



**Westminster
Christian
Church**

UPDATE

MARCH 2019



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6 this year. Christians have observed this season of the church year since the fourth century. It's traditionally a time of reflection, penitence and spiritual renewal before Easter. During Lent, some Christians give up something that hinders their relationship with God. Others do something extra for their spiritual growth or make a special sacrifice. The key is to make Lent a memorable season of sincere spiritual growth – a time that can set the tone for the rest of the year.

At Westminster Christian we begin the Lenten Season with a worship service on Ash Wednesday. This service will be at 6:30 pm on March 6. Our regular Bible Studies and Youth Groups will not meet that day. Choir practice will still begin at 7:30 pm.

Two Opportunities for Easter Outreach....

The first involves Easter Lilies – This is something new for us this year. Our Evangelism Ministry Team would like to collect Easter lilies to take to area fire stations, police departments, schools, and other local service providers with a short note from our congregation thanking them for their service. Lilies will be collected starting this Sunday, March 3, until Sunday, April 7, and then delivered that week.



The second is our annual Easter Egg donations – Each year we ask for your donation of eggs for our Kids' Egg Hunt. These eggs should be the plastic kind, and pre-filled with candy. No small toys that could be a choking hazard, please! If you could also wrap tape around the opening that would be a big help. You can start bringing your donations any time and place them by the office door. Thank you!



“First Steps” Has Been Rescheduled for Sunday, March 24, 5:30 pm




This informal dinner discussion group is Pastor Matt's way of answering questions about our church: who we are, what we believe, what baptism is all about, any questions at all any one may have. Dinner is provided and anyone is encouraged to join us. Please RSVP by signing up on Sunday's insert or by calling the church office.

Fifth Sunday March 31st – One Worship Service and Fellowship



A fifth Sunday means one worship service at 9:30 am, Bible Study at 10:30 and a special fellowship time at 11:30. This month our fellowship will be a CHILI COOK-OFF! Volunteers are needed to bring regular, white or green chili as well as other items to go with the chili. Please see the sign up board in the Narthex this Sunday to volunteer!

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
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BIBLE READING: Mark 9 3 9:30 am Traditional Worship 10:35 am Bible Study for All Ages 11:30 am Contemporary Worship 12:30 pm ELDERS' MEETING 5:00 pm Russian Church	4	5	ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP 6 6:30 PM 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal	7	8	10:00 am Easter Cantata Rehearsal	9
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