# The Westviewer

### Westview Presbyterian Church



Dear Westview,

Ah, the month of March. The official start of spring. At the time of this writing when it is cold and snowing, the thought of spring lifts my heart a little bit.

Spring is not only the official end of winter it is a time of new beginnings. We have many new beginnings at Westview as well as some traditional Lenten spiritual practices:

#### Ash Wednesday

The season of Lent starts late this year with Ash Wednesday March 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will have two offerings on that day: from 12:00 to 12:30 p.m. the sanctuary will be open and I will be leading a contemplative time for the **Imposition of Ashes.** Enter the sanctuary and sit in silent contemplation, and when you are ready come forward and receive the imposition of ashes on your forehead. The Imposition of Ashes is one of the last initiation rites we have maintained from the ancient church.

A traditional Ash Wednesday service will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The service will also include the rite of the Imposition of Ashes, as well as prayer, contemplation, and music.

#### **ElderSoul**

A five-week spiritual dive into aging and elderhood begins with **ElderSoul** on March 13<sup>th</sup>. I am happy to announce the class is full.

#### **Grief Group**

In the season of Lent and one of the things that comes up in our faith journey during this time of year is grief. I will be leading a "grief group" beginning **Wednesday, March 16**<sup>th</sup> **through April 13**<sup>th</sup> **at 11:00 a.m. in The Damascus Room**. Grief and sorrow does not go away if unattended, it just goes underground. Join a compassionate group of people who will attend to our own stories and heartbreaks in a group that listens but does not give advice, fix others, or rescue you from whatever you are going through. The book we will be using is "The Wild Edge of Sorrow" by Francis Weller.

#### **Youth Council Expansion**

On Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup> we will be experimenting with the expansion of last fall's youth council into a multigenerational worship experience at 11:00 a.m. in The Gathering Place. Please know this is not a traditional worship service at a different time. It will be informal, conversational, no traditional hymns, no musical instruments for now, and last between 45 to 60 minutes. Currently we do not offer much for families with young children and/or teenagers and this is a step in the right direction without altering or changing the 9:30 a.m. worship service.

I am very excited about these new initiatives in our church. My hope and prayer is that these practices and initiatives will continue to shape us as a community of faith, draw us closer to God, and closer to one another.

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

- Mar 2—Imposition of Ashes, Walk-in from 12:00—12:30 pm
- Mar 2—Deacons meeting, 1:00 pm
- Mar 2—Ash Wednesday service in sanctuary and on zoom, 7:00 pm
- Mar 3, 10, 17, 24, 31—Men's Coffee @ Ziggi's, 1139 Francis, 8:00 am
- Mar 3— Facilities & Administration MA, 6:30 pm Outreach MA, 6:30 pm
- Mar 5—Worship MA, in sanctuary, 9:30 am
- Mar 6, 13, 20, 27—Sunday Worship service, 9:30 am
- Mar 7, 21—Pantry Set-up
- Mar 7—Creating Cards Ministry, 1:00 pm
- Mar 7—Worship MA meeting, Damascus room, 6:30 pm
- Mar 8, 22—Round Pantry, 2:00—6:00 pm
- Mar 9, 23, 30—Chancel and bell choir rehearsal, 7:00 pm
- Mar 10—Personnel Advisory Committee, 6:30 pm
- Mar 12—Men's Breakfast, 8:00 am
- Mar 13—St. Patrick's Day Gathering after worship,
- Mar 13, 20, 27—ElderSoul Lenten Study, Gathering Place, 2:00 pm
- Mar 16, 23, 30—Grief Group, Damascus room, 12 noon
- Mar 16—Mexican Train Dominoes, 1:00 pm
- Mar 17—St. Patrick's Day
- Mar 17—Session meeting, 6:30 pm
- Mar 18—SafeLot meal provided by Westview
- Mar 27—Town Hall meeting, following worship



March 13th—time change (Spring forward)

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The Worship Ministry Area would like to invite you to join us on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd.

You may come by the church to receive the imposition of ashes that afternoon, in the Sanctuary, from 12:00 to 12:30 p.m.

We will also be holding a service that evening, that will include the imposition of ashes, 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

"Be still and know that I am God"
Psalm 46:10

May this verse encourage you to take a moment and rest in the love of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Westview family, you are ALL invited to a St. Patrick's Day Tea, following worship on March 13th, to celebrate Irish/Scottish/Celtic culture and wisdom, Daylight Savings Time, and the decline of Covid infections to a level safe enough to enjoy indoor gatherings again! In addition to lots of yummy treats, there will be delightful music, and possibly a visit from a local leprechaun. Please sign up to bring your favorite finger food to share: small sandwiches, cheese, nuts, fruits, candy, cookies, muffins or other baked goods, including gluten-free items or something we've never heard of before. A sign-up sheet will be available in the Fellowship Hall, or call Kay Daugherty with questions, or bring anything you want at the last minute, or come with just your sweet self. It's almost spring, and time to celebrate life together!





#### What those numbers add up to...

The Community Food Share (CFS) service area includes Boulder and Broomfield Counties. The two counties are often considered to be quite wealthy — but hunger affects our neighbors here just like the rest of the state (and country).

46,000
people are hungry
in Boulder and
Broomfield Counties.

of children are food insecure
— that's 9,000 children.

\$4.00
is the average cost per
meal
— nearly 30% above the
national average.

From: Community Food Share https://communityfoodshare.org/learn/hunger-101/

The ROUND PANTRY at Westview Presbyterian Church is submitting its twelfth annual renewal as a distributing agency of CFS. In this process, we submit paperwork - insurance certificate, list of food safety trained volunteers, and signatures. It should be noted that for the second year, we will not have to submit a fee (\$500) for the food and service we receive, because the Dannon Corporation, a generous corporate benefactor of Community Food Share, is funding all agency fees. We also submit facts and figures – that you saw in the 2021 Annual Report.

The ROUND PANTRY regularly shares information about how many shoppers are served. In the first two months of 2022, here's what we've been up to:

Provided food to: 3920 shoppers Averaged: 336 in Drive Line

and

433 through Community Distribution

Distributed; 128,382 pounds of food

.... in two months / four Pantry weeks – one of which was snowy and cold and another of which was FRIGID...

because Westview Presbyterian Church heard and continues to hear "Christ's urgent call to be a church of action, where God's love, justice and mercy shine forth and are contagious" and because The ROUND PANTRY continues to share, working with a broad group of volunteers, the light, love, holy purpose and hard work of God's call to do mission.

[based on: https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/]





Thank you to all who contributed to our "Souper Bowl of Caring" on Super Bowl Sunday.

We collected a full bag of groceries, and \$233.00 in cash, all donated to our ROUND Pantry. Thank you !!!!

**Outreach Ministry Area** 



# Other News (cont.)





Dorothy Alderman	03/02
Pam Schneider	03/02
Nita Flora	03/08
Nancy Johnson	03/09
Shirley Hansen	03/10
Ashley Weibel	03/11
Susan Bunic	03/12
Lia DeKesthler	03/14
Sheri Bidinger	03/17
Evelyn Bissell	03/20
Sue Gibson	03/21
Bill Deegan	03/25
Liam Chriswell	03/29
Doug Geiger	03/29
Archie Stevenson	03/31

#### **SafeLot Shelter Meals**

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

Upcoming dates: **March 18, April 15** 

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
Mexican Train Dominos	Mar 16 1:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall	Open to: Anyone Meets: Wednesday in between Pantry dates Contact: Wanda Heibein
Men's Breakfast	Mar. 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

2/23/22, 4:07 PM

# **MARCH 2022**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30 AM Worship Service	28	MaRch	2 ISH WEDIESTAN S:00 PM Ash Wednesday service	3 8:00 AM Men's Coffee 6:30 PM Cutreach MA	4	<b>5 9:30 AM</b> Worship MA in sanctuary
First Sunday First Sunday in Morship Service 2:00 PM Round Pantry Re-Set	7 8:00 AM Pantry Set-up 1:00 PM Creating Cards 6:30 PM Worship MA (Damascus Rm)	8:00 AM Pantry Drive line 6:00 PM Pantry Clean-up	9 9:00 AM RP Community Distr 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal	10 6:30 PM Personnel Advisory	11	12 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast
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#### **Worship Time:**

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

<u>Staff:</u> Rev. Dr. Dan Dolquist, Pastor Dr Tom Riis, Choir Director Dr. Karin Buer, Pianist Sharon Boeye, Office Manager



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