# WESTBY UMC

October 13, 2024

\* please stand in body or spirit

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* GATHERING SONGS

He Knows My Name Christ Beside Me #2166 TFWS

# \* CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Where do we turn when our cries go unanswered?
P: Where do we turn when we feel forsaken and alone?
L: We search for God before and behind us, but God is not there.
P: We search for God above and beneath us, but come away empty.
L: Yet even now, we will commit ourselves to God.
P: Even now, we will put our trust in the Lord.
L: Come! Let us worship.

## **\* OPENING PRAYER**

Elusive One, be near us in our need. For we are poured out like water and our hearts melt like wax within us. You have watched over us since our birth as a mother watches over her children. Come to us swiftly and be with us now, for the darkness threatens and the light fades. Help us in our weakness and touch us with your mercy and your grace. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

COMMUNITY PRAYER

# 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

HYMN OF INSPIRATION Step

Step by Step

SCRIPTURE READING

Joshua 1:6-9 & John 1:1-5

MESSAGE "The Means of Grace: The Scripture"

# OFFERING OUR GIFTS, LIVES AND SERVICE

- \*\* Please place your offering in the plate in the narthex by the entrance, or send your offering by mail, or drop it off in the church mailbox by the south doors. \*\*
- \* DOXOLOGY Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow #95 UMH

\* OFFERING PRAYER

- \* CLOSING HYMN Thy Word
- \* SENDING FORTH

Christ offers us grace and mercy. Christ gives us hope and encouragement through the Scripture. Now we go into our lives to deliver the love and grace of the Word. Amen.

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## WELCOME TO ALL WORSHIPING WITH US TODAY!

Coming Events:

- Oct. 13 10:00 AM Fellowship & Sunday School
- Oct. 16 6:00 PM Growing in Faith Study Group discuss chapter 3 of "My Heart's Desire"
- Oct. 20 8:15 AM Pastor Appreciation Potluck Breakfast Please bring a breakfast dish/side to share as we thank Pastor Paul for his service.

In case you need a reminder, here are the names of Pastor Paul's family: Sunwoo (Pastor Paul's wife), Sooho (their son) and Sua (their daughter)

#### PRAYERS

Ann, Ardith, those who are homeless, family visits, those who are traveling, those experiencing storm damage, Sunday School families, Norseland residents, our church family, Pastor Paul, unnamed concerns, our church in ministry.

#### Mission of the Month - Operation Christmas Child

We are collecting donations for Operation Christmas Child (OCC) in October because we'll be packing the boxes in November. You can support this mission through monetary donations, as it costs \$10 to ship each box, or you could donate items. Possible items to donate are: small toys, school supplies (that will fit in a shoe box), hair clips, toy jewelry, personal care items, clothing accessories, small games or activities. We would like to pack 12-15 boxes this year. If you write a check, make it out to the church and include OCC in the memo line. Thank you for your support!

#### Hygiene Bags for Bethel Butikk

Please continue to donate items for the Hygiene Bags for Bethel Butikk. Items needed are toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo & conditioner, hand soap, hand lotion, deodorant, razors, shaving cream, brushes & combs. They also need packages of feminine hygiene products.

#### **Senior Strength Training**

This class is open to everyone, of all ages. This class meets on Tuesday and Thursday from 12:30-1:15 PM.

#### Westby Senior Meal Site

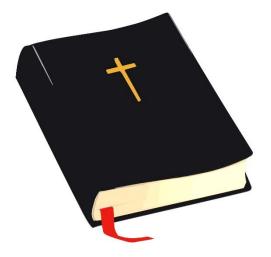
The Westby Senior Meal Site is held at our church. Meals will be served Monday-Thursday, at 11:30 AM. Please call 608-637-5201 by 8:00 AM to reserve and order a meal for that day.

#### **Prayer Request Box**

Please write your prayer request on the note card and put it in the box. Our Thursday Morning Prayer Group will then pray for these requests when they meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month.



WESTBY United Methodist Church October 13, 2024



### 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School & Fellowship after Worship

Westby United Methodist Church 202 East State St., Westby, WI 54667

Our calling is to reach all people with the life-changing power of God's Love and Grace available to all through Jesus Christ, our Lord.