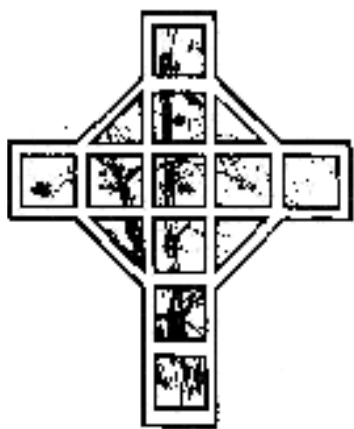


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The Triangle

February 1st, 2011

LOOK AT WHAT'S HAPPENING AT WPC!

You will find more information about these events in this Triangle.

... TuesdayNightTogether beginning soon

... new department assignments for elders

... Golden Delicious lunch outing in February

... eight new members welcomed

... plans for Children's Church

PASTORS' CORNER
The Rev. Christine T. Long

"Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs."

Mark 10:14b

Two things I love about the Presbyterian Church are our commitment to uphold the priesthood of all believers and a respect for shared leadership. I like the assurance that many voices and hands have a part in the directions of our ministry and mission.

I have been having a great experience serving alongside this talented group of women: Marty Braun, Kat Hurd, Sunny Petermann and Elaine Wick. Together we make up the CHILDREN'S CHURCH VISION & DESIGN TEAM. Children's Church is the program that occurs during the 11:15 Sunday worship service. This program, intended to teach worship to 1st – 5th graders, was put on hold during staff transitions. We look forward to offering this activity again soon.

We invite you to understand our process. The team was formed by people who had energy and interest in the ministry of Children's Church. At our first meeting we studied the context of Children's Church by looking at the following references: WPC's Guiding Principles, Mission and Vision Statement, excerpts from the Book of Order, and several Scriptures teaching about children. We then took time to establish our values, vision and hopeful outcomes for Children's Church. We also sent a survey to twenty six families to hear their feedback and hopes for Children's Church.

The team met again on January 26th. We studied the compiled surveys, looked back at our values, vision and hopes and drafted this mission statement:

*We welcome and gather children
to encounter the Living Triune God in worship,
founded in our traditions as Presbyterians (PCUSA),
that engages them and motivates them to worship.*

In the coming weeks we will be honing our mission statement, evaluating and creating curriculum, and developing training for Children's Church worship leaders. We hope to uphold key principles of the people of God like this lesson from Deuteronomy 6:5-7, *"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise."* This text reminds us of our responsibility to share faith with children.

May the Lord bless us all as we work together to share God's love for children, as we welcome them in joy, and as we teach them Christian faith through our words and our actions. Please remember our team in prayer!

Blessings, *Christine*

Calendar for This Week and Next

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

- 9:00am Worship
- 9:45am Sunday School for all ages
- 11:15am Worship
Celebrating Holy Communion
Receiving Food Bank offering
- 2:30pm Youth leave church for
Super Bowl Gathering

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

- 7:30am Men's Breakfast @ I-HOP
- 10:00am Horizon Bible Study (chapel)
- 6:00pm TuesdayNightTogether (see
pages 4 & 5 for more info)
- 7:00pm Bell Choir rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

- 10:00am Bible Study (room 12)
- 7:00pm Department meetings

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10

- 9:30am "Sew Happy" Quilters
- 12 noon Triangle articles due
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11

- 9:15am Book Group (library)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13

- 9:00am Worship
- 9:45am Sunday School for all ages
- 11:15am Worship
- 12:30pm Youth Group
- 1:15pm Golden Delicious lunch at
Ranch House BBQ

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

- 4:30pm Stephen Ministries (room 7)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

- 7:30am Men's Breakfast @ I-HOP
- 9:30am Elizabeth Circle (room 12)
- 11:00am Mary-Martha Circle
- 6:30pm Naomi Circle
- 7:00pm Bell Choir rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

- 9:30am Triangle folding (library)
- 10:00am Bible Study (room 12)
- 7:00pm Session (chapel)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

- 9:30am "Sew Happy" Quilters
- 1:00pm Dorcas Circle
- 6:00pm Praise Team rehearsal
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir rehearsal
- 7:00pm Presbytery meeting (FH)



TUESDAY NIGHT TOGETHER (TNT)

FOOD, FUN, AND FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL AGES!

2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 6:00 – 8:00pm

February 8th & 22nd

March 8th & 22nd

April 12th & 26th

6:00pm

Light Supper

Suggested Donation: \$2 (\$5 per family)

Location: The Fellowship Hall

**CALLING ALL CHEFS!
MEALTIME HELP NEEDED!**

Our fabulous chefs,
Emily and Frances Elstrott,
are off to their winter home in Louisiana.
Please consider cooking for one night at TNT
or share with a friend!

Of course, if you want to cook several nights
that would be great too.

This could be a great family project!
Ingredients paid for by the TNT budget.

6:30pm

Activities for all ages with childcare provided in the nursery

**KID'S CLUB
(grades 1 - 5)**

Led by *Pastor Christine Long & Parent helpers*
Location: The Fellowship Hall following dinner.

**YOUTH FELLOWSHIP
(grades 6 – 12)**

Led by *Katrina Wyman*, Youth Ministry Coordinator
Location: Youth Room

TUESDAY NIGHT TOGETHER CONTINUES . . .

ADULT CLASSES

DISCUSSING DIFFICULT ISSUES

Current Amendments for PCUSA: The Belhar Confession, New Form of Government, and Ordination Standards.

There will be teaching and discussion about these amendments in a respectful and affirming format.

Instructor: *Rev. Dr. David Kegley*

Location: The Chapel

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:

An artful group of yarn lovers – join *Phyllis Ryan* and friends.

No experience needed...all levels welcome!

Location: The Library

MUSIC JAM FELLOWSHIP:

Novice to long-time musicians welcome to gather and play music together.

Learn, share, and experiment with new genres. Come for a fun time!

Host: *Jim Ryan*

Location: Room 9/10 (CE wing, upstairs)

“HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?”:

Try this excellent class for parents and grandparents searching for balance for their children and grandchildren. We'll learn how to instill responsibility and independence in a loving and balanced way. Books may be purchased first day of class.

Instructors: *Donna Burkhardt and Susan Harris*

Location: Room 8 (CE wing, upstairs)

Questions about TNT?

Contact: Pastor Christine Long Phone: (360) 357-5750 Email: ctlong@wpcoly.org

PER CAPITA IS FOR EACH MEMBER

Please remember that when you pay your per capita, the \$35.35 amount is for each church member. You will find a blue envelope in your offering box noting per capita. For those of you who use automatic bill pay, please remember to pay your per capita. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call.

Lynne Taylor, ltaylor@wpcoly.org, Financial Secretary

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

It is with joy we recognize the newest members of our congregation. The following people were welcomed during worship Sunday, January 23rd at the 9:00am service of worship. Below you will see a just bit about each new member, but you will want to check out the short bios with their photos. You will find them posted in the narthex.



GEORGE AND DINA DIXON

Sponsors: *Martin and Susan Engels*

705-0801 / 1266 Wickie Place SE, Tumwater WA 98501

George was a pilot for the Royal Canadian Air force and Dina was a CPA, and then studied interior design. They share nineteen grandchildren.

BOB "R.H." AND NAN LEWIS

Sponsors: *Bob and Lloydine Graham*

438-5316 / 1901 Circle Loop SE, Lacey WA 98503

R.H. served as State Senator, then was State Regulator overseeing the Savings and Loan industry. Nan has worked with children with disabilities and has done research and support groups for families affected by SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome).

DERICK AND KATEY POTTER

Sponsors: *Todd and Kate Scriven*

402-6562 / 3320 67th Lane SW, Tumwater

Mail: PO Box 2758, Olympia WA 98507

Derick is a nurse at St. Peter Hospital and Katey is a Wildlife Administrator for the Fish & Wildlife Department. You will also enjoy meeting Jillian, their darling 11-month-old daughter.

JANET SCHADE

Sponsor: *Linda Bell*

866-5568 / 9707 Mariner Dr NW, Olympia WA 98502

Janet has a degree in pharmacy. She enjoys playing the piano, singing, camping, hiking and photography.

SARAH YOUNG

Sponsor: *Kat Hurd*

870-1512 / 817 A N 6th Ave SE, Tumwater

Mail: PO Box 11506, Olympia WA 98507

Sarah currently works as an ER Technician at St. Peter Hospital. She enjoys the outdoors, especially white-water rafting and horseback riding.

ELDERS SERVING DEPARTMENTS

At the church officer's leadership retreat this past weekend elders were assigned to the departments they will serve for the coming year. You are invited and encouraged to participate in a department that is of interest to you. If you need to know more about these departments, you are welcome to call the church office or you may talk directly to the elders. Following is a list of departments and the elders serving:

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Mike Ardington and David Braun

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Greg Burkhart, Sandy Crouch and Sam Kegley

MISSION & FELLOWSHIP: Susan Harris and Kathy Marshall

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE: David Ammons and Aaron Hare

WORSHIP AND MUSIC: Marj Marion and David Palmer

PERSONNEL: Bob Dixon and Irene Hunter

MINUTE FOR MISSION PRESENTATIONS

The Mission & Fellowship Department has been careful to include in their mission budget many local agencies that provide necessary help to those in need. We decided to have a Minute for Mission during worship for each of those agencies we have included in our budget so that the congregation will also be proud of the fine work going on in our community. The Minute for Mission will generally be on the second Sunday of the month. It will be a short summary of what is going on, with at least some of the speakers available in the coffee hour to answer further questions.

Robert Coit, Director of the Food Bank, will be here on February 13th. Our children have hauled a lot of bags up front to dedicate to the Food Bank. Robert will fill us in on the details.

Elsa McLain, for Mission & Fellowship

THANK YOU

A special thanks to all those who assisted at the recent memorials for Norma Loree and Doris Smith:

- to Phyllis Ryan and Ellen Williams who served as chairmen;
- to those who furnished pies and cookies - a total of forty one dozen cookies were donated;
- to the ladies who assisted in setting up and serving at the reception;
- to Lit Dudley and Stu Vannerson who assisted with the table arrangement; and . . .
- to the families of each who we assisted so their loved ones would have favorites served.

Ours is a very caring congregation – willing to assist in making such services very special in honor of loved ones in our congregation. Thanks to all.

Dorie Gerber-Nelson, for the Deacons' Care and Concern Committee

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE:

January 23 – 243 – (88 at 9:00am service)

January 30 – 185 – (44 at 9:00am service)



GREETERS FOR FEBRUARY:

Dean and Karen Judd

Pastor: **David Kegley**, dkegley@wpcoly.org

Associate Pastor: **Christine Long**, ctlong@wpcoly.org

Director of Music Ministries: **Terry Shaw**
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Director of Family Ministries: **Rachelle Dudley**
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Youth Ministry Coordinator: **Katrina Riippa**
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