



Westminster
Presbyterian Church
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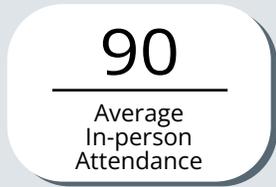
|2025 IMPACT REPORT

2025 BUDGET RESULTS

2025 Annual Budget.....\$328,684
 2025 Pledged Giving.....\$253,358

2025 Total Income*.....\$295,456
 2025 Total Expenses.....\$331,873
 * Total includes early giving to satisfy 2026 Pledges

IMPACT SNAPSHOT



CELEBRATIONS

- In our Treasured Clay worship series, we celebrated all abilities and welcomed special guests, including Ron Lanier, Director of the Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; Wendy Graham, sign language interpreter; and Chris Grandle, who was born with spina bifida. Many members also shared reflections and led children’s time highlighting a variety of disabilities. In addition, church signage was updated, replacing the word “handicapped” with “accessible” for bathrooms and the upper parking lot.
- Audio-Visual Sanctuary Enhancements: Completed installation of a new sound board, video switch, computer, three large 85" monitors, three video cameras, and additional microphones.
- Partnership with Reclaimed Hope’s Camp Hope: Hosted the first 7-week summer camp on Westminster’s campus with 25 counselors and 75 individual campers.
- Partnership with LEARN English and Reading Now: Celebrated the fall ribbon cutting for LEARN’s new Executive Director’s office located in Westminster’s church office.
- Social Hall Refresh project completed, including painting the social hall and downstairs colonnade, installing new windows and ceiling tiles, adding LED lighting, and upgrading electrical outlets. A total of \$19,139 was raised, including a \$2,000 community grant, a memorial donation, and funds contributed by the congregation.
- Waynesboro Area Refuge Ministry: Hosted two shelter weeks (January 27–February 3, 2025, and December 15–22, 2025).

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MINISTRY

- Youth Group (including special events like Decades Arcade, Sandy Bottom, Progressive Dinner, Ecumenical missions, Friendsgiving, UVA baseball & service work at Risen Ridge Farm)
- Youth Sunday
- Montreat Senior High conference
- Massanetta Middler's Conference
- Fall retreat at Massanetta co-lead by John Tindall
- Family Fun Weekend (including Silent Movie Organ program & Bluegrass Band concert)
- "The Journey With Jonah" play
- Summer Sunday School & combined classes
- Coordinate Sunday school program for all ages
- Addition of new Sunday school class for college & post-college adults
- Confirmation
- Better Together Bible Study
- Tuesday Night Adult Bible Study
- WPC Book Club
- WOW Program (including Lent Study & Season ending Block Party)
- Progressive Egg Hunt
- Christmas Dinner and pageant
- Advent Fair
- Trunk or Treat



COMMITMENT MINISTRY

Through Lenten Connections and the Stewardship Campaign, our congregation was invited to reflect both on how we live out our faith now and the legacy we build together. Lenten Connections encouraged members to take part in an activity each week drawn from each of the church's ministries, such as sending a card in the spirit of the Commitment Ministry, or joining the prayer chain with the Fellowship and Congregational Care Ministry. The Stewardship Campaign focused on the theme of legacy, inviting members to reflect on the faith passed down by those who came before us and the story we are continuing to shape. Together, these efforts reminded us that worship, connection, growth, and service are built through faithful participation and shared commitment.



FELLOWSHIP AND CONGREGATIONAL CARE MINISTRY

- Easter Brunch April 20
- FCC Lenten Connections on Sunday April 6 - Prayer list - write down a prayer list item for someone to take and pray over the week and a member can take it with them after the service and pray over the week.
- Cleaned and Prepared Kitchen for Camp Hope
- Delivered last of donated birthday supplies to WHS Beta club for Wenonah Elementary Birthday box Mission.
- Family Weekend Breakfast August 25
- Christmas Dinner December 14 - 75 attended
- Men's Breakfast (Donated \$100 to Disciples Kitchen)
- Ladies Lunches at Stella, Bella's and Lucy's restaurant
- New Intergenerational Women's Group
- Sunday morning brew and juice.
- Sunday morning 10:30 a.m. Hospitality Table
- Donated \$100 to Disciples Kitchen
- Take them a meal lists: 3
- Greeting Cards sent: 268
- Bereavement Receptions: 3 Deaths; None requested



FINANCE MINISTRY

The Finance Ministry oversees the financial resources of Westminster throughout the year, ensuring that church income and expenses are in alignment. It provides monthly financial summaries to the congregation in the Fridge News. The operating budget for the next year is compiled from information gathered from each church ministry. Investments and office administrative expenditures are monitored by the finance team.

The ministry was active in the following areas:

- Hosted a presentation on ethical wills by Reverend Erin Skinner from the Presbyterian Foundation. She provided copies of the guidebook, *The Wealth of Your Life*, that are available in the church office.
- Continued the program to create release care bags that are distributed to clients who are leaving the Middle River Correctional Facility.
- Ministry members volunteered at Red Cross blood drives at Westminster.

The Finance Ministry offers its sincere gratitude to all who serve the Body of Christ at Westminster with their time, talent and financial resources.



MUSIC MINISTRY

- Music staff collaborated to bring praise and glory to God during worship services.
- Welcomed two new adult and three youth Chancel Choir members.
- Music Ministry Staff continues serving with joy, energy and excitement with Sarah Layman Graf as Chancel Choir Director, Justina Hodgson as Worship Accompanist and Jordan Houser as Praise Team Director.
- Bettie Tindall directed an inspiring and uplifting Easter and Advent Handbell Choir.
- WOW children's music continues to spread joy under the volunteer leadership of Mary Smith and assistants Belinda Miskell, Erin LoFiego and Caroline Lancaster.
- Worship services continue to offer blended worship music with both contemporary and traditional elements.
- Regular music rehearsals continue for singers, instrumentalists, and soloists with room for more to join.
- 5 cents a meal offering features beginning musicians in our congregation.
- Hosted the Mosaic Handbell Ensemble for their fall concert series, Looking Up!
- A December Music Sunday prepared our hearts for our savior's birth with Christmas music from our Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir, Children's Choir and Praise Team.



PASTORAL RELATIONS MINISTRY

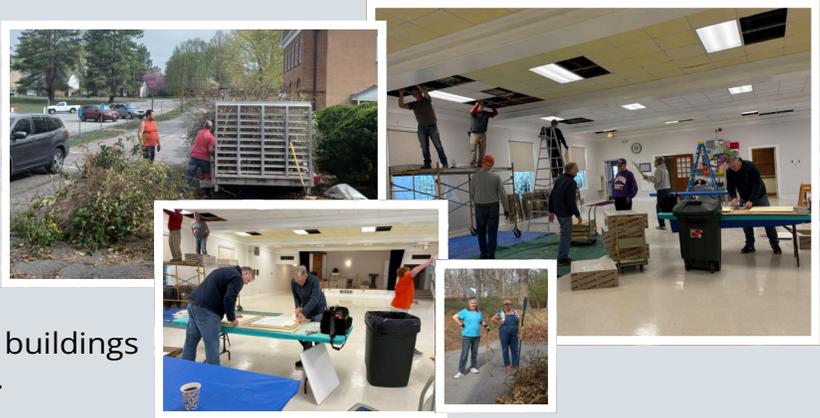
- Held Quarterly meetings to utilized feedback from congregation members in discussions on how to best use resources to meet the needs of Westminster as well as our larger community of faith needs.
- Continued support for Better Together: Presbyterians in Action.
- Pastor Relations prepared lunch for the Cold Weather Shelter on 2/2/25

PERSONNEL MINISTRY

- Celebrated 10th anniversary of Rev. April Cranford serving at Westminster.
- Provided and served evening meal for WARM Shelter at Westminster.
- Offered heartfelt gifts of affirming words unique to each staff member.

PROPERTY MINISTRY

- Had dehumidifiers installed in the nursery wing to lower moisture levels.
- Held spring clean up.
- Prepared building and campus for Camp Hope's first year.
- Refurbished Social Hall.
- Held leaf raking day.
- Had a building inspector look at the buildings to help prepare for future expenses.



WESTMINSTER MEN

Westminster Men meets the second Saturday of each month for a scrumptious breakfast, lively fellowship, and presentations provided by our men or by community leaders. This past year we heard from Charlie Ramsey, Clay Huie, Jeff Schwenk, and John Tindall. We also enjoyed hearing from:

- Bruce Hamrick, Co-Treasurer for Waynesboro's Crop Walk
- Alec Gunn, Executive Director of WARM, Ron Artz, who organizes fundraisers for WARM, and our own Jeff Loomis, a member of the WARM Board of Directors
- Captain Alan Grimes with the local Salvation Army.

We had several projects and activities this past year, including:

- Working with our Steve Ayers to facilitate Camp Hope's use of our building and campus over the summer
- Providing manpower to prepare the building for Camp Hope's use – painting, installing window film in our Sunday School rooms, supporting the Property Ministry with other prepping
- Working, again with Steve's direction, to replace the ceiling tiles in the social hall
- Having 8 of our group play in the June fundraising golf outing for WARM.

Our mission project was to provide leadership and support for the housing of our WARM guests in December. At least 15 of our Westminster Men helped with set up and tear down, providing meals, maintenance, and donations, evening volunteers, and overnight volunteers.

God will provide more opportunities for Westminster Men to serve in 2026. Come join us!



WITNESS MINISTRY

The Witness Ministry at WPC has a deep desire to be an active witness for Christ in our community, nation, and world along with those who visit Westminster. Some highlights of 2025 include:

- HERO – Westminster and 4 other community churches participate in the HERO program (Housing Emergency Relief Organization) to assist community members who are at risk of eviction or utility cut-offs. In 2025, a line item of \$1000 was added to WPC's annual budget. We were able to meet our commitment for the year.
- Ruth's WARM House – WPC has an ongoing partnership with Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church to sponsor one of the bedrooms at the Ruth's WARM house shelter for women and children. Our annual portion is \$1250. In 2025, we had four mothers use the room we co-sponsor. Kay Adamson is our liaison, providing quilts to the mothers and coordinating gift giving for the newborns.
- WARM Cold Shelter - In 2025, WPC was privileged to host WARM guests twice:
 - January 27 through February 3 – Westminster fed and housed 34 to 41 guests, with a maximum of 30 guests staying overnight at Westminster and the rest staying at the overflow site at Waynesboro Mennonite Church. Donations and volunteers came from a long list of organizations and churches. Several of our guests and WARM staff (as well as our volunteers) came down with the flu during the week.
 - December 15 through 22 – We fed and housed 35 to 41 guests, again with the maximum staying at Westminster 30. The overflow went to Waynesboro Mennonite. This year's nightly activities included Carolers, Christmas movies, crafts and bingo. Fourteen of our guests attended church on Sunday, and that evening the group was led by April in a candlelight service. Our meals and volunteers came again from numerous churches and organizations.
- WARM fundraisers
 - WARM Tent Initiative – This was Witness' mission project for 2025. In the spring, WARM expressed a need for tents since the Cold Shelter had closed for the season. Witness set a goal of collecting 5 new or gently used tents. Our congregation responded by donating 4 tents and 2 sleeping bags, plus \$625 to be used to purchase more.
 - WARM Golf Outing – Eight of our members participated and raised \$600.
- Scouts – WPC is a charter organization for the scouts. Julia Luedtke is the organizational liaison for the troops that meet here, which include: Daisy Troops 3975 and 7193, Cub Scout Pack 73 and BSA Troop 73. In the fall, the scouts helped us with the annual leaf raking and donated food for the Blessing Box from their annual food drive.
- Refugee Family Sponsorship – 2025 marked the third year of our co-sponsorship of the



Madawa/Mmeswa and Denis family with Grace Lutheran. They have settled well in their neighborhood, their schools and work. WPC and Grace helped with any issues that came up but also enjoyed visiting and recreation. Trips to Virginia Beach and Fastrax were two of the fun times. Witness also sponsored two of the children so they could attend Camp Hope here at Westminster.



- Summerlee Mission Trip – A group of 27 individuals from 4 congregations traveled to Fayette County WV. They assisted 3 families with home repairs from front porch and railing repair, to painting, electrical repairs, and trash removal. The team was grateful for your support of food, supplies, money and prayers!



- Baja Mexico Mission Trip – In July of 2025, a 27-member mission team built two houses and made memorable relationships with two lovely families. In addition, the team participated in outreach at a senior center and a local neighborhood. Plans are being made now for the 2026 trip!

- Updating WPC Mission pages – Witness completed an update of the mission pages on our website, removing services we no longer participate in and adding new services.



- Disciples' Kitchen – WPC's two teams of volunteers continued to provide lunches at Second Presbyterian Church.

- Salvation Army Stockings – WPC partnered with the Salvation Army providing Christmas stockings for children and elderly adults. WPC also participates in the Red Kettle Bell Ringing but this year's event was canceled due to snow.



- First Presbyterian Food Bank – WPC has an ongoing partnership with First Presbyterian Church Food Bank. WPC volunteers continue to serve on the first and third Thursdays of each month and volunteers serve during the week to help stock the shelves.

- Blessing Box – WPC members and our community have shared in this mission by providing food and personal hygiene items throughout the year. Andi Shifflett manages our efforts. Our scouts also assist with keeping the box stocked.

- Crop Walk – In September, WPC again participated in Waynesboro's annual Crop Walk, with this year being the 50th anniversary! Cathy Waldorf organized our efforts, and she gave us a stretch goal of \$1500 in donations. We surpassed that by raising \$1560!



- Red Cross Blood Drive – In 2025, Witness again partnered with the Red Cross to sponsor two blood drives. Rick Martin again handled the sign-ups and worked both drives with other volunteers. In May we collected 26 units and in September, 28 units.

- Rise Against Hunger - This is an international hunger non-profit organization that coordinates the packaging and distribution of food and other aid to people in developing nations. On September 13th, 302 volunteers (including 16 from Westminster) packed almost 38,000 meals! Witness had asked the congregation to contribute \$300 for the project, but you gave \$570!



- Affordable Christmas Market – Sponsored by Love INC, this was an opportunity to volunteer at an event set up for parents of the Change Your Life classes to buy Christmas gifts for their children at greatly reduced prices. Witness provided supplies and Lindsey, with family and friends, manned a craft booth.

- Christmas Eve special offering – Witness decided to split this year's offering between Learn English/Reading Now and Camp Hope. This year's offering totaled \$2477, with \$1238.50 to go to each organization.

WORSHIP MINISTRY

- Sunday worship average attendance for 2025 was 90 in-person and 37 on-line worshippers for a total average weekly worship attendance of 1276 participants each week.
- Continued to provide live streaming and recording of worship each week
- Provided Ash Wednesday lenten worship, Maundy Thursday fellowship meal, footwashing, communion and reflection, and Easter Sunrise service.
- Provided communion 10 times during the year
- Held two services for Christmas Eve worship, with the addition of a family focused worship service at 5:00 p.m.
- Refreshed the congregation's candles for the Christmas Eve services
- Drafted a greeter role and a new version of the usher role to reflect an increased awareness of security during services.
- The Nursery had a fun year of play, learning and worship! We saw a friend age out of the nursery and a baby born in! Praise God!



DREAM TEAM

In 2025, the Dream Team celebrated the completion of the sanctuary's audio and visual enhancements which significantly improved both the in-person atmosphere and online worship experience. This included the installation of three 85" displays, three wall mounted video cameras, camera control board, soundboard, live streaming video switcher, and new computer. All renovations were made possible through the generous financial support of the congregation, with the \$61,000 audio-visual project completed and a remaining surplus of approximately \$3,000. The Dream Team gives thanks for the faithful leadership and legacy of those who guided this work and rejoices in a sanctuary where all are welcome and equipped to worship God together.



2025



Thank you for your faithful generosity, dedication, service and worship in God's house.