hill Sunday school

- 10:00am:** Adult Sunday school concludes
Fellowship gathering for all adults in
Fellowship Hall

- 10:10am:** Children’s fellowship and snack time

- 10:30am:** Children’s Sunday school concludes
(Teachers escort children to Fellowship
Hall for reunion with parents.)
Time of Fellowship concludes with
morning announcements.

- 10:45am:** Worship in the sanctuary

Women's Ministry at WPC

"... if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us." - 1 John 4:12

This spring the Women's Ministry will continue to expand on our theme of "Living in His Image" with specific focus on nurturing a community of fellowship and encouragement to build up our women in their faith and energize them for ministry in God's church.

This spring also marks the conclusion of the current Leadership Team's term of office. In the coming weeks we will be working and praying with the Session to identify candidates for future roles in Women's Ministry leadership. In His perfect providence, God has blessed Westminster with many talented women who have a variety of different gifts to offer in service to the body of Christ. Please pray that God will work in the hearts of women and raise them up for servant leadership in His church. We covet your prayers of encouragement and support during this process, and for God's continued guidance of Women's Ministry efforts at Westminster.

We welcome your feedback!

Please contact any of the Women's Ministry Leadership Team with questions or suggestions:

Sara Gentry (Community Coordinator)
Maran Grace (Co-Ministry Coordinator)
Meredith Hilton (Prayer Coordinator)
Karen Kee (Co-Ministry Coordinator)
Cortney Rice (Communications Coordinator)

Please make note of the ways you can get involved with the Women's Ministry this spring and reconnect with your sisters in Christ:

- Joy in the Morning is studying Proverbs on the second and fourth Tuesdays at 10:00 am
- The Hannah Circle is studying "The Christian Hall of Fame" on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:00 am
- The weekly Women's Sunday School class is studying "Philippians - A Woman's Study of Joyful Living"
- Mark your calendars to attend a fellowship luncheon on Tuesday, April 13 after the Bible studies
- Join us for a celebration/ ministry wrap-up event on a Saturday in May (details coming soon)
- Be sure to watch for more details on plans for another Summer Bible Study Series, as well as information on our ministry for Kids Camp moms in July.
- The Book Club meets monthly on the third Tuesday at 8:00 pm in Marietta at the home of Karen Kee. Watch the bulletin for reading selection updates.
- Prayer Chains are a great way to pray together and give tangible support to each other. To email a prayer request to the prayer chain, send an email to womensministry@westminster-pca.org. To subscribe to the email prayer chain, send a message to prayerchain@westminster-pca.org containing "SUBSCRIBE" in the subject line and reply to the confirmation message. The Westminster telephone prayer chain can be utilized by calling Jan Powell at 770-394-8078, or Pat Leak at 404-320-1524.

The Sounds of Westminster, Volume 1

Our new CD was slightly delayed, but will be arriving soon. For decades music has been a vital part of our church's worship as our people gather each week to offer praise and thanks to God for His grace in our lives. Our church has been blessed with many outstanding excellent musicians who freely give of their time and talents to serve as choir members, soloists, and handbell ringers. It is with great excitement that we offer a portion of our music tradition to our church family and friends. Compact discs are available through the church office.

Chancel Choir: Come Sing With Us!

Our Chancel Choir resumes rehearsals on Wednesday, January 6th. With the start of a new choral year it is a wonderful time to join our choir. If you enjoy singing, can match pitch, and can attend our rehearsals we would love to have you. Our main and most important rehearsal is on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00PM. We also have a Sunday School Class/Rehearsal each Sunday morning. An abbreviated Sunday School Class is held from 9:30 to 10:00AM followed by a rehearsal until 10:40AM. All of these activities are held in the choir room downstairs across from the nursery. You may contact Jerry Naff at: jerry.naff@westminster-pca.org to express your interest.



Resolutions in March?

Many of us, if not most, started this New Year with one or more resolutions. We have resolved to lose weight, exercise more, get more sleep, take better care of ourselves, spend more time with family and friends, work less, finish unfinished projects and on and on. How are you doing so far? Maybe your resolutions have already gone “by the wayside” so to speak. So why in the world would you even consider making another resolution in March? Have you ever heard of such a thing? Maybe not, but we (the members of the mission committee) would like you to do just that. But before we get to that, our question to you is “how many of you resolved to make missions a greater priority in your life this year?” My guess would be not many, if any. Maybe you think you already know enough and this is not an area that needs improvement. Let’s see—ask yourself these questions and see how many you can answer.

1. How many missionaries does WPC support?
2. How many of these are international and how many are local?
3. Name the missionaries that we support.
4. Name those who are members of WPC.
5. Name those who now have children serving in missions.
6. How many mission agencies represent these missionaries?
7. How many missionaries serve in sensitive areas?
8. Explain the ministries of each missionary.
9. What local ministries do we no longer support?
10. Name the last three ministries we voted to support.

11. Name the college based ministries and their missionaries.
12. What has replaced our annual missions conference?
13. Name the missionaries on furlough.
14. Name the members of the mission’s committee.
15. What is the total number of countries represented and what are the countries?

How did you do? Do you still think you know enough about missions? Let’s answer a few more questions. How many missionaries do you regularly pray for? How many have you met? How many do you communicate with? How many Lunch and Learns have you attended? Still doing okay? If you were able to answer all these questions and you are actively involved in prayer and communication for and with our missionaries then you need not read on. This challenge is not for you. If you are not in this group then listen up. The missions committee would like to challenge you to make a resolution to make missions a greater part of your life. Resolve to find out the answers to these questions and get to know your missionaries and their ministries. Resolve to pray regularly and faithfully for these missionaries. Resolve to take every opportunity to meet our missionaries—come to the Lunch and Learn. Resolve to read the mission highlight in the bulletin and the mission updates on the bulletin boards. These are just a few suggestions, but we as a committee would welcome the opportunity to assist with these and help you to succeed in keeping this resolution. It is truly worthwhile and you are in for a great blessing. These men and women are such an encouragement and enrich your life in so many ways. Don’t miss this opportunity, make your resolutions now!

Easter Brunch

Join us for the Easter Brunch as we celebrate our risen Lord! We will meet Sunday, April 4th from 9:00-10:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a plate or tray of finger food such as mini-quiche, sausage balls, tiny ham biscuits, deviled eggs, small bunches of grapes, cheese cubes, or mini bagels etc. We will eat and enjoy fellowship among the Westminster family. If you could help with clean up, please email Steve Walton at Steve_Walton@bus.emory.edu.

Easter Holiday Schedule

Maundy Thursday Service: April 1st (6:30 pm)

Good Friday Service: April 2nd (12:00 pm)

Easter Egg Hunt: April 3rd (10:00-11:00 am)

Easter Brunch: April 4th (9:00 am)

Easter Morning Worship: April 4th (10:45 am)

Nursery is provided for all services except Good Friday.

Children’s Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Date: Saturday April 3rd

Time: 10-11am

Location: Church Grounds

Join us for a wonderful time of fun and fellowship. This event is open to all young at heart but only those children fifth grade and under can hunt for the eggs. We will begin in the fellowship hall with light refreshments. Children will be divided into three age groups and given instructions to hunt for eggs.
Bring your Easter basket and a friend!

Adults will be needed at 9am to hide all the eggs. Please contact Holly Crowe in the church office (404-636-1496) to volunteer.

WESTMINSTER COMMUNIQUE

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Birthdays • March & April 2010

Joyce Burklin.....3/1	Peter Coblentz..... 3/28
Tim Kay.....3/1	Lori Morley..... 3/28
Tim Waddell3/1	Barbara Montaldi..... 3/31
Kaitlin Kee.....3/2	Ellen Fisher.....4/3
Pat Leak3/2	Lou April Frost4/5
Erik Veerman3/8	Kaite Rolston4/9
Steven Hoffer3/9	Annette Shakespeare.. 4/10
Al LaCour.....3/9	David Beach..... 4/11
Carolina Lieuwen.....3/9	Simone Dreifuss..... 4/11
Chase Hilton..... 3/10	Megan Waddell 4/12
Bonnie Benedict..... 3/11	Wheat Williams..... 4/12
Evelyn Green 3/11	John Kreiner 4/14
Alex Trotter 3/11	Madeline LeBlanc 4/14
Ellen Hill 3/12	Jared Kee..... 4/16
Joyce Lewis..... 3/12	Fran Roetman 4/17
Eleanor Hallman..... 3/14	Julie Melendez..... 4/21
Mel Hope..... 3/17	LisaKay Feibus 4/22
Anna Beaver 3/19	Davis Hill..... 4/23
Nate Veerman 3/19	Avery Melendez 4/23
Chloe Feibus..... 3/20	Mac Morley 4/24
Regina Hughes..... 3/20	Matty Morley 4/24
David Crowe..... 3/21	Maggie Kay..... 4/26
Annie Rolston 3/23	Morgan Rogers..... 4/26
Jane Drott 3/25	Claire Chinery..... 4/27
Camile Naff 3/27	Julie Osborne..... 4/30
William White 3/27	

SNAPSHOTS OF A LIFE

- a perspective on chronic illness -

a 15 year long struggle
shared by Andrea and Tim Kay

REALITY *of chronic illness*
Tuesday, January 19, 2010

RELIEF *in the battle*
Thursday, February 18, 2010

REDEMPTION *and hope for the future*
Saturday, March 20, 2010

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