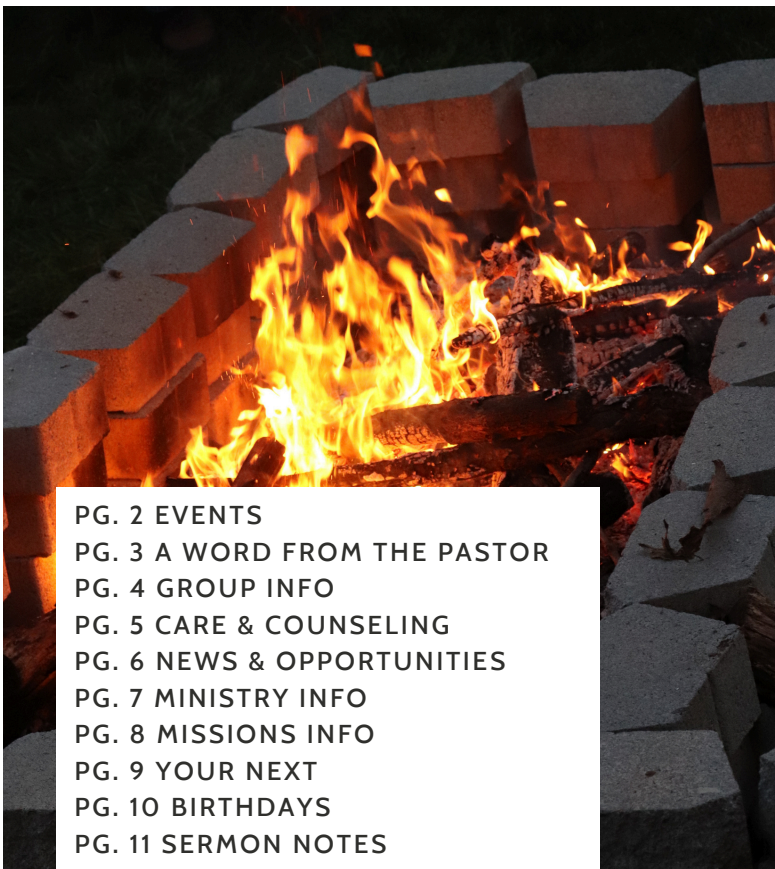


THE BULLETIN

CHURCH LIFE AND UPDATES

November

2024



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we make disciples

UPCOMING EVENTS

November

03 | Operation Christmas Child Box Packing | 12:15pm
07 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
12 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
13 | Parenting & Follow-up Discussion | 6:45pm
13 | Student Operation Christmas Child Box Packing | 6:45pm
15 | Harvest Dinner | 6:00pm
17 | Operation Christmas Child Boxes Due
17 | Baptism Sunday | 11:00am
17 | Annual Business Meeting | 12:00pm
19 | Heart to Heart | 9:30am
21 | Boston Inn Outreach | 4:30pm
24 | Outside The Walls Gift Tree Launch
28 | Thanksgiving Day | Church Offices Closed

December

05 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
07 | Women's Ministry Christmas Tea
10 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
11 | Outside the Walls Gift Return Deadline
17 | Heart to Heart | 9:00am
18 | Student Ministry Christmas Party | 6:45pm
19 | Boston Inn Outreach | 4:30pm
20 | Shepherd's Table Soup Kitchen | 12:00pm
24 | Christmas Eve Service | 6:00pm
25 | Christmas Day | Church Offices Closed

January

01 | New Years Day | Church Offices Closed
02 | Silver Sages | Bullock's Restaurant | 12:00pm
10-12 | Student Reboot
14 | Silver Sages | Baugher's Restaurant | 8:30am
16 | Boston Inn Outreach | 4:30pm
23 | FVE Cookie Drop
28 | Heart to Heart | 9:00am

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dear church,

November is our biggest month for gathering together as the church. We will have a large group of people serving together at the Operation Christmas Shoebox event. We will have two weeks of baptisms! We will have most of the church eating dinner together at the Harvest Dinner on Friday, November 15th. And, we will gather to vote on a new group of members and discuss the 2025 Leadership and Budget of the church on Sunday, November 17th after church. These are great opportunities to get to know the people and church better.

Additionally, it's a time to give thanks to God for all He has done! We will celebrate the victories of 2025 at our Harvest Dinner. We are also sending a small group into Haiti to build new relationships and launch new initiatives. Our church is making an impact locally and globally, while we are also being intentional about loving one another inside the church. I hope you will make the Harvest Dinner a priority for you and your family, it's a truly special time.

Grace and peace,
Dr. Matthew S. McMillan
Lead Pastor

 **REGISTER NOW**



a word from the pastor

DISCOVER CHRIST • COMMUNITY • CHURCH

In our culture it's easy to feel isolated and disconnected due to workaholism, social media, and excess pleasures in society. Yet, in church, true discipleship happens in the context of authentic relationships. This is why joining a group with other Christians is not just some self-help trick, it's biblically commanded.

Groups are where discipleship takes place, and they are the soil where authentic disciples of Jesus are formed. As God calls us to disciple others, we look to equip someone who has faith in God, relies on Him in both struggles and triumphs, repents of sin, and is assured of their salvation. They are competent in spiritual growth, know and obey God's Word, and exhibit the attitude of Christ, characterized by humility, honesty, encouragement, graciousness, and compassion.

At WBC we have three types of groups, but we do intentionally build them to aid in the discipleship journey. We encourage you to connect with one of our pastors or email groups@discoverwbc.com if you are not in a group.

By joining a group, you push back against the isolated social media infested culture and dig deep into real relationships that are Christ centered. You push back against the narrative that the more stuff you have the happier you will be, and you shift into the reminder that we were made to be together in this endeavor of cultivating the creation God has given us. May we gather together, grow together, and go together through the groups we have at WBC.

Learn more about available WBC's Life Groups or a Sunday School Group by scanning code or online at discoverwbc.com/groups.



GATHER • GROW • GO



Looking for opportunities to serve as a group?
Check out local missions, SALT, and global opportunities.



Let's do LIFE in Community. Get Connected Today!



ALPHA

Your first step in Discipleship here at WBC is ALPHA! Learn more at discoverwbc.com/alpha. If you have attended ALPHA and DISCOVER and are ready to connect with a group, please contact us at groups@discoverwbc.com.

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- ▶ Draw Near
- ▶ Be Challenged
- ▶ Meet Pastors

▶ READ MORE



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CARE AND COUNSELING

Confrontation and conflict are not easy and since we live in a broken, fallen world we don't always handle these two things well. This past Sunday I was given the honor to present to the church what it looks like to confront others biblically and how to handle conflict resolution biblically. Here are my main points, with Scripture to support. My prayer is that we would handle conflict and confrontation that would honor God, grow each other and bring others to Christ. - Pastor Bill Brown

The Wisdom Way: Biblical Confrontation and Conflict Resolution



Why Do Conflicts Happen?

James 4:1-2 "What is the source of wars and fights among you? Don't they come from your passions that wage war within you? 2 You desire and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and wage war. You do not have because you do not ask."

Don't Avoid Confrontation and Conflict.

Ephesians 4:26-27 "Be angry and don't sin – Don't let the sun go down on your anger and don't give the devil an opportunity."

Speak the Truth Always in Love.

Ephesians 4:15 "But speaking the truth in love, let us grow in every way into him who is the head – Christ."

Words Matter.

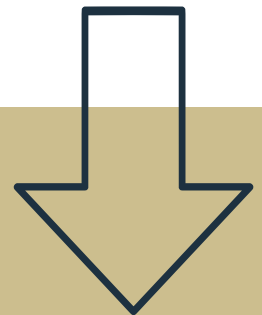
Proverbs 15:1 "A gentle answer turns away anger, but a harsh word stirs up wrath."

Proverbs 25:11-12 "A word spoken at the right time is like gold apples in silver settings. A wise correction to a receptive ear is like a gold ring or an ornament of gold."

Above All - LOVE!

Proverbs 10:12 "Hatred stirs up conflict, but love covers all offenses."

A 3 Step Biblical Process for Resolving Conflict: Credit to Peacemaker by Ken Sande and Pursuing Peace by Robert D. Jones



God's Glory:

1 Corinthians 10:23-24 "Everything is permissible, but not everything is beneficial. Everything is permissible, but not everything builds up. No one is to seek his own good, but the good of the other person."

1 Corinthians 10:31 "So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God."

Repent of your Sins:

Psalms 51:3-4 "For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. "

Love and Restore: Your Brother and the Relationship:

Matthew 18:15 "If your brother sins against you, go tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won your brother."

NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES



Julia Landrum invites you to join her at her home on Thursday, November 14th at 7:00pm to help create Advent Devotional Bags for elementary age kids. Please RSVP by calling (410) 239-3153.



"Carry one another's burdens; in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."
Galatians 6:2

Thank you to all of our church family who gave in abundance to bless those affected by the devastation of Hurricane Helene! Kathy Jenkin's family was able to deliver several trucks of immediate relief supplies to a local church in North Carolina.

SendRelief.org/hurricane

Baptism SUNDAY

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Harvest Dinner



Friday | November 15 | 6:00pm

Please bring a
baked dessert or
your favorite
bread/rolls to
share.

REGISTER NOW



For many years, Westminster Baptist Church, under the leadership of Mary Reeb and other volunteers, has maintained a food pantry, available to community members in need of non-perishables. Many have been blessed by this cares ministry. In recent years, local partners across the county, including Shepherd's Staff and Westminster Rescue Mission, have developed a robust distribution of food, including non-perishable foods, perishables such as meat, milk, and eggs, and even hot meals. This has caused our food pantry to be used less and less frequently. Therefore, going forward, WBC will no longer maintain an onsite food pantry.



MISSION FOOD PROGRAM

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This does not mean that members should no longer give of their abundance (Psalm 82:3-4). Instead, our Cares and Local Ministries will encourage groups and individuals to give non-perishables to the Mission Food Program at Westminster Rescue Mission.

Friendship Valley Elementary

Cookies! Are you good at baking or just love cookies? The next Cookie Drop is scheduled for **January 23rd**. Please drop home-baked cookies off at the church office closer to the drop date. Thank you for your support to FVE.



In keeping with Matthew 29:19, the mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Each year, Samaritan's Purse collects shoeboxes filled with toys, school supplies, and hygiene items. The boxes travel all over the world, where volunteers present them, along with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Fill a Box Challenge: Boxes with instructions are available in the church lobby. Fill the box with suggested items and return to the Operation Christmas Child table no later than **November 17th**. Contact Jenn Steen @ jsteen3@verizon.net with questions.

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Biblical Lay Counseling

If you are dealing with a sin issue, feeling like you are in a season of suffering, or need biblical counsel in any area of your life, we are here to help.



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Our church is invested in cross-generational ministry. We want to see legacies of faith passed down from generation to generation. In order to continue to see this happen, we are integrating a focus on Biblical Parenting into our worship rhythm. **The Fourth Quarter's Focus is God's View on Technology and Distractions vs The World's View.**

Wednesday | November 13th | Parenting Forum | 6:45pm - 8:15pm
Please email bill@discoverwbc.com with any questions.



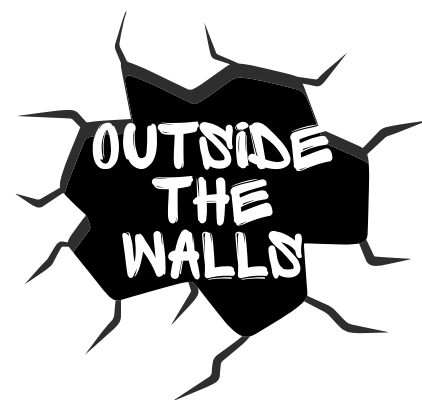
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OUTSIDE THE WALLS - Christmas Focus! Opportunity for all to be the hands and feet of Jesus this Christmas!

Join with your DGroup, Life Group, Sunday School, family, or as an individual to provide gifts for a child in need. God has provided us with two ways to provide Christmas gifts for others:

1. Join the staff at Friendship Valley Elementary School to help provide Christmas gifts for children of families that are facing financial challenges.
2. Partner with The Salvation Army to provide gifts for 4 families that our church has adopted for Christmas.



"CARRY ONE ANOTHER'S BURDENS; IN THIS WAY YOU WILL FULFILL THE LAW OF CHRIST." GALATIANS 6:2



**GIFT TREE TAGS AVAILABLE IN THE LOBBY
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH
DEADLINE FOR RETURN OF PURCHASED GIFTS
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11TH**

Please email Kim Duvall at kim@discoverwbc.com with any questions.

In this month of November, we will deploy a team to Cap-Haitien with efforts to continue our on-going WBC ministry. A team with Carson Fogarty, Jordon Leppo, and Matt McMillan, led by Scott Pierson will travel to Cap-Haitien to meet with local leaders and pastors following up on our Business as Mission training conducted virtually this past April. While there the team will also visit with an established business as mission entity to engage for further ministry. The team will also explore properties to gain a better understanding of church planting costs and timelines.

**BUSINESS
AS MISSION**

We ask for your prayers and support of this team as they prepare and deploy on this opportunity. Please also refrain from posting team member pictures, names, or other mission details to social media. This will allow our team to move more freely while on the ground in Haiti.

Pray for Haiti

"Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in everything; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus"
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18:

- Pray for the children of Idadee and Ebac orphanages, for their teachers, and their house moms. If you would like to sponsor a child at Idadee, please contact Scott Pierson for more information (Scott@discoverwbc.com)
- Pray for the believers in Haiti to actively engage the communities to cultivate and influence culture to better serve God. Pray for transformed hearts.

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YOUR NEXT

Our Church has a mission and vision that is accomplished through intentional strategies making disciples who gather, grow, and go to bring God glory and enjoy His goodness forever. If you would like to learn more about who we are and what we do then **START HERE!** Either scan the code below or visit discoverwbc.com/start to begin **YOUR NEXT** journey.

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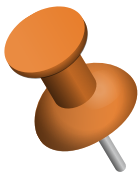
BIRTHDAYS

November

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| 01 | Lori McQuay | 17 | Kayla Garland |
| 02 | Kim Duvall | 17 | Mary Lou Graham |
| 02 | Serenity Holtschneider | 17 | Jaden Harrison |
| 03 | Andre Giguere | 17 | Ben Vincent |
| 05 | Michael Callahan | 18 | Madeline Gassman |
| 05 | Sebastian Hamm | 19 | David Dandorf |
| 05 | Alan Keiffer | 21 | Eric Hudson |
| 05 | Dominic (Dom) States | 23 | Hunter Green |
| 06 | John Dawson | 23 | Rebecca Sweep |
| 07 | Edeline (Eddie) Allman | 24 | Lem Halterman |
| 07 | Hunter Machamer | 24 | Zachary Hinton |
| 07 | Cassandra Miller | 24 | Karen Wagner |
| 07 | Hunter Mowers | 25 | Gavin Yoder |
| 07 | Daisy Trcka | 26 | Debbie Murphy |
| 08 | Glori Byrd | 28 | Jessica Eikenberg |
| 08 | Alyssa Jacobs | 28 | Cooper Machamer |
| 09 | Charles Cole | 29 | Steve Carroll |
| 09 | Ava Cook | 30 | Kyle Blouse |
| 09 | Laura Moyers | 30 | Betty Giguere |
| 09 | Miles Warren | | |
| 10 | Darlene Myers | | |
| 12 | Spencer Green | | |
| 12 | Paul Hauffman | | |
| 12 | Melissa Pekar | | |
| 12 | Dana Shrader | | |
| 13 | Isla Cook | | |
| 13 | Jackie Edwards | | |
| 13 | Sondra Reger | | |
| 13 | Sue Rouiller | | |
| 15 | Jared (JD) Clatterbuck | | |
| 17 | Colleen Callahan | | |



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