



To the Session of Webster Presbyterian Church,

As I begin this report, we are winding down our summer, while discovering that the calendar is quickly filling up. Relationships and groups are once again making plans.

Nominating Committee and Committee Chairs.

The following is the list of names currently serving on the Nominating Committee:

Roy Stilwell, Beth Frohme, Kathy Braeuer, Missy Rorrer, Nancy Steger, John Jordan

I would like all the Committee Chairs to look at where they are in their budget for this year, and consider what is planned for the rest of the year. I would also like for committees to begin work on the initial draft for next year's budget. By working forward together, we will hopefully end the year within our planned budget, while having a good understanding of what we will be looking at for next year.

Over the past few months we have blessed backpacks, celebrated the Lunar Events, have updated the bulletin that seems to have people commenting that it is easier to read, and I took time away for a vacation. Rev. Lynn Hargrove, Presbyter filled in the Sunday I was absent. Due to issues following my colonoscopy on Friday, I ended up in the ER Saturday, and Tom Sharon was good enough to fill in on Sunday.



Starting the second Friday of September for three consecutive Fridays we will be having movies in Fellowship Hall. Those in attendance will be encouraged to decorate cardboard boxes to resemble cars as we take on a "Drive In Movie Theatre" feel. The movies scheduled for viewing are, "October Sky," "Fried Green Tomatoes," and "Field of Dreams." Each night there will be a brief

discussion following the movie. The cost is free, except for concession stand goodies! Each Friday a winning car creation will be chosen and receive a special award!

Thanks for Property for getting all the holes in the ceilings fixed with new drywall or new ceiling tiles. It is really looking great!

Additionally, the "Moon Trees" look amazing with their plaques. I would love to see our sign lit up once again in the front and even consider a small playground to the side of the church. There is so much life here at WPC, and creating opportunities for the future is something we can be considering today.

The workshop "Recipe for Death," that I created and lead was well-attended, and several folks were able to gain good information about end of life decisions, while also providing copies of forms for persons wishing to clarify what they would like.

I am excited as we look forward to everyone returning to the activities of the church after summer. Glenn has shared several ideas he has for worship, and I am hoping that we will once again be utilizing acolytes to encourage our young people to be part of worship, and to take a more active role in the church.

The upcoming ArtTalk will usher in the “Light” exhibit the first Friday of September.

I am currently meeting with a perspective member and will be sharing an open invitation to join the church within the bulletin, and personally when meeting with people. If you know of someone that might be interested in joining the church, please encourage them, but also, let the welcoming committee know, as well as ME!

On September 21, Rev. Kathy and I will be doing a “Pulpit Switch.” She will be preaching at WPC, while I will be filling the pulpit at Dickinson Presbyterian Church.

As I enter my tenth month at WPC, I know that much of what we have done could not have successfully completed without the supportive presence of each of you, and your welcoming of new ideas and change. Thank you!

Stay in God’s grip!

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