

"We are a welcoming and diverse Christian community living our faith in God and affirming the gifts of all of God's people. We are dedicated to serving those in need, demonstrating our faith in action by following the teachings of Jesus Christ." Statement Adopted by the Wilton Presbyterian Church Session, May 2018

If you are here for the first time or a frequent visitor, we would like to WELCOME and THANK YOU for visiting with us today! If you would like to learn more about our church life, please visit our website at www.wiltonpresbyterian.org and take a moment to fill out the fellowship pad (located in your pew), so that we may get in touch with you.

#### SPOT LIGHT SERIES

This summer the MacGregor's hosted the 10th Annual WPC Maine Reunion at Sebago Lake. While the attendance was lower this year due to a variety of reasons, they still were able to have a wonderful visit together. This wonderful group of friends have been meeting somewhere within the State of Maine over the past 10 years and are already thinking about next year! Below is a picture of all who attend this year's reunion.



# YOUR ENDOWMENT FUND HARD AT WORK

You probably remember Nate Dove, the Yale Seminary student who interned at WPC last year. He assisted with worship, preached occasionally, worked with the Youth Groups, taught a men's Bible study and was an all-around helper and friendly face each Sunday. But did you know, that Nate's presence last year was made possible by grants from the WPC Endowment Fund totaling nearly \$3,400? This provided a stipend for Nate, plus a thank-you gift, his mileage back and forth from New Haven, and psychological testing required by Presbytery. Nate married his fiancée Emma last spring and they currently are living near Charlottesville, VA; where Emma is studying for a PhD and Nate is serving as a Youth minister.

# SEPT. 9<sup>TH</sup> - SEPT. 16<sup>TH</sup>

#### Sunday, September 9th

10:00 AM Worship Service with Rev. White

Summer Church School

#### Monday, September 10th

12:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core

7:30 PM New Life AA Meeting/Upper Core

#### Tuesday, September 11th

8:00 AM Cooking for MANNA//Kitchen 4:30 PM Confirmation Class/Alcove 6:00 PM 6th & 7th Gr. Youth Group/LC 7:30 PM WEPCO Meeting/ Alcove

#### Wednesday, September 12th

8:00 AM Morning Prayer Service 2:00 PM Afternoon Prayer Service 7:00 PM Deacon Meeting/Alcove New Life AA Meeting/Upper Core 6:45 PM

#### Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

#### Friday, September 14th

12:00 PM AA Meeting/Upper Core

8:00 PM New Life AA Meeting/Upper Core

#### Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup>

10:00AM Homecoming Service with Rev. White and Teacher Commissioning

Children's Church School

11:00 AM Joint Coffee Hour with St. Matthew's

11:30 AM **HS Youth Group Luncheon** 

# Today's Music

Opening Hymn #487 When Morning Gilds the Skies Meditative Hymn #394 There Is a Balm in Gilead Closing Hymn #332 Live Into Hope





#### SAVE THE DATE

HOMECOMING SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 16TH MidNight Run

October 12<sup>th</sup>

Rise Against Hunger October 20<sup>th</sup>

Adult Ed Series with Dr. Susan DeGeorge Oct.28<sup>th</sup>, Nov.4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

#### DINING WITH THE DIVAS

Now that summer vacations are almost behind us and fall is near..are you looking for an evening to relax and just be with the girls? Well, Dining with the Diva's is just that!! Once a month our ladies from WPC meet at a local restaurant to enjoy new/old friendships along with good food! We are excited to announce that our next gathering will be at the "New" Marly's here in Wilton on Wednesday, September 26 at 6:30pm.

### CHOIR CORNER NEWS

With Al Galletly

Our wonderful choir will be returning on September 16th... Just in time to celebrate our Homecoming Sunday!

> Are you interested in joining choir? Music Director, Al Galletly agalletly88s@gmail.com

# Prayers & Concerns

Please Pray For

Marjorie Wilkinson, Emily Bohrer, Brandon Bone, Deb Adkisson, Angela Rice's father, John Celentano who is recovering from back surgery. Please pray for those who choose to remain private that are in need.

# CHILDREN'S CHURCH NEWS With Nate Taylor

This week in Church School

Today, we worship with our families for the entire service. Children up through 3 years old go downstairs to the Butterfly Room. Pre-K's and Kindergartners will meet for their class in the Discovery Room.

Next Sunday, September 16 we begin our new year of Church School for all ages! Our first week will be about God speaking to Moses from a burning bush and calling Moses to set God's people free from their slavery in Egypt.

After church we will share a coffee hour with all our St. Matthew's Episcopal Church friends and celebrate with games, a bouncy house, and fun for all. Come join us for this great time!

Please complete an allergy form for any child in Church School who has allergies. There are forms available in the Narthex, please take a moment to fill it out at any time or in the courtyard before worship. Help us keep your child safe and healthy!

Peace, Grace & Love, Nate

\*For more information on any of these events email Nate Taylor <u>nate.taylor@wiltonpresbyterian.org</u>

## "New" GLORY TO GOD HYMNALS

Our Worship and Music Team (formerly Worship Committee) is excited to announce that we're getting new hymnals! In response to suggestions from the congregation and after much research and discussion, the team proposed the purchase of "Glory to God," latest Presbyterian hymnal (2013). Chair Chris Jones says, "The new Hymnals contain many new hymns relevant to modern life while keeping those time honored hymns from previous versions." While a grant from the Endowment Fund will provide funding for this purchase, you may also participate by donating \$20/hymnal in honor or in memory of a loved one. Write a check to WPC with hymnals in memo line plus a note with dedication info included; OR visit the website to purchase; under "Give" then "Special Gifts" and please make sure to fill out the dedication name in the "optional" section. The Worship Team will meet and affix the plaques, so we may dedicate the new hymnals on September 23, 2018.

Do you know of any future events, meetings or retreats coming up and would like to advertise them in our weekly newsletter? If so, contact the office no later than Tuesday of that week.

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# YOUTH GROUP NEWS

With Julie Fowler

# **High School Youth Group**

**Lunch Gathering** 

Sunday, September 16th Time: 11:30a-1:00p Lower Core

**NYC Trip** 

Wednesday, September 19th

# Middle School Youth Group

Meeting

Tuesday, September 11th Time: 6:00p-7:30p Lower Core

Meeting

Tuesday, September 25th Time: 6:00p-7:30p Lower Core

# **Confirmation Class**

Meeting

Tuesday, September 11th Time: 4:30p-5:45p Alcove

**Confirmand/Mentor Brunch** 

Sunday, September 30th Time: 11:30a-1:00p Lower Core





<sup>\*</sup>For more information on any of these events email Julie Fowler Julie.fowler@wiltonpresbyterian.org