

# Wilton Presbyterian Church

News From The Pews  
January 28, 2018



## 2017 Year End Statements

We are finalizing calendar year 2017 and will be sending your donation statements by email at the end of January. Please contact Suzanne in the office, if you do not have access to email or would prefer your donation statement mailed. For those of you who have not yet completed your 2017 pledge, it is important that it is done within the next several weeks.

Please email Rick Fingeret, if you have questions regarding your 2017 balance.  
[rick.fingeret@gmail.com](mailto:rick.fingeret@gmail.com)

For anyone who *requested* weekly pledge envelopes, they are located at the entrance to the sanctuary. If you are in need of pledge envelopes, please contact Suzanne in the office at [wpchurch@wiltonpresbyterian.org](mailto:wpchurch@wiltonpresbyterian.org).

## Pivot Ministries

The choir from Pivot Ministries (a rehab program for men recovering from substance abuse) will be singing during WPC's **February 4th** worship service. The WPC men also led by Pivot liaison, Buck Burnaman, will be serving breakfast for them at **8:45 AM** in the Parish Hall. We hope the men of WPC will come to eat and mingle with the Pivot men.

We do need a headcount, please email the recruiter, Sonny Kern, if you can come and know if you can help in the kitchen or serve on the buffet line.

Sonny Kern [sonnykern8@gmail.com](mailto:sonnykern8@gmail.com)

## Annual Meeting

We will be holding our Annual Meeting **TODAY** directly after the worship service. The meeting will be in the Parish Hall. Childcare will be provided.

### Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>

10:00 AM Worship Service with Church School  
11:15 AM Kindness Club  
11:15 AM Annual Meeting/Parish Hall

### Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup>

12:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core  
7:30 PM New Life AA Meeting/Upper Core

### Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

8:00 AM Prayer Service  
2:00 PM Prayer Service (Facebook Live)  
6:45 PM New Life AA Meeting/ Upper Core

### Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

12:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core  
5:00 PM Confirmation Class Off Campus Gathering  
8:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core

### Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>

7:45 AM Pivot Breakfast Kitchen Prep  
8:30 AM Pancake Breakfast/Parish Hall  
10:00 AM Communion Worship Service.  
Commissioning for DC  
Regular Church School  
11:30 AM Senior Youth Group/DC Orientation

## Today's Readings & Hymns

Hymn # 143  
Reading: Psalm 111  
Reading: Mark 1:21-28  
Hymn # 332

## Prayers and Concerns

*Please pray for:*

Mike Waskom, The Cummins and Bassani families after the death of their beloved Pat on Sunday morning. A service will be held in the Spring; George Schneidewind, after the sudden death of his sister.

Marjorie Wilkinson, Steve Connor, Brandon Bone, Emily Bohrer, Kristina Grish, Joel Jones, John Celentano, Sandy Brown, Bill Zeiman, Ed MacEwen, Claudia Halsey, Sonny Kern, Peyton White, Bob Sabo, Frank Saphire and Sandy Shifrin, after the recent deaths of their fathers.



## WPC Cares About Kindness

**Today**, WPC is launching a new program for kids ages 5-18 years old to affirm God's love through mentoring and displaying acts of kindness. Please join us in the *Lounge* from 11:15a -12:15 for special activities to help them experience some extra love from their peers!

Future Dates:

February 25, March 11, April 29, May 20

If you have any questions, or concerns, please contact Julie Fowler at [Julie.fowler@wiltonpresbyterian.org](mailto:Julie.fowler@wiltonpresbyterian.org)

## Choir Corner

With Al Galletly

Our Offertory anthem is a familiar tune (#360 in our hymnal), and has long been a favorite for various choral arrangers. The original melody of "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" was written by John Wyeth in 1813. The lyrics, penned by Robert Robinson, focuses on divine grace; and is based on 1 Samuel 7:12, in which the prophet Samuel raises a stone as a monument, saying, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us". The English transliteration of the name given to the stone by Samuel is Ebenezer – meaning Stone of Help. This particular arrangement was written by Craig Courtney, A native of Indiana, Courtney began playing the piano at the age of three and the cello at the age of eleven. He received a Bachelors and a Masters degree in piano performance at the University of Cincinnati, studying piano and chamber music. He has published more than two hundred choral works. Craig Courtney resides in Columbus, Ohio with his wife, Susan.

## Children's Church News

With Nate Taylor

Please mark your calendars for this year's **Festival of Children** which will be on **Sunday, February 11th**. Our children will lead us in worship. Each class will lead a different part of the service-writing prayers, preparing the play, baking bread, and learning songs. Please bring your children to Church School every Sundays from now until **February 11th** so that they can be part of these meaningful preparations.

### **This Week in Church School**

Students will explore the story of Jesus walking on water (Mark 6:45-52). If you read it, you might be expecting Peter to play a supporting role--but that doesn't happen in Mark or John, only in Matthew (Luke doesn't include this story at all). In Mark the story takes place just after the feeding of the five thousand because these "duh-ciples" don't seem to understand the miracle that just took place. Because Peter doesn't play a big role in Mark's version, you are left with a stronger sense of Christ's power over the elements (calming the storm, walking on water). This is what our students will be exploring. Share with your children and youth stories of storms in your life where Christ stepped in and calmed the storm.

Peace, Grace & Love, Nate

\*For more information on any of these events email Nate Taylor at [nate.taylor@wiltonpresbyterian.org](mailto:nate.taylor@wiltonpresbyterian.org)

## Youth Group News

*HELP US HELP THE HOMELESS*

Joint Youth is seeking donations of travel sized toiletries and gift cards in preparation for their upcoming mission trip to Washington DC to help serve the homeless. From now until **February 11th** please consider donating gift cards in increments of \$5 or \$10 to McDonalds, Starbucks and subway or any collected toiletries from hotel stays that you may have. The youth are able to hand these to the homeless on the street and they provide much needed opportunities for restroom, food, warmth and wifi. Please turn all items into Julie or Becky or the WPC office no later than **February 11th**.

*Your support and generosity is always so deeply appreciated!!*

## Church Office

Please remember if you would like to share announcements in our newsletter to email Suzanne in the office at [wpchurch@wiltonpresbyterian.org](mailto:wpchurch@wiltonpresbyterian.org). Just a reminder, that it will need to be "print ready" and needs to be submitted no later than the Tuesday before .

## Youth Group News

### **Senior Youth Group**

DC Orientation Meeting  
Sunday, February 4th  
Time: 11:30am

### **DC Trip**

Depart: Wednesday, February 14th  
Return: Monday, February 19th



### **8th Grade Youth Group/Confirmation Class**

Trip to Temple B'Nal Chaim  
Friday, January 26th  
Time: 5:45pm

### **Meeting**

Tuesday, February 6th  
Time: 3:30pm

### **Meeting**

Tuesday, February 27th



### **Middle School Youth Group**

### **Retreat**

Tuesday, March 13th  
Time: TBA

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