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# the Chronicle

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*From the Pastor's Study*    A Message From Rev. Patrick Hunnicutt  
"Let every heart prepare him room."

So sings the hymn that will soon again end our Christmas Eve services with joyous and sturdy notes of triumph. But to sing them deeply, we first must pass through a narrative of infancy and vulnerability and revisit the rugged and roughshod stable where tender holiness is born. Richard Rohr writes that the beginning of our authentic communion with God comes into shape in the imperfect and un-triumphant stables of our lives. Jesus did not demand "ideal stable conditions" in which to be born, but was delivered where there was room to receive him.

We want, or think we want, our lives to be like the inn: bustling and full, well-ordered and secure, always favorably reviewed. But Christ wasn't born "in at the inn;" he was born "out with the out," where conditions were decidedly not ideal, secure or well-furnished. These "outhouses," objectionable as they may be, are where hearts are most likely to be wounded or broken open, and therefore, where rooms are more readily available. This may be why our rich Christmas Eve services always follow the poverty of our Longest Nights, just as our Easter Alleluias emerge only having shared in the "My God, My God" forsakenness of Good Friday.

This "spiritual talk" may not fit the tone or purpose of our busy church's newsletter, filled with the activities and announcements that make for a healthy community of faith. I wonder, however, if the fullness of our "inn-side" life together is meant ultimately to move us outside, to the starkness of the stable, where despite all that is not "as it should be," Christ will be born anew. And there, we might together sing, Joy to the World.

Grace and peace,

*Patrick*

P.S. Beginning January 2, I will be taking a three-month sabbatical, when I will step away from the fullness of our life together to prepare greater room in my heart for Christ to be born anew. I ask your prayers during this time, as you will be in mine. Thank you so very much!



We welcome to the Westminster nursery:

- **Zoey Fink**, son of Signy Whitt & Ben Fink, little sister to Henrik.

We rejoice in the marriage of:

- **Jerry Delo** and **Ester Aijarapu** on November 12 in Purcellville, VA.

Please remember in prayer the family and friends of:

- **John Davies**, who died on November 24.

## Money Matters

**Offering envelopes for 2017** for those who requested them are available for pick up in the Library hallway. You may still request envelopes by contacting Nancy Bea at [nbea@wpc-alex.org](mailto:nbea@wpc-alex.org) or 703-549-4766.

**Stock Donations and End of Year Giving:** If you are using a stock transaction to make a donation, remember that stock transactions may take a week or more to process. It would be most helpful for donors to initiate these transactions not later than December 19 to help insure timely completion of each transaction. Stock must be transferred before December 31 for it to be credited to you in 2016. Also checks to the church must be postmarked or received before the end of the year to be considered tax deductions for the year 2016 or be credited to you for 2016. The check date is irrelevant if the check is not received or postmarked by December 31.

**Statements for 2016** will reflect all church donations postmarked and received by December 31. You have received an interim year-end statement. Please review it and notify Nancy Bea in the church office of any questions or corrections to be made. In mid-January you will receive your final 2016 contribution record which can be used for tax purposes.

**Egiving.** Westminster provides you with the opportunity to give electronically, having your contributions debited automatically from your checking or savings account. You can make a single donation or set up a recurring giving plan on the Online Giving page on the church website ([www.wpc-alex.org](http://www.wpc-alex.org)). If you have a recurring giving plan in place and have changed your pledge or giving amount for 2017, don't forget to login to your account and change the amount. To create a profile and set up or edit a recurring giving plan, go to the Online Giving tab on the website and select Make a Donation. Simply create your online profile and select a password to use to access your giving plan at any time. If it is easier, contact the church office for a paper authorization form to fill out and return to us to set up a plan for you. You can make a one-time donation without creating a profile. Contact Nancy Bea, Church Business Administrator, with any questions.



## Flying Solo (Singles) Ministry

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### Tuesday, December 27 & Tuesday, January 24 | Monthly Potlucks

7 PM in the Johnson Parlor. Come make sandwiches for Bag Lunch then enjoy potluck dinner together. Please bring a simple dish to share.

### Sunday, January 1 | New Year's Day!

Join us after the 11:00 service to un-decorate the Chrismon tree in the Johnson Parlor, then go out to brunch together at City Kitchen, 330 S. Pickett St. (in the Trade Center where the post office used to be).

### Monday, January 9 | Monthly Dine-Out

Let's go to Chadwick's for ½ price burger night! 203 Strand St. in Old Town. Meet at church at 7 PM to carpool or meet at the restaurant at 7:15.

### Saturday, January 28 | Baltimore Museum of Art

Trip to Baltimore to see the Matisse/Diebenkorn exhibit! RSVP ASAP to Nancy Hall Berens so that we can reserve tickets. Cost about \$16-18.50 plus lunch. Leave on the church bus at 9:00 AM, return in the afternoon.

### Monday, January 30 | Book Group

Join us to discuss "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr. Set in France during WWII, this Pulitzer Prize-winning novel about a blind French girl and a German boy illustrates the ways that people try to be good to one another even in difficult times. 7 PM in the Johnson Parlor.

#### Looking Ahead:

Save Sunday February 5 for our annual Super Chili Bowl Party!

## Westminster Roadsters (Boomers and Beyond)



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**Thursday, January 12:** LTA's *Anything Goes*. Come see Cole Porter's fun musical about a love story that takes place on a trans-Atlantic cruise. Show starts at 8:00 pm; arrive between 7:30-7:45 to receive your ticket.

**Monday, January 23:** Lunch at Hank's Oyster Bar. Meet at the church at 11:15 a.m. and we'll have lunch together at Hank's in Old Town. Cost: \$2 plus lunch.

**Thursday, February 23:** LTA's *Key for Two*. Harriett is a divorcee with financial woes who takes in two gentlemen boarders. She juggles who is there when and all is well until they arrive at the same time on the same day. Show starts at 8:00 p.m.; arrive between 7:30-7:45 to receive your ticket.

**Monday, February 27:** Trip to the National Museum of the American Indian. Meet at 10:00 a.m. in the church parking lot for a trip to explore the museum. We will eat lunch at the museum and be back no later than 2:00 p.m. Cost \$2 plus lunch.

## Men of Westminster

www.wpc-alex.org/menofw

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### Men's Breakfast



**Friday, January 13**  
**7-8:30 AM in Fellowship Hall**  
*Naked on a Wire – Preserving Your Dignity in the Information Age*



Dave Aland will tell us how, in this age of electronic information, we can make ourselves safer online by protecting our information.

In this information-dense age, we carry around with us the seeds of our own undoing – cell phones, tablets, iPads, and email accounts. Quoting Gene Spafford, “The only system which is truly secure is switched off, unplugged, locked in a titanium lined safe, buried in a concrete bunker, and surrounded by nerve gas and very highly paid guards – even then, I wouldn’t bet my life on it.” David will discuss the dangers to our privacy and financial well-being, and how to take basic common-sense steps to make ourselves safer when we go online or store information electronically. He has presented the same briefing to Pentagon leadership, Boy Scout troops, and civic organizations.

Dave Aland works for the Secretary of Defense, specializing in cybersecurity testing. Since his military retirement, he has worked as both a consultant supporting cybersecurity research and as a staff officer directing the conduct of cybersecurity testing throughout the Department of Defense. He specifically directs cybersecurity testing for DoD acquisitions, and also manages a Congressionally-mandated initiative to improve and streamline assessments of cybersecurity at global military headquarters. This work has taken him to Asia, the Middle East, Europe, and the Balkans in recent years.

Hailing originally from Annapolis, Maryland, Dave is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, as well as the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. In 2002, he retired from active duty as a Navy Captain after almost 30 years in uniform. His naval service was spent in large part at sea, on ships ranging from frigates and destroyers to aircraft carriers and a hydrofoil, including two on which he served as the Commanding Officer.

Dave and his wife Sue are longstanding members of Westminster. Their son Ben also grew up and attended Westminster, and is now attending the University of South Carolina. All three of them are Presbyterian Elders, and have served on the Session at Westminster. Dave sings in the choir and Sue plays in the Westminster Ringers.

### 2017 Men's Retreat

**February 3-5 at Hollywood Retreat and Conference Center**

**Justification: Is It Still the Article by Which the Church Stands or Falls?**

**Rev. James F. Cubie, Associate Pastor for Christian Formation at Leesburg Presbyterian Church**



2017 is the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation, which gave birth to the fundamental set of beliefs that make us Protestants—our beliefs about the Bible, grace, sin, and who God is. At the center of those beliefs is the doctrine of justification: that we don’t earn God’s love, it is given to us as a gift. In the 16th century, this idea became an effective prophetic protest against the theology and practices of the Roman Catholic Church. But a lot has happened since then; is this fundamental doctrine still at the center of what we should believe? Join us at the men’s retreat to answer that question!

We are fortunate to have the Rev. James F. Cubie as our leader. He has served with the Reformed Institute of Metropolitan Washington since 2011 as a member of the Company of Teachers, leading seminars and retreats. He is also a frequent lecturer on religion and theology. He received his Master of Divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary in New York City, and holds a Master of Theology degree from Princeton Theological Seminary.

The retreat will again take place at the popular Hollywood Retreat and Conference Center, located at the base of Sugarloaf Mountain near Comus, Maryland. Sign up forms are available from the church office or from Dudley Schadeberg.

### Why I Attend the Men's Retreat

*By Art Sauer*

I enjoy attending the Westminster Men’s Retreat because it is a great way to get away from the everyday hubbub and just relax. The retreat center is in a bucolic setting and the serenity is very calming. Also, the spotty cell phone reception makes it hard for outsiders to interrupt this relaxing atmosphere. The retreat is also a terrific way to get to know other men in the church on a personal level, as we enjoy sitting and chatting in front of the fireplace or around the dining tables. Plus, the programs are pretty interesting and thought-provoking!



## Christian Education and Formation

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### Navigating the Seas of Change, Part Two: January–May 2017

We ended the first half of our year-long series with Dr. Bruce Douglass reminding us that in turbulent times we are called to navigate with humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing one another in love, and making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit (Ephesians 4). It is the basic tenets of Reformed faith—the significance of the Bible, tendency to sin, “faith alone,” education, good preaching, church as learning community, revelation and the sovereignty of God—which help us, decently and in good order, to navigate the seas of change.

Our Sunday Morning classes resume on January 8 with Imam Zia and his wife Fatimah Popal, who have extensive understanding of Islam and interfaith dialogue. How do we stay loyal to our faith tradition and make space for others in the broader human family? How do we learn from each other?

Look on our church website under the Adult Education tab for the full list of our speakers. The second half of our seas of change series includes Wilson Gunn, General Presbyterian of the NCP; Ambassador Wilcox, who will share his in depth understanding of the history and crisis of Israel/Palestinian issues; and Peter Wehner, who will join us from the Ethics & Public Policy Center to help us learn about orthodox Christians.

### New Lenten Series: “Navigating Busyness” | Wednesdays, March 8, 15, & 22 | 7–8:30 PM

Joanne Steller from Foundry United Methodist in DC will join us for a special Lenten Wednesday evening series, “Navigating Busyness.” What does Jesus teach us about busyness? What practices might you make room for in order to grow in God’s grace? Mark your calendars now, line up a sitter, and make sure you’re not too busy to come!

### Congregation-Wide Book Read in January 2017!

In the deep of winter’s cold, join the members of the congregation for a January read of *The Call: The Life and Message of the Apostle Paul* by Adam Hamilton! Sign up at [www.wpc-alex.org/adult](http://www.wpc-alex.org/adult) and let us know of your participation and what your preference is for a one-time, facilitated group discussion in February. It’s a quick read, you’ll learn a lot about Paul’s travels and writings, and have the opportunity to meet some new members of the congregation and to share your thoughts and perspective on the book!

### Reformed Institute Programs | See [www.reformedinstitute.org](http://www.reformedinstitute.org) for more information.

- **Annual Convocation: “The Reformation and the Struggle for Justice”**  
Saturday, January 28 | 9:30 AM – 12 PM at National Presbyterian Church  
Dr. Allan Boesak will kick-off the 500th Anniversary year of the protestant reformation.
- **“Romans and the Reformation” | February 11, 18, 25 and March 4**  
Rev. James Cubie & Dr. Jon Wood will teach this class.



## Children and Family Ministry

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### Whole Family Sunday | January 8 | 9:45-10:45 AM in Creation Station

All families with elementary school-aged children are encouraged to attend! Our theme for January is Family at Cana.

### Westminster Weekday Preschool 2017-2018 Registration

In-house registration for the fall of 2017 will begin on January 11, 2017, and will end on January 19 at noon. In-house registration includes former or current preschool families and Westminster church members. (To be considered under the definition of church member, at least one parent must have joined the church by December 31, 2016.) Classes will be available for children who have reached the ages of 2½\*, 3, or 4 as of September 30, 2017. (\*Applications will be accepted for in-house families whose children turn 2½ by December 31, 2017.) Westminster church members, or former preschool families interested in enrolling their children, may pick up an application in the preschool office beginning January 11. In-house applications are due by noon on Thursday, January 19. If necessary, a lottery will be held at noon on January 19 for open spaces.

Open Houses will be held on January 11 & 12 from 9:30-11:30 AM. Reservations are not necessary and you are welcome to drop in any time within the two-hour time frame. The director and Board members will be available to answer questions as you tour the preschool and observe classrooms over our classroom dutch doors. There is a gathering area in the nursery where you can meet Board members and other prospective preschool families. Children are welcome, but must be accompanied by parents at all times. (Babysitting is not available.) If you have any questions, please call Carolyn Burke, Director, at 703-549-5267.

### Family Retreat | May 13-14, 2017

Bishop Claggett Retreat Center, Adamstown, MD

Families with children age 0-5th grade are invited to experience this wonderful retreat opportunity! Our retreats are great for kids and grown-ups of all ages. Take this time away to reconnect with your own family—and the families that make up the church we call home! Information and registration form will be at [www.wpc-alex.org/families](http://www.wpc-alex.org/families). Registration ends April 1!

### Music & More Week! | June 26-30, 2017 |

#### *Malice in the Palace*

M&M Week is our summer musical day camp experience for children who are currently enrolled in kindergarten through fifth grade. Save the date for this week filled with Singing, Drama, Storytelling, Arts and Crafts, Snacks, Recreation, Games, and More! Registration will begin soon!

Schedule:

Monday-Thursday: 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | The dress rehearsal begins at 12:00 PM, followed by a bag lunch!

Sunday: 9:00 AM rehearsal | 10:00 AM Performance during worship

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

[www.wpc-alex.org/presbywomen](http://www.wpc-alex.org/presbywomen)

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Moderator, Bea Hurt and Vice Moderator, Janet Harris | [PW@wpc-alex.org](mailto:PW@wpc-alex.org)

### PW National Capital Presbytery Women's Prayer Breakfast

**Mission Possible!**

**Saturday, January 28 | Ebenezer Presbyterian Church, Woodbridge**

Discover new trends and faces of PW and PC(USA) as together we venture into a new year of spiritual nurture and service. A great way to worship, pray and share concerns together! \$15 for registration and breakfast plus an extra opportunity to help fund delegates from our Presbytery to the U.N. Commission on the Status of Women (March) and a PW Global Exchange to Indonesia (September). More details coming soon!

### Women's Gathering

*Ancient Wisdom for a Modern World: Lessons Learned from Celtic and Native Traditions*

**Sunday, February 12 | 12:15 PM in Haverkamp Room (snow date March 5)**

**Speaker: Nancy Hall Berens**

How can we as 21<sup>st</sup> century women relate to ancient Celtic and Native American traditions? Celtic and Native reverence for the created, physical world beckons us to look for God in our everyday lives and to care for the creation which surrounds us. Nancy will share with us some of what she has learned about Celtic

spirituality from travels in Ireland and Scotland, as well as seminars at Ghost Ranch Conference Center in New Mexico. Nancy's presentation will include some meditative time through prayer, music, and visuals in addition to her talk. All women are invited to attend.

### Women's Retreat

*Retweeting with Ruth* led by the Rev. Maggie Hayward

**Friday, March 17–Sunday, March 19 | Hallowed Retreat Center**

Wither Thou Goest? To the Westminster Women's Retreat, of course! Join with Maggie Hayward as we follow the Old Testament character of Ruth in a new way. We'll take a look at the book's importance as literature and as scripture, and the weaving of the human and divine intentions in the story. What might Ruth tweet to the world in our time? In seeking the purpose for our lives, what is our responsibility and what do we leave to God? Plan now for a relaxing weekend get-away with friends, old and new, as we talk together about what is going on in our lives that may be interesting, funny, or useful to one another. No electronic skills required! Maggie is the pastor at Northwood Presbyterian in Silver Spring, MD, and also happens to be married to Larry Hayward, whom some of you might know!

## Monthly Events



### Women's Circles

All women are invited to attend monthly circle for Bible study, fellowship, and mission outreach. Visit more than one to see which is right for you! Watch for meeting details in the weekly Update or visit the Presbyterian Women's page on the

church website.

### Shanghai | Monday, January 2 | 7:15 – 9 PM in Haverkamp Room

Come play the Shanghai card game on the first Monday of each month. Any woman who loves playing cards, friendly competition, and fellowship is invited to attend!

### Workday Pillow Ministry | Wednesday, January 4 | 9:30 AM in Haverkamp Room

Sew and/or stuff animals and pillows to give to children and heart patients at Alexandria Hospital.



### Book Groups led by Clara Beth Van de Water

**Monday, January 23 at 11 AM or 7:30 PM in Johnson Parlor**

Read Edgar Award winner *Ordinary Grace* by William Kent Krueger, a murder mystery and coming-of-age novel featuring God's grace told through the eyes of minister's son.

## Memorial Gifts

In this season of remembrance and thanksgiving, we celebrate the ways in which the work of our church is supported by the cloud of witnesses that surround us.

The Westminster Foundation has been blessed this year to have received bequests from:

- Jack (1/16/1930 – 5/16/2015) and Carolyn Allen (12/13/1932 – 8/02/2015)
- Harriet Grant (1/24/1910 – 2/03/2006)
- Helen Olson (6/14/1922 – 7/28/2016)

In addition, memorial gifts made in memory of Westminster members have been used in support of a number of the ministries of the church as follows:

- Communion Chalice re-plating – Jackie Borthwick (4/11/1932 – 10/30/2011)
- Music Ministries – Jack and Carolyn Allen

## Advent & Christmas Decorations

A special thank you to the crew of elves who decorated the church for Advent and Christmas! Gale Grindstaff and Fred Woods once again coordinated this effort with the help of Carolyn Fraser, Frank Fraser, Terry Grindstaff, Robin McFarland, Peter Vanden Bosch, David Aland, Jean Fabish, Judy Curtis, Carol Keeth, Joe Kelly and our sextons Larry Johnson and Marvin Johnson. We also extend thanks to the Flying Solo group who decorated the Chrismon tree in the Johnson Parlor.

### The Chrismon Tree

The Chrismon Tree outside the Library is decorated with Chrismons (CHRIST + MONogram) made by women of Westminster over 40 years ago. The Chrismons of white, gold and silver proclaim the Name, the Life, and the Acts of Jesus the Christ. The evergreen tree symbolizes the eternal life our Savior secured for us. The lights represent Jesus, the Light of the World. The Chrismon Tree originated in Danville, Virginia, in 1957; one has graced our worship space each Christmas since 1971.



## 2017 Worship Flowers

Westminster members and friends are invited to donate the flowers for the Sanctuary for Sunday morning worship Services in 2017. The flowers may be given in memory or in honor of loved ones, and the contributor(s) name and the dedication will be printed in the bulletin. Two arrangements are available for each Sunday of the year (except Easter and Christmas, which are special donations); the cost is \$70 for one and \$140 for two. Contact Jessica Thurnes at [jthurnes@wpc-alex.org](mailto:jthurnes@wpc-alex.org) to sign up.

## Cents-Ability Update

We just concluded our fourth full year of participation in the Cents-Ability program! Through the generosity of those who participated, that change really added up this year and we collected over \$1600. Thank you! Of those funds, 60 percent went to our Local Mission Adopt-a-Turkey program, helping purchase 300 turkeys and Thanksgiving meals. The remaining 40 percent will go to fund next year's Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Hunger Program grants.

Mark your calendars and keep collecting that change! Our 2017 Cents-Ability collection dates will be February 19, April 30, August 6, and November 19. Check Fellowship Hall or the entrances to the Sanctuary for reusable cans, hand-painted wooden banks, or cardboard Cents-Ability banks to collect your change.

This is a wonderful opportunity, right around your dinner table, to have conversations with friends and family about hunger and poverty. These are realities that affect so many men, women, and children each day; sometimes in Kenya or Cameroon, sometimes just down the block. As we give thanks for our daily bread, please continue to support this program, which in turn supports so many others in our community, nation, and world. If you have questions, would like to get more involved, or just want to learn more, please contact the National Mission Committee at [NationalMission@wpc-alex.org](mailto:NationalMission@wpc-alex.org).



## Child & Family Network Centers Christmas Party

WPC member Carol Keller recently joined the Child & Family Network Centers for a holiday party at their preschool classroom at the ALIVE! Child Development Center at First Christian Church in Alexandria. The children had a special snack, did some art, read a story, and received gifts donated by members of Westminster. The WPC Local Mission Committee supported the CFNC Preschool by purchasing the rugs (pictured!) and some other gifts for the classroom. Thank you for all you do to support our community!



## Attention Youth



### Upcoming Youth Events!

#### December 25 & January 1

- Christmas Day & New Years Day  
No youth activities

#### January 8

- Middle School Youth Cafe | *The Wild Side of Jesus and Faith* | 9:45 AM
- High School Youth Cafe | *Early Christian Leaders Part 1* | 9:45 AM
- Middle School Fellowship | Ice Skating | 4:30-6 PM
- High School Fellowship | Ice Skating | 4:30 PM | Dinner | 6 PM

#### January 15

- MLK Weekend  
No youth activities

#### January 22

- Middle School Youth Cafe | *The Wild Side of Jesus and Faith* | 9:45 AM
- High School Youth Cafe | *Early Christian Leaders Part 2* | 9:45 AM
- Middle School Fellowship | 4:30-6 PM
- High School Fellowship | 7 PM

Questions? Email us!  
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## Christmas Worship Services

### Wednesday, December 21: Longest Night Service

7:30 PM Worship in the Sanctuary

For many, the Christmas season is a particularly difficult one. On this shortest of days, we will worship and reflect on what it means to dwell in the darkness of night. Together we will lift up our whole selves to the Lord, asking that God's light would shine in our darkest places.

### Saturday, December 24: Christmas Eve

11 AM Worship in the Sanctuary (*Childcare available in the nursery*)

5 PM Worship in the Sanctuary

8 PM Worship in the Sanctuary (*7:45 PM Harp Prelude*)

### Sunday, December 25 & Sunday, January 1

11 AM Worship in the Sanctuary (*one service only*)

### Holiday Office Hours

Monday, December 26 & Tuesday, December 27:  
Closed

Wednesday, December 28 – Friday, December 30:  
9 AM – 3 PM

Monday, January 2: Closed

Tuesday, January 3: Normal office hours resume

### Christmas Joy Offering

This PC(USA) Offering is shared by the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions, which provides critical assistance to Presbyterian church workers and their families; and Presbyterian-affiliated racial ethnic schools and colleges, which enable students to develop their gifts and find their calling. Remember our support to these two vital services of the Presbyterian Church as we seek to honor every child of God this Christmas season.