



Worship with
Us

Give to
Westwood

Service Times
Every Sunday at 11:00 AM

Grow in Discipleship | Connect in Community | Serve in Love

Friday, April 26, 2024

Can You Join Us On Wednesday?

Westwood believes in partnerships. We know that we are more effective and can have a greater impact on the world when we partner with individuals, organizations, and denominations to be the hands and feet of Christ. We have several partners including ECHO, the Baptist World Alliance, and the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship.

One of the special partnerships Westwood has is with an organization called ServeTrust headed by a remarkable woman named Leena Lavanya. Leena is a tour-de-force in her part of India. She and her team at ServeTrust are involved in many different ministries to the “least of these” including senior adults, AIDS patients, orphans, and so many others. The scope of her ministry is truly amazing.

Currently, Leena is traveling in the United States and is coming to Westwood! This is a great opportunity to hear directly from one of our partners and get a firsthand report of how your gifts make a difference in the lives of those who are being served by Leena and ServeTrust.

Leena will be here next Wednesday, May 1st for Coffee and Conversation beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Whitten Hall. You will have the opportunity to hear a report from Leena and be able to ask questions. One thing I am interested in is how the current rise in Hindu Nationalism in India is impacting her ministries. We will hear about her struggles as well as her successes and be able to pray for her before she heads back home.

I hope you will make plans to join us for this special conversation. You will be glad you did!

~ Bryan

Weekend Food 4 Kids

Our triennial food packing event to provide weekend food to food-insecure elementary students in our community will be held **this Sunday, April 28 from 12:00-2:00 pm**. Sign up below to help. **A NEW WAY TO HELP** is being offered! During the month of April you will have the opportunity to choose a Food 4 Kids tag from the carousel in the narthex. The tags have varying items and donation amounts for any age to choose. For example, you might choose to donate \$1.10, the cost of one meal, or \$6.60 the cost of one ziplock bag for the weekend, or \$39.60 for the cost of 6 ziplock bags. Maybe you would

choose to buy for all our bags the peanut butter packets for \$130, or Mandarin orange fruit cups for \$156. **White tags on the bottom are the smallest amounts for our youngest congregation members to be able to participate.** Take one or more tags and **mark your donation amount "Weekend Food Packs" either on Realm or on your check. Please note, we are not asking you to purchase the food items directly.** Then, come join the fun to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus as we pack the 400 bags after church on Sunday, April 28th!

Contact Holly Schmitz, Chair of Community Families at 703-966-0075 for more information.

Sign Up to
Volunteer

Calling All Bakers - Youth Missions Dessert Auction - This Sunday, April 28th

This summer our youth will be doing home repairs in Erie, PA for those in need. To offset the cost of the trip we are raising money with sweet treats! So pull out those favorite recipes to support our youth!

Sign up to bring a dessert on 4/28 using the link below or by emailing Carrie Keene at ckeene96@gmail.com. Desserts can be brought ready to take home or for future baking. Items need to be dropped off by 9:15 a.m.

Not a baker? Not a problem! Plan to bring your checkbook and bid generously on Sunday 4/28. Bidding will take place from 9:15 a.m. - 11 a.m. Your sweet-tooth will thank you!

Sign Up to Bring a
Dessert

Men-on-Mission Meeting this Saturday

This Saturday (4/27) is our scheduled Men-on-Mission fellowship at Westwood. We will meet at 0730 hrs in room 204 and on Zoom (click below). The topic of discussion is Romans Chapter 15. God bless and see y'all Saturday.

~ Rich

Click Here to Join on
Zoom

The Table On Wednesday

Join us on Wednesdays from 6-7 p.m. for dinner and fellowship at The Table. This Wednesday, May 1, features Sloppy Joes, potato salad and green beans.

Please sign up by Monday at noon. Signup is available online (click the button below) or by calling the church office at 703-451-5120.

All those in 5th grade and older are \$7 each; 4th grade and under are free; and the family maximum is \$25. Payment is due at the door.

As a reminder: do not use door 5 when coming in for dinner; The Neighborhood is still in session and we need to keep that door clear for parents picking up.

THE TABLE



food. friends. faith.



Breaking a Sad Record

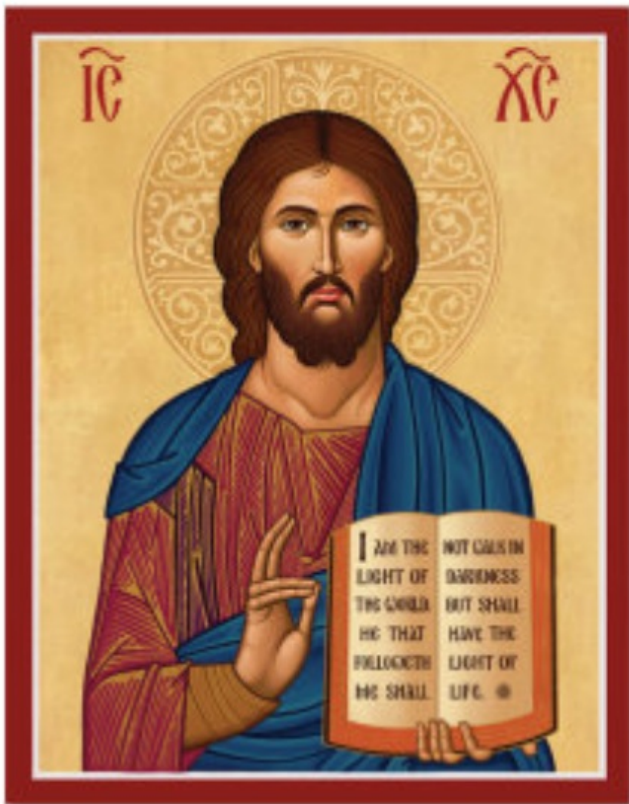
ECHO's Food Co-Chairs report that in February, ECHO responded to food requests from 154 households within our service area. We were able to serve those families but it took more than 25,000 pounds of food, a greater total amount than we distributed per month during the first terrible months of the Covid lockdown. Food needs persist.

The Stamp Out Hunger Letter Carriers Food Drive is scheduled for Saturday, May 11. Letter Carriers from the Burke, West Springfield, and Central Springfield Post Offices will pick up bags of non-perishable food donations that residents put out at their mailboxes early in the morning on the day of the drive. Letter carriers and volunteers will bring those donations to ECHO to be sorted and shelved. This drive has proved crucial in the past to help ECHO remain stocked with food during the summer months when donations dwindle. Please watch for more information and help if you can. Even one or two items per household will make a difference. Currently, ECHO needs cereal, canned tomatoes, tomato sauce, canned meats or fish, peanut butter, crackers, shampoo, and laundry detergent.

2024 Calendar for Sanctuary Flowers

A calendar has been posted at the Welcome Center for those who wish to sign up to provide flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday mornings in 2024. Please write your name and the dedication you wish to appear in the worship guide on a given date. Payment of \$40 is due the date of the flower dedication. Only one signup is allowed per Sunday.

~ Lera League



“Keeping the Main Thing the Main Thing”

*I Corinthians
1:10-18*

WESTWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

APRIL 28, 2024 ~ 11:00 AM
IN-PERSON OR ONLINE

[Click Here for Online
Worship](#)

[Click Here for This Week's Worship
Guide](#)

Continuing Ways to Connect

Sunday School and Life Groups

There is a Sunday School class or Adult Life Group for everyone at Westwood! Groups meet each Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m., and most have an online option as well. For more information or to talk about which group is best for you, please contact Pastor Stephen.

Youth Dining & Devotions (D&D)

Join us for Dining & Devotions (D&D), Sundays immediately following the worship service. This Sunday, lunch will be provided by Kyle Chen and we will be participating in Food Packing afterwards.

Calling All Sweets Lovers - Youth Missions Dessert Auction - THIS Sunday

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youth (donations can also be processed through Realm)!

You may begin your generous bidding before Life Groups at 9:15am. Bidding will continue until 11 am when worship starts. Winners will be posted in the narthex after the service. Your sweet-tooth (and our youth) will thank you!

Monday Bible Study

This Monday, April 29, we'll be looking at Session 3 of our study, [Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith](#). The session takes place in Whitten Hall and on Zoom on Monday from 10:00-11:30 a.m.

[Click Here to Join the Study on Zoom](#)

Giving To Westwood

As a reminder, you can give to Westwood in several ways:

- Place your contribution in the offering baskets that are passed down the pew during the Offering Hymn in the worship service.
- Place your contribution in one of three wooden lock boxes (one in the narthex and two in the sanctuary).
- Give through Realm Online Giving: Click on "Give to Westwood" button (at top of this page) to give.
- Text to give: Text WBCGIFT to 73256 and follow the prompts (example: "WBCGIFT \$100").
- Set up a recurring payment to the church through your bank's online bill pay.
- Send by mail to: Westwood Baptist Church, 8200 Old Keene Mill Rd, Springfield, VA 22152.



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