

Sunday Service Times

10:00 am - English

7:30 am, 12:00 pm - Korean

The Westwood Brass Quintet

Tom Offerjost (trumpet)

Bob Harley (trumpet)

Robert Garcia (french horn)

Warren Beckman (trombone)

Everett Fink (tuba)

The budget for 2019 is \$284,051. As of December 17th, we had total collections of \$237,353 or 83.6% of the budget.

Finance Committee

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Westwood United Methodist Church

“Connecting and Caring”

December 22, 2019

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OUR LIFE TOGETHER!

Welcome to our church family!

At Westwood United Methodist Church, you are encouraged to be the unique individual God created you to be.

What will you find here?

You won't find judgmental attitudes, religious platitudes, or a chilly reception. What you will find is an interpretation of the message of Jesus Christ that welcomes and accepts you as a child of God. You will find smiling faces, warm and friendly spaces, and a genuine joy that comes from knowing God in your life. You will find the love of God incarnate- "made real" in the spirit of Christ!

Come and see!

Come praise God. Come reach out to those in need. Come grow with us. Come be part of our church family. The table is ready... You're invited!

Serving Today

Preaching: Pastor Wayne Jones

Ushers: Elijah Miller and Steve Moy

Musician: E. Joanne Reed

Lay Reader: Grace Damiano and Dylan Lincoln

Nursery: Debbie Moy

Bulletins: To the glory of God and to honor the birthday of Heather Fitzsimmons, from her Church Friends.

Refreshments: Members of our Church Family

Director of Music: E. Joanne Reed

Music Ministry: Bob Harley, Bonnie Harley, Marianne S. Neville

Office Administrator: Jay Schwartz



The Mission and Outreach Committee would like to thank all who participated in Operation Santa. The children will be happy and surprised when they open the gifts.



The Westwood Area Clergy Council along with the Westwood Library will be hosting a six-week Bereavement Support Group beginning Wednesday, January 8th, from 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm, at the Westwood Library. Those suffering the loss of a loved one are invited to attend and are asked to call 201-664-0583 to register. Class size will be limited and registration will be closed as of January 6th.



Along with the Coat Drive through Bergen Catholic HS, we are requesting donations of home-cooked, cut-up turkeys, to be collected December 23rd. These will become part of the Christmas Dinner at Bergen Family Promise in Hackensack. Please see or call Bonnie Harley for more details. (201 666 9729).



Please join us for our Christmas Eve Candlelight service, which will begin at 7:30 pm. We will light the Christ Candle on the Advent Wreath; hear the story of Christmas; sing Christmas Carols; hear special music from both our English speaking as well as our Korean speaking choirs; explore "God's Gift of Love;" celebrate Holy Communion; sing "Silent Night" by candlelight. Come and celebrate once again the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Partners in Ministry: Meeting this Week...



Monday: Alcoholics Anonymous Closed Meeting (12:15 pm) – Wesley Hall

Monday: Scout Troop 47 (7:30 pm) – Wesley Hall

Tuesday: Alcoholics Anonymous Open Meeting (12:15 pm) – Wesley Hall

Thursday: Bell Choir (6:30 pm) – Room 23

Thursday: Choir Rehearsal (7:30 pm) – Rhinesmith Chapel

Friday: Alanon (9:00 am) – Wesley Hall

FAITHWORKS THRIFT SHOP

Do you still have Christmas shopping to do? FaithWorks is chocked full of great gift ideas and decorating items. We also have a good supply of wrapping paper and Christmas cards. The cards are the everyday low price of 25¢ each.

Please visit us soon. You will be sure to find a treasure for yourself as well as someone on your Christmas list. In case you need a teen/adult bicycle, we have two for sale. Both are in good condition.

FaithWorks is open Monday evenings from 6:30 - 8:30 pm, and the first and third Saturdays from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Donations are received the hours we are open.

We look forward to seeing you.

PLEASE VOLUNTEER USING THE SIGN-UP BOOK IN THE NARTHEX!



Altar Flowers



Worship Bulletins



Fellowship Hour



Prayer requests are left on for 4 weeks; you can then resubmit them if you like. Any prayer requests during the week can be added to the prayer concerns list by contacting the church office by **Noon, Thursday**. 201-664-0755 or e-mail office.

Our Church Family

Ian Brown, Carol Caputo, Ethel Frey, Judy Fringuello, Bud Heymann, Chin Hwan Lee, Ruth Starkins.

Our Extended Church Family

David Chen, friend of Marianne Neville

Amy Dennehy, friend of June Mele

Donna Mugford, Sister-In-Law of Elizabeth Mugford

Amber Murphy, granddaughter of Heather Fitzsimmons' niece, Maureen Fitzsimmons Murphy

Debbie Rowland, relative of Juanita Rowland

Douglas Rowland, son of Juanita Rowland

Wendy Sargeant, daughter of Ed and Carol Caputo

Doris Smith, longtime friend of Marianne Neville and the church

Bill Wassmann, brother-in-law of Ed and Carol Caputo

Rev. Vanessa Wilson, friend of Bonnie Harley

Grieving

Family and friends of Sydney O. Garth, grandson of the late Annie Garth

Family and friends of Gene Hackbarth, longtime friend of Marianne Neville

Family and friends of Kay Hodges, longtime friend of Marion Steiner

Family and friends of Geneva Maletsky, cousin of Gene Myers

Family and friends of Louise Nolan

Family and friends of Joan Petersen, dear friend, long-time neighbor of Heather Fitzsimmons

Family and friends of Gail Rutherford, sister of Grace Damiano

Family and friends of Lynn Troianelli, sister of Pamela Jenkins

Family and friends of Betty Twombly, cousin of Marianne Neville

Our Homebound

Please remember with prayer all those who are now residing in nursing homes or reside out of state and are no longer able to worship with us:

Rita Dublin, Ming Johnson, Lucille Jorgensen, Ray Mercado, Elizabeth Mugford, Ruth Starkins,

Marion Steiner, Douglas A Wilson.

Please consider sending a card or note to one of our homebound:

Ruth F. Starkins

4 Fawn Road, Great Meadows, NJ 07838

Marion Stevenson Steiner

The Forum at Overland Park, 3501 W. 95th St. Apt. #238, Overland Park, KS 66206

WESTWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

December 22, 2019

10:00 AM

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

* - Please stand if it is comfortable for you

UMH - Hymnal (red) / FWS - Faith We Sing (black)

PRELUDE "My Spirit Be Joyful" Bach
"The First Noel" arr. Acosta
"Christmas Fantasy" Raney

INTROIT "What Child is This?" "Carol of the Bells" Bell Choir

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*SHARING GOD'S PEACE (please print your name/address in the red pad in the pew)

*GATHERING HYMN "Angels from the Realms of Glory" UMH 220

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH see insert

OPENING PRAYER

Lord of all life and all seasons, help us open our hearts to hear the words of promise and love that you send to us. Like Joseph, may we trust in your abiding love and power. Prepare us to receive your gift of grace and peace. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

The light of God's love shines upon each of us in the gift of God's love, Jesus Christ. This is given for you. Rejoice! **We are loved by God, now and forever. AMEN.**

MUSIC MINISTRY "Sing We Now of Christmas" Keller

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO PRAYER "Emmanuel, Emmanuel" UMH 204

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE 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.

GIVING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Mary, Did You Know?" Lowry and Greene

*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Father, teach us how to listen for your call in our lives. Teach us how to be faithful stewards with the gifts you have entrusted to us. Teach us how to use this offering as a source of your ministry and mission. Teach us how to bow down on our knees and to spend time beholding the miracles all around us. In the name of the greatest teacher, Emmanuel, we pray. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

[Isaiah 40:1-8](#)

CAROL "Lo, How a Rose, E'er Blooming" harm. M. Praetorius; Senior Choir

SECOND LESSON

[Jeremiah 23:5-6](#)

CAROL "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (stanzas 1&3) UMH 211

THIRD LESSON

[Zechariah 9:9-10](#)

CAROL "The Angel Gabriel" Trad., Senior Choir

FOURTH LESSON

[Haggai 2:6-9](#)

CAROL "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (stanzas 5&6) UMH 211

FIFTH LESSON

[Isaiah 35:1-6](#)

CAROL "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" (stanza 7) UMH 211

SIXTH LESSON

[Luke 1:26-35, 38](#)

CAROL "Susanni," 15C German; Senior Choir

SEVENTH LESSON

[Mark 1:1-15](#)

CAROL "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" UMH 240

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Jingle Bells" arr. Booth