

WINDSOR
PRESBYTERIAN
SEPTEMBER 2026

Date			Psalm
9/6	Communion	Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23; 28:10-17 Jacob obtains a blessing and flees; receives God's promise	122
9/13	Brunch Church	Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34 Joseph's dreams lead to conflict and he is enslaved	105
9/20		Genesis 39:1-23, 41:1-13, 14-43 Joseph is unjustly put in prison; Joseph interprets Pharaoh's dreams	43
9/27		Genesis 45:1-15; 50:15-21 Joseph reunites with his brothers; God works for good	103, 133

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
		9:30am - Text Study 	11:45am - Comm.	1:30pm - CFUM Meal 3:30pm - Set Up/Serve 	Facebook Follow 	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
COMMUNION SUNDAY 10:30am - Worship 12pm - Deacon	Labor Day	9:30am - Text Study 	Session Reports Due	2:30pm - Prayer Circle 5:30pm - Men's Cook- 	Facebook Follow 	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10:30am - Brunch 11:45am - Kitchen 1pm - Session Meeting 		9:30am - Text Study 	5pm - WOW (Windsor) 7pm - Choir 	11:30am - Women's	Facebook Follow 	10am - Pres Women 
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9:15am - Sunday 10am - Food Pantry 10:30am - Worship 		9:30am - Text Study 12pm - Fresh Start 	5pm - WOW (Windsor) 7pm - Choir 		Churchhouse Deadline Facebook Follow 	
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
9:15am - Sunday 10:30am - Worship		9:30am - Text Study 	5pm - WOW (Windsor) 7pm - Choir 			

MONTHLY FINANCIALS – Ron Grohe

WINDSOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OPERATING ACCOUNT - JULY 2026

	JULY	1 Month Budget Figure	Year To Date-Actual	Year to Date Budget
General Contributions	\$ 31,548.36	\$ 13,958.33	\$ 114,512.05	\$ 97,708.33
Operating Income	1,515.08	4,316.67	14,502.97	30,216.67
Operating Expenses	24,670.72	18,275.00	126,696.09	127,925.00
Net Gain(Loss)	\$ 8,392.72	\$ -	\$ 2,318.93	\$ -

Financial Report:

The month of July was a great step forward for Windsor. We did receive some nice gifts during the month of \$8,000 from one person, \$2,000 from another, both for Operations and another gift of \$500 for Capital Income. We had a month of about \$8,400 in Total profit for the Operating Fund with Total Income being \$14,800 over budget and Total Expenses being \$6,400 over budget for the Operating Fund.

We showed some distortion in finances as we showed an In-Kind Contribution of Income,\$9,700 which was provided by one of our very generous members to pay for what was an expenditure which was shown in Buildings and Grounds as Maintenance Expense of about \$9,700 (in and out). The item in question involves the installation of new self-opening doors to the entrance to Fellowship Hall. Total cash in bank has remained strong for the seven months year to date at \$17,939.

Land Sale Accounts:

YTD Interest Income in the amount of \$16,141.72 for 2026 is shown up to July 31, 2026 in the Land Sale Receipts and Disbursements.

MY ROAD TO RECOVERY - Ron Grohe



I have decided that it is best, if I give you a short summary of what has been happening to me and where I have been for the last 8 weeks that I have not been around the church. On June 23rd, after I had attended a Sierra Club presentation, as I was getting ready to leave and go home, I started having trouble with some dizziness and balancing in my arms and legs. I fell down and after going home and sleeping, I again had trouble in the morning with balance and coordination of my body and again stumbled and fell while walking. I determined to go to the hospital emergency room and spent about a day and ½ having tests and being examined in various ways. It was determined that I had suffered a TIA which briefly causes stroke systems and is designated as a light stroke. It is a warning signal that a stroke could occur in the future; I did not have lasting brain damage. It was from a small blood clot in the small part of the brain that causes loss of movement or weakness in a part of the body. some temporary vision change, confusion and troubles, walking or balancing. It is not physically debilitating but plays hell with some of your senses as you slowly recover from those changes. I have been recovering and, at first, spent some time with each of two of my boys as they were worried that further strokes might happen. No more strokes and I seem to be on the road to recovery. The doctors have been helpful in helping me keep abreast of the situation and have assisted me in putting up a strong defense for any other further possible strokes coming along. I'm on the mend.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION AND DISCIPLESHIP

This fall we have some great options to grow in faith, community, and service, or what we call Christian Formation and Discipleship. We have great folks who have agreed to lead things this fall, but we hope to continue growing together as disciples, so please let Tracy know if you have any ideas or would like to help us plan future growth opportunities for children, youth and adults.

Presbyterian Women led by Angie King

All the women of the church (and friends) are welcome and cordially invited to join us for our monthly gathering of Presbyterian Women on **September 19 at 10:30 a.m.** We meet the 3rd Saturday of the month in Ward Hall in the months that the weather allows. Our lessons come from a PCUSA curriculum designed by, written by, and intended for women. Our study this year is *United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other: Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians*. It's just going to be tremendous fun and a very special time to gather each month as the women of Windsor PC. If you like to laugh, learn and love on others this is the place for you!

Sunday School led by Tracy Miksell-Branch

Adult Sunday School will begin on **September 20 at 9:30 a.m.** We will be learning from the book *Boundless Compassion: Creating a Way of Life* by beloved (and local) author Joyce Rupp. There is nothing easy about living compassionately. Together we will embark on a 6 week process to develop and deepen our compassion, trying to grow in the love that Jesus calls us to. We will learn about compassion from science, medicine, theology, spirituality, sociology, and psychology. You may buy a copy of the book wherever you like to buy books and we will have some used copies available as well. The book has daily devotional type entries which invite us to learn, grow, act, pray, reflect and rest. You don't have to read the book to take part in the discussion, but she is such a beautiful writer and reflector on faith that you will probably want to read and re-read this one!

Windsor on Wednesdays led by Shamaine

We will kick off WOW and choir on **September 16 at 5:00 p.m.** with fellowship. Dinner is at 5:15, ending with a time of worship and prayer. From 6:00-6:45 will be our learning and small group discussion time. We will finish with a short large group wrap-up and prayer. Choir will begin at 7:00.

Men on a Mission led by Bob Culbertson

All men of the church (and friends) are invited to the Men's Cook Out on **September 10 at 5:30 p.m.** at Bob Culbertson's house, 6925 Sunset Terrace. There will be burgers and brats, and you are invited to bring an item to share or \$ to help cover the cost. We hope to have these kinds of social gatherings on a quarterly basis as well as plan some mission and outreach activities. We'd also like to see if there is interest in doing a study together.

SEPTEMBER 2026 CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

September Highlights

- 2 Communications Meeting
- 3 CFUM Meal Prep and Serve
- 6 Deacon Meeting
- 10 Prayer Circle/Men's Cookout
- 13 Brunch Church/Session Meeting
- 16 WOW/Choir Begin
- 20 Food Pantry Sunday
- 17 Women's Lunch
- 19 Presbyterian Women Meeting
- 22 Fresh Start Meal Prep

September Birthdays

- 4 Linda Newsom
- 4 Barb Pomeroy
- 8 Ruth Hardin
- 9 Anne Elly
- 10 Jody Cox
- 12 Anna White
- 15 Krysta Tomes
- 17 Ann McGowan
- 18 Sue Cooper

- 21 Dwight Tomes
- 24 Ryan Carlson
- 24 Michal King
- 25 Jessica McCubbin
- 27 Beth Adams
- 28 Nancy Baker

September Anniversaries

- 4 Tracy & Craig Branch
- 18 Jessica & Sean McCubbin
- 21 Bob & Sue Cooper

WORLD COMMUNION SPECIAL OFFERING



The World Communion Special Offering goes from September 6 to October 4. It supports working for racial justice, gender justice, interfaith relations and reconciliation through peace. Your financial contribution can be given through your regular donation to the church and designated for this offering or directly to Presbyterian Church USA. Bulletin inserts will be shared in church and more information will be provided through our weekly Minute For Mission statements.



- Text GIVEWCO to 41444
- Online by credit card at pcusa.org/give/wco
- Scan this QR code

OUTREACH MINISTRY - CROSS Outreach

CROSS Outreach Back to School Giveaway Success

Thanks to Windsor's faithful support, the 2026 CROSS Outreach Back to School Giveaway provided over 2,400 brand-new, fully-supplied backpacks distributed throughout DMARC's thirteen Des Moines metro food pantry network! Each backpack contained a note from CROSS saying, "We hope this backpack and the supplies inside are a reminder that an entire community is cheering you on." THANK YOU for lending your support and encouragement to the families we serve, and for cheering on each student and their family!



Save the Date: Fabulous Fall Fundraiser

Mark your calendars for the CROSS Outreach Fabulous Fall Fundraiser on Saturday, October 17, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Heartland Presbyterian Church. The event will feature a silent auction, bingo, delicious food, and an update by Amy Landrigan, CEO of The Beacon, on how CROSS helps provide critical stability in difficult situations. Please RSVP by calling the CROSS Office at 515-279-8877 or via email at crossoutreachdm@gmail.com.

OUTREACH MINISTRY - Our Little Hunger Hike



Mark your calendars for **Our Little Hunger Hike on Sunday, October 4, 2026** following worship at 11:45am.

Each year on a Sunday following worship in October we hike in our neighborhood to raise awareness of food insecurity needs in our own community and encourage our neighbors to join us in not only giving food or a financial donation to DMARC Food Pantry, but also to our neighborhood Little Food Pantries. We walk, fill and pray over the 2 Little Food Pantries on University Avenue in Windsor Heights.

CALLING ALL WINDSOR MEN – Bob Culbertson

Bob's Burger & Brat Cookout

I have been thinking since the fish fry this spring that we should be meeting on a more regular basis than once a year. We had 15 folks for dinner that night and people stayed around visiting for quite a bit of time. Would you be interested in meeting on a more regular basis?

- Once a month
- Once every two months
- Or some variation of that time line?

I would like to offer a gathering at our home again **September 10 at 5:30pm** for discussion and possible planning session. It seems to me that we have a better turn out when there is food involved in the gathering. I would be happy to cook burgers and brats, along with Home Made Onion Rings that evening. You are welcome to bring side dishes to share and fill out our the meal. Please sign up in the fellowship hall or contact Bob Culbertson for details.



Community Service/Bible Study Discussion

I also would like to suggest that we consider some of the meeting times as an opportunity to do some types of service to the community and/or a bible study. Thursday evenings seem to work fairly decently in the past so I would suggest for the next gathering that it be on a Thursday evening around 5:30 pm.

I believe we can make the church stronger as we grow in relationship with each other. I also suspect it is easier to bring our friends to such a gathering before inviting them to join us in church on Sundays.

VOLUNTEER WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



If you are interested in joining in a Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity workday in September, through the Adopt-a-Day program, please let Dana Mitchell know at mitchdana@gmail.com. We can schedule a time based on availability and interest.

Find out more about Habitat for Humanity at gdmhabitat.org

SEPTEMBER 2026 SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

Sunday Volunteer Schedule - September 2026

	Sept 6	Sept 13	Sept 20	Sept 27
Usher	Steve R	Steve N	Beth S	Craig B
Greeter	Sue C	Beth S	Don B	Steve N
Worship Assistant	Tracy MB	Jody C	Judy H	Becky Y
Fellowship	Shelly W	Brunch Church	Tracy & Craig	Linda N
Zoom Host	Richard A	John B	Richard A	John B
Slides	Shelley M	Shelley M	Shelley M	Shelley M
Sound	Dana M	Dana M	Dana M	Dana M



AUGUST WORSHIP IN WARD HALL - D. Tomes

