



**weston  
christian  
church**  
(Disciples of Christ)



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Sunday Service | 10:30 am



While I am home for the next few weeks, taking it easy... I wanted you all to know a little more about how we share leadership and responsibility in the Disciples of Christ tradition. This vision of leadership is not dependent upon any one clergy person, but rather emphasizes the role of every believer to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. We call this "the priesthood of all believers," and it simply means that all Christians are empowered to serve God and participate in ministry - not just ordained clergy.

So, for the next few Sundays you will be treated to a variety of speakers who will share Scripture and a word of reflection. These include: Dick Emery, Katy West, Greg Smith, Melissa Hickman and a "Hymn Sing" led by Gayla Kobialka. Dick Emery and Steve Folck will be serving as Worship leaders. Rev. Lem Whitmer will also be available for pastoral calls and any emergencies that might arise. Ministries of outreach and education will continue under the leadership of various members. Keep your calendars marked for Micah Ministry, Bristol Manor, Sunday School and various Bible studies. These will be noted in the weekly bulletin. We have so many generous gifts of spiritual wisdom and energy!

Thank you kindly for all the encouraging words and the promise of your prayers. I sense the nearness of God in all that is happening - both in my personal circumstances and in my trust that you are in excellent hands!

Here are a couple of important phone numbers. We will also publish these in the bulletin. See you in a few weeks!

-Cindy

Dick Emery: (816) 797-6909  
Lem Whitmer: (816) 695-3002

Periodic reminder that if you head-up a Committee or are on the Church Board, please check your respective mail slots in the office for items that may need your attention.



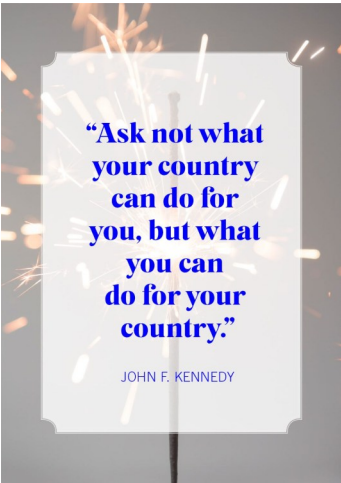
Welcome to several new people that have been attending services with us here at WCC. We're delighted you've chosen to worship with us and become part of our church family.

No Women's Bible Study during the month of July.

Sunday School/  
Adult Education -  
The Wisdom of  
the 12-Steps -  
A Study



We want to invite you to join us as we do a study of the 12-Step recovery programs and this spiritual path that has brought so many personal healing and recovery. We will began June 22nd and will continue for the next 5-6 weeks. Please come and join us when you can!



Church Board Meeting ~ July 21st ~ 7 p.m.  
~ on Zoom

We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.  
As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.

**Our Vision**

To be a faithful, growing church, that demonstrates true community, deep Christian spirituality and a passion for justice.  
- Micah 6:8

**Our Mission**

To be and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ, witnessing, loving and serving from our doorsteps "to the ends of the earth."  
- Acts 1:8

**Our Confession**

As members of the Christian Church, We confess that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, and proclaim him Lord and Savior of the world.





Hillcrest Platte County is a Christian organization that offers supportive services for individuals and families who are homeless or insecurely housed to achieve sustainable independence.

Unlike many organizations whose focus is one-time or emergency care, their primary objective is to move clients from homelessness to self-sufficiency by addressing the total life situation of the individuals they serve.

In exchange for rent/utility-free housing, adults are required by written agreement to find full-time employment, obey program guidelines and attend weekly volunteer-taught classes in life skills, employment, community living and budgeting.

For the past three years, Weston Christian Church has partnered with Hillcrest Platte County to "sponsor" a young adult in their program. We have a team of members who have planned activities, helped with birthday celebrations, written notes of support and have prayed for these individuals. Currently, we are happy to be working with Grace, a 19 year old young lady who has inspired us with her enthusiasm and desire to create a better life.

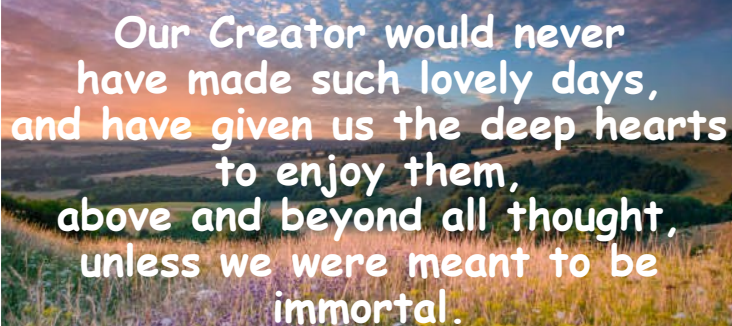
Our Outreach Ministry Team is now investigating how we might help create a special outdoor space at the Platte City apartments. This would be a useable space for informal gatherings as well as occasional meetings. Stay tuned as we gather more details. We may be calling upon you and your talents!



## Outreach Ministries Update...

In last month's newsletter, we promised to share with you about the various Outreach Ministries we are currently doing, so here goes!

Twice a month now, we are visiting **Bristol Manor**, our local senior care facility. And we go to **Micah Ministry** at Independence Blvd. Christian Church, usually the first Monday of the month, to help serve a meal to all those in need. We help **Hillcrest Ministries** by delivering birthday packages for their **Birthday Connections** program in KCK, for those who wouldn't be able to have birthday celebrations otherwise. We also continue to help a **Platte City resident** involved with Hillcrest's residential programs. WCC members help with the monthly food distribution for **Harvester's** in Weston. We continue to check on our **Sudanese family** and see what help they may need going forward. With your help and support, we will continue to reach out to meet the needs all around us, and to do so with the heart and example of Jesus, who has shown us the way! More to follow!



Our Creator would never  
have made such lovely days,  
and have given us the deep hearts  
to enjoy them,  
above and beyond all thought,  
unless we were meant to be  
immortal.

~~ Nathaniel Hawthorne



## Chair Yoga



Tuesdays & Thursdays  
10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

"Tea & Talk"  
10:00 to 10:30 a.m.  
Weston Masonic Lodge  
507 Main St., Weston, MO

Learn More > [www.facebook.com/WestonSeniorCollab/  
ParkvilleLivingCenter.org/Weston](https://www.facebook.com/WestonSeniorCollab/ParkvilleLivingCenter.org/Weston)

**PLATTE COUNTY FAIR**  
**SENIOR CITIZEN**  
**BINGO**  
**WILL BE ON**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
**THIS YEAR**



**PLATTE PURCHASE BUILDING**  
**WEDNESDAY JULY 23RD | 5:00PM**

COME JOIN THE FUN, WIN SOME PRIZES  
& ENJOY THE AIR-CONDITIONING  
SENIOR CITIZENS FREE ADMISSION WEDNESDAY ONLY - 65 & UP



Let Freedom Ring! ~~ Happy July 4th!



*Attention high school juniors, seniors,  
parents and youth leaders...*



# DISCIPLES LEADERSHIP

## Scholarship Program



### About Us

The Disciples Leadership Program cultivates lifelong learners and servant leaders rooted in the Disciples of Christ tradition. Through scholarships, leadership development, and experiential learning, we offer unforgettable memories and global perspectives. Our unique approach integrates faith, intellectual curiosity, and community service, shaping individuals who make a difference.

#### Disciples Leadership Program

This is a full tuition scholarship available to students who are Disciples of Christ denomination members. Students are provided mentorship opportunities, as well as \$6,000 for travel-related expenses for on-site experiential learning and service anywhere in the world.



WEBSITE

#### Additional Disciples Funding

- Leadership Grant (\$500 per year) are available to active Disciples members who are youth leaders in the church beyond and including the congregational level.
- Minister Dependent Grant (\$500 per year) are available to active Disciples members who are also dependents of Disciples ministers.

#### Questions or Inquiries? Contact:

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The Disciples Leadership Program (DLP) at Eureka College is a full-tuition scholarship program designed specifically for students who are active members of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). In addition to full tuition, students receive up to \$6,000 for travel-related service and experiential learning, along with one-on-one mentorship, academic enrichment, and faith-based leadership development. For more information, visit [dlp.eureka.edu](http://dlp.eureka.edu) or reach out to us directly:

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# July Church Calendar

July 2025							Month			
Today	<	>								
SUN 29	MON 30	TUE Jul 1	WED 2	THU 3	FRI 4	SAT 5	Independence Day			
● 9:30am Sunday School/S ● 10:30am Worship Service	● 6:30am Men's Bible Stud	● 1:30pm Bristol Manor-Wc								
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