

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF
OCTOBER 18 – OCTOBER 25**

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| Sunday, October 18 | 8:30 A.M. | Early Celebration of Worship |
| | 9:15 A.M. | Congregational Meeting CDN Breakfast |
| | 9:45 A.M. | Sunday School for all ages |
| | 10:00 A.M. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| | 11:00 A.M. | Celebration of Worship |
| | 12:00 P.M. | Fellowship Time/WaYouth Choir |
| Monday, October 19 | 6:00 P.M. | Sanctuary Bell Choir Rehearsal |
| | 7:00 P.M. | MEDS |
| Wednesday, October 21 | 4:00 P.M. | WOW |
| | 5:30 P.M. | Primary Choir Rehearsal |
| | 6:00 P.M. | Potluck Fellowship Dinner Middlers |
| | 6:45 P.M. | After Dinner Study |
| Thursday, October 22 | 7:30 P.M. | Christian Education Meeting |
| | 11:30 A.M. | Elizabeth Circle |
| | 7:15 P.M. | Choir Rehearsal |
| Saturday, October 24 | 6:00 P.M. | Wise Owls – Ruby Tuesdays, Mall |
| Sunday, October 25 | 8:30 A.M. | Early Celebration of Worship |
| | 9:15 A.M. | Session Meeting with New Members |
| | 9:30 A.M. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| | 9:45 A.M. | Sunday School for all ages |
| | 11:00 A.M. | Celebration of Worship |
| | 12:00 P.M. | Fellowship Time/ WaYouth Choir |
| | 3:00 P.M. | WaYouth Jar Project |
| 6:00 P.M. | Sanctuary Bell Choir Rehearsal | |

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Paul Zarenko in loving memory of his wife Grace.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR GUEST SPEAKER

It is our pleasure this morning to welcome Sue Wright to Wayside. Sue is a Presbyterian mission worker serving in Zambia in south central Africa. Sue was trained as a social worker and makes use of those skills as well as experience in nonprofit management while also serving as a teacher at the Justo Mwale Theological University in Lusaka. She is one of more than forty PC(USA) mission speakers participating in the month-long World Mission Challenge, visiting Presbyterian congregations across the country, and coordinated by Presbyterian World Mission and our own Lake Erie Presbytery. Welcome, Sue!

Presbyterian work in Zambia, as in some other African nations, has its roots in the Church of Scotland, and dates back to the 1860s. PC(USA) involvement is primarily through the work of partner churches. One of the partners is the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP), Synod of Zambia.

One of the challenges the churches face is the shortage of pastors and strong lay leadership. A major emphasis is evangelism, through theological education, including theological education by extension. There are three major educational institutions: the United Theological College in Kitwe, Justo Mwale Theological College in Lusaka, and Mindolo Ecumenical Center, a study/training center, in Kitwe. The CCAP also has a conference center outside Lusaka.

Tensions in civil society that are heightened by political uncertainty and conflict and a rising HIV/AIDS infection rate are two other challenges confronting the church in Zambia.

Total area: 290,586 sq. mi. (slightly larger than Texas). **Population:** 11,669,534.
Languages: English (official), 7major vernacular and about 70 other indigenous languages.
GDP per capita: \$1300. **Literacy:** 80.6% (male 86.8%, female 74.8%).

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

The Worship, Music, and Fine Arts Committee is considering the request to change the time/s of the Christmas Eve services. For a number of years, we've gathered at 7:00 and 11:00 p.m. The specific request was to make the late service a bit earlier (9:30 or 10:00 p.m.) and the Committee would also welcome input about the time of the early service. If you have thoughts about it, please share them with any of the following Elders: Brian Ripley, Amy Valentine, Becky Worthington, or Linda Pentz.

PW FALL GATHERING AT WAYSIDE

Presbyterian Women in The Presbytery of Lake Erie will hold their fall gathering here at Wayside next Saturday, October 24th, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. Come join us for a time of renewal and worship. Linda Lorah will lead a workshop on Body Prayer. (Body Prayer is a method of finding the sacred through movement, meditation and relaxation). Our Lake Erie Women Lay Pastors will lead us in worship. The cost is \$5.00 for lunch. Childcare is available. Please sign up in the lobby. Call Karen Haas if you have any questions.

COATS FOR KIDS

Like other congregations throughout the area, Wayside will be collecting "Coats for Kids" a bit earlier than normal this year. From now until November 8th Waysiders are encouraged to bring in gently used coats, jackets, mittens, scarves, gloves, hats, and boots (any outer wear for Erie winters) of any size. These items will be distributed as needed through the "Caring Closet" of the Erie City School District. Items should be left on the coat rack just inside the ramped entrance by the Parlor.

PW CHRISTMAS STOCKING PROJECT

Following each Worship Service today our Youth will be at the Sanctuary doors to collect monetary donations for the PW Warren State Hospital Christmas Stocking Project. *Thank you.*

WAYOUTH FUND RAISER

The following jars will be available to purchase on Sunday, November 1. Choices are: raisin crunch cookie mix, peanut butter bar mix, heart smart muffins, chocolate chip muffin mix, cheesy potato soup, minestrone, tortilla and pasta fagioli. \$8.00 each -or- two for \$15.00

PRECAUTIONS DURING THE FLU SEASON

With the threat of several types of flu before us and because so many of the germs are apparently passed from hand to hand, please feel free to greet one another in ways other than the normal handshake. In addition, there is a table display with information about the H1N1 (swine) flu.

FALL CONVOCATION

The brochures are available for the Fall Convocation on “Being a Christian in an Age of Human Enhancement.” Take some and share them with friends and neighbors. Our weekend, October 31 and November 1, featuring Rev. Dr. Ron Cole Turner, from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, includes three lectures on Saturday and a fourth on Sunday. Wayside members are offered a discount price of \$30.00 if registered the Sunday before the event. He will be our guest preaching that week. If you wish to educate yourself in preparation for the weekend, the book Radical Evolution: The Promise and Peril of Enhancing Our Minds, Our Bodies---and What It Means to Be Human by Joel Garreau is on sale in the lobby. All books are offered at a 20% discount from the cover price.

WISE NIGHT OWLS

The “Wise Owls” will meet for dinner at Ruby Tuesday’s at the Millcreek Mall on Saturday, October 24th at 6:00 p.m. Planning for upcoming events will take place over dinner. If interested, sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby today.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

MOBILE FOOD BANK

Wayside has been invited to provide volunteers to staff Second Harvest’s “mobile food bank,” which the church is sponsoring through our capital campaign gift. On November 10th the mobile food bank will set up at the Federated Church in East Springfield and serve people in that part of the county. The hours of service are 2:30 - 5:30 p.m. If you would like to be part of Wayside’s volunteer team, please sign up in the Lobby.

WEST MILLCREEK FOOD PANTRY

The basket for your donations is located in the lobby next to the coffee table. This week the Pantry suggests cereal and baked beans. All non-perishable food items are always welcome.

WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, October 18, 2009

WELCOME

Welcome to Wayside Presbyterian Church. We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and rejoice in the privilege God has given us to serve in this community as part of the Body of Jesus Christ. We thank our Lord for those who worship with us from time to time as visitors and invite any who are without a church home to come and join us in serving Christ as members of this church family.

FOR OUR CHILDREN

Child care is available during the entire worship hour for infants and preschool children. Children may remain for the entire service or take advantage of child care (kindergarten and younger). Children’s worship activity bags are available for children remaining in the worship service. Please return them following worship.

SERVICE NOTES

A hearing enhancement system is available for those who have need. An usher will be happy to provide you with a receiver this morning. Large print bulletins are also available.

Thanks to those who helped today at the 11:00 a.m. service:

Ushers: Andrew Steehler, Kevin Steehler, Jeremy Brinling, Paul Carpenedo, Bobbi Jo Fye, Tyler Goodwin, Maddie Westfall, Ron May, Evan Watkins, Gary Goodwin, Tom & Vaska Lewis, Marissa Pardini, Ashley Stamm

Worship Assistant: Don Worthington

Sound Board: Jerry Brown

Greeters: Jeanne Nyberg, Betty Irvin

Information Table: Becky Worthington

Fellowship Time: Kimberly Morrow

Childcare Helpers: Erin Gleason, Nursery; LeeAnn Warnaka, Preschool

Just a reminder to those scheduled to help next week at 11:00 a.m.:

Ushers: Dan Brockwell, Becky Jackson, Nathan Brinling, Nathan Erie, John Fair, Rob & Brenda Harcourt, Joey Kocan, Andrew Twinem, Brian Theisen, Henry Lewis

Worship Assistant: Matt McCullough

Sound Board: Jim Allman

Greeter: Pattie Pora

Information Table: Peggy Bules

Fellowship Time: Jean Moore

Childcare Helpers: Karen & Emma Haas, Nursery; Missy Grimm, Preschool

CE TODAY AND THE COMING WEEK

Halloween Party

On Wednesday, October 28, WOW Club Kids will cook dinner, Middlers will lead games and the Senior Highs will direct children through a haunted tunnel on the stage for a fun Halloween celebration.

WOW Kids Club

We will be putting together care packages for the men in the military for whom we pray each week. Jane Hamza, who has two sons who serve, put together a list for us of items that are needed. The list is on the Information Table if other members would like to help the children with their project.

Middlers

The Middlers will go trick or treating for the Second Harvest Food Bank this Wednesday. Costumes are encouraged. Each youth should bring a food item to contribute to the collection. Choir is on Sunday after the 11:00 a.m. service.

Senior High Wayouth

Choir follows the 11:00 a.m. worship service. This week we will work again on the Haunted Tunnel for the children's Halloween party. We will conclude by 2:00 p.m. Bring \$2.00 to cover the meal.

Adult Education

Issues of Faith: This week begins a look at ethics in preparation for our Fall Convocation. Linda Lorah will challenge the class to consider ethical dilemmas proposed by Ron Cole-Turner and Dan McFee. Next week Dan McFee will speak on GRIN Technologies (Genetics, Robotics, Information Tech, Nanotech).

Family, Faith and Fellowship: Kimberly Morrow and class have begun a focus on faith for the 21st Century through the excellent series "Living the Questions".

"Young Adults (this class has not selected a name)": there is great enthusiasm in this group to explore the Bible for their lives and for living today. Join them in the library following the children's opening exercises

Books for the Children's Library

The CE Committee has endorsed a list of children's books compiled by Elaine Garts for our church library. They may be purchased in honor of your children or grandchildren. Donors may buy the actual book or make a gift toward its purchase. Mark the book that interests you on the master copy. The list is available on the Information Table.