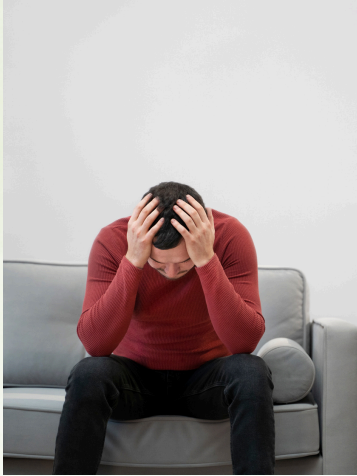




**Westminster
Weekly Update
August 6, 2026**

Helping people find purpose in Jesus through genuine relationships.



EXILES: JOY IN SUFFERING

Most of us don't expect following Jesus to make life harder. We expect it to bring peace, purpose, and joy. But what if following Jesus also brings rejection, hardship, or suffering?

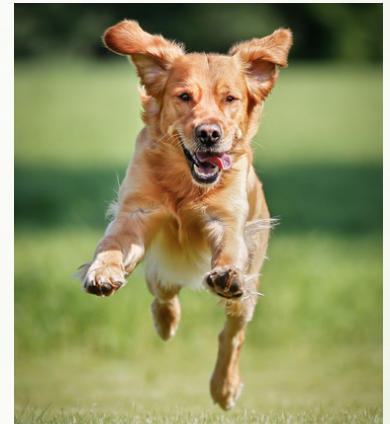
In **1 Peter 4:12-19**, Peter reminds us that suffering for Christ is neither unexpected nor something to be ashamed of. Instead, it is one of the ways we come to share in the life of Jesus Himself. Join us this Sunday as we discover how hardship doesn't have to derail our faith, but can become the very place where God deepens our joy, strengthens our witness, and shapes us more into the likeness of Christ.

Connect with us at 9:00AM in our Sanctuary or 10:45AM outside in our Amphitheater, or online wpcmedford.com or on our Facebook page.

JOY COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY 8/22

Joy Community exists to provide long-term, dignified housing for seniors without homes who have no family, no safety net, and no path back to stable housing. **Their mission is rooted in the belief that seniors deserve a stable home, meaningful community, and the opportunity to live their remaining years with peace and purpose.** We partner with Joy Community, and they told us they need a dog run. We will dig fence post holes; mix and pour concrete for fence posts; place the posts; weed, till, and rake the area to make it safer for dogs.

We need a minimum of 4 people for this project, and a maximum of 8 people. We will close the sign-up once we have 8 people. RSVP at this link here: <https://forms.gle/6bYykTWrSWdyXcx97> If that doesn't work, then text Dereck at 972-213-6932.



24 HOURS OF NON-STOP PRAYER

Be part of 24 hours of prayer beginning at 8AM, Wednesday, September 9, in our new Prayer Room in The Cottage. Families, individuals, couples, and small groups are welcome. For more information and to sign up for 30 - 60 minute slots, visit: <https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/7ca0f1>. "Too often we treat prayer as the preparation for the work of the church. Do you not see? Prayer IS the work of the church." (Oswald Chambers)



FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Consider bringing your excess produce from your gardens to share with our church family! Drop off in the Gathering Place on the table by the breezeway windows. We appreciate your generosity and will enjoy sampling the fruits of your labors.

Are you relatively new to WPC?
Want to learn more about us?

WELCOME LUNCH

August 30, 2026
12:15PM
Worship Hall

You and your family are invited!
Please join us!

RSVP or for more info:
Email Rosa Romano at
serve@wpcmedford.com
or call 408-373-9942



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Sept. 8 - Nov. 17

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MEN'S CAMPOUT: SAT. SEPT. 26 - SUN. SEPT. 27

This is a laid back time to connect, build friendships with other men, and share in enjoying the outdoors together. There will be time to fish, or to hike... maybe both! We will have a few short devotions, and time for prayer and discussion as a way to hear from God for the next year. **Picture campfires, sharing meals, and sharing life.** Come with an old friend, and leave with a new friend. This is for men, fathers-sons, grandfathers-grandsons of all ages. Since we are not too far from town, you are welcome to join us for a day, or part of the weekend. Check out the link below for details. Consider inviting a friend, and rsvp here:

<https://bit.ly/wpc-mens-campout>

MEN'S CAMPOUT

HIKING

FATHER-SON FISHING

DOE POINT CAMP
AT FISH LAKE

SEPT. 26 - 27

DETAILS & RSVP ON QR CODE

