



The Joyful Noise

A Presbytery event will take place on the last Saturday of February that deserves an extra-special "plug" from me to you.

Discovery Day (formerly "Church Leader Training Day") will be held on February 26, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the Campus Center of Carroll University in Waukesha. With a theme of "Walking on the Moon," it will help us think about how we are to be the church in a time when the environment around us is unlike anything we have experienced before. And, it will provide practical ideas and skills to turn our thoughts into helpful actions.

In addition to the keynote presentations (more on that in a moment), workshops will be led by some of our Wauwatosa members and friends – including Gregg Neel, Chris Halverson, and Roger Hawthorne (a retired minister who worships at WPC frequently). As well, our own Martha Stoner will conduct a choir of voices from many churches.

The keynote speaker is Sarah Drummond. Her two morning addresses will focus on ways the culture around us – and therefore, the church itself – is changing. Dr. Drummond will start with the question, "How can the church lead when it doesn't know what lies ahead?" Her answer is, "We have never really known where we are going. But the Christian Church has always found ways to adapt and present Christ's message according to what people were able to hear." Dr. Drummond will then give us constructive suggestions about ways we can do that today.

After lunch, the **Rev. Gregg Neel** will lead a two-part workshop titled, "They Like Jesus But Not the Church," about reaching out to the next generation of believers. Why do some churches do this so well, but others don't?

Chris Halverson will offer training for clerks of Session, to help church officers do their work more effectively, and to maintain accurate records.

Other workshops help with topics related to stewardship and church finances, welcoming church visitors (led by **Roger Hawthorne**), training for Elders, idea-sharing among Deacons, and more.

This promises to be one of the best one-day church events in many years. Best of all, the cost can be free to you! Our Christian Education committee will provide full **scholarships** (\$15/person) for all who request it. If five or more people register together before Feb. 4, the church will pay a discounted rate of only \$12/person.

You can register online at www.pbymilwaukee.org. (Lots of other good information about our local Presbyterians is there too.) Even easier: You can turn in your registration through the WPC church office. Just call, email or stop in.

I can't think of a more timely or energizing topic for us all to consider. Please: Don't wait! Sign up now, and join us on February 26. - Jim Rand

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FOR THEIR LIVES
AND IN THE
HOPE OF THE
RESURRECTION
OF JESUS CHRIST

DOROTHY RUSK
DECEMBER 2, 2010

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DECEMBER 16, 2010

DARICE WELK
DECEMBER 18, 2010

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JANUARY 4, 2010



Session Meeting Notes Dec 13, 2010

Submitted by Lynne De Bruin, Clerk of Session

The Session of WPC met at church for its regular meeting on Dec. 13, 2010. Sixteen Elders were present. Rev. James Rand moderated and Rev. Bonnie Stafford attended. Elder Flood led opening worship with an advent reflection preparing for the Coming of the Lord. Reports from Rev. Rand, Rev. Stafford, Treasurer Badciong, and the Nov. Presbytery meeting were presented. Presbytery agreed to allow WPC to sell the Manse. Also, Church Leader Training Day is now being called Discovery Day. (See the front and back cover of this newsletter for more information.) Fees can be covered by the church. Elder Skillings provided an update on current pledging totals. There are 181 operating budget pledges with an expected income of \$411,306 and 119 building fund pledges totaling \$97,313. Elder O'Loughlin notified Session of upcoming office staff changes, including the need for an additional staff person for 16 hours/week.

Session approved the following motions to:

1. Approve 10/25/10 Session Meeting Minutes as corrected, 11/22/10 Session Meeting and the 11/7/10 Congregational Meeting Minutes as submitted.
2. Approve the terms of call for Rev. Elizabeth Stafford for Jan 1 - Dec. 31, 2011.
3. Approve Rev. James Rand's 2011 housing allowance in the amount of \$17,000.
4. Baptize Charles Randall at his request
5. Use any remaining 2010 Membership Committee funds for 2011 website expenses.
6. Use Mission Endowment Account for Voces de la Frontera in the amount of \$400 and for Sojourner Truth in the amount of \$88.34.
7. Place a "No Skateboarding" sign in view of the west side entrance of the church near the steps.
8. Allow Martha Stoner to plan a 2012 choir trip to Europe and raise funds for it.
9. Grant scholarships to each of the following students: Leslie Halverson, Ian Read, Julia Weinberg, Hannah Weinberg-Kinsey, and Claire Whetter for a total expenditure of \$1,250.

10. Allocate Lora Edward's \$1000 bequest as follows: 50% to Mission and 50% to the Contingency Fund.
11. Amend the WPC Scholarship Policy so that there is some flexibility in years when our investment funds lose money or have little gains. The preference will always be to draw from gains rather than from fund principle. Session will now approve scholarships based on the Finance Committee's recommendations made no later than the February Session meeting of each year.

Session conducted a service of Appreciation for the Gifts of Ministry for Retiring Elders Lynne De Bruin, Bob Detzer, Kathy Dummer, Bradley Halverson, Emilie Karpiuk, Nancy Moon and Bill O'Loughlin. After prayers of appreciation and petition and the Lord's Prayer, the meeting ended at 9:33pm.



Session Meeting Notes Jan 2, 2011

Submitted by Elder Linda Flood

The Meeting was called to order for the purpose of (a) calling a meeting of the congregation to elect officers; and (b) to vote to hire new office personnel. After explaining the purpose of the meeting, the Rev. Jim Rand opened the meeting with prayer.

Session approved motions to:

1. Call a meeting of the congregation for January 9, 2011 at 10:25 a.m. to elect an elder and two deacons.
2. Hire Angela Ulrich as an Office Assistant, effective December 20, 2010. She will work 15-20 hours/week.

The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. Rand and adjourned at 10:28 a.m.



Special Session Meeting Notes Jan. 10, 2011

Submitted by Lynne De Bruin, Clerk of Session

A special Session Meeting was held at church on Jan. 10, 2011 for the purpose of voting on the revised 2011 budget and selected budget items. Fifteen elders were present. Rev. James Rand moderated and Rev. Bonnie Stafford attended. Guest: Kevin Sjostrom

The Worship Committee affirmed the ongoing need for a deaf ministry at WPC but recommended that 2011 interpreter funding be reduced from to help

balance the budget. Session approved by a vote of 14:1. A Worship Committee motion that WPC hold one worship service on Sunday mornings was held over to the February 2011 Session meeting by a vote of 12:3.

Session unanimously adopted the following changes to the operating budget expense categories in order to achieve a balanced 2011 operating budget. The final 2011 expenditure budget of \$440,000 is \$33,446 under the adopted 2010 expenditure budget.

After saying the Lord's Prayer together, the meeting closed at 7:02 pm.

<u>Expense Category</u>	<u>Original 2011 Requests</u>	<u>Balanced Budget Recommendations</u>
Personnel	\$328,068	\$291,850
Building & Grounds	\$79,150	\$70,000
Mission	\$61,900	\$59,950
Christian Education	\$4,500	\$4,500
Worship	\$6,225	\$4,950
Membership	\$4,200	\$4,200
Fellowship	\$3,200	\$3,200
Stewardship/Other	\$1,000	\$1,000
	<u>\$488,243</u>	<u>\$440,000</u>

2011 GHANA PARTNERSHIP DELEGATION TRIP JUNE 18 to JULY 4

Sponsored by Milwaukee Presbytery's
Ghana Partnership Team

Estimated cost: **\$3270**

The delegation is limited to 12 people.
All interested persons must fill out and submit a Registration Form and \$300 by April 1 (or sooner if the delegation is filled) Registration forms are on the Presbytery of Milwaukee's website www.pbymilwaukee.org

Note: Delegates who have been involved in the partnership since 2008 will attend a meeting of the Ghana Network Jund22-24.

The trip will include the following:

- ◆ Five to seven days visiting Dangme Tongu Presbytery, seeing churches and schools, and participating in worship services and other celebrations
- ◆ An optional two day class June 20-21 on African Theology at the Akrofi-Christaller Institute (Presbyterian graduate school) in Akropong
- ◆ Seven days sightseeing in Ghana (some with our hosts, and the rest with a tour company). Sights will include: Wli waterfall in the Volta Region, Akosombo Dam (which creates Lake Volta), Kumasi the home of the Ashantis, the Ashanti Craft Villages, Cape Coast (former slave) Castle, Kakum National Park, and Sights in the capital city Accra.

To register or ask questions, contact the Rev. William Dummer, Partnership Coordinator at 414-475-0076 ~ or ~ email: gardenerdummer@yahoo.com

Mission News & Updates



Adult Mission Trip



The tenth adult mission trip is planned for April 17-23 (Palm Sunday to the Saturday before Easter) to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to help repair homes flooded in 2008. The cost is low: just \$30 for accommodations at a church, plus an estimated \$70 for transportation, food, and incidental expenses. The deadline for signing up is March 1. A signup sheet is in the Gathering Space.

A meeting will be held on April 6th at noon to discuss details and complete information forms. A light lunch will be served. Participants are asked to bring proof of health insurance. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact a member of the Mission Committee to make other arrangements.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Sit'n & Knit'n
Saturday, February 12th in the Meeting Room
10 a.m. - Noon

**Do you have a friend
or relative that is in
special need of prayer?
Please let us know!**



The prayer shawls that we knit or crochet may add that special feeling of being wrapped in prayer and caring. The person receiving a prayer shawl need not be a member of our church.

If you like to knit or crochet please join us!
We meet the 2nd Saturday of each month Sept - May.
Come to the Meeting Room any time between
10 and 12 noon. Patterns and Yarn are provided.

For more information please call:
Jean (414) 476-2507 or Carol (414) 476-3757



Do YOU Know Any Job Seekers?

If you know someone in the job market, please invite them to join WPC's Networking Group, "Creating Opportunities!" Our next meeting is **Friday, Feb 11th** at 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Each meeting features a guest speaker and lots of open networking. For more details contact Rick Moon (rmoon5@wi.rr.com) or Bonnie Stafford (ebstafford@astor-st.net)

Souper Bowl of Caring - Tackles Hunger

Our Teens will take a Souper Bowl of Caring collection on February 6th for the Tosa Food Pantry. They won't be making subs, but they will perform a skit that will inspire you to drop a couple of dollars in the soup kettle collection to fight hunger in our community.



Extending the Table on Sunday, Feb. 6th - Canned Soups & Stews

The Mission Committee invites you to extend the Communion Table on the first Sunday of each month by donating food for the Tosa Food Pantry. Please help the church to offer the bread of life to the our community as we offer daily sustenance to the hungry. Please remember to bring canned soups and stews to church on Sunday, February, 6th.





After a very successful Ulster Project in 2010, The Greater Milwaukee Ulster Project is seeking families of ninth grade teen BOYS (age 14-16) to host a Northern Irish teen during the summer of 2011 (June 27– July 27). The Ulster Project is an international peace and reconciliation project that has been in existence for more than 30 years. Past participants rate this project very highly and speak often about the emotional and spiritual growth it imparts in teens and families. All teens participate in a fun and busy month of programmed activities designed to allow learning about diversity, peace and conflict resolution. The Ulster Project grants service hours to all participants and is a once in a lifetime chance to be a part of the peace process.

An information meeting for prospective host families will be held on February 11, 2011.

For more information please contact: **Lisa Mihlbauer** 414-771-0551 (Lmihlbauer@aol.com) or
Ellen McEllwee 414-449-9919 (egillick@hotmail.com)

WPC Quilters' Quest

Our group had a busy and productive year in 2010. By December we had completed 17 quilts in tote bags with stuffed animals to present to children in need of comfort and reassurance. We chose Meta House in Milwaukee as the recipient of the gifts. Meta House is a nationally recognized treatment center designed for women to receive help in overcoming addiction and attain stability for themselves and their children. There were 12 children housed with their mothers there when we presented the quilts. They were received with enthusiastic and grateful thanks.

Some of the group pictured for the Quilt Blessing prior to delivery are from back left: Trudy Thompson, Jean O'Loughlin, Jane Bolder (Jean's sister), Ilene Marconnet, Barb Ziemann, and Dee Krugler.

Our door is always open to anyone interested in having a good time twice a month with this lively group. We'll meet in February and March on the 3rd & 17th. Just look for the banner on the Meeting Room door reading, "Quilting Therapy In Session." We'd love to have you join us!



For more information please call Ilene (414-475-5211) or Dee (262-790-9700).

Bread
of
healing
clinic

Collection of Used Prescription Bottles

Bread of Healing, a clinic for those without health insurance, was started by Rev. Barbara Horner-Ibler, a Presbyterian minister. They operate at three sites: Cross Lutheran Church, Eastbrook Church, and Agape Center. You are invited to place your **washed** prescription pill bottles with the **labels removed** in a box designated for them in the Gathering Space. They will be used for prescriptions filled with donated and sample drugs. It's better than throwing them away or recycling them! Please bring your donations to church by Sunday, February 20.

Bread of Healing can also use common over-the-counter medications, medical supplies, and office supplies. For more information, see the flier for Discovery Day 2011 (previously known as Church Leader Training Day) which is in the Gathering Space or on the Presbytery of Milwaukee's website www.pbymilwaukee.org. You can also visit the clinic online at www.breadofhealingclinic.org.



Alternative Christmas Market 2010 Thank You!

Please express our deepest gratitude to the congregation for their generous donations of \$165. We truly appreciate your support of **Dominican Center for Women's** work in Milwaukee's inner city. May God bless you with peace and joy throughout the year. Thank you!

Sara Kierzek, Executive Director

Thank you for your donation of \$441 to **Grandmothers Beyond Borders** from your Alternative Christmas Market. We were so delighted to be able to participate in this event and raise money for our beloved Jjajjas (Grandmothers) in Uganda who continually struggle to keep their families together. We look forward to participating next year.

Marilyn Nelsen, Treasurer

Many thanks to Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church for inviting **Greater Tosa Interfaith** to participate in your Alternative Christmas. What a great opportunity for us to get the word out to one of our sponsoring churches and to receive some extra money that we could use to help our older neighbors.

Diane Euting

On behalf of the **Guest House of Milwaukee** we thank you for your generous gift of \$518. When you direct a gift to the Guest House you are helping us shelter and assist the homeless in our community. Thank you for being a partner in the Guest House of Milwaukee Mission. We are grateful for your support.

Cindy Krahenbuhl, Executive Director

Thank you for having us at the Alternative Christmas Fair and for your generous gift of \$632.50 to **support Milwaukee Habitat for Humanity**. Our goal is to provide simple, decent affordable houses for very low income families in our community. With this gift we can continue our mission.

We appreciate the support. Happy New Year!

Melissa Herguth, Development Director

Thank you for your generous gift to **Heifer International**. Your gift is vital to improving the lives of families we serve all around the world. Together we are making a difference in the lives of families once trapped in the cycle of hunger and poverty.

Charles O. Stewart, Interim Chief Executive Officer

Thank you very much for your donation of \$145 to the **LaVarnway Boys & Girls Club of Greater Milwaukee**.

We are grateful to you for your tremendous support of us in our efforts to serve youth! On behalf of the staff, volunteers, and members we Thank you!

Michael Chisom, Club Manager

Thank you so much for your generous gift of \$480 to the **Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee**. We are delighted to count the church among our continuing loyal friends and sponsors. Your valuable donation makes it important contribution to our work each year in representing more than 8,000 of Milwaukee most vulnerable residents. Your church's continuing support of our mission is deeply appreciated! Thanks again for your kindness.

Thomas G. Cannon, Executive Director

Thank you Wauwatosa Presbyterian for your wonderful donation! Your gift of \$840 to **Literacy Services** will be used to help adults learn to read, speak English or achieve their high school equivalency degree. Please accept our sincere gratitude and kindness. Warm regards,

India McCause, Executive Director

Meta House thanks Wauwatosa Presbyterians Church's generous gift of \$842.50 from the Alternative Christmas Market and Mission Committee funds. Our organization helps women in the Milwaukee area to overcome their addictions, strengthen their relationships with their children, and gain the parenting and career skills that will positively contribute to our community. Thank you!

Francine Feinberg, Executive Director

Thank you for your very generous donation of \$423 to the **Peace Learning Center of Milwaukee**. Your gift will enable many children with their classrooms to attend a Peacemakers' Workshop to learn the tools of nonviolent conflict resolution. Tools that actively engage children in building communities that value diversity, practice inclusion, and model peaceful action and tolerance. With wishes for a more peaceful world for all our children. Thanks again,

Nancy Theoharis, Board Member

Thank you for the generous donation of \$675 to **Safe and Sound**. Your gift allows Safe & Sound to continue its work with residents and youth so that Milwaukee neighborhoods are safe places to work, live and raise families. Thank you so much for including us. We are so very grateful,

Barbara Notestein, Chief Executive Officer

We can't thank the church enough for its very generous donation of \$1,500 to the **Silver Spring Neighborhood Center**. I am fortunate to see the countless benefits of your caring support each and every day as people are touched and lives are changed for the better. Thanks again and best wishes for a safe, healthy, and prosperous 2011!

Warmest regards, James Bartos, Executive Director

Alternative Christmas Market 2010 Thank You!

Thank you for your generous and thoughtful support of our mission with your gift of \$948 to the **Sojourner Family Peace Center**. On behalf of all that will benefit from your gift, thank you. We are honored to be a part of the fair this year. Peacefully, Angela Mancuso, Executive Director

Thank you for your gift of \$500 to **St. Ben's Community Meal**. Your involvement in our mission allows us to continue serving folks who come to our door, not only during the holiday season, but throughout the year. We count ourselves privileged to be in partnership with caring people like you. Thanks for sharing this very special & generous gift with us. Peace,
Br Dave Schwab, Capuchin, Meal Director

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the volunteers at the **Tosa Community Food Pantry**, thank you for your donation of \$228.38. In these uncertain times, many families continue to struggle and turn to the pantry for help with their food needs. The funds from your recent Alternative Christmas Market and your Staff's Christmas Offering will be used to purchase food for our clients. Thank you for your participation in our mission,
Mary Ann Hamill, President

Thank you to the congregation of WPC for the gift of \$45 from the Alternative Christmas Market for the support of our campus ministry program at **University Christian Ministries**. We truly appreciate your congregation's commitment to mission in the community, and your concern for the student's attending UCM. Gratefully yours,
Rev. Alan S. McCalister, Campus Minister & Director

On behalf of **Voces de la Frontera**, I would like to thank you for allowing us to participate in your Market which raised \$855. Your generosity is essential in sustaining Voces' leadership role in Wisconsin in defense of immigrant and worker justice. We are grateful for your generosity, trust, and most importantly, your commitment to our mission. Sincerely, Christitine Neumann-Ortiz, Executive Director

On behalf of **Wisconsin Community Services (WCS)** we want to thank you for your donation of \$20 to the **Swigart House**. (Pictures are in the WPC Gathering Space) WCS continues to raise funds to remodel and improve the Swigart house, the nine unit rooming house for men with chronic and severe mental illness, which a team from your congregation has helped with so much over the years. Thank you for your wonderful, continuous support of our efforts. Best Wishes, Holly Patzer, Executive Director



Thank you for your donation of \$1,155 to **Woodland Pattern Book Center**. In the past year we have served 15,409 children and adults through 170 different programs, and we don't plan to stop there! Thank you for your generous support,
Anne Kingsbury, Executive Director

Pictures from the 2010 Alternative Christmas Market



Christian Education

Faith Sharing with the Teens

Denise Fried, Administrator of Christian Education

Ed Marconnet was the latest faith-sharing visitor to the Teens' Sunday morning gathering in mid-January. He told us stories of his faith experiences and church involvement going back to his youth and his time in the army. It was interesting to reflect on the societal changes that have impacted the way we create our church community. Mr. Marconnet's stories and observations reflect a life of daily church membership, looking for ways to be involved and to use his many talents. We appreciate his visit and his membership in our community of faith.

Centering Prayer

& Walking the Labyrinth

Tired of feeling fragmented and over-scheduled? You're invited to join others for both Centering Prayer and walking the Labyrinth. Our time together includes meditation, centering prayer, walking the labyrinth, and sharing. We generally meet from 4-5:30 pm on the 2nd Sunday of the month. In February, we'll meet on the 13th. Please join us!



CREATIVE PATHWAYS: JOURNEY OF FAITH AND CREATIVITY

It's not too late to join this small group on Sunday the 6th in Feb & March at 3:30pm to 5:30pm.

We're on Chapter 4 of Julia Cameron's book, **THE ARTIST'S WAY**.

We are enjoying taking time to welcome our and others efforts to be creative.

Questions/comments see:

Bonnie Stafford or Wendy Wosoba

Pictured here is the delightful cast of the 7:00 pm Christmas Eve service. Thanks to Everyone!



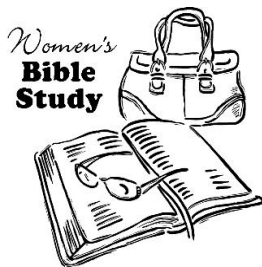
Wonderful Wednesdays in Winter

Feb 2, 9, 16, & 23 at 5:30 – 7:30pm

Deep in winter we need the fellowship of our community to shake us from the urge to hibernate! That is exactly what is planned for Wonderful Wednesdays in February. Adult enrichment will feature curriculum by a WPC favorite – Marcus Borg. Each session of the curriculum, *Embracing An Adult Faith: What It Means to Be Christian*, provides a ten minute video that includes a presentation by Dr. Borg followed by his interaction with a small group of adults. He invites us into the discussion as he revisits some fundamental questions of Christianity: Who is God? What does salvation mean? What place does Jesus hold in contemporary Christian faith? Tim McMahon and Kristen Crump will lead our discussion on alternating Wednesdays.

We'll return to the four week format in February, but the rest of the routine remains. The doors open at 5:30 PM, dinner starts around 6:00. At 6:30 we each go our way according to our peer group – Crib Room for very young people, Rainbow Choir for SrK through 5th grade, the second year of confirmation for the current class, and the enrichment program for teens and adults.

The gift of hospitality requires planning! We want to be sure that we have enough tables and the right amount of food, so we ask that you sign-up in advance if possible. Sign-ups are in the Gathering Space. We also need volunteers for meal set-up and clean-up, and donations of desserts would also be gladly accepted.



This year, the Women's Bible Study is studying the Book of Acts, using the Interpretation Bible Study by Charles C. Williamson. Copies (new and used) are available at www.amazon.com. We generally meet on the first and third Tuesday of the month from 9:15-10:45AM. In February and March we'll meet on the 1st & the 15th. If you want to join this refreshing, insightful, and often hilarious Bible study, please just show up with your copy of the curriculum in hand. If you have questions, please contact Bonnie Stafford at the church or Beth Neel at bemerri@gmail.com or 763-8651. Join us!

February 6 Uppity Women

This fascinating study examines the story of an Uppity Woman, Judith, who took things into her own hands. Presenter: Heidi Hudson-Mairet

February 13 & 20 Pair-a-Docs

Dr Dudley Riggle, professor emeritus of religion at Carthage College, and his daughter Dr. Laura Riggle, PhD psychologist at the Milwaukee County mental health facility, will once again provide us with their individual and often differing insights into today's world. This program has consistently been one of the most popular.

February 27 The Theology of Polity

Our beliefs shape the structure of our church (and denomination). In turn, this structure influences what we believe about God, Jesus Christ, humankind, and the purpose of life. Join Pastor Jim Rand for a lively discussion of the Presbyterian Church (USA) Form of Government, and how we "practice what we preach" and "preach what we practice."

Adult Education Class

GET INVOLVED!



The Encore Over55s will meet again! The first planned event of the new year will be **Abe Lincoln, His Life and Times**, on Monday, Feb. 28th at 2pm.

Desserts and coffee will also be served. Cost is \$5 per person.

(Confidential financial assistance is available. If needed, please speak to Rev. Rand).

Please RSVP by turning in your money to the office by Mon., Feb. 21st, President's Day.

Dr. Bob Rotgers, a retired United Church of Christ pastor gives a first person monologue providing glimpses into President Lincoln's life, including some lesser known events. Bob has performed as Lincoln at Wisconsin's State Fair and the dedication of the Lincoln Museum in Springfield, IL where he was pictured in Time magazine with other Lincoln presenters. Other interesting programs are being planned!

TGIF! TGIF! TGIF! TGIF!TGIF! TGIF! TGIF! TGIF!TGIF! TGIF!

Please join us! Bring yourself, a snack to share, something to drink, and be ready to have fun! The fun starts at 6:30 and ends around 9pm. Hope to see you there!!

Have Questions or Need a Ride?

Please call Jessie or Lloyd Jung: (414) 259-9081

On Feb 11, 2011, our hosts are:
Lloyd & Jessie Jung (414) 259-9081
1721 North 117th Street, Wauwatosa

On March 11, 2011, our hosts are:
Greg and Jackie Williams (262) 853-4662
3945 N. 169th Street, Brookfield

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The WPC Book Club usually meets the third Sunday of the month after the 10:30 am service. Please join us for fellowship and lively discussion.



Our Next Meeting :
Sunday, Feb. 20th
"Infidel"
by Ayaan Hirsi Ali

Presbyterian Women's Circle Meetings

Circle	Date	Time	Place
Lydia	2/8/2011	7:00 PM	Meeting Room
Ruth	2/15/2011	9:30 AM	Mary Lawrence's Home
Sarah	2/15/2011	9:15 AM	Meeting Room
Rachel	2/17/2011	9:15 AM	Ruth Mueller's Home



What a terrific opportunity!

A *trip to Hungary and the Czech Republic* with a fun group and music making too! The Tosa Pres Music Department is planning a tour from June 18 to 26, 2012. We will be singing in a worship service and two other performances besides having wonderful tours of Prague and Budapest. Singers are welcome but non-singers are also encouraged to join us. There will be an information **meeting on Monday, February 7** at church with a person from the tour company here to answer your questions and tell us more about the tour. Please contact Martha Stoner or email her at mstoner@wi.rr.com if you have questions. Color brochures with much more information are in the church gathering space.

We are also looking for talented musicians who would like to share their gift with the congregation during worship, especially for the 8:15 service. If you are interested, please contact Martha Stoner at (414)364-8089 or mstoner@wi.rr.com



Our Chancel Choir will be preparing several selections from the Easter portion of Handel's Messiah to be presented in worship on Sunday, April 10, 2011. If you would like to sing with us, we will rehearse portions of the Messiah from 8 - 8:30pm on Wednesdays in the choir room starting on March 2.

The "Forgotten" Special Offering

By Jessie Read, Stewardship Ministry

Our church is always very generous when we are asked to give to the four special offerings proffered throughout the church year [One Great Hour of Sharing, Pentecost, Peacemaking, and Christmas Joy]. But there is one offering – the **Initial Offering** – that our church pays to the denomination, Presbyterian Church (USA) to maintain our relationship with the larger church. This offering is based upon the number of members on our church rolls and is essentially our “dues” to belong to Presbyterian Church (USA). Just as we are a community in Christ, we also are a part of the larger church community and we help to support that larger community with our initial offering.

The **Initial Offering** is really a small price to pay for membership in the national church organization that provides so much support to our congregation. **At \$ 27.80** per confirmed member, PC(USA) manages to effectively run a large organization that contributes to the greater community as well as individual member churches. At WPC we provide in our budget to pay our share of the Initial Offering and request that our members help to offset the cost by contributing their individual “dues” for that offering over and above their regular pledge. The more members contribute to the Initial Offering, the more pledge money is available to cover other costs in our church budget.

Please use the enclosed envelope to contribute to this very important offering. Parents – remember that all kids that have gone through confirmation are considered members on our rolls, even if they are away at college or on their own, if they have not transferred their membership to another church.



Congratulations!

**Congratulations to
Parents
Kevin & Sandra
Moloney**



*On the birth of their daughter,
Erin Elizabeth Moloney
on Saturday, November 20th
She was 8 lbs 7 oz and 21 inches.*

Grandparent's
Corner



**Proud Grandparents
are
Tom & Sharon Christie**

**Congratulations to
The Rev. Lisa Taylor!**

Lisa, who grew up in our church, now serves as Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Baraboo, Wisconsin. She began her ministry there in October, 2010 and was officially installed on January 16 of this year. Previously, she served two churches in southern Illinois.

**Congratulations also to Lisa's
mother Janet!**



January 2011 CCNS Update

Dana Biasi - Administrator

Hello and Happy New Year! We hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas! One of our favorite units here at CCNS is "Winter." Our classrooms have been transformed into winter wonderlands with lots of new and exciting things for the children to do and play with. We will be learning about what we can do outside in the snow and how we should dress to play in the snow. On the first three Friday's of the month we'll focus on some wonderful winter-themed books by children's author Jan Brett. We will talk about how animals find food in the winter and how we can take care of God's creatures by making a backyard birdfeeder! We will close the month by having a Fun Day! The children will be invited to wear their pajamas to school and we will make a special snack to eat!

CCNS is doing a fundraiser this month to raise money for teacher certifications and new items for our classrooms!
















We are selling Mr. Z's pizza, featuring Suzy's Cheesecakes! See the brochure in the Gathering Space. Orders and money are due by Jan. 30th. *Please make checks out to the church.* Delivery date is Monday, March 7th from 10:30 to 12:30 p.m.

(*Please call the church office if you need us to hold your order)

Open enrollment for 2011-112 school year CCNS began on Monday, Jan 24th.

A letter about our 2011-12 enrollment is available in the office or on our website www.ccnstosa.com. Word-of-mouth is our best form of advertising and we are asking you to share this letter with your friends and family members. For more information please contact the school at 774-5005 x 113 or email me , Dana Biasi at: admin@ccnstosa.com.




February 2011



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>(CCNS) Curiosity Corner Nursery School Classes: Mon-Fri 9-11:30AM Mon/Wed 12:30-2:50PM</p> <p>BULLETIN INFORMATION DUE to Church Office Wednesdays by 9AM</p>		<p>1</p> <p>9:15 AM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Master Singers 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon 7:00 PM Lydia Circle</p>  	<p>2 Groundhog Day</p> <p>WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP</p> <p>5:30 PM Wonderful Wednesdays 6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal - Heaven 6:30 PM Rainbow Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10:00 AM Quilter's Quest</p> 	4	5
<p>6 Souper Bowl of Caring!</p>  <p>EXTENDING THE TABLE = Soups & Stews</p> <p>8:15 AM Contemporary Worship 9:20 AM Christian Education 10:30 AM Traditional Worship 3:30 PM Creative Pathways Meeting</p>	<p>7</p> <p>8:00 AM Grey Panthers - Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM Play Group!</p>   <p>7:00 PM Choir Tour 2012 - Info Meeting</p>	<p>8</p> <p>9:00 AM Play Group!</p> <p>6:30 PM Master Singers 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon</p> 	<p>9</p> <p>WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP</p> <p>5:30 PM Wonderful Wednesdays 6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal - Heaven 6:30 PM Rainbow Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:00 PM Worship Committee Meeting</p> 	<p>11</p> <p>8:30 AM WPC's Networking Group "Creating Opportunities"</p> <p>6:30 PM TGIF! @ the Jung's house</p> 	<p>12</p> <p>10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry Prayer Shawl Group - Sit'n & Knit'n</p> 
<p>13</p> <p>8:15 AM Contemporary Worship 9:20 AM Christian Education 10:30 AM Traditional Worship</p> <p>4:00 PM Centering Prayer Meeting</p> 	<p>14 Newsletter articles DUE!</p>  <p>8:00 AM Grey Panthers 7:00 PM Committee Meetings</p> 	<p>15</p> <p>9:15 AM Sarah Circle 9:15 AM Women's Bible Study 9:15 AM Ruth Circle @ Mary Lawrence's 6:30 PM Master Singers 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon</p> 	<p>16</p> <p>WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP</p> <p>8:00 AM B&G Committee 5:30 PM Wonderful Wednesdays 6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal - Heaven 6:30 PM Rainbow Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9:15 AM Rachel Circle @ Ruth Mueller's Home 10:00 AM Quilter's Quest</p> 	18	<p>19</p> <p>9:00 AM P.E.O. Open House for Milwaukee Area High School women</p>



February 2011 (continued)



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<p>20</p> <p><i>* Last Day to Donate Prescription Bottles for the Bread of Healing Clinic</i></p> <p>8:15 AM Contemporary Worship</p> <p>9:20 AM Christian Education</p> <p>10:30 AM Traditional Worship - Baptism of Ella Brodzik & Handbells Ring</p> <p>11:30 AM WPC Book Club - Meeting Room</p>  	<p>21</p>  <p><i>Presidents' Day</i></p> <p>8:00 AM Grey Panthers</p> <p>9:00 AM Play Group!</p>  <p>CHILDREN'S PLAY DATE</p>	<p>22</p>  <p>CHILDREN'S PLAY DATE</p> <p>8:00 AM B&G Committee</p> <p>9:00 AM Play Group!</p> <p>6:30 PM Master Singers</p> <p>7:00 PM Narcotics Anon</p> <p>7:00 PM Adult Enrichment Committee</p>	<p>23</p>  <p>9:00 AM Newsletter Collation - Mtg Room</p>  <p>5:30 PM Wonderful Wednesdays</p> <p>6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal - Heaven</p> <p>6:30 PM Rainbow Choir</p> <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>			<p>26</p>  <p>8:30 AM-3:00PM DISCOVERY DAY 2011 @ Carrol University (formerly known as Church Leader Training Day)</p>

<p>27</p> <p>8:15 AM Contemporary Worship</p> <p>9:20 AM Christian Education</p> <p>10:30 AM Traditional Worship</p>	<p>28</p> <p>8:00 AM Grey Panthers</p>  <p>2:00 PM <i>Encore Over 55s</i> - Mr Lincoln Presentation</p>  <p>7:00 PM Session</p>
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Mark Your Calendars!

⇒ Growing in Faith – New Member Classes start at Noon: March 6, 13, & 20
– A light lunch will be served and babysitting can be arranged if requested in advance. If you are interested, please call the church office at 414-774-5005, ext. 100, or speak to Pam Parker, Jim Rand or Bonnie Stafford.

⇒ Wonderful Wednesdays in Lent: March 16, 23, & April 6, 13 – Watch for Brochure.

⇒ Ash Wednesday Worship: 7:00pm on Wednesday, March 9th

PLEASE NOTE: Year end giving statements were mailed in January.
If you did not receive your statement please contact the church office, 414 774 5005 ext. 100.

Thank You Notes

Church Members, I can't thank you enough! Thank you to Dave Weinberg -Kinsey for coming to my house and bringing that beautiful plant. I also wanted to thank Dave for taking the time to sit and chat with me about family and friends. Love to you all, **Shirley Abraham**

Thank you to everyone again for the cards, visits, and good things to eat. Fred Haase delivered the deepest red poinsettia to us for the holidays. A genuine thank you to him and to all of you. In my previous note of thanks I told everyone when the worst of things was over we would celebrate. **So, on Feb. 20th there will be a cake in the Gathering Space for you to enjoy along with your coffee.** We hope this will encourage all of you to celebrate the good things in your life, as our family celebrates you, and is celebrating our road to recovery.

Blessings, **Dolores & Don Gunderson**

We would like to thank our church for the caroling they did at Luther Manor. There were 10 ladies on my mother's unit (Charlotte Oberle) that joined in the singing and the fellowship time after. Thank you for the memories and the joy you added to their holiday season.

Connie & Tony Kreif

Thank you for the beautiful bouquet from the Nelsons and delivered by Carol & Roy Johnson. Also, thank you for the Prayer Shawl that Joyce Kolda made and Jean O'Loughlin brought to us. It's going to keep us warm all winter. We are so thankful for a caring church.

Gloria & Ralph Marker

You are so sweet to send us Thanksgiving and Christmas cards! You don't know how thrilling it was to see so many signatures of our dear, long-time friends. Of course you know the story of the gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh...well, that's how precious your cards were for us. It's true. We miss you and wish you life abundant in the New Year.

With much affection, **Rhoda & Mike Moeller**

Thank you to WPC for donating the Christmas flower to me. And thank you to the Deacon, Mollie Mulberry, who brought it over.

I really appreciate it, **Charlotte Oberle**

Thank you everyone at WPC for remembering me and sending me the beautiful Thanksgiving and Christmas cards.

Judy Rude

Dear Friends from Church, Enjoy the spirit of the season as you have shared with me so many good wishes including the weekly news from church, the summaries of sermons (which I read at once). Thank you for the recent Thanksgiving card with so many signatures and the very beautiful Christmas poinsettia. I enjoy imagining being there with you some day again! In the meantime, I rejoice with you all as we celebrate once more Christ's birth, **Louise R. Witherell**

Dear Church Members, Thank you for the Christmas card. I'm sorry I haven't been to church lately. I was in Florida for two months.

Lorraine Zabel

The Fine Arts committee would like to THANK Ed Marconnet for helping us to organize the closet with pipes to hang the cloth upon! It looks great, it works beautifully, and we thank you for helping us out!

Thank you for your on-going support of the **Tosa Food Pantry**. Your faithfulness in giving so generously is very much needed and appreciated.

Sincerely,

Cindy Cooper - Pantry Board Member

On behalf of the **Heritage Chorale of Milwaukee**, I express our appreciation to your Congregation for providing a host site for our Holiday Concert on Saturday, December 18, 2010. The setting was perfect for a most memorable evening of beautiful music. We continue to receive accolades for both the music and the setting.

Ella J. Washington

I wish to thank everyone who supported the Rusk family during their period of mourning and celebration of Dorothy's passing. Jim and Bonnie, by their words, set the tone for the celebration of Dorothy's life and contributions during 41 years as a member of Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church. Martha sang beautifully to add to the celebration. We offer our sincere thanks to our church family who in various ways passed their love and caring to our family. We greatly appreciate your caring! I'm proud to be a member of WPC.

Clyde Rusk & Family

THANK YOU!! to all of the WPC members who coordinated and participated in the events of the Advent season. From the Hanging (and un-hanging) of the Greens, poinsettia delivery, the ringing of the bells, the music of the Chancel choir, Praise Singers, the Rainbow choir to the youth retelling the story of Jesus' birth at the Christmas Eve service - what an excellent example of teamwork at its best. How wonderful to have members of all ages gathered together throughout the Advent Season celebrating the birth of Christ together. Thank You!!



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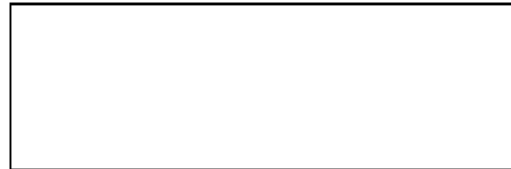
We are accessible **Sign Language Interpreter** **Listening system**

Church Office Hours: Monday -Thursday: 8:30 am - 3:30 pm
Friday: 8:30 am - Noon

Sunday Schedule: 8:15 am Contemporary Worship Service
(School Year) 9:20 am Education for all Ages
10:30 am Traditional Worship Service

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The Joyful Noise is published monthly by Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church.
Articles for the March issue are due on Monday, February 14th.

Statement of Welcome

- * We open our doors to all persons to join in worship, fellowship, educational programs, and service.
- * We welcome into membership all who profess faith in Jesus Christ, without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, worldly condition, sexual orientation, disability, or any other human condition.
- * We elect and ordain persons who are called by God and committed to serving the Lord Jesus Christ in the Church.



DISCOVERY DAY 2011

The new face of Church Leader Training Day
Keynote Speaker: Sarah Drummond

Rev. Sarah Drummond is associate dean of the faculty and assistant professor of ministerial leadership at Andover Newton Theological School, Newton Centre, MA. She is the author of Holy Clarity: the Practice of Planning and Evaluation.

For more information, see the brochure for Discovery Day 2011 which is in the Gathering Space or on the Presbytery of Milwaukee's website www.pbymilwaukee.org.

**Saturday, February 26, 2011
8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
Carroll University Campus Center**