West Shore Baptist Churh

Newsletter



October 2025

From the Desk of Pastor Kelly

I've heard the refrain echoed over and over again this week, "I don't know how we'd get through this without our church family." Multiple people, incredibly different situations, but the same message. While my heart hurts for those whose circumstances have been very scary or difficult, my heart also rejoices in the testimony of those words.

From the moment we are adopted into the family of God through faith in Jesus Christ, we gain a loving Father, perfect Elder Brother, and glorious Spirit who dwells within us. And we are gifted with a family – brothers & sisters in Christ. Other beggars who know where the Bread of Life is. Siblings who accompany us on an ever-deepening journey to Jesus. Family who grieves with us when we hurt, rejoices with us when we celebrate and shows up when we need someone else be strong for a while.

Thank you for being family. For loving, forgiving & encouraging one another. For providing tangibly & sacrificially. And allowing your siblings in Christ to do the same for you. For making the Body of Christ seen & known in Camp Hill.

One of the consistent themes from those testifying to the gift that is church family is that they are actively part of a community group where brothers & sisters get to know each other really well. If you're not already in one, maybe this is the time to get started. Let me know and we'll help you get plugged into one of our groups that are currently meeting or start a new one.

Love ya, PK



ANNOUNCMENTS

October Meetings

Advisory Council Meeting: Mon, Oct. 6, 6:30 PM Board of Trustees Meeting: Mon, Oct. 13, 6:30 PM Board of Deacons Meeting: Tues, Oct. 14, 6:30 PM Mission Board Meeting: Tues, Oct. 21, 6 PM Christian Ed Board Meeting: Tues, Oct. 21, 7 PM









Men's and Women's Breakfast: October 18th

Men's Breakfast 8:00am at West Shore Plaza Family Restaurant Women's Breakfast 8:30am at Trindle Family Restaurant

BIRTHDAYS

5 – Katie Klock	19 – Dottie Lebo
5 – Becca Smeltzer	22 – Beth Harman
5 – Sue Sweigard	23 – Steve Goff
6 – Elana Stine	23 – Dawne Strock
7 – Gary Stefanic	27 – Doug Ice
12 – David Klock	27 – Linda Neubaum
12 – Josie Vinalet	28 – Janet Howell
13 – Richard Zulaica	29 – Tom Kennerly

15 – Elaine Deimler 29 – Lindsay Neve

17 – Lucy Donofrio 17 – Jorrie Gentzler **ANNIVERSARIES**

6 – Justin & Barb Donofrio

10 – Steve & Tina Goff

14 – Dave & Stacey Kennerly

16 – Bob & Kristine Zoll

23 – Wayne & Janet Howell

26 - Frank & Dawne Strock

31 – Judd & Judy Brouse

Church Staff

Senior Pastor: Rev. Kelly Legg (610) 755-8203 pastorkdl@gmail.com **Children's Ministry Director:** Maura Bihl (267) 949-6064 maura.bihl@gmail.com **Choir Director:** Carol Saltzer carolsaltzer@hotmail.com (717) 383-9740 wsbcmail@gmail.com Office Manager: Donna Hess (717) 761-0942

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The Deacon Board

Benevolence Fund:

Managing the church's Benevolence Fund is an important part of the deacon board's responsibilities. We are grateful for the many people in our congregation who contribute to this impactful ministry. Your generosity allows us to feed the hungry in our community and help struggling families get through tough times.

Our next collection will be held October 12.

Fellowship/Coffee Café:

Do you have a favorite item or treat you'd like to share on Sunday mornings for our coffee café? Donations are greatly appreciated.

Parents' Prayer Group:

The role of a parent in shepherding their children (and grandchildren) toward Christ never ends. A prayer group, facilitated by Stan LeQuire, meets to 1) grow in prayer and wrestle together as we 2) lift up our children who are not yet following and living for the Lord. This group meets on third Sundays at 5:30 pm in room 201.

Prayer Ministry:

Our trained prayer ministers, identified by their yellow buttons, are happy to pray with you at any time and will be at the front of the sanctuary at the end of the service. You may also submit prayer requests for our prayer team on our church center app.

Church Center:

Have you visited westshorebaptist.churchcenter.com or downloaded the church center app on your smart phone or tablet yet? You'll find event sign-ups, group registration, online giving, prayer request submission forms, our pictorial directory (please opt-in) and much more!

Deacon's List:

To better serve and care for our congregational family, each Deacon will take responsibility to watch over a set list of individuals & families within our church for 2025. Your Deacon will connect with you regularly and serve as your point person for congregational care needs.



Board of Christian Education

Community Groups:

Community Groups are small groups who gather to apply the Bible to their lives, pray and build relationships. If you are interested in joining or launching a new group, contact the church office for more information.

Kids' Club:

Kids' Club meets every Wednesday from 6:30-7:45pm. Open to students in grades 1^{st} – 6^{th} . See Maura Bihl or Pastor Kelly for details.

Women's Retreat:

Our second annual Women's Retreat is Oct. 10-12, 2025, at the Doubling Gap Retreat Center in Newville. Registration for the weekend-long retreat is open and cost is \$165/person. Overnight accommodations are limited, as we only have 33 beds, so you want to register soon! We will also offer a daytime-only option for those unable to stay overnight. Register here.

Date Night

All couples, whether married for 1 year or 60, are invited to WSBC's first Date Night, Saturday, Nov. 1 from 5-7:30 PM. This intentional time to reconnect with your spouse and seek Christ in your marriage is sponsored by our Young Adult Couples community group. Enjoy dinner, fun, and meaningful connection with your spouse -- because a Christ-centered marriage matters. Childcare provided. Registration required on Church Center by Oct. 26.

Sunday School Classes:

The Searchers class led by Tom Kennerly meets on the top floor of the education wing. Pastor Kelly will teach "Does the Bible Really Say That?" beginning at 9am September 7th in Davidson Chapel. All Scripture is God-breathed & profitable for comforting and correcting. And some passages are hard to swallow. How do we handle tough subjects found in Scripture like slavery, homosexuality, women in leadership and the compatibility of science & faith? Or know what still applies to our lives and what doesn't (BLT, anyone?). We need a grid for interpreting Scripture faithfully and humbly. In this 14-week Sunday School class, we will learn tools for interpreting the Bible and take on some of those tough topics. Class begins Sept 7 at 9 AM in Davidson Chapel. Register on Church Center.



The Mission Board

3M Grant

Our Memorial Ministry & Mission (3M) Grant cycle is open from October 1 – October 31. This grant is designed for nonprofit organizations ministering to under-resourced individuals & families and to support evangelistic initiatives both locally & globally. If you know of any Christ-centered organizations who could benefit, please direct them to our website for more details & the application.

Operation Christmas Child

The Mission Board invites you to grab a shoebox from the lobby and fill it with items for a girl or boy. Return your filled box to the lobby no later than Nov. 2. These boxes will be utilized by Samaritan's Purse to share the Gospel across the globe. Children receiving a gift box will learn about the greatest Gift ever given – Jesus Christ. Thank you for participating!

Clothes Closet:

The clothes closet will be open this month on Saturday, October 11th from 9am – 12 pm. Thank you to all who donated clothes to refill the closet. Volunteers are welcome and needed both mid-week and one Saturday a month. Please contact Dawne Strock for details.

Little Free Pantry:

Don't forget about our outdoor community pantry. Thank you to those who have contributed. Next time you are shopping, consider buying an item or two to place in the pantry on your way into church.

Red Cross Blood Drive:

There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive held at WSBC on **Friday, October 24**th **from 12pm-6 pm**. If you wish to donate, visit their website at www.redcrossblood.org.

Blessing Bags:

Filled bags can be found in the lobby. Please help yourself to have one on hand to share whenever there is someone in need.

All Donations:

The food donation location has moved to the closet in Fellowship Hall near the education wing exit on the 21st St. side. The shelves are labeled for your donations:

- New Hope Ministries Food Pantry (top shelf),
- Little Free Pantry (middle shelf),
- Blessing Bag (bottom shelf and floor).



The Trustee Board

Lower 21st Street Door

The lower 21st St. door will be locked until 10 AM on Sundays. Someone will monitor to let in individuals needing the elevator who arrive before then. Otherwise, please use the upper 21st St. door.