

# WILTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

News From The Pews

October 28, 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 get in touch with you.

## SPOT LIGHT SERIES STEWARDSHIP

### DID YOU KNOW??

Wilton Presbyterian is actively involved within our local community and your pledge dollars have a far reaching impact locally and afar. The following is a list of programs that we currently fund with money and time commitments from WPC members:

**Stay at Home in Wilton**  
**Liberation Programs**  
**NAMI** (*mental health*)  
**Wilton Youth Services**  
**Pivot Ministries**  
**Midnight Run**  
**Wilton Social Services**  
**Trauma Recovery Network**  
**Local Cystic Fibrosis Foundation**  
(*bringing in patients from around the world to the area for treatment*)  
**Visiting Nurse/Hospice**  
**WPC Pastor's Fund**  
**HomeFront**  
**Open Door Shelter in Norwalk**

Additionally, we have been a long-time supporter of **Rise Against Hunger**, where this past weekend we packed 150,000 meals bringing our grand total to over 1 million meals packed!! It is important to think about all the lives we touch here at WPC and it affirms our commitment to the community.

The "**Touch a Life**" Stewardship Campaign is off to a great start, please get your pledges in no later than **December 2nd**.

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

## A NOTE FROM YOUR PASTOR

I would like to offer a special **THANK YOU** to Ed MacEwen for all of his work inscribing the dedications in our new hymnals, what a wonderful gift he has given to the church!

I would also like to say **THANK YOU** to Tim, Tara & Patrick Cummins for all your amazing work in organizing Rise Again Hunger this year!!

OCTOBER 28 – NOV. 4

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

10:00 AM Worship Service  
Children's Church School  
10:15 AM 4th Grade Bible Class  
11:15 AM Adult Education w/ Dr. DeGeorge  
11:15 AM Kids Activity w/ Nate Taylor  
11:30 AM HS Youth Group Lunch Gathering

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

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

### Tuesday, October 30<sup>th</sup>

3:30 PM JYG 8th Grade Trip to Ben's Bells

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

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

### Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup>

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

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

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

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

10:00 AM Communion Worship Service w/ Dr. DeGeorge preaching, Children's Church School  
10:15 AM 4th Grade Bible Class  
11:15 AM Adult Education w/ Dr. DeGeorge  
11:15 AM Kindness Club/ Kitchen

## PRAYERS & CONCERNS

Frank and Judy Mabley, Steve Connor, Kristina Grish, Marjorie Wilkinson, Emily Bohrer, Karen Lourd's mother, 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.



## WPC CARES ABOUT KINDNESS

WPC has a new program for kids ages 5-18 years old that shows them how they can affirm God's love through mentoring & displaying acts of kindness. Please join us **Sunday, Nov.4th** in the Kitchen from **11:15a -12:15p**.

If you have any questions you can contact  
Julie Fowler

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## CHOIR CORNER NEWS

With Al Galletly

### **(Reformation Sunday)**

"**O God of All People**" is the work of Michael Burkhardt, a composer in frequent demand internationally as a choral clinician, organ recitalist, and hymn festival leader. He is currently Director of Worship and the Arts at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Livonia, Michigan, and Artistic Director of the Detroit Handbell Ensemble. Dr. Burkhardt is a graduate of Carthage College, Kenosha, WI. He earned his MM degree from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX, and his DMA degree from Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ. He has performed and led seminars at both national and regional events for the American Guild of Organists, the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians, and the Presbyterian Association of Musicians.

Our second anthem is "**Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven,**" was composed by Mark Andrews. Andrews was born in Lincolnshire, UK, in March 1875. His early music studies were with John Thomas Ruch at Westminster Abbey, London. He emigrated to the United States in 1903, where his family settled in New Jersey. He became a US citizen in 1923. He was choir director at a number of churches in New Jersey during his lifetime before he passed away in 1939.

Music Director, Al Galletly  
[agalletly88s@gmail.com](mailto:agalletly88s@gmail.com)

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH NEWS

With Nate Taylor

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

Last week in church school we learned about the golden calf. Today we continue following the life of Moses with the story of 12 spies going into the land of Canaan. God tells Moses to send people into Canaan to explore the promised land. Two of the spies tell the people they should move into the land but ten are afraid to move into the land because the people living there are big and strong. The Israelites fail to trust in the promise of God and wander for 40 more years in the desert. Nevertheless, God remembers and keeps the promise. Talk to your kids about how fear can keep you from doing what you know you should.

**Today** is the last day of fourth grade Bible class. We learned how the Holy Bible came together, its original languages, its use of metaphor, and how to deal with differences and contradictions within the text.

Please email [nate.taylor@wiltonpresbyterian.org](mailto:nate.taylor@wiltonpresbyterian.org) with the name of your 4th grader *exactly* how they would like it inscribed. Make sure to be here next **Sunday, November 4th** as we present our 4th graders with their Bibles.

**Peace, Grace & Love, Nate**

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

## 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, there will be a discussion such topics as handling conflict, making economic decisions, keeping commitments, providing hospitality, and more. We will be meeting at 11:15am in the Lounge.

**Series Dates: Oct.28th, Nov.4th & 11th**

## NEW MEMBER CLASS

*Have you ever considered membership at WPC?  
Well, now's your chance!*

We will be holding our fall classes on **November 11th and November 18th from 8:30-9:30am** BEFORE worship. A continental breakfast will be served and childcare is available, if needed.

New members will be received by the Session on the morning of **November 18th** and welcomed by the congregation during worship.

If you are interested or have any questions please contact Rev. Shannon White

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## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

With Julie Fowler

### High School Youth Group

#### **Lunch Gathering**

Sunday, October 28th  
Time: 11:30a-1:00p  
Lower Core

#### **Lunch Gathering**

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



### 8th Grade Youth Group

#### **Ben's Bells Field Trip**

Tuesday, October 30th  
Time: 3:30-7:15p



### 6th & 7th Youth Group

#### **Rake n' Roll**

Tuesday, November 6th  
Time: 12p-2pm



### Confirmation

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