

BIRTHDAYS COMING UP

ADULT BIRTHDAYS

6/2 Laurie Flenner  
Martha Kadue  
6/4 Frances Norris  
6/5 Andy Kim  
6/8 Abraham Kim  
Luca Stewart

CHILDREN / YOUTH BIRTHDAYS

6/7 Carmelina Accordino (2)



PRESBYTOPICS

Our love and prayers are with—

- + Marie Lewis who suffered a fall last week; she is in rehab following hip surgery.
- + Gay Macdonald’s healing as she recovers from a fall last month.
- + Graham Beattie whose mother, Rosemary, is hospitalized facing serious health challenges.
- + Benjamin Alanis who was hospitalized.

Our prayers continue for those of our faith family  
in need of God’s healing touch:

Benjamin Alanis	Earl Ellis	Rita Ries
Rubina Andonian	Eva Hrachovec	Linda S. Spitser
Polly Berger	Ian Hrachovec	Kuki Sullam
Susan Chapman	Nancy Immel	Amy Tan
Aiden Cohen Davis	Mark S. Jones Sr.	Ron Tranquilla
Christopher Davis	Nina Louie	Wes Truitt
	Queen Esther Rankins	



This Sunday, the Flame of Unity will be at **Community United Presbyterian Church**. We pray for these congregations as others pray for us when the flame is here. The **Flame of Unity** is a symbol of our shared mission and service in Christ, appearing each week at one of the congregations of the Presbytery of the Pacific.

COMING UP

Sun. Jun. 1	WPC Worship Service— Graduation / Move-Up Sunday New Membership Seminar Pt. 2	10:00am 11:30am
Thurs. Jun. 5	Ember	7:00pm
Sun. Jun. 8	WPC Worship Service— Pentecost / Stewardship Sunday	10:00am
Mon. Jun. 9	WPC Softball Game	7:15pm
Sun. Jun. 15	WPC Worship Service— Father’s Day / Juneteenth	10:00am
Mon. Jun. 16	WPC Softball Game	8:30pm
Sun. Jun. 22	WPC Worship Service— Pride Sunday	10:00am

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Emily Kerrigan, alto  
Matthew Lewis, bass



NEWS & CONCERNS

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025

CONGRATULATIONS GRADS!

TODAY we celebrate the students in our congregation who are graduating this year. We are so proud of each of you! May God bless you as you begin this next chapter of your life. If we have missed your graduation news, please let us know by contacting the church office at [office@westwoodpres.org](mailto:office@westwoodpres.org).

Culminating from elementary school to middle school:

Elodie Larson

Culminating from middle school to high school:

Behleu Fomukong

Tifu Angob Fomukong

Griffin Frazier

Geenger Gallardo

Liza Hall

Noah Kim

James Whelan

Graduating from high school:

Nicolas Frazier, headed to Carnegie Mellon University

Graduating from college/graduate school:

Drew Halderman, MBA, University of Washington





## STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY—JUNE 8 PLEDGE TO WPC TODAY!

As part of WPC, we know how special our church is: where everyone matters, where everyone belongs, where everyone counts.

Our church gives us opportunities to find places where we're appreciated and welcomed - as a member of the choir, helping with Sunday school, participating on a committee, playing on WPC's softball team, opening our homes for group events, volunteering for one of our mission partners, sharing our thoughts in an adult ed class, serving as a greeter on Sundays, or holding the offering plate at the end of worship. There is a place for everyone to feel a part of our church community. That's what makes WPC special.

And our financial support matters too. WPC relies on us, its members, to continue supporting WPC for spiritual guidance, community and peace.

**We will dedicate our pledges in worship next Sunday, June 8.** Your pledge can be paid over a year in whatever installments work best for you. Return your pledge card in worship, by mail, go online at [westwoodpres.org](http://westwoodpres.org), or just scan the QR code below:

Please make your pledge today at whatever financial level works for you. All gifts are welcome and needed for WPC's services to be offered to our community and beyond.



## WPC MEMBERSHIP SEMINAR PT. 2 —TODAY!



Considering joining our congregation? Explore with us in a second part of our seminar **today in Hoffman Hall after worship** for a light lunch with our Pastors, staff, and the membership team. If you were unable to join us for the first part of the seminar, join us anyway! We will discuss opportunities for nurture and service here at WPC along with information about our faith, governance, and more. New Members will be received in worship next Sunday, June 8.

## WPC MONTHLY HUNGER APPEAL —TODAY



Our support for those in need continues! **Every first Sunday of the month**, when we celebrate the Lord's Supper, our Hunger Offering helps those who are food insecure. Two mission partners benefit from your generosity: Westside Food Bank and Wilshire Presbyterian Church Food Pantry. **We encourage you to contribute online or on the Side Porch following worship today.**

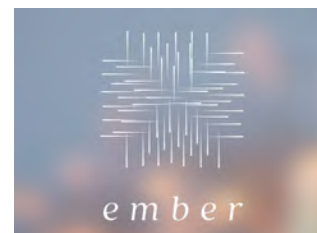
**Donate online** by scanning the QR code below and **select Hunger** (for Westside Food Bank) **or Food Pantry** (for Wilshire PC Food Pantry). You can also write a check to Westwood Presbyterian Church (by mail or in the offering plate) with Hunger Offering or Food Pantry on the memo line.

## SUMMER FOOD DRIVE FOR CHILDREN IN NEED



Today is the last day to donate canned goods to the Westside Food Bank's Summer Children's Nutrition Program. This program will provide meals to kids when school is out. **Please bring your donations to the Side Porch today.** Your generosity makes a difference in a child's summer!

## EMBER—THIS THURSDAY!



Our College & Young Adult ministry, EMBER, gathers **this Thursday at 7:00pm!** This is the last gathering of the program year. This ministry exists to create a space for curiosity and connection, where faith can bloom into acts of justice, love, humility, and peace for the sake of our neighbors and our world. If you'd like to connect with this affirming and vibrant young adult community for our monthly candlelit contemplative service or other social events, please reach out to Jake Putich at [jputich@westwoodpres.org](mailto:jputich@westwoodpres.org). All are truly welcome!



## FATHER'S DAY/JUNETEENTH —SUNDAY, JUNE 15



**Sunday, June 15**, marks many joys. Join us for worship in-person or online, as we celebrate:

**Juneteenth:** (also known as Jubilee Day, Emancipation Day, Freedom Day, and Black Independence Day). This federal holiday, officially established in 2021, commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African-Americans. It is also an opportunity to celebrate the blessings of Black culture.

**Father's Day:** The celebration of fathers and paternal bonds has been marked by Americans on the 3rd Sunday of June since 1910. It is an opportunity for us to honor not only members of our families, but also those who have influenced us through our family of faith.

## PRIDE SUNDAY —JUNE 22



**Join us in worship on Sunday, June 22**, for a service celebrating LGBTQ Pride! We will remember those saints, past and present, who have dedicated their lives to liberation for all of God's children, including our lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer siblings, express our thankfulness to

God for the diversity of human expression, and explore how we can better follow Jesus's path of radical love and inclusion.

## WPC SOFTBALL WILL BE BACK—MONDAY, JUNE 9



Help cheer our team on **Monday evenings**; **next game will be Monday, June 9 at Cheviot Hills Rec Center – at 7:15pm, Diamond #4.** It's a lot of fun and a great way to get to know people from WPC and other similar faith communities! If you are interested in joining the team this year, email us at [office@westwoodpres.org](mailto:office@westwoodpres.org).

## WPC PRESCHOOL MOVING ON CELEBRATION!

Last week, the WPC Preschool celebrated an incredible group of children and the beautiful community that supports them, including caregivers, teachers, and parents, with a lively drum circle and party.

Our children are ready for their next adventure! They are strong, creative, kind, and forever a part of the WPC Preschool community.

