

WILTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

News From The Pews

March 18, 2018

2018 STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

DID YOU KNOW

Our Presbytery requires a yearly **Per Capita Fee** for every member from confirmation age and up? This year the fee is **\$52** per person.

If everyone's pledge went up to include at least this cost, we would be **\$13,000** closer to closing our budget gap.

DID YOU KNOW

WPC can benefit from your purchases on Amazon?
Just select Wilton Presbyterian Church as your non-profit of choice on AmazonSmile.com

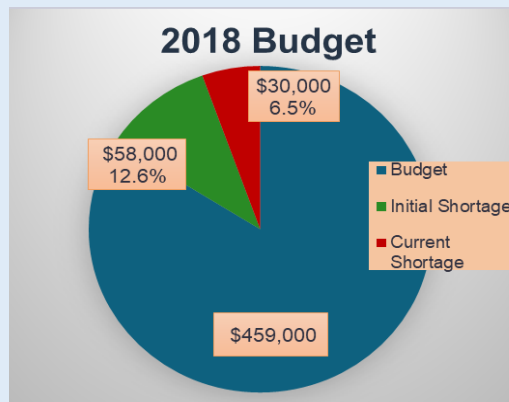
DID YOU KNOW

When you donate goods to The Turnover Shop
(www.turnovershopwilton.org)
You can designate the proceeds from the sale of those goods to WPC?

Budget Barometer

2018 Budget: \$459,000
Initial Shortage: \$58,000
Current Shortage: \$30,000

Last Week's Shortage
\$31,958



~REMINDER~

Easter Flower Donations are due no later by **March 26th**.
Forms are also located in the narthex.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The next Midnight Run where members of our congregation offer food, clothing, toiletries and compassion to NYC's homeless, will take on place on **March 23rd**

For more information please contact
Ralph Bernabei
ralphbernabei@gmail.com

CHURCH OFFICE

Do you want to get word out about a gathering or meeting in the weekly newsletter? Please contact the office no later than the Tuesday of that week and it will need to be "print ready".

Church Office
wpchurch@wiltonpresbyterian.org

Prayers and Concerns

Please Pray For: Marjorie Wilkinson, Jackson Kleeman, Steve Connor, Brandon Bone and Emily Bohrer

Sunday, March 18th

10:00 AM Worship Service w/ Rev. White preaching Children's Church School
11:30 AM Adult Education Series(Pt.2)/ Lounge

Monday, March 19th

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

Tuesday, March 20th

6:00 PM 8th Grade Youth Group Event
7:30 PM Session Meeting/Lounge
7:30 PM WEPCO Meeting/Alcove

Wednesday, March 21th

8:00 AM Morning Prayer Service
2:00 PM Afternoon Prayer Service
3:15 PM 6th & 7th Grade Youth Group Trip
6:45 PM New Life AA Meeting/ Upper Core

Thursday, March 22nd

6:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal/Upper Core
7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal/Upper Core

Friday, March 23rd

12:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core
6:00 PM Midnight Run Prep & Depart@8pm
8:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core

Sunday, March 25^h

10:00 AM Palm Sunday Service with Rev.White preaching. Children's Church
11:30 AM Adult Education Series (Pt.3)/Lounge
11:30 AM Senior Youth Group Lunch Gathering

TODAY'S READINGS & HYMNS

Hymn: Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show
Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34
Reading: John 12:20-33
Hymn: There is a Balm in Gilead
Hymn: I will Come to You: You Are Mine

Congratulations
ANNA CARTA

for having successfully completed
another Special Olympics!!



The Garden Illuminated *save the Date*

A Spring Celebration in our Memorial Garden
Friday, June 1st 6:30-8:30pm

For more information please contact Jennifer Gabrielson
jengabrielson@optimum.net

CHOIR CORNER

With Al Galletly

We're in the middle of Lent, so it seems an appropriate time for a very familiar spiritual, "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley." The tune is an African-American folk melody. The text compares the experiences of Jesus to the lives we must lead as we journey toward heaven, bearing our own burdens by reminding us that Jesus did so in His earthly life and death. The version we sing today was arranged by Harry Robert Wilson. Born in Kansas in 1901, Wilson attended Columbia University, and for over 30 years, headed the choral department at NY State Teachers College. He passed away in Carmel, NY, in 1968. The anthem we'll be singing for our Offertory has often been called the greatest hymn in the English language. The text was written by Isaac Watts. Its original title was "Crucifixion to the World by the Cross of Christ." Happily, that was later changed to "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross." The hymn has been set to many different tunes, but the most popular one -- the one we'll sing today -- was composed by Edward Miller in 1790, some forty-two years after Watts' death. The choral arrangement for today's anthem was composed by Benjamin Harlan.

Are you Interested in joining choir?

Please contact the Music Director, Al Galletly
music@wiltonpresbyterian.org or agalletly88s@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S CHURCH NEWS

With Nate Taylor

EASTER EGG HUNT

WPC will be hosting the annual Easter egg hunt on **Sunday, April 1st** immediately after church. Please help make this happen by bringing plastic eggs and/or candy (please no nuts), we will fill the eggs next week! Also, I will be looking for some youth or adults to help hide during the service. Please contact Nate if you have any questions or concerns.

This week all of our classes are busy creating delicious treats and small gifts to be delivered to 20 people within our two churches that we will donate to "Give-A-Smile". Our children delight in creating gifts for others. Volunteer to deliver a gift bag with your child next **Sunday, March 25!**

Peace, Grace & Love, Nate

*For more information on any of these events email

MAUNDY THURSDAY DINNER

On **March 29th at 7:00 pm** we will gather for our annual Maundy Thursday Dinner in the Parish Hall. Our WPC family will commemorate this event with fellowship, a shared meal and communion service. After communion, the lights will be dimmed and we'll depart silently by candlelight.

Please join us on this special evening as we renew our faith and recommit ourselves to live as Jesus did. You should be receiving a flyer from your deacon with specific details. Everyone is welcome (members, visitors, children and friends) Those without a deacon should email Mary Wright at tnwrights@gmail.com

ADULT EDUCATIONAL SERIES

Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good People?

Join us **March 18, 25 from 11:15am-12:30pm** in the Lounge, as Rev. Dr. Susan DeGeorge presents a 3 week series on the book of Job.

D. H. Lawrence has written, "If you want a story of your own soul, it is perfectly done in the book of Job..." And yet, what is that soul story told in this biblical book? Is it a story of a perfect person who suffers without cause and wonders why? Is it a series of conversations among friends trying to be supportive to one whose life has gone off track? Is it a dialogue with God about whether various aspects of life make sense? We will look at these questions as we explore not only what the biblical writer(s) intended by the book of Job, but the way it has been interpreted by later writers, psychologists, environmentalists, and theologians.

Open to All, Childcare provided

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Senior Youth Group

Luncheon Gathering
Sunday, March 25th
Time: 11:30am

8th Gr. Youth Group & Confirmation

Confirmand Last Supper Event
Tuesday, March 20th
Time: 6:00pm

Meeting

Tuesday, April 3th
Time: 3:30pm

Middle School Youth Group

Off Campus Retreat to Ben's Bells
Tuesday, April 24th
Time: 3:30pm

*For more information on any of these events
email Julie Fowler
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