

Wilton Presbyterian Church

News From The Pews-December 3, 2017



2017 Advent Season

This Sunday is the start of the Advent season. There will be the Christmas Special Music & Flower Fund Donations flyer in this week's bulletin. Dedications will appear on a separate page included with our Christmas Eve bulletin. If you would like your name to be listed, all donations must be into the office no later than December 11th.

In today's bulletin is the Advance in a Glance, this will be the only week that it will be in the bulletin, there will be additional copies on the table in the Narthex throughout the season.

Holiday Gift Drive

Are you going Christmas shopping today? If so, please pick up an extra gift for a child in need for the Holiday Gift Drive for children with one or more incarcerated parents. Please consider donating one or even more of the following new items: hats, scarves, gloves, teen T's, fun socks, sweatshirts, dolls & sports items, arts & crafts, Legos, action figures, toy cars, including gift cards to Walmart, Target, Old Navy, TJ Maxx, Game Stop...Thank you and please bring donations to the church no later than Sunday, December 17.

For more information email
Brandon Bone brandonbone10002@yahoo.com

Sunday, December 3rd

- 8:30 AM Men's Bible Study/Library
- 10:00 AM Communion Worship Service.
Church School
- 7:30 PM Faith In Action Meeting/Alcove

Monday, December 4th

- 12:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core
- 3:45PM Joint Youth Group Christmas Caroling
at Wilton Commons
- 7:30 PM New Life AA Meeting/Upper Core

Wednesday, December 6th

- 8:00 AM Prayer Service
- 12:00 PM JCCEC Meeting/Library
- 2:00 PM Prayer Service (Facebook Live)
- 6:45 PM New Life AA Meeting/ Upper Core
- 7:00 PM BBB'ers Meeting/ Marly's
- 7:00 PM Deacons Meeting/Alcove

Thursday, December 7th

- 6:00 PM Dining with the Divas/Cactus Rose
- 6:30 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary
- 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal/Upper Core

Friday, December 8th

- 12:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core
- 8:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core

Saturday, December 9th

- 9:00 AM Handbell Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary

Sunday, December 10th

- 8:30 AM Men's Bible Study/Library
- 10:00 AM Big Music Sunday Worship Service
- 11:30 AM Senior Youth Group Christmas Party/LC
- 11:30 AM Christmas Pageant Rehearsal/Sanctuary

Today's Readings

First Reading: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
Second Reading: Mark 13: 24-37

Prayers and Concerns

Please pray for:

Marjorie Wilkinson, Steve Connor, Brandon Bone, Emily Bohrer, Kristina Grish, Joel Jones, John Celentano, Sandy Brown, Bill Zeiman, Ed MacEwen, and Claudia & Sam Halsey.



Choir Corner

With Al Galletly

Advent. The dawn of the coming of the Christ child. We begin this season of anticipation with "The Coming of the Lord" by Pepper Choplin. The rhythm of this spirited anthem, composed in 2010, suggests something very exciting indeed is about to happen as we prepare to celebrate the coming of the Lord. Choplin is a full-time composer, conductor and (of all things!) a humorist. He holds a Master of Music degree in composition from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Choplin is a member of Greystone Baptist Church in Raleigh, North Carolina, where he served as music minister for twenty-two years. Craig Courtney's "Who But the Lord" was composed earlier this year in honor of the retiring Director of Music for Christ Church Episcopal in Las Vegas, Nevada. A native of Indiana, Craig Courtney holds a Masters in piano performance from the University of Cincinnati. He started writing choral music in 1985, while at the same time continues his work as a pianist, a cellist, a vocal coach, an accompanist and choral director.

Big Music Sunday is next week! So, mark your personal calendars, then send out emails to all your friends and neighbors. Have them mark down *Sunday, December 10, 10:00 am*. There will be the usual combination of brass and musical instruments. And, most of all, some glorious, festive music. Hope to see you -- and loads of others -- there.

Children's Church News

With Nate Taylor

This week in Church School

This first Sunday of Advent, our church school classes are learning about John the Baptist who came to prepare the way for Jesus. He preached in the wilderness, calling on people to repent and be baptized.

Advent calendars

This is the last chance to get your unique Church School Advent calendar. The calendars are pre-assembled and ready to take home for a suggested donation of \$20. Please make all checks payable to JCCEC.

Christmas Pageant Sign-Up

Christmas Pageant is on December 17th. If you, your child, or your youth is interested in participating please email Nate Taylor. Practices will be after church on Sunday, December 10th.

*For more information on any of these events email Nate Taylor at nate.taylor@wiltonpresbyterian.org

Notice is hereby given that there will be a brief called meeting of the congregation on **December 10** for the purpose of receiving the report from the nominating committee. The slate is as follows:

Elder

John Burgdorfer
Bruce Gehrlein
Katie Nugent (1 year term)

Teen Elder

Lydia Dormer

Deacons

Jennifer Gabrielson
David Hull
Barbara Martin
Margret Carkner
Elaine Ottens (2 year term)

Endowment

John McReynolds
Jeff Rutishauser

Nominating Committee Members at Large

Patty Connor
Cathy Ratcliffe
Tom Schneider
Nancy Smith

Youth Group News

Senior Youth Group

Christmas Party
Sunday, December 10th
Time: 11:30am-1:00pm
In the Lower Core



8th Grade Youth Group/Confirmation Class

Caroling at Wilton Commons
Monday, December 4th
Time: 3:45-5:15pm

WPC's Holiday Party
Sunday, December 17th
Time: 11:00am



6th & 7th Youth Group

Caroling at Wilton Commons
Monday, December 4th
Time: 3:45-5:15pm

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