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### Welcome New Youth Ministry Staff

WBPC is blessed to have two new staff members on its youth ministry team. Dave Grace and Will Robinson join April Ruble (WBPC member and youth advisor) to make an incredibly strong and gifted youth leadership team. At their first youth fellowship meeting this fall, there were 33 middle school and senior high youth in attendance, a record number!

Dave Grace is our Youth Ministry Coordinator, working 12-15 hours a week overseeing our Youth Fellowship program. Dave presently lives in Chapel Hill, but he has lived all around the world as the son of a career Marine. His family regularly attended Presbyterian (USA) churches. Dave graduated from Warren Wilson College this past May (a Presbyterian college near Asheville) with a major in Environmental Studies, and a minor in Religious Studies. He is considering seminary in the future. As Dave says, "I am passionate about the 'big questions'...questions about God and God's creation." Dave is also passionate about basketball, guitar, and the environment.

Will Robinson joins April Ruble as an additional youth advisor, serving in a support role to Dave and the youth. Will is a junior at NCSU and is majoring in Business Administration. He grew up in Tarboro, NC, where he was very active in the life of Howard Memorial Presbyterian Church, including youth fellowship. Will was Student Body President of his high school. At NCSU, he is active in the Presbyterian Campus Ministry, and loves playing intramural soccer, football, softball, and basketball. Like Dave, Will is considering seminary in the future.

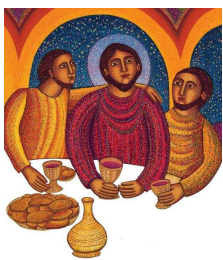
On Sunday, September 30th, Dave, Will, and April will be commissioned in morning and afternoon worship. At the same time we will offer our great appreciation to Ed Johnson for serving as Youth Ministry Coordinator last year. Ed volunteered 12-15 hours weekly to build our youth fellowship program to what it is today. We owe him our utmost thanksgiving and praise! Ed wanted to continue serving our youth, but needed to complete a Chaplaincy requirement this year as a part of his seminary education. He is sorely missed by our youth!

God continues to bless us with extraordinary leadership for our youth...and with extraordinary youth! Please be in prayer for our leadership and our youth this year. (And one great way to show your support is to provide one of their Sunday night meals by contacting Sarah Wetherby!)

*October blessings,  
Betty*

## World Communion Sunday: October 7

*"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."* -Matthew 5:9



On World Communion Sunday we will receive the Peacemaking Offering to support the efforts of the Presbyterian Church (PCUSA) to live out a deeper commitment to peacemaking as part of our faithfulness to God. WBPC will keep 25% of the offering to support

AventWest Children's Mentoring, which provides individualized homework support for neighborhood students living in homes where homework support is not feasible, as well as a nutritious snack or meal for children whose families struggle to provide a nutritious diet. Another 25% will be used by the Presbytery of New Hope for its Peacemaking Program and the remaining 50% will go to the General Assembly to support the International Peacemakers Program, which brings Christian peacemakers from around the world to the U.S. to tell Presbyterians here about peacemaking ministries in their countries, and the Peacemaking Program's travel/study seminars, which take Presbyterians to other countries to learn about peace and justice issues from mission co-workers and church partner leaders.

## Property Update

As we come to the conclusion of our downstairs bathroom renovation project, the Property Committee would like to thank everyone for their time, effort, support and most important, patience, during this project. The bathrooms should be back in operation by the end of September. The building renovation work continues with remodeling the upstairs bathrooms, lots of painting, and several other upgrades throughout the education building. We're looking forward to the big workday on Saturday October 13, 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m., to complete many of these projects! The sanctuary roof will also be replaced by the end of the year as well.

Unfortunately, there are some parts of the renovation plans that will need to be delayed for budget reasons. The work in the fellowship hall will be delayed, although we will complete the acoustical treatments and repaint. We planned on using an upgraded flooring option in the upstairs hallway which is a more eco-friendly material, but do not have money in our budget for that upgrade and may have to delay any flooring replacement in the halls. If anyone would be interested in more information or supporting these specific pieces of the project, we can provide more information. Again, we thank you for your generous support of this effort.

—Kevin Fischer

## God Is Faithful: October Bible Study

For our Wednesday Night Live Programming On October 3, 10, 17, and 24: Robert Owens will lead a four-week Kerygma Bible Study: *God Is Faithful*. **Please sign up for this series by contacting the church office: 919-851-4713 or santi@wbpresbyterian.org**

We know that God has always been faithful to God's people. Time and again people have been unfaithful to God, yet God makes another covenant with the people and remains faithful to the covenant in spite of our actions. Have you wished that you could study the promises God has made to people through the ages; how the people failed to keep their part in the agreements; and how God continued to be faithful and offer redemption? Now you have the opportunity!

## Wednesday Night Live For Children



On October 3, 10, 17, and 24, our own talented Edith Crawford will offer creativity with clay for children ages 4-5th grade on these Wednesday evenings while adults are in Bible Study!

On Wednesday, October 31, everyone is encouraged to come in your costumes for free pizza and salad before heading out to Trick or Treat! Invite you friends and neighbors for this festive free fun!



## Wednesday Night Live!

**Dates:** September 12-November 14

**Time:** Dinner: 5:45~6:30; Classes 6:30~7:25

**Cost for dinner:** \$7 / \$5 ages 6-9 / 5 & under free

*Join in the fellowship, fun and good food...*

**Sign up on the Sunday attendance form or call or email the church office by noon on Monday the week of the event.**

### Upcoming Wednesday Night Programs:

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**October 31:** Free Pizza before Trick or Treat—invite friends and neighbors, and come in your costumes.

**November 7:** Talent Show

**November 14:** Loyalty Night

## WIHN Week Oct. 7-14 Help Needed!

Our next WIHN week is fast approaching and will be the week of October 7-14, and WE NEED YOUR HELP! Please consider helping as an evening host, overnight host, driver, meal preparer or set-up person during this week. We really need a male and female to be overnight hosts each night since we usually have a large number of guests.



A Community Response  
for Homeless Families

Please consider giving a little of your time, YOU will get more out of it than you give. You may sign up online at [www.wbpresbyterian.com](http://www.wbpresbyterian.com) or on the sign up board in the narthex.

## Church-Wide Fall Work Day: Sat. Oct 13

The Fellowship Committee is converting their Fall Fun Day to a Fall Work Day to support the Property Committee in their efforts to finish the renovations on the Fellowship Hall. Make plans to come to the church on October 13 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and help do a myriad of tasks that need attention. Food will be provided at noon. **Please let the church office know by 6:00 pm on Wednesday, October 10 if you will be here for lunch.** Children can plan to do some tasks and then play on the ball field or the playground. People are needed to build, paint, clean, do yard work and straighten areas in the church and fellowship hall. Consider helping supervise children so that others can use their skills to help. Everyone is invited to pitch-in and help our Property Committee.

## "Seeds of Faith" Community Garden

It is never too late to join the garden. There are brochures in the Narthex, in the Education Building Foyer, and @TheTable. All it takes is a commitment to invest 10 hours and \$10 and you will become a member of this inspiring activity. Feed yourself healthy produce and help WBPC provide healthy produce for those without.



## Christian Education News

Rally Day on Sept. 9 kicked off a great year of classes and study offerings for all ages. Check it out!

- Nursery: children up to 3 years old welcome in our well-equipped classrooms with professional caregivers, available during church school times, both worship services, Wednesday Night Live, and special events.
- Kids: separate Sunday School classes for 3's-K and Grades 1&2 use a curriculum that rotates among five different learning styles for each lesson: cooking, art, music, drama and science, to give children a rounded view of Bible stories and characters. Morning and afternoon classes for Grades 3-5 study foundational aspects of PCUSA worship, including learning the books of the Bible, Apostle's Creed, Doxology, Lord's Prayer, and others so that children can participate fully in morning and afternoon worship services.
- Youth: on Sunday morning, Grades 6-12 explore and expand their faith through study, reflection and dialogue concerning topics of current interest. This fall, they are studying the Old Testament as foundational scripture and literature. Sunday evenings, Youth Fellowship promotes shared experiences based on faith studies, through community service, age-appropriate retreats, worship leadership, and plenty of fun.
- Adults: classes for adults include Word / Share / Prayer, Adult Forum, and Parlor Class on Sunday morning, and the Social Justice Forum on Sunday afternoon for adults and youth.
- Families: in October, Robert Owens will offer a Bible study on Wednesday nights for youth and adults, while the kids learn to make pottery with WBPC member Edith Crawford.

It's a Fantastic Fall here at WBPC - make sure you're part of it!

## Don't Forget Breakfast: Sunday, Oct. 14!



The Men of the Church will prepare and serve breakfast once every month, on the second Sunday of the month. Breakfast begins at 8:45 a.m.; join in the fun on Sunday, October 14, and share the most important meal of the day! Thank you Men of the Church!

Mark Your Calendars for  
Loyalty Night, November 14!

## Share your Talent!

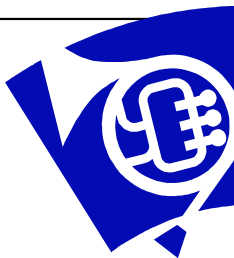
Can you sing, dance, play an instrument, read a poem, be a clown, share a magic act, demonstrate a sport, make animal sounds, jump rope, twirl a baton, share a slide presentation, sing in a duet, trio, quartet, etc then please **sign up now** to share your talent on **Wednesday, November 7**. Acts are limited to 5 minutes. All ages are encouraged to take part. This is the fourth annual talent show at Western Boulevard and it promises to be a fun time for all. The meal will be meatloaf, rice, lima beans, corn, and salad. All folks are encouraged to join the church family for a fun evening. Please sign up now in the narthex or fellowship hall!



## WIHN Concert

The Saint Francis Brass Band is hosting its annual concert to benefit Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network. Sunday, October 7, at 4:00 p.m. at Saint Francis United Methodist Church, 2965 Kildaire Farm Road, Cary, NC 27518. For more information, please go visit [www.saintfrancismc.org](http://www.saintfrancismc.org).

A free nursery will be provided. Admission is free, and donations will be accepted to benefit WIHN.



## Recently your Session

- Had a mini-retreat to review our church Mission Statement, vision, and long range strategic plan. This included time of prayer, review of history, and discussion.
- Heard update from Christian Education on exciting plans for youth program.

## Return Your Key Please!

If you have been issued a church key in the past and no longer need it, please return it to the church office at your earliest convenience. We're running low and it's expensive to make more.



## An Invitation to Peace Discernment

Dear Co-Workers in the Vineyard of the Lord, Greetings in the name of the Prince of Peace, The General Assembly has launched a new peace-making program called "An Invitation to Peace Discernment." The GA Committee that developed this new program was chaired by Rev. Mark Davidson, minister of the Church of the Reconciliation in Chapel Hill. Mark Davidson has agreed to lead a workshop for members of our Presbytery on this new program. Saturday October 6, in the Calvin Building of the White Memorial Church (1704 Oberlin Rd. in Raleigh). The workshop will run from 10—Noon. This is a great opportunity to get to know how this new peacemaking program works. Contact Rev. Willem Bodisco Massink ([wjbodisco@embarqmail.com](mailto:wjbodisco@embarqmail.com) or 919-753-7266) if you plan to attend. For more information about PC(USA) Peace Discernment Process visit [www.pcusa.org/peace-discernment/](http://www.pcusa.org/peace-discernment/) for downloadable resources.

Peace, Rev. Willem Bodisco Massink



### Urban Ministries

#### Food Bags

- 2 cans beans (any kind)
- 1 can carrots
- 1 can tomatoes
- 16 oz. jar applesauce or canned fruit
- 1 lb. grits (small bag)
- 1 lb. rice (small bag)
- 1 lb. dried beans (small bag)
- 2 boxes macaroni & cheese
- 2 envelopes powdered milk
- tuna (or other canned meat)
- peanut butter
- box of cereal

Leave in church narthex or on table outside kitchen in education building

## Food Bag Challenge Items

Bring one item each week!

October 7—canned meat

October 14—macaroni and cheese

October 21—grits

October 28—peanut butter



## Reaching Out With Song

WBPC has begun a new ministry that promises to be fun and fulfilling for all ages and stages. We will be calling on hospitalized and shut-in members to share the gift of song and smiles. This **isn't** about having a perfect voice. **It is** about having a caring spirit and a smile to share with someone who may not be receiving many smiles.

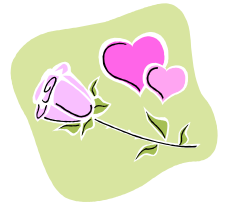
What will we sing? Old favorites like Jesus Loves Me and Amazing Grace, and new favorites as well.

Who will participate? We want all ages to feel free to join in. We plan to have different formats suitable for adults, for all ages, and for the Youth Group.

Contact Janet Cherry to learn more about this exciting opportunity: [janet@wbpresbyterian.org](mailto:janet@wbpresbyterian.org). or 919-851-4713 x16. You will be kept up to date as WBPC Reaches Out With Song!

*Thank you!*

We are so grateful for your prayers, visits, calls, cards, and food. We feel wrapped in love with our prayer shawls and your many acts of kindness and concern. What a wonderful, warm church family you are.



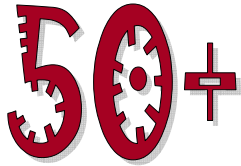
—Jim and Shirley Overcash

Thank you so much to ALL of you at Western Boulevard Presbyterian Church. We greatly appreciate all the prayers, calls, visits, and meals that you provided to Brandie and her family. Brandie is doing so much better, and I know it is due to all of your words of prayer that gave her the strength to get through the obstacles and over the hurdles put forth. With much amazement Brandie was able to travel to her cousins wedding in Massachusetts Labor Day weekend and she enjoyed a little dancing—in her brace of course... Brandie continues to do physical therapy and is looking forward to coming out of the back brace near the end of September.

—Joe, Cherie, Wesley, Brandie, and Kelsey Peede

## Friday, October 19

We will meet in the church parking lot at 11:00 a.m. and travel to Abbotswood at Stonehenge for lunch with Margaret Pittman. Cost is \$6/person.



## Margaret Pittman's New Address

Abbotswood at Stonehenge  
7900 Creedmoor Road  
Apt. 224-B  
Raleigh, NC 27613  
(919) 846-7614



## WBPC Christmas Trees: Complete Order Form by November 11

Place your order now for a heavy density Fraser fir Christmas tree and support the WBPC fundraiser to upgrade our safety by improving our lighting around our property. Please complete this order form and place it in the offering plate by **Sunday, November 11** to reserve your tree(s). **Payment will be due at time of pick-up.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

### Tree Size and Price

5-6 ft. tree: \$25

6-7 ft. tree: \$30

### Quantity to Order

5-6 ft. trees: \_\_\_\_\_

6-7 ft. trees: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment is not due until time of pick up.**

**This form is for the purpose of ordering and reserving your tree**

# Happy Birthday

Shirley Owens	2
Bobby Simpson	5
Jacob Milchuck	6
Alexa Grady	7
Rachel Head	8
Romario Smith	8
Janice Aldridge	11
Robyn Townsend	11
John Roberts	12
Judy Shelton	13
Madison Barnette	13
Phil Westerman	13
Margaret Mills	16
Caroline Tucker	16
Jeanne Hill	17
Ollie Wessell	17
Lynne Mitchell	18
Mavis Stott	21
Ed Johnson	22
Beth Ware	24
Walt Clapp	27
Donna Herrin	28
Ken Stott	29
Ed Owens	30
Edna Earle Sturdivant	30
Zachary Howell	31



## PRAYER CONCERNS

**MEMBERS:** Janice Aldridge, Joyce Barbour, Frank Bennett, George Blum, Linda Bradley, Kaye Byrd, Jeanne Carter, Dot Gebbie, Jean Godfrey, Michele Grady, Mary Williams-Kotnik, Jim Overcash, Shirley Overcash, Jean Perdue, Peggy Reese, Margaret Pittman, Mary Jane Roberts, Dot & Jimmie Smith, Peggy Stevens, Mavis Stott

**FAMILY/FRIENDS:** Dorothy Allen (sister of Mary Jane Roberts), David Boland (cousin of Brenda Byers), Evelyn Byers, Bill Clark (husband of Daisy Lowery's niece), Janie Fountain (friend of Valerie Guzzo), Thomas E. Grady (father of Bruce Grady), Janice Johnson (niece of Mary Jane Roberts), Faye Miller (sister-in-law of Daisy Lowery), Tracey Quinn (daughter of Peggy and Gene Reese), Marilyn Reese (daughter-in-law of Peggy and Gene Reese), Cecil Sherrod (brother in law of Mavis Stott), Lauren Snyder (granddaughter of LouGene and Jim Hemphill)

**UNIHEALTH/THE OAKS:** Betsy Roberts

**THE COVINGTON:** Annie Woodruff

**BRIGHTON GARDENS:** Jo Gilmore

**MORNINGSIDE:** Brady Jefcoat

**ACTIVE MILITARY:**

**(Afghanistan):**

Andy Connette (brother of Betty Connette)

Cole Wertz (half brother of Miranda Clark)

*Sympathy extended to **Daisy Lowery** upon the death of her step father, Robert Lloyd, on August 24.*

*Congratulations to **Chris and Georgianna Tierney** upon the birth of their son, **Conley James**, on September 23. Congrats also to proud grandparents **Barbara and Jack Tierney**.*



WESTERN BOULEVARD PRESBYTERIAN  
**PRESCHOOL**  
RALEIGH, NC

**Preschool Yard Sale - Saturday, October 6, 9:00-12:00**

We'll be selling children's items (toys, clothing, small furniture, etc.) Please price any items you you'd like to donate for our sale, and deliver them to the preschool office on Friday morning, October 5. We'll

also be having a lemonade and cookie stand and will need supplies and help with all sales. If you can help us in any way, please sign up by the preschool office. Thanks for your help!

## Preschool Enrollment and Scholarship Needs

We are excited to have a full enrollment this year in the preschool! God is good and has really blessed us! There are fewer tears than two weeks ago, and lots of friendships are being formed. We do have a need for volunteers if you are interested in coming in for an hour or so. We have been fortunate to have a scholarship program set up in memory of our former director, Darlene Voelker, for those who might need monetary help for preschool. Because of unfortunate situations for a few families needing scholarships, our scholarship fund has gotten low. This year, we have 1 on full scholarship, and 4 on half scholarships. If you would like to help with our scholarship needs, we would welcome any donations to assist in tuition payments.