

# WILTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

News From The Pews

November 11, 2018

*"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](http://www.wiltonpresbyterian.org) and take a moment to fill out the fellowship pad (*located in your pew*), so that we may contact you.

## Spotlight Series

### **Bells of Peace**

**November 11, 2018** marks 100 years since the end of World War I and along with it, the most lethal battle fought by American soldiers to date--the Meuse-Argonne Offensive. A battle which lasted 47 days, resulting in the death of 26,277 Americans.

To honor those who gave their lives in defense of freedom a proclamation from the "Bells of Peace" nationwide campaign calls for ringing bells at 11 a.m. to recognize the exact time and date the Armistice was signed between the Allies and Germany in 1918.

The program started as an initiative in 2014, "Bells of Peace" is designed to commemorate the service and sacrifice of those who served in World War I and all veterans. To honor the end of WWI and the signing of the Armistice on November 11, 1918, Wilton Presbyterian Church will be participating with the "Bells of Peace" by ringing our bells in remembrance of those who served and sacrificed in World War I on this Veterans Day.

**May God Bless ALL the men @ women who have served  
and those who continue to serve our great country.**

## Stewardship

*WPC Stewardship supports all the ministries that define who we are. It is a blessing to give of our resources, so please pledge to support ministry of all God's children.*

Here at WPC we believe that Christian education is a life long journey that deepens our faith, Stewardship helps to further this mission by supporting these adult education opportunities. There are weekly adult education classes offered on Sunday mornings, Women's and Men's Bible Study groups and other special adult education classes and events throughout the year.

Check out the weekly calendar events in the newsletter or on the WPC Website for a full schedule of educational opportunities here at Wilton Presbyterian Church.

**You can NOW pledge online at  
[www.wiltonpresbyterian.org](http://www.wiltonpresbyterian.org) under "Pledge Now"**

## **WEEK OF NOV. 11<sup>TH</sup> - 18<sup>TH</sup>**

### **Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:45 AM New Member Class/Lounge
- 10:00 AM Worship w/ Andrea Wood  
Children's Church School
- 11:15 AM Adult Education w/ Dr. DeGeorge
- 11:15 AM Kids Activity with Nate Taylor
- 11:30 AM JY High School Lunch Gathering

### **Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:00 AM Cooking for MANNA/Kitchen
- 3:30 PM Confirmation Class Meeting/Alcove
- 7:30 PM WEPCO Meeting/Alcove

### **Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**

- 6:30 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

### **Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:00 AM WEPCO Workday

### **Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:30 AM New Member Class/Lounge
- 10:00 AM Worship Service w/ Jessica Jones  
Children's Church School w/ Give a Smile Bags
- 11:30 AM Joint Youth Group Luncheon
- 11:30 AM Session Meeting/Alcove
- 11:30 AM Thanksgiving Basket Set-Up/Lounge

## **PRAYERS & CONCERNS**

Frank & Judy Mabley, Steve Connor, Kristina Grish, Marjorie Wilkinson, Emily Bohrer, Karen Lour & family, Brandon Bone, Deb Adkisson, Courtney Kleeman's mother, Frank Cucci, Angela Rice's father; Mary Marquardt & family. Please pray for those who choose to remain private that are in need.



## WEPCO WORKDAY

### **ALL HANDS ON DECK FOR WEPCO WORKDAY!!**

Just like your house, your church home needs some sprucing up after the leaves fall. We can use your help!

Please come & bring your kids on  
**Saturday, November 17th from 9:00AM-12PM**

Bring your rake, garden gloves, leaf blower, tarp, wheelbarrow... whatever you have to help clean up our beautiful church property... we'll provide the beverages, donuts, and fellowship! High School Students...this is a great opportunity to get in a few hours of community service and we will have volunteer forms available!

For more information please contact Sandy Muschler at  
[wepc@optonline.net](mailto:wepc@optonline.net)

## NEW MEMBER CLASS

We will have our second membership classes will take place on **November 18th from 8:30-9:30am** in the Lounge, and a welcome into membership during worship on **November 18th**. Childcare is available, if needed.

If you are interested or have any questions please contact  
Rev. Shannon White  
[Shannon.white@wiltonpresbyterian.org](mailto:Shannon.white@wiltonpresbyterian.org)

## CHOIR CORNER NEWS

With Al Galletly

The words to our anthem today – *“Inscription of Hope”* – are based on writings found on a wall in Germany where Jews were hiding from the Nazis during World War II. People would be led into the chambers in large groups only to be killed with poison gas. The composer/arranger of the music we sing today is Z. Randall Stroope. Dr. Stroope earned a degree in voice performance at the University of Colorado (Boulder) and received his Doctorate in conducting from Arizona State University. He serves as the Director of Choral and Vocal Studies at Oklahoma State University. Before his appointment to OSU, Stroope held a similar position at Rowan University in Glassboro, New Jersey.

For more information contact the Music Director, Al Galletly  
[agalletly88s@gmail.com](mailto:agalletly88s@gmail.com)

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH NEWS

With Nate Taylor

### **This week in Church School**

This week in church school students will create gifts to give to families in our congregations during our fall project we call *Give-A-Smile*. Each class will create a gift for 10 people or families in each church, sometimes it's candy, sometimes it's a decoration, and sometimes it's both! Make sure to come back next week and volunteer to take a *Give-A-Smile* bag to a someone in our church that could use a smile.

### **This Advent Season**

Advent is just around the corner. And that means it's time for Advent Calendars. For over a decade **St. Matthews and Wilton Presbyterian Churches** have created their very own advent calendar. They may not look like much with fancy packaging but inside they are filled with toys, chocolate, and most importantly, meaningful devotionals at an age appropriate level for children. *“This is the best advent calendar produced for children and families from a developmental standpoint.”*—Nate Taylor.

Please make sure to get one for each of your children. The price is \$20 (**checks payable to JCCEC**) and if that is too much please simply talk to Nate Taylor.

~Peace, Grace & Love, Nate

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

If you are looking for more information on these events or other events happenings in the church. Visit our website at  
[www.wiltonpresbyterian.org](http://www.wiltonpresbyterian.org)

## THANKSGIVING BASKETS

**THANK YOU** to all who graciously volunteered to bring in food for the social services Thanksgiving basket drive.

We will be collecting the items on **Sunday, November 18th** in the Lounge and wrapping them up to be delivered on the following Monday. Fresh items if possible work best, no frozen items please.

*If anyone inadvertently took both index cards instead of returning the contact info card, please let me know so I can send out reminders and keep track. Thanks!*

Questions or concerns email, phone or text  
Debi Forsyth  
[forsythdbf@gmail.com](mailto:forsythdbf@gmail.com) or (203)246-7109

## ADULT EDUCATION

### **Living Community with Dr. Susan DeGeorge**

These days we seem to be living in a fractured society and are stymied for ways to move beyond it. In his pamphlet, *A Place Called Community*, Parker Palmer writes, *“the church, more than any other major institution in our society, still contains the potential for true community life.”* What would true Christian community life be like? What does Jesus teach us about community and our relationships with one another? This series will cover the basic values that Jesus suggests should be applied to our common life while also exploring key gospel passages that capture Jesus' approach to such community issues.

*Today is the last class and  
will be at 11:15am in the Upper Core*

## GLORY TO GOD HYMNALS

It is still not too late to dedicate a hymnal in honor/memory of a loved one. There are forms with envelopes in the Narthex. The cost is \$20.00 per hymnal. **THANK YOU** for helping making this dream a reality!!!

If you have questions please contact Suzanne in the office  
[suzannemercer@wiltonpresbyterian.org](mailto:suzannemercer@wiltonpresbyterian.org)

## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

With Julie Fowler

### **High School Youth Group**

#### **Lunch Gathering**

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

#### **DC Mission Trip Information Meeting**

Sunday, November 18th  
Time: 11:30a-1:00p  
Lower Core



### **Confirmation**

#### **Meeting**

Tuesday, November 13th  
Time: 3:30pm-4:30pm

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