



The Joyful Noise

Anyone who was not yet born on December 7, 1941 (Pearl Harbor Day) may consider September 11, 2001 the most historically significant day in his or her lifetime.

Many of us remember where we were that morning when two airliners hit the World Trade Center in Manhattan, a third struck the Pentagon outside of Washington, DC, and another crashed to the ground in Pennsylvania after passengers fought back against the hijackers.

Whether or not you remember where you were that day, you know how the world has changed ever since: increased airport security (my mother, then in her 70s, had a pair of cuticle scissors confiscated soon after!), a realignment of various intelligence agencies to improve communication among them, questions about whether the government would look at what books we checked out from public libraries, a global war on terror, a huge upsurge in the sale of "NYPD" and "NYFD" caps, a vast clean-up effort, the capture and killing of the masterminds of the attacks, and countless memorials for the innocent victims.

Some of what happened trivialized or commercialized the disaster. A few people saw it as a chance to sensationalize, politicize or grandstand for personal gain. For the vast majority, though, it led to a change of heart – and action. A brief but welcome moment of non-partisan unity descended over lawmakers in the nation's capitol. Prayer services were held in churches, temples, and mosques everywhere. Interfaith dialogue emerged between Christians, Muslims, and Jews ... and is ongoing. Families made a point of calling each other more often, and ending each call with the words, "I love you" – a feeling often felt but not always expressed.

Ten years later, the events of that crystal clear autumn morning remain fresh and vivid – too big to sum up in a single gathering. Yet because September 11 falls on a Sunday this year, it will be the focus of our worship. **[That is also the day we return to two services at 8:15 and 10:30, with education in between.]** Together we will grieve what happened. But we will also rejoice that God is still at work in Jesus Christ to overcome evil with good. As Martin Luther's great hymn, "A Mighty Fortress," proclaims: "The prince of darkness grim / We tremble not for him; / His rage we can endure / For lo! his doom is sure ..."

In preparation for 9/11/2011, the Presbyterian Church (USA) has invited congregations to hold "Eleven Days of Prayer" starting September 1. Resources for you to use at home will be available at church by Sunday, August 28 (or online at http://www.pcusa.org/media/uploads/september11/pdfs/eleven_days_of_prayer.pdf). The scripture, meditations, activities and prayers offered there will not only help us remember the past in sorrow, but look to the future in faith.

May God be with us all in these days of remembrance and hope.
- Jim Rand

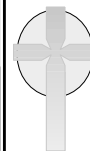
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IN MEMORIAM



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

DOROTHY VANDER LEEST
JUNE 24, 2011

The Wisconsin Council of Churches invites you to attend: **September 11th Ten Years Later: Our Commitment to Peace and Justice** at the Islamic Society of Milwaukee Community Center (815 W. Layton, Milwaukee) on Saturday, Sept. 10, 9am-3pm. Registration is free and open to the public. Register online at: www.wichurches.org or call (608) 837-3108.



Session Meeting Notes - June 20, 2011

Submitted by Dottie Anderson, Clerk of Session

The Session of Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church met at the church for its regular meeting on June 20, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor Rand introduced Eileen Pierce and Elayne Stover from Milwaukee Presbytery's Committee on Ministry, who helped the Session understand the requirements of hiring an associate pastor. The Session expressed its desire to have an associate pastor by September 1, 2011, which Ms. Stover thought was feasible.

After a very helpful discussion, the following motion was approved:

to call a meeting of the congregation for July 10, 2011, for the purpose of considering creating the position of designated associate pastor, and the election of a designated associate pastor nominating committee.

Because of changes in the Book of Order, Pastor Rand presented two changes that needed to be in the church's By-laws. These changes were approved by the Session:

1. **The quorum for Session meetings ordinarily shall be fifty percent of the elders plus one. When the only business is to receive new church members, a minimum of two elders shall constitute a quorum.**
2. **In addition to keeping rolls of Active, Baptized, and Affiliate Members, the Session shall keep a roll of Inactive Members.**

Other Updates:

- A new picture directory is being planned for the church's 85th anniversary in March, 2012. Olan Mills was recommended to take pictures of the congregation. In the future, the large white picture directory will not be used.
- Nine people from the congregation worked in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, during Holy Week, assisting in rebuilding the community after the 2008 floods.
- A Mission Blitz Day is being planned for Oct. 1, 2011 with organizations such as Voces de la Frontera, Tosa Food Pantry, voter eligibility assistance.
- The Fellowship Committee is welcoming church members to join the committee. A great way to serve the church and make new friends!



Exciting News! Curiosity Corner is happy to inform the members of WPC of some improvements made to the classrooms and the Sarah Dickson room. With the assistance of Denise Fried and the Gray Panthers, CCNS was able to replace the very old tile floor in both the Sunroom and the Rainbow Room with some brand new vinyl flooring. The deteriorating condition of the floors made this a top priority for CCNS.

The CCNS Administrator's office will be relocating to one half of the Sarah Dickson room in fall. Along with the vinyl flooring in the classrooms, CCNS was able to provide funding to paint and carpet the Sarah Dickson room. WPC's generosity in sharing this space with CCNS is much appreciated. The Administrator will be much closer to the classrooms and easily accessible to parents and staff members. A special thank you goes out to Jean Tushar, Denise Fried, the Gray Panthers and Dave Wehnes for making this project go off without a hitch!

CCNS Still Has Openings for This Fall! Keep your referrals coming! Share your knowledge of WPC's Curiosity Corner Nursery School with family, friends and co-workers! If they are interested, please have them give us a call or have them visit our website (www.ccnstosa.com). For more information please contact Dana Biasi, CCNS Administrator at, 774-5005 x 108 or via email: admin@ccnstosa.com.

Thanks for spreading the word about your church's preschool!

Laura Loving Called to Serve WPC Designated Associate Pastor

I am extremely pleased to announce that on August 21, the congregation voted to call the Rev. Laura A. Loving to be our Designated Associate Pastor. The position is for 30 hours per week, and will make good use of Laura's skills in Christian Education, Pastoral Care, and Worship. You are most likely to find her at church in the afternoon (except Wednesdays) and on Sunday morning. A service of installation will be scheduled for her, probably in October.

What is a "Designated" Associate Pastor? It is a fairly new job title in our *Book of Order*, though our printed materials will refer to her as "Associate Pastor." Its chief benefits are in allowing a congregation to fill a pastoral vacancy in short order and (unlike some other pastoral positions) has a limited duration: in our case, two years. After that time, by agreement of the designated pastor and congregation, the position can become permanent.

The best way to get to know Laura will be to spend time with her – as she is eager to get to know you and the community. I will tell you, however, that she has been ordained for 34 years (in the United Church of Christ) and her husband, Bill Humphreys, is the Chaplain at Carroll University (and occasional teacher and preacher for us).

Laura is the mother of 3 grown children, and is the sister of three other seminary graduates! She has served several Presbyterian and UCC churches in addition to teaching English literature and writing at the high school and college level. She is a gifted communicator!

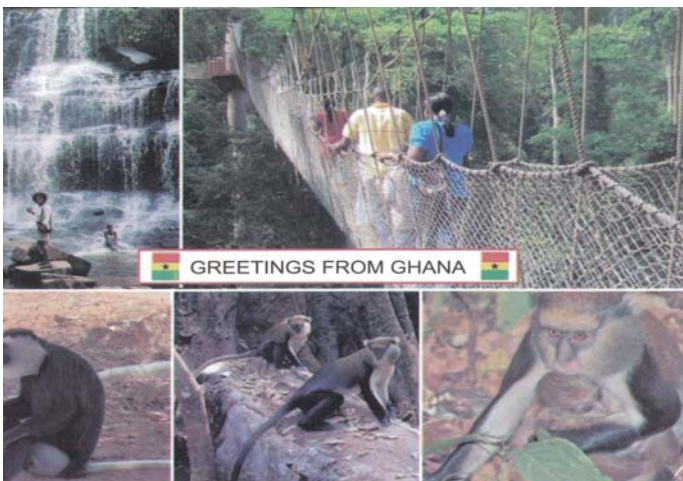


Along with the energy, experience and creative ideas she is ready to share with us, Laura helped write the Sunday School curriculum that our Christian Education Committee has chosen to begin using this fall – so we will have an "in-house" expert to help us make the most of it.

The Session and I continue to be grateful for the ministry Bonnie Stafford shared with us. Though she originally signed on for six weeks, her three and a half years on staff offered vital preparation and guidance for the step we are now taking with Laura.

Several other candidates were interviewed, each with significant gifts for ministry. But we believe Laura has the right gifts for this church at this time. We trust you will quickly come to share that assessment!

- Jim Rand



July 5, 2011

Greetings - We have had a wonderful time here in Ghana. Our week with our partners - was so good and very interesting. We saw so many churches and visited with teachers and children as well. For the last week we have been sightseeing. We began by going to the Volta district to see a very high waterfall - beautiful. We went to Kumasi to see Ashanti history, visit Kente workshop, etc. Then we went to Kakum to take the canopy walk followed by a visit to the Cape-coast. Next we went far west to visit a village on stilts. Now we are in Accra. We fly out tonight.

Kathy & Bill Dummer

Mission News



Extending the Table in Sept = Peanut Butter & Jelly

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 Bring Peanut Butter & Jelly on Sunday, September 4th.

Help With MISSION PROJECTS



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Fall Mission Blitz'n Day Saturday, October 1st, 2011

Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church is more than Sunday service. We are a "community through Christ and in Christ". WPC will be reaching out to our extended "communities" with a full day of mission activities for the whole family. Various charitable and extremely vital organizations, such as the Guest House of Milwaukee, Voces de La Frontera, Repairers of the Breach, and the Urban Ecology Center will all need our help on October 1st. In just one day, we will "blitz" these places with our good works, provide some welcome help, but also learn about how these friends make our part of the world a better place.

No prior mission experience is required, just your faith and good intentions. Children are welcome! Seniors are welcome! Everyone who is willing to help is welcome! You will be living your faith through actions that benefit our friends and neighbors.

After our full day of good deeds and connecting to our whole community, we will gather for a dinner reception at the downtown Urban Ecology Center at 5pm to talk about and share our experiences of living "through Christ and in Christ".

Please email Mike Flanders at mflanders1@att.com if you are interested. Sign ups will be taking place SOON in the Fellowship areas of the Church between services. Stay tuned!

Please Join Grandmothers Beyond Borders for their 6th Annual Benefit: A Taste of Uganda on Saturday, Oct. 22 at 5:30 pm at Christ King Church Hall (92nd & Center, Wauwatosa)

Call Jane Schmitz for more information (262) 373-0323

GBB helps to lift the burden of HIV/AIDS in Uganda by funding grassroots community projects that provide support and care to grandmothers raising their grandchildren because their own children have died from AIDS.

For more information about GBB please visit us online at www.grandmothersbeyond.org



Long-Term Volunteers Needed

Women and Men are needed days, evenings, weekends to volunteer at Sojourner Family Peace Center. A minimum of 3 hours each week for 6 months is requested. In addition, a 14 hour training program is required. Fall training will be held from 5:30-8:15pm on Sept. 13, 15, 20, 22, & 27. All 5 evenings are required.

Please RSVP by 9/9 or for further information call Hotline Supervisor, Melinda Wall Piraino at 414-933-2722. Thanks!



Youth & Family Services Exceeding Expectations

St. Charles is a non-profit human services agency that provides an array of prevention and intervention services for Wisconsin youth, adults, and families. Now, St. Charles is embarking on an exciting new journey!

Recently we revamped our YES (Youth Employment Services) program, a unique, proactive employment program for at-risk teens. The response has been overwhelming & we already have a waiting list! As a result, we've acquired space in an old firehouse in Wauwatosa and will soon open our second-hand shop - *The Firehouse - A Thrift Store That Means*

More! We need your help in so many ways: donate gently used clothing, books and small household items; volunteer in our shop; donate funds for start-up costs; or refer a business to partner with us.

Please drop off donations for resale 9am-4pm Mon-Fri at 151 S 84th St (Bldg # 5) - or - 4757 N. 76th St.

Questions? Call Catherine Alexander (414) 476-3710 x1325 .



HELP MOM'S READ TO THEIR CHILDREN

The Dominican Center for Women (2470 W. Locust Street) offers a loving a supportive place where neighborhood adults can realize their dream of an education, improve their basic skills or work towards obtaining a GED. Volunteer tutors are needed to work one-on-one, teaching, encouraging and supporting our students through their lessons. If you can spare a few hours a week for a truly rewarding experience, please call Sister Sue Felice, OSF, (414) 444-9930. WPC has been a wonderful partner in our mission to serve the Amani neighborhood. Thanks!

Dear Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church,

Congratulations! Your church is one of 39 PC(USA) congregations that has continuously participated in the Presbyterian Coffee Project for more than ten years. Today, the project has grown to include over 3,000 PC(USA) congregations. Enclosed please accept a small token of our gratitude, a Certificate of Appreciation which recognizes your congregation as one of the longest standing supporters of the Presbyterian Coffee Project over the past decade.

(The certificate is hanging on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space) The awarding of such certificates is one way we are celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Presbyterian Coffee Project this year. By means of carbon copy on this email we are also notifying your presbytery as a way of celebrating more widely the church's accomplishments in Fair Trade.

Faithful Fair Trade purchasing for 10 years is a tremendous accomplishment. By supporting Fair Trade your congregation has helped small farmers to stay on their land, plan for the future, and care for the environment. The total of all fairly traded products purchased by Presbyterians over the past decade was 1,154,725 lbs. or 577 tons. Your continuing participation demonstrates that together Presbyterians can make a significant difference in alleviating hunger, eliminating its causes and creating a greener and more just food system. Your actions have strengthened the Fair Trade movement for small farmers around the world and have provided an alternative trade model for other faith based groups.

On behalf of the farmer co-operatives, the Presbyterian Church (USA) and Equal Exchange, we thank you for all that you have done and continue to do to help reduce hunger and poverty for small farmers. By working together we make each other stronger.



Yours in faith, **Melanie Hardison - Presbyterian Hunger Program & Susan Sklar - Equal Exchange**



Sign-ups have begun for dinners for 7, 8 or 9. Find the easel near the directory sign up table outside of the sanctuary. **Please plan to attend**

the opening pot luck on Saturday, October 8th. If you've participated before, please encourage your church friends to sign up. What a great way to get to know others in our community of faith!

Breaking bread together in small groups is one of the easiest, most fun ways to get to know the people beside you in the pews. Groups are flexible, arranging times to get together around each others' schedules. And, if everyone can't make it every time, that's fine and that's life. Groups have had 50's themed dinners, football game parties, attended shows together, ate out at a Mexican restaurant --- don't miss out on the fun next year. Sign up - you'll be glad you did!

GET INVOLVED!

Although we usually meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month, in September we will meet on the 4th Sunday, **Sept. 25th** following the 10:30 service.



Our book for discussion on the 25th is "**Nomad**" by **Ayaan Hirsi Ali**.

Please bring your suggestions for future book selections to the Sept. meeting. Plus, bring your lunch and/or a snack to share. Join us for a lively discussion and lots of good fellowship. All are welcome!



Upcoming Events:

September 18 - "Arsenic & Old Lace"

All who purchased tickets for "Arsenic & Old Lace" will gather for lunch in Fellowship Hall after the 10:30 service. Cost of the lunch is \$5. After lunch, we will carpool to the Sunset Playhouse.

October 18 - Zoo Pride Program at WPC

Please join us for the Milwaukee Zoo's entertaining and interesting "Zoo Pride" program held here at WPC. We will enjoy dessert together at 1:00 p.m. with the program starting at 1:30. Watch for a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space in late September.

You can also direct questions to members of the Encore: Over 55s steering committee: Virginia Doherty, Faith Rhodes, Cathy Caughey, Trudy Thompson, Marge Wangemann, and Anne Coulling.



The first Chat Time this fall will be held on **Friday, October 28th**. Please see the October Joyful Noise for details. **Hope to see you there!**

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

NOTE CHANGE FOR SEPTEMBER

On Sept. 9, 2011, our hosts are:

Jim & Sarah Rand (414)915-4174
4726 West Washington Blvd, Milwaukee

On Oct. 14, 2011, our hosts are:

Greg & Jackie Williams (262)853-4662
3945 North 169th St., Brookfield

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

Please note the Presbytery office has moved to: 6767 W. Greenfield Avenue, Milwaukee WI 53214. They are now on the 2nd floor of the Tri-City Bank Building. **They also have a new phone number:** 414-292-2740. Please know that the old number is no longer being forwarded.

September Presbyterian Women's Circle Meetings



Circle	Date	Time	Place
Lydia	9/13/2011	7:00 PM	Meeting Room
Rachel (usually 3rd Thursday)		1:00 PM	TBA
Sarah	9/20/2011	9:15 AM	Meeting Room
Ruth	9/20/2011	9:30 AM	Carol Scholl's lake home



QUILTING GROUP

WPC Quilters' Quest Resumes Sept. 8th!

Quilters' Quest begins its 7th year in September! We invite you to come and see what is going on. We are a group of women who enjoy being together to quilt. You'll hear oohing and aahing and machines whirring as patterns are shared and fabrics are made into warm cozy quilts and tote bags. You'll hear lots of laughing and friendly banter as hot coffee, tea and delicious snacks are shared.

We started this mission project hoping we could bless others with gifts of warmth and comfort using our various skills in quilting. And we were on a quest for God's purpose and will in our lives. We present the quilt gifts to children and adults through various agencies in the Milwaukee and Waukesha area. We give the gifts of warmth and comfort with prayers that we also bring joy and hope. We have made new friends in our larger community. And we always feel we receive more than we give.

We meet on alternate Thursdays from 10:00am to 2:00pm in the Meeting Room at church. We provide the tools, fabrics, machines, coffee and tea. Plus, delicious snacks often appear! Knitters come to join in the camaraderie and we are happy when anyone else drops in to chat or share a laugh.

We invite you to join in, whatever your level of skills in quilting. Just bring yourself, a bag lunch and your curiosity. **The dates of our meetings this year are scheduled as follows:** Sept. 8 & 22, Oct. 6 & 20, Nov. 3 & 17, and Dec. 1 & 15.

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

Fun on the Links: Yes, it'll soon be time for the WPC's Fall Golf Outing. We want YOU! You don't need to be a pro. In fact, we'd prefer that you are not. Women and men of all talent levels are welcomed. Join us at Brookfield Hills Golf Course -- just off I-94 and Moorland Rd. -- on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 1:30, for two hours of fun and fellowship. To make things slightly different from our usual format, we'll play the shorter Back Nine.

Cost: just \$15. We'd love for you to join us!

To sign up please contact:
Lauren Rea (414-774-7154),
Clyde Rusk (414-256-6894)
Bill Nelson (262-786-7643)



Open Training Session



OFFERING COUNTERS

Counters Needed! If you can count & read you can help! You don't use a computer but you do use an adding machine. Join us for an **Open Training Session on Sunday morning, September 4 after the worship service in the meeting room!** Don't be afraid, it's easy & we're here to help!

Experience the World in Your Own Home



There is an exciting opportunity to host an international student studying English at Marquette university. The length of stay is flexible, with a minimum of four weeks. The program also provides some supplemental income for the host. For more information see the flyer in the Gathering Space. Please contact **Mark Anderson** (414) 737-3480 or email: MANDERSONQ@GMAIL.COM



Mower's Needed in Sept. & Oct

The grass is still growing and your help is needed for mowing. A sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Space. What a simple way to volunteer. Come when it's convenient for you! A member of the Buildings & Grounds committee will contact you prior to mowing to make sure you know what's going on & answer any questions.
Thanks for helping us out!

Prayer Shawl Ministry Sit'n & Knit'n resumes Saturday, September 10th 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) 467-2507
or
Carol Johnson
(414) 476-3757



Please save the date for fall Grief Seminar

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** on Saturday, November 12th from 10:00am - Noon at WPC

There is no charge and we welcome you to invite your friends and family. Watch for more information in next months newsletter.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND FALL CLEAN-UP DAY SAT, NOV. 5, 8AM - NOON

Please volunteer to help us do an extra bit to tidy up the church inside & out. A sign up sheet will be out in Gathering Space in mid October.

Tasks normally include:

- Pick up outside trash & clean window wells
- Clean gutters and downspouts.
- Flip and switch pew pads.
- Prune branches (except in memorial garden)
- Wash windows



Beyond Survival: What is God's Future for the Small Church?

**Workshop with Rev. David
King & Rev. Linda Kuhn
Saturday, October 1st
9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Faith Presbyterian Church
3800 West Rawson Ave.,
Franklin, WI**



Our focus for the day will be:

- To assist congregations in identifying the cultural changes and demographic realities of their communities
- Through Bible study and discernment discover the missional practices of the New Testament Church
- Connect these missional practices to new realities facing small churches to-day; and
- Begin to build a congregational action plan and networking opportunities for addressing these new realities.

Participants can request documentation of workshop attendance for continuing education purposes by signing up during the event. Registrants providing an email address receive registration confirmation and event location information by email prior to the event. Please share this information with others if you made a group registration. Sponsored by the Wisconsin Council of Churches.

Register online and pay by credit card at:
www.wichurches.org under the event listing

Music Notes

Twelve Reasons to Join the Choir

Not convinced? Here are ten more reasons (for men in particular) to join the choir:

According to the *Wall Street Journal* (May 25), one in every five or six households has someone who participates in a choir of some sort – making it the art form that attracts the greatest participation in the U.S. What draws so many people (22 million in all) to get involved? Kent Tritle, who conducts professional and amateur choirs in New York, says the answer may have to do with (a) the sense of community that members experience, and (b) the pleasure of making music together.

1. Rehearsals are on Wednesday nights, a good midweek break from clicking the TV remote or computer mouse.
2. Thanks to choir robes, you don't have to worry about your clothes matching.
3. As you look at the congregation you can play, "Who's Sleeping and Who's Listening With His Eyes Closed?"
4. Because others can see you, it's less likely you'll be caught by the same game (but not impossible).
5. If you sound good in the shower now, imagine how great you'll be with practice.
6. Singing in the choir doesn't require expensive or dangerous power tools.
7. Singing is heart healthy, easier on the knees than jogging, and doesn't have monthly membership dues.
8. If you think you've already done all the extreme challenges on your bucket list, try staying on pitch with our tenors and basses.
9. Choir rehearsals are half as long as a professional football game, and there are no Monday night practices.
10. When people ask if you're behaving, you can say, "Me? I'm a veritable choir boy!"

The WPC choir resumes with a potluck supper at Martha & LeRoy Stoner's home (2608 N 67th St.) at 6:00 p.m. on August 31. The first rehearsal will be at 7:00 p.m. on September 7 in the choir room. Talk to Martha Stoner for more information. Better yet, come give it a try. We saved a seat for you!



Music Notes

Chancel Choir
 Wednesdays from 7:30-9pm
 Contact: Martha Stoner, mstoner@wi.rr.com
 Starting on Sept. 7

Chancel Ringers
 Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30pm
 Starting on Sept. 14
 Contact: Jean Miller, 262-691-1463

Rainbow (Children's) Choir
 Wednesdays from 6:30-7:20pm
 Starting on Sept. 14
 Contact: Joanne Weinberg, 414-258-6161

Instrumental Ensembles
 Contact: Don Weinberg, 414-258-6161

PLEASE JOIN US!

Hands of Praise

Hands of Praise is the new signing choir at WPC and is meeting on Tuesdays at 7pm. We'd love for you to join us, whether you are an ASL pro or beginner, all are welcome! All you need is a "signing voice" and an interest in praising God through the beautiful art of sign language. If you are interested in participating, or would like more information, please contact Beth Virlee at 262-894-4434, or via email: evirlee@mcw.edu



Sunday School Starts September 11th!

September has always seemed more like the beginning of the new year to me. I'm sure it's about the start of the school year and the possibilities that are hidden in new pencils, clean folders and packages of blank paper. Ahhh, the smell of new crayons.

Along with new supplies, we are implementing a new curriculum this year in most classes. Nothing was wrong with the old curriculum. It served us well, but it seemed time for a change to keep the lessons fresh for kids and teachers. We are switching to *Seasons of the Spirit* in all classes except the Sr. High. A few aspects that distinguish *Seasons*:

- Emphasis on application of biblical lessons in all of our communities - local to global
- Inclusion of stewardship of natural resources into the lesson plans
- Use of art to enliven and enrich class participation



Seasons OF THE Spirit™

Another interesting aspect of *Seasons of the Spirit* is that it is lectionary-based. This means that all the kids in pre-school through middle school will hear the same (age-adjusted) lesson each Sunday. On the Sundays that the worship service is also lectionary-based the kids may hear echoes of their Sunday school lesson in the sermon, the scripture readings and the hymn choices.

In addition to the new curriculum we're adding a new class. A few years ago we did some creative combining so there would be a reasonable number of kids in each class to encourage meaningful participation. Now we have the happy situation of having enough kids that we need to do some splitting so there aren't too many kids in a class. It's a good situation! This means we are casting our nets a little wider to find enough teachers. We want at least three teachers for each class to assure schedule flexibility. If you have an interest in participating there is always an opening. We really appreciate our teachers!

See you in September!

Denise Fried

Administrator of Christian Education

Adult Education & Enrichment

Adult Education Class

Sunday Morning Adult Classes are held between services and are usually located on the west end of Fellowship Hall (opposite from the stage).

September 11 Opportunities Faire

The Faire celebrating this year's theme, "Living the Christ Life" features a continental breakfast, visiting with friends, new and old, and perusing many of the faith formation opportunities available during 2011-2012.

September 18 Music & A Christ Filled Life

Jim Crump will join us to uncover how music can assist us to live a Christ Filled Life. Music encourages us, challenges us, makes us question our beliefs and so much more.

September 25 To Be Announced



Growing in Faith classes are for those who want to learn more about WPC and who are considering becoming active members of our congregation.

CLASSES

The next set of classes will be held on

Sunday, October 9 Noon-2pm

Sunday, October 16 4-6pm

Sunday, October 23 Noon-2pm

A light meal will be served and childcare can be arranged if requested in advance.

If you are interested, please call the church office at 414-774-5005 or speak to Pam Parker or Pastor Jim Rand



BIBLES for Our 3 Year Olds!

Jim Crump will present starter Bibles to 3 year-olds at 10:am on Sept. 11, the first meeting of Sunday School. Parents are invited to attend the short presentation.



Sunday School classes meet between worship services from 9:20 - 10:15 am

AGE/GRADE

3 year olds –Sr. K
1st - 2nd Grade
3rd - 5th Grade
Middle School
High School

CLASSROOM

CCNS Sun Room
Knox Hall Stage
Witherspoon
Sarah Dickson Room
Calvin Room

Our Summer Vacation – Great!

Submitted by Denise Fried, Administrator of Christian Education

About a week after school let out the fun began – Vacation Bible School at the Shake It Up Café. We shook it up indeed! Our chefs-in-training, the kids, got God’s recipe for living and had a lot of fun in the process. We learned some wonderful music, had tasty snacks, played great games, made lovely crafts and even did some kitchen science. We learned stories of biblical feasts and festivals in the Story Room and through the videos created by the talented PB&J writer/producer/actor team. It was a wonderful week – one of my favorite times of the year.



Nora Whetter, Anne Bond, Katie Wilson, Sam Welk, *Kevin Lewis, *Nick Scholzen, Eric Deutsch



Above: VBS Co-Director, Erin Mayrand as Chef Basil shows students how to make a recipe!

At Right: Volunteer, Mark Fraley plays a water game with a VBS class in the front yard.



A few weeks later we switched gears and turned our focus to the kids on the older end of the Christian Education spectrum. Jennifer Whetter and I took five WPC teens and two teens from *Covenant Presbyterian in Racine to the Heifer Ranch in Perryville, Arkansas for a week of experience in the issues of hunger. We learned how scarce and poorly distributed resources significantly contribute to the problems facing many, many people around the world. I don’t want to give away too much since we’ll share some of the lessons we learned in a worship service this fall, but I can tell you it was intense and it was fun.



Of course summer wouldn’t be complete without camp! Six of our kids went to Stronghold for a week of camping. I heard from a reliable source, Casey Dobson, that it was lots and lots of fun. We’ll show pictures from their experience one Sunday this fall.

It was a great summer! New experiences and lessons were in fine balance with fun and fellowship.



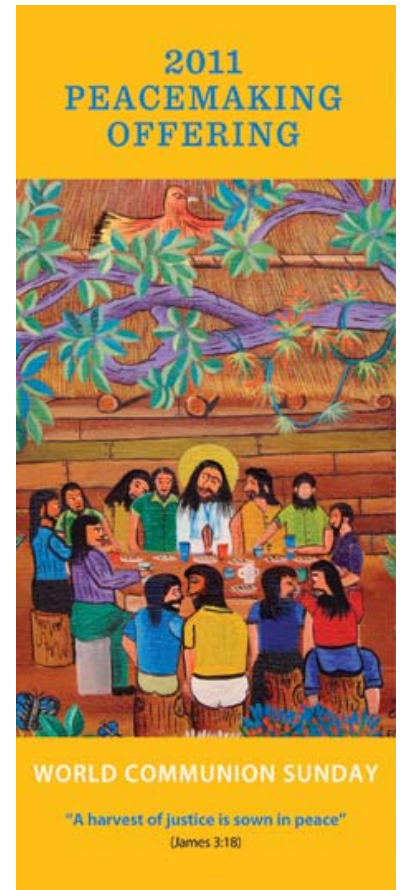
Our Stewardship theme for this year is: Lifting One Another Up

Byron J. Skillings, Chair of Stewardship Committee

As Presbyterians, Stewardship is part of our theology, part of our spiritual practice, part of everyday life. To explore how we lift one another up through stewardship, we will be having minutes for mission, fellowship get togethers, and other times for information and discussion about stewardship.

In September we will also be talking about the Peacemaking Offering, which is received on World Communion Sunday (October 2). For more than thirty years, this offering has reminded Presbyterians of Christ's words: "Blessed are the peacemakers." The theme of the 2011 offering is "A Harvest of Justice is Sown in Peace." Please consider and renew your commitment to peacemaking. An offering envelope is enclosed in this newsletter and in the pew racks.

Please be looking forward in the coming weeks to learning more about how we will be Lifting One Another Up, in Stewardship and giving this year.



To recap...The Top 7 Reasons To Have Your Picture in the New Church Directory

1. You can help new and old members know *almost* as many members as Jim Rand does.
2. You can look back and see how adorable WPC's kids were.
3. You can use the new directory to look up that person you just had a lovely talk with during coffee but you couldn't remember their name and you were too embarrassed to ask.
4. You will have an awesome portrait for this year's Christmas card.
5. You will appreciate it when you look at it in 5 years and realize how good you were looking.
6. You can make up for not having your photo in the previous directory.
7. You can be part of the church's historical record by being pictured in the 85th Anniversary edition.



The Church Directory isn't about having a beautiful picture (though that can be an added benefit). It's about being part of our church community. It is about being a resource for all of us to get to know each other a little better, allowing everyone to become less of a stranger. It isn't only about the more-the-merrier; it's about the more-the-better. We **want** your "mug" in the directory. It helps all of us know who is Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church. If you haven't yet made a photo appointment it isn't too late. There are still appointments available throughout September. Please contact the church office (414-774-5005) to schedule your photo.

New Non-Picture Member Directory available in September!

This thin office printed directory (is back) and includes a staff directory listing on the front page, a listing of area hospitals on the back page; plus lists of Elders, Deacons, Circle members, & Nursing Homes. We've printed one directory for each WPC family. To ensure your privacy, an office staff member will distribute the directories at designated times, Sundays in September. See your bulletin for more information. You can also pick up your copy in the church office during regular office hours.



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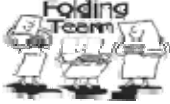









Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>(CCNS) Curiosity Corner Nursery School Classes: Mon-Fri 9-11:30AM & Mon/Wed 12:30-2:50PM Parent Orientation = Tuesday, Sept 8 Sneak-A-Peak = Friday, Sept 9 First Day of School = Monday, Sept 12</p>			 <p>BULLETIN INFORMATION DUE to Church Office Wednesdays by 9AM</p>	<p>1</p> 	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>  <p>8:00 AM Men's Conversation</p>
<p>4</p> <p>EXTENDING THE TABLE = Peanut Butter & Jelly</p>  <p>9:30 AM Worship 10:30 AM Open Training in the Meeting Room</p> <p>Next Sunday Regular Worship Hours Return</p> 	<p>5</p>  	<p>6</p>  <p>8:00 AM Grey Panthers - Men's Breakfast 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Olan Mills Directory Photos Taken 6:30 PM Master Singers Practice 7:00 PM CE Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Hands of Praise Choir practice 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>7</p> <p>2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Olan Mills Directory Photos Taken</p>  <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p>8</p>  <p>10:00 AM Quilters' Quest</p>  <p>7:00 PM CCNS Parent Orientation</p>	<p>9</p> <p>LOOK at THIS!</p> <p>9 AM - 1 PM CCNS Sneak a Peek Day!</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9:00 AM Choir Tour Meeting</p>  <p>Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Group - Sit'n & Knit'n</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Fall Schedule Returns! Patriot Day 8:15 AM Contemporary Worship 9:20 AM Christian Education 10:30 AM Traditional Worship 1:30 PM WPC's Fall Golf Outing 3:30 PM Creative Pathways Meeting</p> 	<p>12</p> <p>CCNS Classes Begin! Newsletter articles DUE! 8:00 AM Grey Panthers 1:00 PM Over 55s Steering Committee 2:00 PM - 9PM Olan Mills Directory Photos Taken 7:00 PM Committee Meetings</p>	<p>13</p> <p>2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Olan Mills Directory Photos Taken 6:30 PM Master Singers B&G Committee 7:00 PM Hands of Praise Choir practice 7:00 PM Lydia Circle 7:00 PM Narcotics Anon</p> 	<p>14</p> <p>2:00 PM - 9:00 PM Olan Mills Directory Photos Taken 6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal 6:30 PM Rainbow Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p> 	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>9:00 AM Master Singers Dress Rehearsal</p>



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<p>18</p> <p>8:15 AM Contemporary Worship</p> <p>9:20 AM Christian Education</p> <p>10:30 AM Traditional Worship + Baptism of Evelyn Hughes</p> <p>11:30 AM <i>Over55s</i> LUNCHEON before Play</p> <p>2:00 PM <i>Over55s</i> OUTING - "Arsenic and Old Lace" @ Sunset Playhouse</p>  	<p>19</p> <p>8:00 AM Grey Panthers</p>	<p>20</p>  <p>9:15 AM Sarah Circle</p> <p>9:30 AM Ruth Circle @ Carol Scholl's lake house</p> <p>6:30 PM Master Singers Practice</p> <p>7:00 PM Hands of Praise Choir practice</p> <p>7:00 PM Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:00 AM Newsletter Collation</p>  <p>6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal</p> <p>6:30 PM Rainbow Choir</p> <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p> 	<p>22</p>  <p>10:00 AM Quilters' Quest</p>	<p>23</p> <p>First Day of Autumn</p>	<p>24</p>
<p>25</p> <p>8:15 AM Contemporary Worship</p> <p>9:20 AM Christian Education</p> <p>10:30 AM Traditional Worship + Music Commissioning</p>  <p>11:30 AM WPC Book Club - Meeting Room</p>	<p>26</p> <p>8:00 AM Grey Panthers</p>  <p>7:00 PM Session</p>	<p>27</p> <p>4:00 PM Presbytery of Milwaukee Meeting</p> <p>6:30 PM Master Singers Practice</p> <p>7:00 PM Hands of Praise Choir practice</p> <p>7:00 PM Narcotics Anon</p>	<p>28</p> <p>6:30 PM Handbell Rehearsal</p> <p>6:30 PM Rainbow Choir</p> <p>7:30 PM Chancel Choir</p> 	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>1</p>  <p>8:00 AM Men's Conversation</p> <p>Mission Blitz</p> 

Thank You Notes

Wanted to thank everyone for their gardening work. The Garden looks lovely! Not only are there a profusion of flowers that the butterflies and birds are all over, but we have a FOX! Yes! a fox has taken residence in our garden! This is wonderful as the fox will take care of our rabbit problem and lead to less plant damage over the winter. Ah- Nature. So if you hear something in the bushes and then, as I did, see the fox in the front lawn of the church, welcome it.

I was as surprised as could be, as was another neighbor who watched the fox and then came over to talk to me about it. It seems to have a very different city fox nature- tolerant of humans at a distance, but not friendly like a dog. I was able to water and weed and it stayed on the lawn at a distance.

We'll plan a fall gardening day in late October to put the garden to bed. In the mean time, if you have an urge to weed, don't resist!

Thanks again for all of your continual care,
Karen Lindholm-Rynkiewicz

Again this year, Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church provided the "Olde Waterin' Hole" at the end of Wauwatosa's 4th of July Parade. Over 1,000 cups of water were provide to parade marchers, dogs, and various other animals. I would like to thank the following members of the West Allis Central High School Wrestling Team for volunteering to help me: Robert Keaton, Brian Smith, and Nate Keaton.
Ed Stech

I wanted to thank you for the flowers I received on August 21st. I love them. Thank you so much!
La Verne Charlson

Dear Folks WPC,
Thank you for that fragrant surprise on Sunday. The flowers delivered to me were beautiful and smelled of spring. They graced the front entrance to Luther Courtyards and cheered everyone here. Many thanks for your kind thoughtfulness.

Louise Witherall

Dear Reverend Rand,
Happy Summer!!! We wanted to thank you and your friendly congregation for welcoming us into our new home (the former Manse). We're so lucky to have such peaceful and helpful neighbors. The Hydrangea plant you gave us matches our new living room perfectly!

Love, **The Sveums**
(Sadie, Matt, Jack, Madison and Nina the cat)

Special thanks to the following church members who recently replaced all the light bulbs in the cathedral ceiling of the Sanctuary and the Chancel: Lloyd Jung, Tony Kreif, Bob Detzer, Ed Stech, Don Gunderson, Jim Halverson, Bill O'Loughlin, and Kevin Sjostrom.

Dear Friends at Wauwatosa Presbyterian Church,
Thank you for your donation of \$140.00 from your 2011 Vacation Bible School Offering. We will use this money to purchase needed food. These funds are especially welcome in the summer months when-in-kind donations are insufficient to fill our shelves. Your generosity has helped our volunteers to be certain that our clients find food on the shelves when they visit the pantry. Thank you for remembering the work of the pantry.

Sincerely, Mary Ann Hamill - President

Tosa Community Food Pantry

We appreciate the help of many people who made VBS a rich faith and fun experience - Kris Batchelet, Mary Pluta, Joanne Weinberg, Leslie Halverson, Heidi Hudson-Mairet, Sue Hoff, Jim Crump, Mark Fraley, Marc Raygoza, Ben Anderson, Michelle Anderson, Rebekah Blaskowski, Chris Wolf, Julie Badciong, Pam Parker, Jim Donaldson, Katie Wilson, Jennifer Wilson-Briggs, Sarah Wolf, Emmorie Jossie, John Wettengel, Dave Wehnes, Dee Krugler, Barb Homar, Jim Halverson. We are especially appreciative of the leadership and hard work of our VBS co-directors, Holly Dobson and Erin Mayrand. Plus thanks to the P B & J Drama Team - Kelly Turner, Tux Turner, Portia Turner, Julia Weinberg, Brad Halverson, Leslie Halverson – did exceptional work. This talented group created the scripts, shot the video and acted to bring creativity and joy to Bible stories of celebration. We also appreciate the younger actors who were also VBS participants - Liam McMahan, Mary Catherine McMahan, Aidan Mayrand, Casey Dobson, Matthew Dobson!

Thank you all very much! (submitted by Denise Fried)

Congratulations to David & Tassia Hughes, big brother Ian, & big sister Serena



For the birth of
Evelyn Rose Hughes
on July 1, 2011.



She weighed 6 pounds, 10 ozs & was 21 inches long.

**Plus, congratulations to Proud Grandfather:
Don Gunderson**



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Director of Music: Martha Dodds Stoner
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

Summer Church Office Hours: Monday -Thursday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Limited hours on Friday: Please call ahead

Summer Worship: 9:30 am Worship Service

Sunday Schedule: 8:15 am Contemporary Worship Service
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DATED MATERIAL

We are accessible **Sign Language Interpreter** **Listening system**
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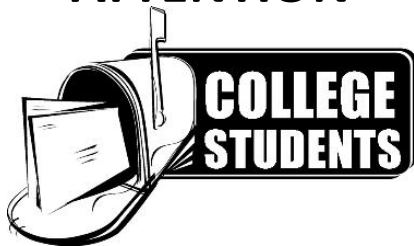
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Articles for the October issue are due by Monday, September 12th.

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.

ATTENTION



(or Their Parents)

Please contact the church office with your new address for this fall. (or for college graduates, your new permanent address.) Be sure to include your e-mail address. We would like to email you the newsletter and keep in touch. Thanks!

Please Mark Your Calendars !

- * Mon, Sept 5 - Church Office CLOSED in honor of Labor Day
- * **Tues, Sept 6 - CE Teacher Orientation**
- * Wed, Sept 7 - Choir Practice RESUMES
- * **Sunday, Sept 11 - Fall Schedule RETURNS**
with Worship Services at 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.
& Sunday Morning Education at 9:20 a.m.



This Day Only! { Adult "Opportunities Faire"
Tosa Interfaith Fundraiser - Mum Pick-Up



- * Wed, Sept 14 - Rainbow Choir & Handbell Choir Practices RESUME
- * **Mon, Sept 12 - Curiosity Corner Classes BEGIN**
- * In October, Growing in Faith - New Member classes

Sunday, October 9 Noon-2pm
Sunday, October 16 4-6pm
Sunday, October 23 Noon-2pm

