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CONFIRMATION 2021! Any high school youth are invited to participate in the confirmation class this fall. The class will run on Sundays from September 19 through November 7 from 9:40 - 10:45 a.m. in the Youth Room. Each confirmand will have a mentor from the congregation, so we need confirmands to sign up by August 31 to participate. Contact Laurie (laurieh@wpcgr.org) or Sara (saraz@wpcgr.org) if you wish to participate.

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NURSERY ATTENDANTS NEEDED: Parents of our little ones are longing to get to church. We need people (eighteen years and older) who would be willing to care for these little ones during our church services on Sundays. We have paid and volunteer opportunities, and you can volunteer for just one Sunday! Please contact Nancy Greidanus at nancyg@wpcgr.org for more information.

FOOD PANTRY IN NEED OF PLASTIC BAGS! If you have any plastic bags you would like to donate to the pantry, please bring them to the church!

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USHERS NEEDED! We're in need of twelve to fourteen new ushers to share the Westminster welcome during worship services in the fall! Each usher is assigned to a team and can choose to usher at either the 8:30 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service. If you're interested to usher, please email email Randy Block or call 616-456-0125. Thank you!

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