

— ANNOUNCEMENTS —

**STAFF ROLES IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CHANDLER'S DEPARTURE:** The personnel committee, as it leads us through the process, has begun to lay out staff roles immediately following Chandler's departure at the end of June, and they are very similar to how things worked during Chandler's 2016 sabbatical. Effective July 1, in his capacity as Executive Pastor, Rev. David Baak will take on the responsibilities of Head of Staff. As Associate Pastor, Rev. Jen Porter will take the responsibility of Moderator of Session; she and Rev. Jeremy Bork will manage liturgy and worship. \*\*It is important to keep in mind this is a short-term next-step and there is a much longer process beginning.— Steve Baron, Elder for Personnel

**YOUTH BRUNCH FUNDRAISER TODAY: Following our 11:00a service TODAY, join us for our Youth Brunch Fundraiser.** [Suggested donation: \$10/person or \$25/ family. Or any amount you feel brunch-worthy.]

**THE CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CHOIRS** of Westminster will have their end-of-year program on **Sunday, May 6, at 9:30a** in the sanctuary. Westminster has five graded children's and youth choirs. The Cantus Choir (3 to kindergarten age), the Cherub Choir (grades 1 and 2), and the Carol Choir (grades 3, 4, and 5) will each sing. The Chapel Ringers (grades 6, 7, and 8) will ring a handbell piece. The Kirk Singers (high school age) will sing. Each participant will have their name called and will be given a certificate. This program is a good opportunity to honor our young people who are involved in our choir program! Everyone is invited to attend!

**ASK CHANDLER (ALMOST) ANYTHING:** On **Saturday, May 5**, you're invited to Westminster at 7:00p for a fun, personal Q&A with Chandler and to hear some of his favorite songs on the guitar. Send your questions to invite Chandler to share authentic stories of his life and ministry...and maybe even get his real thoughts on that sabbatical beard. (Save your theological questions for the 8:30a service on Sunday, May 20!) Chandler will not see the questions ahead of time; questions can be submitted through May 3 to [heatherc@wpcgr.org](mailto:heatherc@wpcgr.org).

**ALL CHURCH EVENT!** Join us as we participate as a church in the ACCESS of West Michigan's **WALK FOR GOOD FOOD** (formerly the Hunger Walk) on **Sunday, May 6**. Walkers plan to have lunch together after the 11:00a worship service and then walk through our city to raise awareness and money for the fight against hunger in West Michigan. Donate to **Team Westminster** or register by going to our church website ([www.westminstergr.org](http://www.westminstergr.org)) and use the "click here" option. Questions, contact Nancy Greidanus at [nancyvg@wpcgr.org](mailto:nancyvg@wpcgr.org) or Angie Kelley at [angiek@wpcgr.org](mailto:angiek@wpcgr.org).

**SPRING SERVICE WEEKEND MAY 19-20 AT CAMP HENRY:** Join us at Camp Henry for our Spring Service Weekend! Serve alongside fellow campers, alumni, volunteers, and staff to help prepare various areas of camp for the upcoming summer season, followed by opportunities to participate in some fun, classic camp activities! **May 19-20, 2018 all ages** / free, children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult. Find out more and RSVP at Camp's website, [www.camphenry.org](http://www.camphenry.org).

**LEARN ABOUT THE LISTENING POST:** The Listening Post is a safe place for GVSU and GRCC students to share unhurried conversation, a place to be heard and accepted on-campus. This is a cooperative ministry between True North Campus Ministry and The Wesley Fellowship, along with volunteers from local congregations like WPC. "Listeners" work as part of a team with training and a flexible time commitment. You are invited to join this year's volunteers as they reflect on their experiences over this academic year. It's a great way to learn more. Join for lunch on **Tuesday, May 1** at noon at Westminster. RSVP to [nancy@truenorthonline.org](mailto:nancy@truenorthonline.org).


**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN ADULTS:** Please join us on **Thursday, May 10**, for our next WPA luncheon. Our speaker will be Barbara Thomas, who has a compelling life story: moving from a broken life of addiction and incarceration to one of recovery, college, and work serving others in finding hope. We begin our gathering with punch bowl at 11:30a and lunch follows at 12 noon. If you have questions, contact Elder Sue Ernzer at 633-8802 or [suzano413@comcast.net](mailto:suzano413@comcast.net).

**BREAD FOR THE WORLD LETTER WRITING:** Join Bread For The World on **Sunday, May 13** and put your faith into action by writing letters to Congress. Just two minutes of your time can help create political will by writing our policy makers and urging them to create pathways out of hunger and poverty. Stop by the Gathering Place after either service and we will provide everything you need to make your letter impactful - writing materials, templates, and fresh ideas! Sponsored by the Justice and Peace Committee.

**STORIES FROM THE HOLY LAND: Exploring Interfaith Understanding as Spiritual Formation:** Travel to the Holy Land without buying a plane ticket! Join Rev. Chandler Stokes and Pastor Bob Linstrom of Trinity Lutheran Church on **Thursday, May 17 from 6:00-8:00p** for an evening of dinner, fellowship, and storytelling from their February trip to Israel. Besides sharing their travelogue, both speakers will explore their deepened understanding around interfaith dialogue as spiritual formation. All are welcome to enjoy this free dinner and conversation in the WPC Dining Room. Please RSVP to Sarah Omicioli at 616-717-5534 or [saraho@wpcgr.org](mailto:saraho@wpcgr.org) by Sunday, May 13.

— THIS WEEK AT WESTMINSTER —

<b>SUN. APR 29</b>	8:15 am	Child Care .....	Nursery
	8:30 am	Worship .....	Sanctuary
	9:40 am	Elementary Workshops & 1/5th Grd Choir ..	3rd Fl. Rms.
	9:40 am	Adult Faith Formation: <i>Lectio Divina</i> .....	Food Pantry
	9:40 am	Adult Faith Formation: <i>Prosperity of the City Interfaith Discussion</i> .....	Conf. Rm
	9:40 am	Racial Justice: <i>The History of Whiteness</i> .....	Chapel
	9:40 am	Pre-K/Kndg Educ./Cantus Choir .....	Little Steps Room
	9:40 am	New Members with Session .....	Parlor
	11:00 am	Worship with Reception of New Members ...	Sanctuary
	12:00 pm	Fellowship Time/Coffee Hour .....	Gathering Place
	12:15 pm	Youth Brunch Fundraiser .....	Dining Rm
	12:15 pm	Baptism Seminar .....	Formation Suite
<b>MON. APR 30</b>	9:00 am	EaRN/Westminster Works .....	Conference Rm
	11:00 am	Ann Rinck Quilt Circle .....	Multi Purpose Room
	1:30 pm	Camp Henry 5K Committee Meeting .....	Library
	5:30 pm	Health & Wholeness Committee .....	Formation Suite
<b>TUES. MAY 1</b>	10:30 am	Food Pantry .....	Food Pantry
	11:00 am	True North Luncheon .....	Parlor
<b>WED. MAY 2</b>	6:30 am	MS/HS Prayer Breakfast .....	Wolfgang's
	12:00 pm	Eaton Circle .....	Porter Hills Café
	1:30 pm	Exploring Faith Book Discussion .....	Library
	6:30 pm	West Michigan Gay Men's Chorus .....	Choir Room
	7:00 pm	Youth Committee Meeting .....	Formation Suite
<b>THURS. MAY 3</b>	6:30 am	MS/HS Prayer Breakfast .....	Red Hot Inn
	9:30 am	Spiritual Formation .....	Library
	10:30 am	Food Pantry .....	Food Pantry
	1:00 pm	Mary Martha Circle .....	Parlor
	4:00 pm	WCDC Fundraising Committee .....	Conference Rm
	7:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir .....	Choir Room
<b>FRI. MAY 4- SUN. MAY 6</b>		Dad & Me Weekend .....	Camp Henry
<b>SAT. MAY 5</b>	10:00 am	Sat. Morning Book Group .....	Biggby Coffee
	7:00 pm	An Evening of Stories and Songs with Rev. Chandler Stokes...Sanctuary, Gathering Place	
<b>SUN. MAY 6</b>	8:15 am	Child Care .....	Nursery
	8:30 am	Worship with Communion .....	Sanctuary
	9:40 am	Adult Formation: Interfaith Panel Discussion ...	Chapel
	9:40 am	Adult Faith Formation: <i>Lectio Divina</i> .....	Food Pantry
	9:40 am	Children/Youth Music Program .....	Sanctuary
	11:00 am	Worship with Communion .....	Sanctuary
	12:00 pm	Fellowship Time/Coffee Hour .....	Gathering Place
	12:15 pm	Access "Walk for Good Food" Luncheon .....	Dining Rm
	12:15 pm	Guests' Conversation with Rev. Stokes .....	Parlor
	1:30 pm	Access "Walk for Good Food" .....	Off-Site
	4:00 pm	End of Year Youth Party .....	Various Rms.



**Linking Lives**

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**LINKING LIVES:**  
**Focus on Ferals: Cat Shelter Helper**  
 Spend time with cats who don't have a home. As a Cat Shelter Helper, you will help keep the space nice and tidy, while also interacting with the cats to socialize them with people. Shifts are available any time of day and suitable for volunteers 10-110 years old. Contact Heather at [heatherc@wpcgr.org](mailto:heatherc@wpcgr.org) / 717-5536. More opportunities are available at [ServeGR.com](http://ServeGR.com).