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West Shore Baptist Church

NEWSLETTER



WEST SHORE
BAPTIST CHURCH

From the Desk of Pastor Kelly

Everyone keeps asking the same questions about my sabbatical. “What was your favorite part of visiting New Zealand?” Hobbit holes, people. Really, could it be anything else?

“What did you enjoy the most about the time off?” Hiking. Even if it did sound like I’ve been smoking a pack a day for the past 20 years on every ascent.

“Did you finish all of your household projects?” Nope. Turns out plumbing will *not* be my second career.

“Were you ready to come back?” Yes, without a doubt.

I am incredibly grateful for the time you granted me to rest & reflect, research & write. Those three months enabled me to reset my own priorities and renew my commitment to follow Jesus wherever, whenever, to do whatever He asks. They afforded me the opportunity to look ahead and think strategically about where we need to grow & go next. And they provided clarity in my own mind & heart that I really, genuinely love serving Jesus together with you.

The past month has been filled with conversations about our next steps as a body of believers, committed to joining Jesus in the work of seeing His Kingdom come and will be done in Camp Hill and beyond. The Holy Spirit is moving in our midst, shaping and inviting us to look more like our Savior in the ways we obey and live out the Gospel. And I am both honored & excited to see where He takes us in our next 7 years together.

Thank you for allowing me to grow with you as, together, we believe, belong, bridge & become.

Love ya,
PK



Birthdays

9 – Russ Miller
20 – Danae Klock
23 – Jesse Abwao

Anniversaries



2 – Bruce & Cheryl Montgomery
4 – Rev Frank & Carolyn Frischkorn
11 – Olutayo & Abiodun Adeyemi
15 – Kim Wright

Choir Rehearsal Begins

September 3rd 7:00 pm

Bell Choir Begins

September 17th 6:00 pm

**Men's & Ladies'
Breakfast**

September 20

8:00 am – Men's Breakfast
Front Street Diner

8:30 am – Ladies' Breakfast
Hampden Diner

September Meetings

Advisory Council Meeting: Mon, Sept. 8, 6:30 pm

Board of Trustees Meeting: Mon, Sept. 8, 6:30 pm

Board of Deacons Meeting: Tues, Sept. 9, 6:30 pm

Missions Board Meeting: Tues, Sept. 16, 6:00 pm

Christian Ed Board Meeting: Tues, Sept. 16, 7:00 pm

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 September 14.**

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 beginning September 10th from 6:30-7:45pm. Open to students in grades 1st – 6th. See Maura Bihl or Pastor Kelly for details.

Men's Community Group:

All men are invited to join Charlie Bihl & Doug Hill for a new Bible study meeting every other Thursday based on *Disciplines of a Godly Man* by R. Kent Hughes. This study will explore practical, biblical habits that help men grow in spiritual maturity and live out their faith with purpose.

Their first meeting will be Thursday, September 11, 2025 at 8 AM at the lower pavilion in Negley Park. If the weather is bad, they will meet in Davidson Chapel.

Books are available in the church lobby for a (suggested) donation of \$5. Please register [here](#) or on the Church Center app (under 'groups').

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](#).

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 Missions Board

Clothes Closet:

The clothes closet will be open this month on Saturday, September 13th 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, September 19th 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).



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SUNDAY SERVICES:

Worship Service — 10:30 AM

Live streaming online and at church

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