



The Joyful Noise

The Sagrada Familia Church in Barcelona, Spain is one of the best-known buildings on earth. Its spires look like sand castle drippings rising 558 feet in the air, making it almost as tall as the U.S. Bank building in downtown Milwaukee.

It has been under construction for 129 years. Before the advent of laser-guided cutting tools, the architect, Antoni Gaudi predicted it would take at least 200 years to complete. When asked, "Why such a long timeline for your building?" he declared about God, "My Client is not in a hurry."

He knew that God is bigger than anything we can accomplish in the span of a single lifetime.

In fact, the Christian Church has been "under construction" for 2000 years – and not just with bricks and mortar.

Jesus gathered disciples around him, then sent out in mission. Theologians, like Augustine and Aquinas, wrote books about the faith. St. Francis and others revealed God's love for nature. Desert Fathers (and Mothers!) in North Africa offered constant prayer and homespun teaching. Ordinary people opened their homes for worship where everyone was welcome. When public gatherings were outlawed, the Church went underground – to the catacombs – and kept praising God. And, even though pagans ran for the hills at the first sign of plague, Christians stuck around and nursed the sick back to health with cool water on the brow and bread for the belly. In all these ways, the Church was built up. Over centuries.

Musicians, like J.S. Bach, wrote enduring music for the Church. Visual artists, like Michelangelo and El Greco, displayed God's glory in marble or oil ... always knowing that someone would follow behind them and add to the project.

That's the essence of Christian stewardship: not that we *finish* the work, but that we are *faithful* at turning the gifts of prior generations into an inheritance for the next.

That's certainly true at Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church. We'll celebrate our 85th anniversary next year – which reminds us that we would not be here apart from others who came before us. By the same token, we want to pass it along to others in good shape. Truly, we are part of a "great cloud of witnesses" (Heb. 12:1) moving through time, in a grand parade of faith.

Now is our chance to build up this church for one another and for those yet to come. With our pledges and offerings, we provide the kind of worship and music, Christian education, fellowship, leader development, and outreach that defines the strength and health of the Church.

None of us can do it alone, of course. It takes all of us working and sharing together. If you have not already done so, please read the Stewardship information that you received. Prayerfully ask what you can do, believing that Christ is at work in us and we are *still* "under construction."

We urge you to turn in your 2012 Pledge Card by Sunday, November 13. And we say, "Thanks!" in advance. - Jim Rand

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IN MEMORIAM



WITH GRATITUDE
FOR THEIR LIFE AND
IN THE HOPE OF THE
RESURRECTION
OF JESUS CHRIST

REV. ROGER HAWTHORNE
OCTOBER 10, 2011

SHELDON FERGUSON
OCTOBER 4, 2011

LUCILLE KLEMMER
OCTOBER 17, 2011

Church Officers' Election and Training in November

On Sunday, November 6, we will have our annual congregational meeting to elect Deacons, Elders and other leaders for the congregation. Please join us for that meeting, which will start at 9:30 a.m.

On November 7, 10, and 17, from 7-9 p.m., newly-elected officers will have a time of study and preparation which is required by our Presbyterian *Book of Order*. This study looks at personal faith, the organizational structure of the Presbyterian Church, and the duties required. Because the *Book of Order* underwent major changes this year, it is especially important for all incoming officers to attend – even if previously ordained.



Session Meeting Notes - September 26, 2011

Submitted by Dottie Anderson,
Clerk of Session

The Session of Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church met at the church for its regular meeting on September 26, 2011 at 7p.m.

Session Action:

Session approved a policy that the photo directory be reviewed and renovated every five years by an *ad hoc* committee to be initiated by the membership committee.

Committee Reports:

Nominating Committee Chair, Elder Jim Badciong, reported that to date six Deacon and two Elder positions are open. The committee is working hard to fill the church officer positions.

Finance Committee Chair, Elder Judson Luke, reported that proceeds from the sale of the manse were used to pay down the Building Fund by \$228,000 and that an audit of the church's finances will be conducted on October 29, 2011.

Time was spent discussing the new "Concealed Carry" law that will be in effect on November 1st. "How will it affect the church?" and "how do we present ourselves?" are a couple of questions that were discussed in light of the new law.

Share your feedback with WPC!

As a member of Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church (WPC), your opinions and input are always welcome. In fact, your comments and ideas are necessary to ensure a vibrant and engaged Congregation. This year we are trying something new: the 2011 WPC Member Survey.

This is your chance to provide feedback in a **completely anonymous and confidential** way – you will not be asked for your name. We are conducting this survey with no preconceived notions or specific issues under consideration. The results, however, will be presented to Session to guide discussion and discernment on various topics moving forward, including overall member involvement and satisfaction. Afterwards, copies of the survey results will also be available to church members.

The survey will be administered in two ways to help ensure all of our members can respond using their preferred method. You can fill it in online using a quick and easy Internet survey tool using this URL:

www.surveymonkey.com/s/TosaPres.

If you prefer, written surveys can be obtained in the Gathering Space or in the Church office. Completed written surveys can be returned to the office, Attn: Judson Luke. Printed surveys can be sealed in an envelope and be left in the Church Office.

All members of WPC are welcome to complete a survey. Please complete only one survey per person. We do need to receive your survey by Sunday, November 13th, so we can compile the results prior to the end of the year. Thanks in advance for your participation!

Thanksgiving Eve Events at WPC, November 23rd



Thanksgiving Eve
Worship Service

Please join your fellow church members in hosting Christ Presbyterian and Cross Lutheran at this year's Thanksgiving Eve supper and worship service. Simply by attending that evening's activities, you will help our guests feel welcome. And *you* will receive: a tasty meal, lively fellowship, festive worship, favorite Thanksgiving hymns and joyous anthems from each church's choir.

6:00 PM - Thanksgiving Eve Soup Supper in Fellowship Hall

7:00 PM - Thanksgiving Eve Service in WPC Sanctuary

Please RSVP for the Thanksgiving Supper on the sheet in the Gathering Space. Volunteers are also needed to provide desserts. All ages are welcome, and childcare is provided.

Common Ground Update

Here's the latest on the current Common Ground campaigns.

Milwaukee Rising: This campaign was previously called the Faces of Foreclosure, a good name while the issue team was getting the attention of banks that had a role in the foreclosure situation. The negative connotation is no longer applicable. The team has persevered and is enjoying real success. Common Ground has forged a relationship with the City of Milwaukee and several other organizations to work on neighborhood stabilization and community revitalization in the Sherman Park area around St. Joseph's Hospital. The banks have come around and made contributions to funds that are being used to rehab and maintain the properties of empty foreclosed homes, and provide attractive mortgages to qualified buyers. The first home has been sold, an offer has been made on another and twenty-one properties are in the pipeline for rehab. Great news! Nevertheless, the team is not resting on its laurels. This is a three-year campaign just in the Sherman Park area, and they intend to expand into other areas of the city.

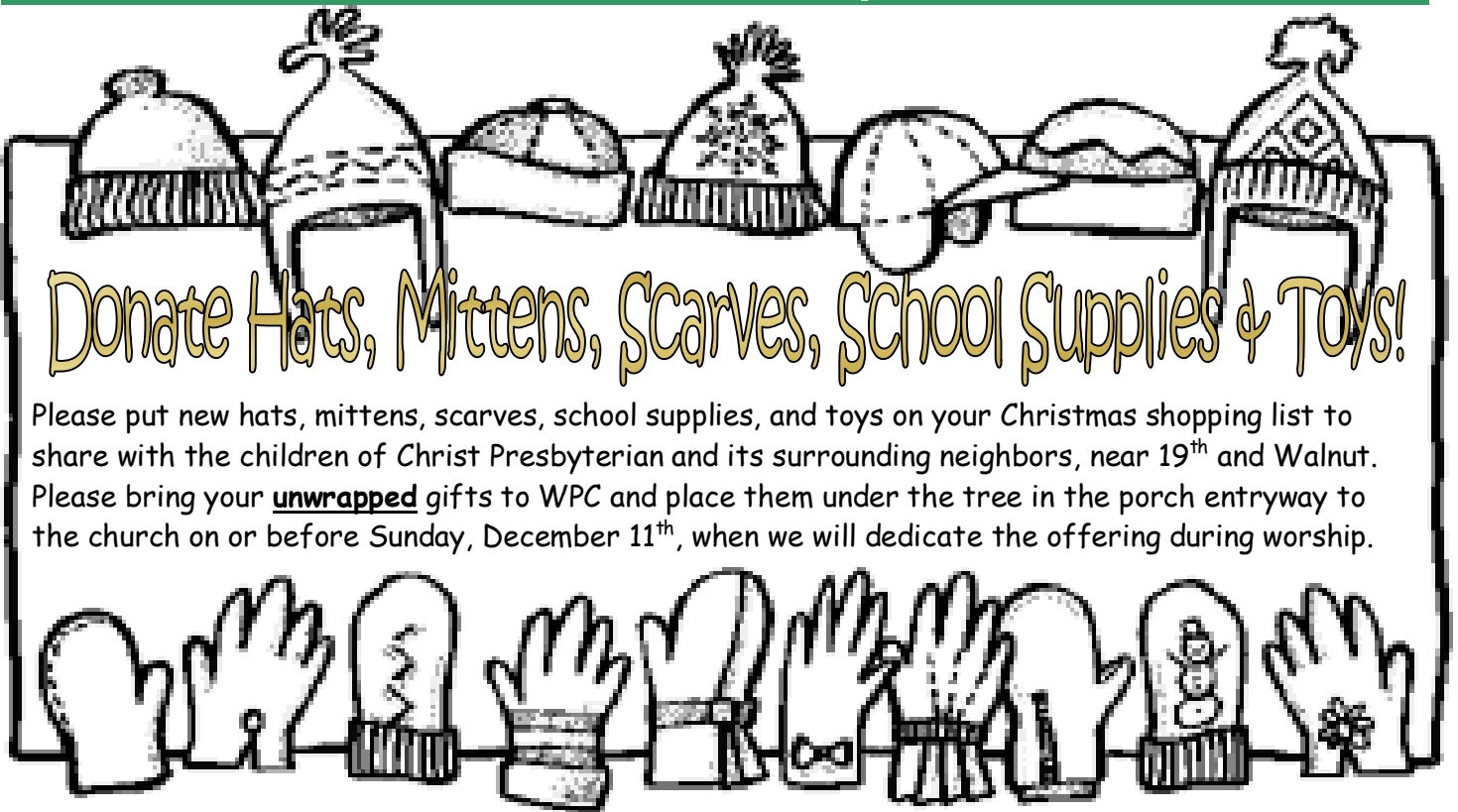


Healthcare Cooperative: This team has incorporated a broad-based board of consumers, experts and advisors to direct development of the Healthcare Cooperative. They have applied for federal loans to start-up the program and to provide the operating budget for 2012 and 2013. While they wait for a decision on the loan, they have held briefing sessions with state and federal congressional staffs to ask for letters of support.

Education Campaign: Each Common Ground campaign goes through a similar life cycle, beginning with a period of research, research and more research. This step is critical to inform the issue team and to alert the broader community of Common Grounds' interest. The culmination is a well thought-out, winnable campaign objective. The education campaign is no different. The members are deep in research and developing several alternatives for the campaign focus. Like any important issue – it's complicated and it's a moving target. In early November we'll have an opportunity to participate in the research by responding to a survey that will develop a data base of information about where children of Common Ground organizations go to school and where teachers and parents participate in education.

There's always something happening and there's always room for participation. Please contact Denise Fried if you would like more information.

Mission News & Updates



Donate Hats, Mittens, Scarves, School Supplies & Toys!

Please put new hats, mittens, scarves, school supplies, and toys on your Christmas shopping list to share with the children of Christ Presbyterian and its surrounding neighbors, near 19th and Walnut. Please bring your **unwrapped** gifts to WPC and place them under the tree in the porch entryway to the church on or before Sunday, December 11th, when we will dedicate the offering during worship.

Service at St. Ben's - Teen Hospitality Ministry

Submitted by Denise Fried, Administrator of Christian Education

On a beautiful autumn day in October a group of parents, children and teens from WPC served a hot meal to the guests of St. Ben's Community Meal.

But, wait, what is the St. Ben's Community Meal and what do we have to do with it? Glad you asked. WPC is part of the Wauwatosa 3rd Sunday Group. On the 3rd Sunday of each month representatives of 37 families and organizations deliver food to the appointed address for that month. The associated family or organization then takes the food to St. Ben's for their meal program that same evening. Every month WPC teens are responsible for contributing fruit, and three times a year they literally serve the food. On those occasions each WPC participant is stationed in front of a pan of food and as the guests pass through the cafeteria line we ask what they would like on their plate and try to accommodate their wishes.

So, on the beautiful Sunday in October, some Awve family members, Karin, Andy and Will participated, Katie and Olivia Wilson brought their mom, Jennifer Wilson Briggs and Tux Turner joined the group to serve the Community Meal. They each tried to make eye contact and have brief conversations with about three hundred men, women and children who needed a meal that evening.

Nothing earth shattering happened in October, and there were no big revelations when we served in April and in August. But, each time that we serve we come away with some sense of our mission, and our community through Christ and in Christ.



Christmas Poinsettias

Please sign up (using the insert in Sunday's bulletin) to purchase a lovely poinsettia plant to be delivered to our home-bound members or to decorate your own home. These 7" plants are \$10.25 each and will be in the sanctuary on November 27 and December 4. Again this year, we are offering you a choice of **white poinsettias** or **red poinsettias**. Please be sure to mark which color you are ordering. You may pick up any plants you purchased on December 4th. The Deacons will deliver the plants to the home-bound after worship that day so that they may enjoy the plants throughout the Advent/Christmas season. Orders due by **Sunday, November 13th**.

Alternative Christmas Market

Our 7th annual alternative Christmas shopping experience in support of local and international missions is planned for **November 27** between worship services. About 20 organizations will be present. We encourage you to make donations to these groups as an alternative to other kinds of gifts for family and friends. In addition, this is an opportunity to learn about the services these organizations provide in our community and elsewhere and to meet some of the people who help run them. The deacons will provide refreshments (free will donations will be collected), and congregation members will provide live music. The Mission Committee looks forward to seeing you there!

Please note: for those who are not able to attend, donation forms and checks will be accepted until Sunday, December 11th.



Thank You Notes

Thank you so much for participating in Greater Tosa Interfaith's Mum Sale. Our sale was a great success and we are thankful for your participation, support and work on that weekend. I also would like to thank everyone who purchased a mum. With 13 churches participating we made \$2,388!

Thank you so much!
Diane Euting - Greater Tosa Interfaith

The Repairers of the Breach community would like to thank you for your helpful donation of lunches for the homeless. We also thank you for your support of our mission. Your contribution helps us foster positive change and personal growth within our homeless constituency.

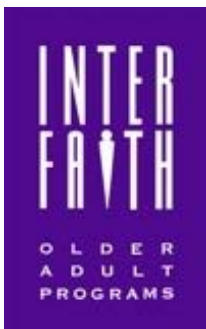
Sincerely,
MacCanon Brown
Repairers of the Breach

Thank you for all your generous gifts to the special offerings of the Presbyterian Church USA of \$3,175 to the Christmas Joy Offering, \$4,921.84 to the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering, and \$857.10 to the Pentecost Offering. May the Spirit of thanksgiving with which you gave continue to overflow abundantly within both your own lives and the life of your congregation. In Christ's grace and peace,
Margaret Hall Boone
General Assembly Mission Council,
Presbyterian Church USA (PC USA)

Interfaith Needs Volunteers

Looking for an opportunity to lend a helping hand to seniors?

The Greater Tosa Interfaith (GTI) program has a suggestion: Become an Interfaith volunteer. It requires as little, or as much, time as you'd like to give. The GTI program has 21 sponsoring churches, including Wauwatosa Presbyterian, and helps older adults -- some 320 men and women -- stay in their homes. Jobs for volunteers include Transportation to Doctors; Grocery Shopping and Banking Help; Home Visits; and Telephone Chats. *As one volunteer explains: "I volunteer because I meet so many wonderful people. Everyone has a different story to tell. And they're so appreciative."* For more information, call Diane Euting, GTI director, at 414-453-5750.



Christian Education

Submitted by Anne Coulling, Sunday School Teacher

"The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended. Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses."
Deut. 34:8-9

This was the Bible lesson in church school on a recent Sunday, and in the fourth and fifth grade class, the kids were sad to read about the death of Moses—surely one of their favorite Old Testament characters! But they were reassured to learn that God was ready to pass things on to Joshua, who would have plenty of exciting adventures of his own.

We then talked about how the mantle of faith and leadership is *still* passed down, from one generation to the next, even in our own time and in our own church. As a special treat, we invited three members of the congregation to join us for part of our class and to be "interviewed" about their experiences of grace. The children posed questions to each of these visitors—Dottie Anderson, Nora Whetter and Jennifer Whetter—and then took careful notes. Here's a summary of what they said:

Can you name a time when you felt God's love, presence or guidance?

Mrs. Anderson told us about an evening when she was volunteering at the Guest House shelter, and she was able to comfort a woman who had been moaning and keeping everyone else awake. She felt God's presence in that moment. **Nora** told us that she feels God's love when she is having a bad day. She remembers God is with her and that things will get better. **Mrs. Whetter** spoke about going to Mexico on the youth mission trip a few years ago. It was terribly sad to confront so much poverty, but she also sensed God was with them.

Can you name at least one way in which our church shows God's love?

Mrs. Anderson talked about the love and support she experienced when her husband died, and also when she had surgery for a kidney transplant. **Nora** told us about going on the youth mission trip to the Heifer ranch in Arkansas last summer. **Mrs. Whetter** discussed various mission projects and also the care and concern shown to grieving members of the congregation.

How can the members of this class help to show God's love?

All three of our visitors encouraged us to participate in the mission efforts of the church and to provide support and care for one another.

This was a fun class activity and really helped us to see how WPC is continuing God's story of love! Special thanks to our visitors and to our interviewers—Travis Bentley, Isaiah Fraley, Luke Huitink, Aidan Mayrand, and Mary Catherine McMahon.



At the beginning of each worship service, an Acolyte brings the light that represents Christ's presence into our sanctuary. Many of our youth (grades 3 and up) serve as acolytes during our 10:30 worship services. In addition, WPC would like to invite others, of all ages, to serve as Acolytes at the 8:15 worship service. Please contact Heidi Hudson-Mairet if you are interested in helping with this integral part of our worship services (shudsonmairet@wi.rr.com / 414-259-0315) .

Children are Invited to Participate in the Early Christmas Eve Service

The early Christmas Eve service will be at 5pm this year and will include shepherds, angels and villagers performing the Christmas story. We'll rehearse on Wonderful Wednesdays which begin November 30th. Joannie Weinberg will lead the Rainbow choir and Don Weinberg will work with older children to learn some songs and simple dialogue.

Mark your calendars for Christmas Eve worship and the rehearsals during Wonderful Wednesdays. Talk to Joannie Weinberg, Don Weinberg, or Denise Fried if your child is interested in participating.



What Are the Kids Talking About in Sunday School?

Submitted by Denise Fried, Administrator of Christian Education

Our new lectionary based curriculum for children in pre-school through middle school means the kids really are reading from the same page! As October ends they are finishing the Israelites' journey from Egypt to the Promised Land. On October 30, in Joshua 3:7-17, Moses has died and God charges Joshua with leadership. His first task - lead the people across the Jordan River. The Bible passage tells a story of priests standing in the river holding the ark. While they stand in the river bed, the water is held back and the people cross safely. Our kids will wrestle with the question "What does it mean?"

In November we switch gears to two of Jesus' parables and his explanation of "final judgment" in Matthew 25. While the stories of the Israelites have sort of mini-series adventure quality, these lessons depict Jesus as leader of the Israelites just as Moses and Joshua had been in their time, and provide his direction for living our lives according to God's purpose. On November 6, the children will learn about Matthew 25: 1-13, the parable of the bridegroom and the unprepared bridesmaids. The next Sunday the lesson is based on Matthew 25:14-30, the parable of the three slaves each entrusted with a number of "talents" by their master. The action or inaction of the slaves should make for lively discussions. On November 20, they finish chapter 25 with the section known as *The Judgment of the Nations*. The verses describe the sorting of people into two groups – the ones who responded to the needs of others (Mt 25:35 "for I was hungry and you gave me food...") and the people who did not. In these verses our children will talk about ways to encounter Christ in one another, always a good lesson.

Adult Education & Enrichment

Three Wonderful Wednesdays

Nov. 30th, Dec. 7th and Dec. 14th

The doors at the church open for Wonderful Wednesday at 5:30pm and we start dinner at about 5:45pm. At 6:30pm we each go our way according to our peer group – Crib Room for very young people, Rainbow Choir for SrK through 5th grade, confirmation class for 7th and 8th grade students, and Laura Loving will lead "From Longing to Receiving" an enrichment program for teens and adults. For Wonderful Wednesday in Advent, the 6th grade students will work with Don Weinberg on music and dialogue for the Christmas Eve family worship service.

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



CONSIDER THIS!:

If living with hope is tough at the moment, would you welcome some guidance and help?

If you are curious about finding ways to help yourself go on after the death of a loved one or any major loss, you are invited to attend a seminar with Dr.

Dudley Riggle entitled "**Living with our Losses - And Living with Hope!**"

Part 1 (Note: we're revisiting Part 1)

This two-hour, seminar is offered twice:

Sat., Nov. 12th from 10:00am-Noon @ WPC
or Tues., Nov. 15th from 7pm-9pm @ Mt. Zion

There is no charge and we would welcome you bringing friends and/or family members. To help us prepare, please **RSVP** using the registration form in the brochure or by calling the church office.

Brochures are available in the Gathering Space, the Adult Ed area, or by calling the church office.

Two Men's Conversation Opportunities



1st Saturday of the month at 8am at WPC

- We usually meet in the meeting room
- Bring food to share, if you want
- Conversation on an announced topic

3rd Wednesday of each month at 7am at One Way Café

- One Way Café is located at: 1427 Underwood Ave., Wauwatosa
 - Dutch treat breakfast
 - Open-ended conversation

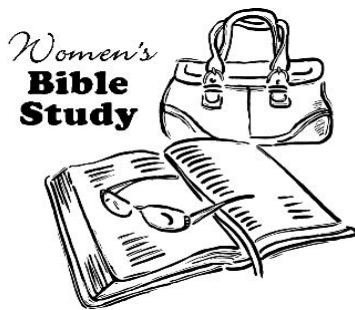
Two Favorite AE Presenters are Back in November

- **Wendy Wosoba** returns to bring us a variety of images of God. We will leave with a broader understanding of how our image of God defines who we are and how we live.
- **Lynne De Bruin** will bring us up to date [on how](#) new state mandates regarding union activities, employee compensation requirements, service funding reductions, and taxation limits reflect our Christian values and priorities. (All opinions welcome.)



Plus a NEW Presenter at Wonderful Wednesdays in Advent: Rev. Laura Loving

"From Longing to Receiving" - Join us for dinner at 5:30pm followed by education at 6:30pm. Using materials from the *Thoughtful Christian*, we will explore the prophetic and poetic Scripture passages of Advent. While combining a "poetry slam" with understanding the historical context of the prophets and a close reading of the anticipatory Scripture, we hope that this Adult study will enhance your Advent worship experiences, as well. While we know you'd enjoy the whole series, the sessions are free standing and you may come when you can. Poetry will be provided. Creativity is optional!



Two Women's Bible Study Opportunities:

The weekday group will be reading Ron Allen's "A Faith of Your Own: Naming What You Really Believe," a study guide that explores both traditional and contemporary ideas about topics from The Trinity to Evil, The Holy Spirit to Christianity and Other Religions. The discussion questions invite participants to extend the ideas to formulate and articulate a personal faith stance on these topics. The weekday group meets on the second and fourth Tuesday at 1 p.m. starting on October 25th.

The weekend study group will meet on the first and third Saturdays at 9 a.m. starting on November 5th. This group will be studying three different prophets: Elijah, Jonah and Micah, learning through materials from the *Thoughtful Christian*. As we understand more about the cultural contexts in which these spokespersons for God spoke out, we will also explore what current situations might elicit prophetic responses from us as contemporary prophets. Please join in, women of the church! We want to meet as many of you as possible; hence the weekday/weekend possibilities. If you've never been in a study group before, now's your chance!

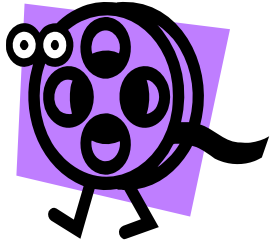
Please contact Laura Loving or Denise Fried if you have questions. Signups will be available in the Gathering Space.

Formation Corner

by Laura Loving, Associate Pastor

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" is a 19th century hymn that invites the Spirit of God to inspire us. To in-spire means to breathe into us, as *spiro* is the Latin root, meaning "I breathe." Our prayer life is all about the breath, not only God's breath, but our own. If you find yourself at a loss for words when you pray, just breathe, slowly, deeply, using your diaphragm muscles to release toxicity and take in freshness. That is the cycle of Confession and Pardon, anyway: letting go of the spiritual toxins and making space for God's renewal. Healthy for your body, helpful for your soul, breathing is our spiritual discipline for November!

GET INVOLVED!



Movie Night at WPC Friday, Nov 4th 6:00 pm

The Movie is...**TBD**

Pizza! Drinks! Snacks!
Bring your sleeping bag and pillow
and meet us in Fellowship Hall.
We can't wait to see you!

The WPC Book Club usually meets the 3rd Sunday of the month in the Meeting Room after the 10:30am Worship service. Please plan to join us!



On **November 20th**,
we'll discuss
"The Omnivore's Dilemma"
by Michael Pollan

Due to the holidays, Book Club will not meet in December but will resume on **January 15th**, when we'll discuss *"The Hotel at the Corner of Bitter and Sweet"* by Jamie Ford

Extending the Table - Sunday, Nov. 6th Please Bring Boxed Dinners



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 our community as we offer daily sustenance to the hungry.



ENCORE: Over 55s

On **Monday, November 14 at 1:00pm**, please join us for **Dessert & "Ancient America."** This program will be presented by Dr. John D. Krugler, Professor of History, Marquette University

Join us for a visit to Ancient America. Ancient Greece and Rome are well known but Ancient America is a well-kept secret. Who inhabited North America before the Europeans invaded their lands beginning in 1492? Did they have their own 'civilizations'? Using a power-point presentation we will examine some the accomplishments of the mysterious peoples who thrived long before Columbus sailed.

Please direct questions to the Encore: Over 55s steering committee: Virginia Doherty, Faith Rhodes, Cathy Caughey, Trudy Thompson, Marge Wangemann, & Anne Coulling.



TGIF (Thank Goodness it's Friday)

Please join us for an evening of fun and fellowship with friends from WPC.

TGIF is held the second Friday of the month for 9 months of the year. Guests bring a treat to share and whatever they want to drink. The fun starts at 6:30pm and usually ends around 9pm.

Hope to see you there!!

Have Questions or Need a Ride?

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

On **Nov. 11, 2011**, our hosts are:
Ed & Ilene Marconnet (414) 475-5211
2361 North 115th St., Wauwatosa

On **Dec. 9, 2011**, our hosts are:
Bill & Jean O'Loughlin (414) 476-2507
12165 Woodside Ct., Wauwatosa

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

**Prayer Shawl Ministry ~ Sit'n & Knit'n
Saturday, November 12th at 10:00am**

If you like to knit or crochet, come and join us the 2nd Saturday of each month (Sept - May)! You will find us in the Meeting Room from 10:00 a.m. until noon. You will learn more about our ministry of creating beautiful shawls for those, made known to us, who are in need of prayer, comfort, and strength. You will also receive easy to follow patterns along with yarn to knit or crochet your shawl.

For more information please call:

Jean O'Loughlin (414) 476-2507
or
Carol Johnson (414) 476-3757



**We Want to See YOU in
the new Photo Directory!**

Did you miss the many opportunities to get your picture taken in the directory? Never fear. You may submit a photo of your own. You may send it electronically to (Kelly Turner),



turner@cybermesa.com or turn in a print to the office. Please, whether submitting electronically or providing a print, provide the following information as you wish it to appear in the directory -- **name/s, address, phone, email - and, if you choose, birth dates.** Note that vertically-aligned photos will work better with our format. The last date photos can be accepted is Friday, November 14th to be included. We hope to see everybody in the new directory.



QUILTING GROUP

**WPC Quilters' Quest
Quilting Ministry**

Please join us for plenty of fun, companionship and laughter as we start our 7th year of making lap quilts to be donated to various organizations across the city. You will find "high energy" and "creativity" flowing. We encourage anyone from beginners to experienced to drop in and join us. Our willing help is always available for those needing it and all equipment is provided along with donated fabric for our use. See you there!

We meet on select Thursdays in the Meeting Room from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Join us in 2011 on: Nov. 3 & 17, and Dec. 1 & 15.

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

**Sign and
Rejoice!**



Looking for a unique way to participate in worship? The Hands of Praise is looking for individuals and families with great "signing voices". Experience with American Sign Language is not necessary; just a willingness to learn. We'd love for you to join us. Meetings are on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm at WPC. If you are interested in participating, or would like more information, please contact Beth Virlee at 262-894-4434, or email at evirlee@mcw.edu.

November Presbyterian Women's Circle Meetings

Circle	Date	Time	Place
Lydia	11/01/2011	7:00 PM	Meeting Room
Rachel	11/17/2011	1:00 PM	Margaret Strobel's Home
Sarah	11/15/2011	9:15 AM	Meeting Room
Ruth	11/15/2011	9:30 AM	Vi Delaney's Home



The Gray Panthers

You have heard references to the Gray Panthers. Maybe you have wondered who they are or what they do. Well the "Who they are" part is a group of 10 or 12 men, most of whom have gray hair and have Monday mornings free. The "What they do" part is explained by one of our recent big projects where three of our group, Don Gunderson, Milt Scholl and Dave Roberts (pictured here) totally refinished the outside Office Entrance doors both inside and out, including the trim, and refinished all the operating hardware also. They are now in "Like New" condition. From a stewardship standpoint this saved us well over \$1,000! We do a lot of other much smaller maintenance projects every week, to keep the various operating systems in the Church functioning reliably.



How do you become a Gray Panther? That is easy. Just come to the church on any Monday morning at about 8:00 AM. (Except the 1st Monday of the month when we have breakfast together.) We have some fellowship time before working on various needs of the church property. Do you need experience? NO! We typically do our work in teams, so there is always someone who knows how to do it. However, if you do have some expertise, that is nice also!

Please Plan to Join Us
On Saturday, Nov. 5th
8AM to Noon



For WPCs FALL
Fix-Up and Clean-Up
Day

Our list of jobs includes:

- * Clean gutters and downspouts.
- * Wash windows inside and out.
- * Flip/switch pew pads.
- * Pick up outside trash.
- * Clean window wells
- * Rake the leaves.
- * Clean elevator.

Please sign up in the
Gathering Space.

Thanks in advance, from your
Building and Grounds Committee.



Submitted by Martha Stoner,
Music Director

ATTENTION Kindergarten - 2nd grade age Children!

The Milwaukee Area Choristers Guild Chapter is sponsoring a fun musical morning workshop for children from Kindergarten through 2nd grade. It will be on Saturday, November 19, 2011 from 8:45 (registration) through 11:30 (worship sharing time) If your child would like to participate, please contact either Joannie Weinberg or Martha Stoner. You do not have to be a member of Rainbow Choir to participate, but Rainbow singers are certainly encouraged to join. Transportation can be arranged. The activities are not exclusively singing but are music related. Children attending the event in the past have had a great time! Bring a friend and join us!













Would you like to make a Short Term Commitment to sing with the Chancel Choir?

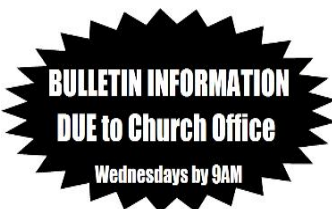
The choir is preparing a jazz cantata for the two services on December 18. We will rehearse that piece from 8:00pm to 8:30pm on Wednesdays through November (except for Thanksgiving Eve, November 23rd when we join in the Ecumenical Service). If you would like to sing with us for this short period of time, please contact Martha Stoner at mstoner@wi.rr.com. It's a fun piece with some challenges but really cool harmonies!



November 2011



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><u>(CCNS) Curiosity Corner Nursery School</u> Classes: Mon-Fri 9-11:30AM & Mon/Wed 12:30-2:50PM</p> <p><u>All School Fieldtrip: Nov 21</u></p> <p><u>Thanksgiving Break, NO CLASSES:</u> Nov 22-25</p>		<p>1 All Saints Day</p> <p>6:30 PM Master Singers Practice 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon 7:00 PM Lydia Circle</p>	<p>2</p> <p> Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal 6:30 PM Hands of Praise Choir practice 6:30 PM Rainbow Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p>3</p> <p> QUILTING GROUP</p> <p>10:00 AM Quilters' Quest</p>	<p>4</p> <p> FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT</p> <p>6:00 PM Family Movie Night</p>	<p>5</p> <p>8:00 AM Men's Conversation 8:00 AM WPC Fall Clean Up Day 9:00 AM Weekend Women's Bible Study 9:30 AM WPC's Contemporary Music Ensemble Rehearsal</p> <p></p>
<p>6</p> <p>EXTENDING THE TABLE = Boxed Dinners</p> <p> Wauwatosa Food Pantry</p> <p>8:15 AM Contemporary Worship 9:20 AM Christian Education 9:30 AM Congregational Meeting 10:30 AM Traditional Worship + Chancel Choir Sings 3:30 PM Creative Pathways Meeting</p> <p> Congregational MEETING</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Newsletter articles DUE!</p> <p>8:00 AM Gray Panthers - Men's Breakfast 1:00 PM Steering Committee Mtg for Over 55s 7:00 PM New Officer Training</p> <p> MEN'S BREAKFAST</p> <p> CHURCH OFFICER TRAINING</p>	<p>8</p> <p>1:00 PM Weekday Women's Bible Study</p> <p>6:30 PM Master Singers Practice 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>9</p> <p> Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal 6:30 PM Hands of Praise Choir practice 6:30 PM Rainbow Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:00 PM New Officer Training</p> <p> CHURCH OFFICER TRAINING</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Veterans Day</p> <p>6:30 PM (Thank Goodness it's Friday)</p> <p> In-Home Fellowship</p> <p>TGIF!</p>	<p>12</p> <p>10:00 AM Grief Seminar with Dr. Dudley Riggle 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Group - Sit'n & Knit'n</p> <p> Prayer Shawl Ministry</p>


















Due to Thanksgiving: ALL Bulletin Info for Nov 20, 23, & 27 is DUE by Wed, Nov 16



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>13 Poinsettias Orders DUE <i>WPC Member Surveys DUE</i> 8:15 AM Contemporary Worship 9:20 AM Christian Education 10:30 AM Traditional Worship + Baptism of Marco Azalde 7:00 PM Deacons Meeting</p>  	<p>14 ALL Photo Directory Submissions DUE 8:00 AM Gray Panthers</p>  <p>1:00 PM Over55s Dessert & A Historical Program, "Ancient America"</p>  <p>7:00 PM Committee Meetings</p>	<p>15 9:15 AM Sarah Circle 9:30 AM Ruth Circle @ Vi Delaney's Home 6:30 PM Master Singers Practice 7:00 PM Grief Seminar with Dr. Dudley Riggle @ Mt. Zion Lutheran 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon 7:00 PM B&G Committee</p> 	<p>16 7:00 AM Men's Conversation @ One Way Cafe 9:00 AM Newsletter Collation 6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal 6:30 PM Hands of Praise Choir practice 6:30 PM Rainbow Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p>17  10:00 AM Quilters' Quest 1:00 PM Rachel Circle @ Margaret Strobel's Home 7:00 PM New Officer Training</p>	<p>18 5:00 PM Jamnesty</p>	<p>19 9:00 AM Weekend Women's Bible Study</p>
<p>20 8:15 AM Contemporary Worship 9:20 AM Christian Education 10:30 AM Traditional Worship + Bells Ring 11:30 AM WPC Book Club</p>	<p>21 8:00 AM Gray Panthers</p>  <p>Kepler Quartet RECORDING</p>	<p>22 1:00 PM Weekday Women's Bible Study 4:00 PM Presbytery of Milwaukee Meeting 6:30 PM Master Singers Practice 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>23  6:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Soup Supper 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship</p>	<p>24  THANKSGIVING</p>	<p>25  Office Closed Today</p>	<p>26  Hanging of the Greens 5:30 PM Hanging of the Greens</p>
<p>27 8:15 AM Contemporary Worship 9:20 AM Christian Education & Alternative Christmas Market 10:30 AM Chancel Choir Sings 10:30 AM Traditional Worship</p> 	<p>28 8:00 AM Grey Panthers 7:00 PM Session</p> 	<p>29 6:30 PM Master Singers Practice 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>30 5:30 PM Wonderful Wednesdays in Advent 6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal 6:30 PM Hands of Praise Choir practice 6:30 PM Rainbow Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	 		

Thanks & Congratulations

Dear Friends,
Thank you all for the card. I'm now home-bound so I don't get to see anyone any more.

Lorraine Zabel

Thanks to all for celebrating the service of installation on October 9th. Now that I have a "place" in the sanctuary, I'd like to meet you in your places: where you work, or go to school, have coffee or do your household chores. Let me know when and where I can come visit you and we can get to know one another as we walk our spiritual journey together.

Laura Loving

Thank you for the beautiful flowers that were brought over to me. I'm so appreciative of it and I thank you so very much. I'm working towards getting back to church one of these days. I'm using a walker and it seems to be working well. All I've got to do is give myself a little push. Again, thank you so much. I'm so very grateful for all my wonderful friends at WPC,

Audrey Baird



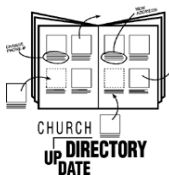
Cathy Caughey has Retired!

Cathy is a wonderful person and has been a devoted member of WPC since 1974. Did you know that she has worked at WPC twice? She started with three years in our office in the 1980s, then she moved to the Perseverance Presbyterian office for seven years. In 2001, she made her way back to us and has been a constant in our church office ever since! Her patience and attention to detail have made a positive impact on our staff and congregation, not to mention our bulletins! Updates on weekend news also helped the office start strong every Monday. Thank you, Cathy, for your years of service to WPC. We wish her a happy retirement.



Cathy, you will be missed in the office!

NOVEMBER CORRECTIONS/UPDATES to Non-Picture Directory



- 1) Rev. Robert & Carolyn Ellson: Email: ellsrob@aol.com & Cell 262-271-3168
- 2) Donna Harrell: Brookdale Place, 660 Woelful Rd #D-6, Brookfield WI 53045
- 3) Blake & Cindy Buchan, 14160 Lilly Heights Dr., Brookfield, WI 53005
- 4) Dave & Christe Armbruster, 1017 Arkansas Ave., Lynn Haven, FL 32444



October 2011 CCNS Update

Dana Biasi - Administrator

Happy fall! As I write this newsletter I marvel at the fact that we are already into our 4th week of school. We have such an amazing group of children this year at CCNS and have gotten off to a wonderful start! It has been such a delight to get to know the children and see them explore, learn and experience all sorts of things in our classrooms.

This month we will begin taking the children downstairs to Fellowship Hall to ride bikes, play on equipment and do a variety of other things to exercise their "large motor" muscles! This is very exciting for them! We will do this twice a month for the rest of

the school year. We schedule these "downstairs" days with our Fire and Safety drills.

On October 26 and 27, we will be celebrating Halloween! We will be making a "Spooky Stew" for our snack that day. The children are invited to wear a simple costume to school and we will do a Halloween parade inside the building. We are looking forward to an exciting October here at CCNS!



We still have afternoon spots available! Registration forms are available online at www.ccnstosa.com/enrollment.html

For more information please contact the school at 774-5005 x 113 or email me, Dana Biasi at:



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Assistant Dir. of Music: Don Weinberg
Organist: Martha Brown
Handbell Director: Jean Miller
Rainbow Choir Director: Joanne Weinberg
Nursery Caregiver: Beth Parkansky & Christine Ratkowski
Curiosity Corner Nursery School Administrator: Dana Biasi, Ext. 108

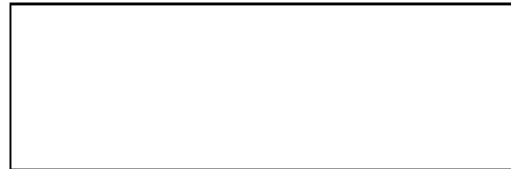
We are accessible **Sign Language Interpreter** **Listening system**
(1st Sunday of each month)

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

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

DATED MATERIAL



The Joyful Noise is published 11 times a year by Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church.
Articles for the December issue are due by Monday, November 7th.

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.

Please Mark Your Calendars!

- * **Sunday, October 30 - New Members Received and Service of Remembrance**
- * **Sunday, November 6th**
Daylight Savings Time Ends & 9:30 am Congregational Meeting
- * **"Living with our Losses and Living with Hope" Part II**
November 12th from 10:00am-noon @ WPC - *or* - November 15th from 7:00pm-9:00pm @ Mt. Zion
- * **Wednesday evening, November 24 - Thanksgiving Eve Service**
6:00 pm Soup Supper & 7:00pm Worship at WPC
For close to forty years, WPC has joined Christ Presbyterian and Cross Lutheran for an Annual Service of Thanksgiving. This year it is our turn to host a simple supper followed by a worship service that extends our gratitude to God. Please plan to attend, RSVP by signing up in the Gathering Space, & bring a dessert to share.
- * **Saturday, November 26th - Hanging of the Greens at 5:30 pm**
Join us in preparing our sanctuary for Advent. Come for an evening of fellowship as we work together to hang the greens.
- * **Wonderful Wednesdays in Advent - Nov 30, Dec 7, & 14**
(Please see page 6 for details)



Thanksgiving Eve
Worship Service



Hanging of the Greens

