

Englewood Communicator

Rob's Revelations by Dr. Robert Westlund

Dear Family,

2019 is here! But before we get there I would like to take a look back. In 2018 we lost some family members who were faithful and instrumental in the ministry of Englewood Presbyterian. We also gained some family members who are making a mark in the current ministry of Englewood Presbyterian. We celebrated communion more in 2018 than probably a couple decades combined as we took the Lord's Supper every Sunday during Summer 2018.

As I look back on 2018 I am thankful. Thankful for the leadership in this congregation. Our elders are strong and growing in their faith. They are elders who pray and seek the mind of Christ. I am thankful for our Sunday School teachers who are faithful to study the Word and prepare a lesson every Sunday. They understand dedication and can resonate with me knowing Sunday is coming - Holy Spirit help me.

I am thankful for those that open their homes and lead our small groups, they are people who not only prepare and pray, they also know what it means to practice hospitality. I am thankful that our small groups take care of one another and practice what it means to be church family.

I give thanks to God that we are part of a denomination that takes seriously the Lordship of Jesus, His Great Commission, and His authoritative Word. We are truly blessed to be part of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

I am thankful for your generosity. Most all of you give your time, talents, and finances to serve the Lord and work in His Kingdom. When we ask for provisions for the Outpost, missions, Backpack Program, migrant workers ministry, or any other godly work, you overwhelm with your generosity. We the staff know your generosity and are thankful we are called to Englewood Presbyterian.

I am thankful there are people who prefer to work behind the scenes without recognition, applause, and don't even expect a thank you. We are blessed with a flock full of people like this. I am thankful for those of you that stand up in front of everybody to serve. Our choir, lay readers, sound booth workers, greeters, and ushers— you all do such a wonderful job.

I'm sure I have left out or forgotten someone and that's the danger of a letter of thanks. As pastor I give thanks to God for each of you and I am thankful to serve the family of Englewood Presbyterian.

God is good!

Thank You, Englewood Presbyterian Family

I Love You

Rob

2019 Directory

Go by the table in the church lobby and check your listing for the 2019 Directory. Make any changes directly on the sheets

If you have not been in our directory before and would like to be included, just sign your name, address, phone, email and cell on the sheet provided.

Be sure to go by the table set up in the church lobby to pick up your 2019 Offering Envelopes.

Offering Envelopes



If you have used them before, just pick up the box with your

name on it.

If you have not used them before, pick up a blank box and sign your name and box number to the sheet provided.

Happy New Year!

Annual Reports

All Elder Chairs are asked to get their annual reports into the church office no later than January 20th. Please print out a report of what your team accomplished for 2018 and also what you would like to accomplish for 2019.

The reports will be compiled and available for the Annual Congregational Meeting planned for Sunday, February 3, following the morning worship service.

The Red Cross Thanks You!

During 2018, we collected 406 pints of blood. One pint can help 3 people, so our church possibly helped 1,218 people live another day. Thank you for your support!

Meetings Resuming in January

- * CORE Men's Group will resume on Wednesday, January 2, at 6:45 am at the Hampton Inn
- * The Women's Fellowship Morning Group will meet on Tuesday, January 8, at 10 am in the church library.
- * The Thursday Morning Small Group will resume on January 10, at 10:30 am in the church library.
- * Stitches of Love knitting crocheting group will resume on Thursday, January 10, at 11:30 in the church library.
- * The Presbyterian Men will hold their monthly dinner meeting at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, January 15, in the fellowship hall.

Thank You

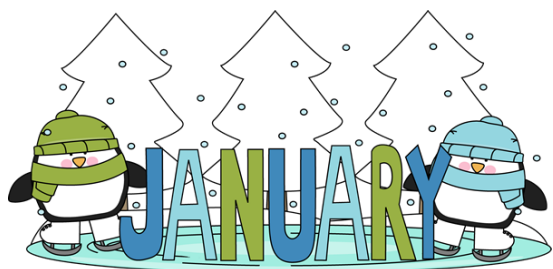
I would like to thank the members of the church who sent cards while I was out sick. I'm feeling much better and will see you all very soon. Thanks for keeping me in your prayers.

Much Love, Patsy Wiggins

Dear Church Friends: We both would like to thank you for the delicious meal, cards, calls, and most of all your prayers during Larry's recent hospital visit. It's always a comfort to know you are there, and we appreciate you so very much.

Sincerely, Larry and Julia Gregg

Thank you to Daxie Dozier, Gary Taylor, Leon Bisette, Henry Dancy, and Johnny Long for putting out the pine straw on our church grounds. Special thanks to George Harris for donating the pine straw! Property Team



Greeters

- 1/6 Ellen Henson and Janet Slack
- 1/13 Rex Bisette and Rusty Bryant
- 1/20 Betty Smith and Carol Barden
- 1/27 David and Ginny Hodges

Children's Church

- 1/6 OPEN
- 1/13 Ellen Henson and Ashley Harris
- 1/20 Victoria Simmons
- 1/27 Indy Chesis

Backpacks

- 1/7 Anita Stander and Hope O'Keef
- 1/14 Yvonne McLeod and Mary Ruth Johnson
- 1/21 Johnny and Frances Long
- 1/28 Kay and Mia Owen

Ushers

- Ricky Pitt and Jeff Proctor
- Mac and Yvonne McLeod
- Harold and Nancy Colston
- Charlie Zuidema and Sadie Bisette

Lay Readers

- Phil Briggs
- Cindy Batchelor
- Daxie Dozier
- Denise Bisette

Elders of the Month: Stan Neighbors and Rex Bisette

January Birthdays

- 1 Cierra Devine
- 3 Charlie Zuidema
- 5 Henry Dancy
- 6 Luanne Jones
- 10 Harold Colston
- 11 Patsy Wiggins
- 22 Nancy Colson
- Stan Neighbors
- 24 Denise Bisette
- 27 Rob Westlund
- 28 Rachel Williams

January Anniversaries

- 20 Fenton and Rose Bailey

January 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Church Office Closed	2 CORE, HI, 6:45 am Choir, 7 pm	3	4	5
6 SS, 9:15 am Coffee & Dough- nuts, 10 am Prayer, 10:10 Worship, 10:30 am	7 Prayer, Sanctuary, 6:30 pm	8 Women's Fellowship, LIB, 10 am Stewardship Team, LIB, 6 pm	9 CORE, HI, 6:45 am Choir, 7 pm	10 Small Group, LIB, 10:30 am Stitches of Love, LIB, 11:30 am	11	12
13 SS, 9:15 am Coffee & Dough- nuts, 10 am Prayer, 10:10 Worship, 10:30 am	14 Prayer, Sanctuary, 6:30 pm	15 Presbyter- ian Men, FH, 6:30 pm Outpost starts for new sea- son	16 CORE, HI, 6:45 am Choir, 7 pm	17 Small Group, LIB, 10:30 am Stitches of Love, LIB, 11:30 am	18	19
20 SS, 9:15 am Coffee & Dough- nuts, 10 am Prayer, 10:10 Worship, 10:30 am	21 Church Office Closed Prayer, Sanc- tuary, 6:30 pm Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	22	23 CORE, HI, 6:45 am Choir, 7 pm	24 Small Group LIB, 10:30 am Stitches of Love, LIB, 11:30 am	25	26
27 SS, 9:15 am Coffee & Dough- nuts, 10 am Prayer, 10:10 Worship, 10:30 am	28 Prayer, Sanctuary, 6:30 pm	29	30 CORE, HI, 6:45 am Choir, 7 pm	31 Small Group, LIB, 10:30 am Stitches of Love, LIB, 11:30 am		

Financial Information for December

(as of 12/31/18, 12:30 pm)

*(We accepted gifts through 3:30 pm on 12/31 and there will be bills that will still need to be posted to 2018.
An updated financial report will be included in the 2018 Annual Report)*

	<u>December</u>		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Tithes and Offerings	\$35,473.01	\$27,676.90	\$7,796.11
Other Income	<u>\$ 62.00</u>	<u>\$ 170.00</u>	<u>(\$ 108.00)</u>
Total	\$35,535.01	\$27,846.90	\$7,688.11
Expenses	<u>\$26,627.68</u>	<u>\$27,627.06</u>	<u>\$ 999.38</u>
Total Income (Expense)	\$ 8,907.33	\$ 219.84	\$8,687.49

	<u>Year to Date</u>		
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Tithes and Offerings	\$304,919.25	\$332,122.80	(\$27,203.55)
Other Income	<u>\$ 2,387.38</u>	<u>\$ 6,245.00</u>	<u>(\$ 3,857.62)</u>
Total	\$307,306.63	\$338,367.80	(\$31,061.17)
Expenses	<u>\$330,332.07</u>	<u>\$338,895.80</u>	<u>\$ 8,563.73</u>
Total Income (Expense)	(\$ 23,025.44)	(\$ 528)	(\$22,497.44)



Thank You!

The staff of Englewood Presbyterian thanks you, the congregation, for the many ways you remembered us during the month of December! Thank you for the gifts, goodies, and the Staff Appreciation Gift! Your generosity just blows us away! Thank you for the opportunity we have as a staff to serve you in the name of the Lord!

Rob Westlund, Pastor

Mary Ruth Johnson, Director of Music Ministries

Leona Briggs, Office Administrator

Diana Gay, Nursery Attendant and Custodian



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