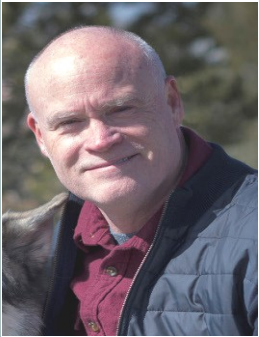


January, 2023

# The Westviewer

Westview Presbyterian Church



Dear Westview,

Let's begin the New Year together! We have a few important events planned for Westview in January.

The first event is January 1<sup>st</sup>! We will kick-off the new year with a New Year's Renewal and Communion Service in The Gathering Place at 9:30am. The service will be different—not only are we not meeting in the sanctuary, Dr. Karin will be in Montana so we will be singing some Taize songs and appropriate Christmas carols, and we will be doing it acapella. I will also lead us in a special renewal in-the-new-year communion service and liturgy.

Other important events this month are the Session Retreat January 5<sup>th</sup>; the election of Robert Rose to serve as deacon on January 8<sup>th</sup> (FYI this is also the date when the Denver Broncos miserable season mercifully comes to an end); a town hall meeting regarding the 2023 budget after worship on January 15<sup>th</sup>; and our annual meeting of the congregation after worship on January 29<sup>th</sup>.

For this month's preaching schedule, I am taking a different thematic approach. As the church in the New Testament was led by elders, and the Greek word for elder is "presbuteros" (Presbyterian in English), I want to spend the month focusing on "spiritual eldering." Elderhood is not necessarily a chronological order. I don't automatically tap into eldering energy simply by aging. I have met older people who are not "elders," just "olders." I have met teenagers in oncology wards who have more spiritual maturity than people four times their age. I have also met older people who are angry and bitter and entitled. So elderhood is not about growing older, rather, it is a *stage* of human spiritual development. (If you really want a dive into elderhood as a stage of human development, read Dr. Bill Plotkin's "Nature and the Human Soul" where he outlines eight stages of human development, two of which are elderhood).

## January Preaching Schedule

January 1 <sup>st</sup>	New Year's Communion and Renewal Service	Revelation 21:5
January 8 <sup>th</sup>	New sermon series "Spiritual Eldering: Reframing"	Genesis 50:15-21
January 15 <sup>th</sup>	Spiritual Eldering: Forgiving"	Matthew 18:18-22
January 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Spiritual Eldering: Reclaiming your Unlived life"	Acts 9:1-5
January 29 <sup>th</sup>	Spiritual Eldering: The State of the Church"	Matthew 28:16-19

A blessed new year to you in 2023.

Dr. Dan



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**Special points of interest:**

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

- 2023 Covenant Commitment—\$56.00

**Date & Times to Note**

- Jan 1, 8, 15, 22, 29— Sunday worship service, 9:30 am
- Jan 2—Office Closed (New Year's Day observed)
- Jan 4—Deacons meeting, 1:00 pm
- Jan 4, 11, 18, 25—Choir rehearsal, 6:30 pm
- Jan 5, 12, 19, 26 —Men's Coffee @ Zigg's, 1139 Francis, 8:00 am
- Jan 5—Session Retreat, 10:00—1:00 pm (Gathering Place)
- Jan 5—Outreach MA, 6:30 pm
- Jan 5—Facilities & Administration MA, 7:00 pm
- Jan 7—Men's Breakfast in Fellowship Hall, 8:00 am
- Jan 7—Worship MA in sanctuary
- Jan 8—Congregational meeting to elect Deacon
- Jan 8—Walk in the Wild, 1:00 pm
- Jan 8, 22—Pantry re-set, 2:00 pm
- Jan 9, 23—Pantry Set-up, starting at 8:00 am
- Jan 9—Creating Cards Ministry, 1:00 pm
- Jan 10, 24—Round Pantry Drive-line, 2:00—6:00 pm
- Jan 11, 25—Pantry Community Distribution, 9:00 am
- Jan 15—Town Hall following worship
- Jan 15—Exploring the True Self study, 11:00 am
- Jan 16—Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (office closed)
- Jan 18—Dominoes, 1:00 pm
- Jan 19—Session meeting, 6:30 pm
- Jan 20—SafeLot meal provided by Westview
- Jan 29—Annual Congregational Meeting (following worship)



**Session Notes**

At their regular meeting on December 15, 2022, Session took the following actions:

- **Approved:** Communion dates for 2023 on first Sunday of each month and Maundy Thursday.
- **Approved** the use of a QR code that is directed to WVPres.org website pages.
- **Approved** a motion to call two Congregational meetings in January. One on January 8, 2023 for the purpose of electing Robert Rose as a Deacon. A second meeting for the Annual Meeting of the Corporation on January 29, 2023.
- **Acknowledged** completion of the required annual reporting to the State of Colorado.



**May 2023 be a year of renewal, clarity, and peace,  
beginning with the first day!**

Communion servers are needed:  
see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the welcome table.

Thank you!  
*Your Worship Ministry Area Team*

**THANK YOU** to everyone who so generously contributed  
to our Staff Christmas gifts.

What a wonderful outpouring of love to the dedicated staff at Westview.  
It was exciting to share your blessings with the personnel who keep everything  
running smoothly, and help God's light shine on our corner of the world.

Grateful and delighted, blessings to you all,  
*Personnel Advisory Committee*



### January Meetings

- January 5:** *Session Retreat*, 10:00—1:00 in Gathering Place
- January 8:** *Congregational mtg. to elect Robert Rose as Deacon* (following worship)
- January 15:** *Town Hall* regarding 2023 Budget (following worship)
- January 29:** ***Annual Congregational Meeting*** (following worship)



CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING



Westview Family and Friends,

We are truly grateful and blessed by your prayers, notes and calls, while we have been dealing with health issues. Thank you all.

*Peace of Christ,  
Nancy Sloan and Jim Sloan, Jr.*

Happy New Year 🎉 Happy New Year 🎉 Happy New Year 🎉



## THE ROUND PANTRY 2023



The Round Pantry prays that in this New Year you will find happiness in new friends, peace in new places and renewed hope in the Love of The Spirit. And, we raise similar prayers for those who visit The Round Pantry.

In our final Pantry of 2022, we served 489 households through the Drive Line distribution and another 752 in Community [Agency] Distribution. Ongoing cash donations to the Pantry budget, special donations of cash and food from local church partners and businesses/community groups, and the food supplies gathered and gleaned by Community Food Share provided over 35,000 pounds of food.

For that same Pantry, 150 volunteers worked to get this large amount of food to the shoppers. Special thanks go to all the volunteers who went above and beyond braving cold weather, taking on extra shifts, and extending their shifts with smiles and caring for their fellow volunteers and the shoppers.

The sincere expressions of gratitude and even tears of shoppers let us know that this is important work and that our efforts and prayers continue to be needed. Comments convince us that shoppers and volunteers see God at work.

On behalf of all of the shoppers we have served in 2022, we thank you so much for your prayers, donations of food and money and for your hard work! And, we pray that with this support and God's provision in the New Year, The Round Pantry can continue to be the hands and feet and hearts of Christ sharing God's love and light.



## Other News (cont.)



Janet Mulay	01/05
Sara Lloyd	01/09
Sharon Cely	01/12
Laura Bickers	01/13
Virginia Arter	01/16
Wally Fleeger	01/19
Roger Peck	01/19
Lynn Smit	01/19
Susie Reed	01/25
John Sekich	01/27

Bruce and Marilyn McQueen

01/28










### SafeLot Shelter Meals

Westview furnishes the evening meal for 12 people on the 3rd Friday of each month.  
 Upcoming dates: **January 20, February 17**  
 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!

GROUP	DATE & TIME	PLACE	SPECIAL NOTES
<b>Mexican Train Dominos</b>	<b>Jan. 18</b>	Fellowship Hall	<b>Open to:</b> Anyone <b>Meets:</b> Wednesday in between Pantry dates <b>Contact:</b> Wanda Heibein
<b>Men's Breakfast</b>	<b>Jan. 7</b>	Fellowship Hall	<b>Open to:</b> Any interested men <b>Meets:</b> Oct—May, 1st Saturday of the month <b>Contact:</b> Harry Heibein
<b>Men's Weekly Coffee</b>	<b>Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26</b>	Ziggi's, at 1139 Francis	<b>Open to:</b> All are welcome <b>Meets:</b> Weekly on Thursdays, 8:00 am, 1139 Francis <b>Contact:</b> Harry Heibein
<b>Round Urban Garden</b>		1500 Hover	<b>Open to:</b> Anyone— <b>No activities in January</b>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  9:30am Worship Service	2  Office Closed	3	4 1:00pm Deacons meeting 6:30pm Choir rehearsal	5 8:00am Men's Coffee 10:00am Session Retreat 6:30pm Outreach MA 7:00pm Facilities/Admin	6	7 8:00am Men's Breakfast 9:30am Worship MA in sanctuary
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15 Town Hall meeting (following worship) 9:30am Worship Service 11:00am Exploring The True Self	16  Office closed	17	18 1:00pm Dominoes 6:30pm Choir rehearsal	19 8:00am Men's Coffee 6:30pm Session meeting	20 Volunteer for SafeLot meal	21 
22 9:30am Worship Service 2:00pm Pantry Re-set	23 8:00am Pantry Setup	24  2:00pm Pantry Drive line	25 9:30am Pantry Community Dist 6:30pm Choir rehearsal	26 8:00am Men's Coffee	27	28
29  Annual Congregational Mtg. (following worship) 9:30am Worship Service	30	31	1 1:00pm Deacons meeting 6:30pm Choir rehearsal	2 8:00am Men's Coffee 6:30pm Outreach MA 7:00pm Facilities/Admin	3	4 8:00am Men's Breakfast



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