

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF
NOVEMBER 30 – DECEMBER 7**

Sunday, November 30	8:30 A.M.	Early Celebration of Worship	
	9:30 A.M.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal Inter-generational activity	
	11:00 A.M.	Celebration of Worship	
	12:00 P.M.	Fellowship Time WaYouth Choir Rehearsal	
	5:00 P.M.	Sanctuary Bell Rehearsal	
	3:30 – 7:30 P.M.	Senior High WaYouth	
	Monday, December 1 Wednesday, December 3	7:00 P.M.	MEDS
		Noon	Naomi Circle
		4:00 P.M.	WOW
		5:00 P.M.	Budget Committee Meeting
5:30 P.M.		Primary Choir	
6:00 P.M.		Fellowship Dinner/Middlers	
6:30 P.M.		Shower for Baby Jesus	
6:45 P.M.		Adult Study	
7:30 P.M.		CDN meeting PW Cookie Assembly	
Saturday, December 6 Sunday, December 7		8:30 A.M.	Early Celebration of Worship
	9:30 A.M.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	
	9:45 A.M.	Sunday School	
	11:00 A.M.	Celebration of Worship	
	12:00 P.M.	Fellowship Time WaYouth Choir Rehearsal	
	5:00 P.M.	Sanctuary Bell Rehearsal	
		Senior High WaYouth	
	7:00 P.M.	PW Christmas Party	

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

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

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Following both services today, blood pressures will be taken. Think “healthy heart”.

CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS A POINSETTIA

If you would like to contribute towards the poinsettias that will grace our sanctuary during Advent and Christmas, the sign up sheet is located on the information table in the lobby. This may be done in memory or honor of a loved one. Please sign up by December 7.



ADVENT DEVOTION GUIDES

The Worship, Music, and Fine Arts Committee has made available a simple weekly Advent devotional for use at home as a family or an individual as we journey through the season. It is designed to accompany an Advent wreath with candles, which many people made during an inter-generational event a couple years ago. If you need a wreath to use at home, free kits are available on the special table in the Lobby that also holds the devotional guide. Even the candles are included. You are invited to pick up these good resources and put them to good use.

SHOWER FOR BABY JESUS

“Shower for Baby Jesus” will be Wednesday, December 3rd from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. following the midweek dinner. Children in first grade and younger and their parents are invited to the Christmas party to celebrate the birth of Jesus. The Middlers will help lead the children in games, a craft and story time. Families are urged to bring a gift for infants in our community. Catholic Charities has requested: baby wipes, baby wash, rash ointment or baby oil. (no powder please)

PW POINSETTIA PLANTS

Presbyterian Women will again purchase poinsettia plants for surviving relatives of Wayside folks who died during 2008. We need your help to deliver these plants. Please visit the Information table in the Narthex where you will find lists of names of the folks who are to receive a poinsettia. Identify one or more persons to whom you are willing to deliver their plant, and write your name next to theirs on the list. The sign-up sheets are available today. The plants will be available for pick-up after both the early and late services on December 7th. Thank you in advance for your help! Elizabeth Circle

PW ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

All women are invited to come to a Christmas Party on Sunday, December 7th at 7:00 p.m. We will meet in the church lobby area for a delicious dessert and entertainment provided by Dawn Weborg and WaYouth Choir of our church. This is a wonderful time filled with fellowship and Christmas joy. Please plan to attend and invite a friend.

NEW MEMBER CLASS

A short series of “New Member” classes will begin next Sunday, December 7th at 9:45 a.m. in Rev. Haas’ study. If you know someone who might be interested in considering membership, please contact one of the Pastors.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EVENTS

WOW KIDS CLUB will make favors for children attending the Shower for Baby Jesus.

MIDDLER WAYOUTH will host the Shower for Baby Jesus.

SENIOR HIGH WAYOUTH will travel to the City Mission to prepare a meal for the residents from 3:30 to 7:30 pm today. Next week the Senior Highs will meet from 5:00-6:30 p.m. Rev. Ellie Johns, from Pittsburgh Presbyterian Theological Seminary, will speak on two subjects: Summer Youth Institute for High School Students and the difficult situation with illegal aliens over the United States and Mexico borders. The Westfall Family will host the evening at their home: 5678 Culpepper Drive which is off Millfair Road before 38th Street.

WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 30, 2008

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). Worship Activity bags for children are available if they are remaining in the worship service. Please return them following the service.

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:	Alice Duer, George MacIsaac, Kitty Menges, Pete Nixon
Worship Assistant:	Elaine Garts
Acolytes:	Henry Lewis, Brian Sundberg
Sound Board:	Jim Dunn
Greeter:	George MacIsaac
Information Table:	Annette Rothschild, Wilma Valentz
Fellowship Time:	Paige Peasley
Childcare:	Marilyn Spensley, Emma Haas, Nursery; Karen Haas, Preschool

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

Ushers:	Morgan Anderson, Wade Christiansen, Stephen Steehler, Mary Lasher, Seth McCullough, Pam Monaco, Karen Potocki, Tim Lasher, Dan Taylor, Spencer Wallwork, Ellie Westfall
Worship Assistant:	Ron May
Acolytes:	Sydne Pollifrone, Eliza Porter
Sound Board:	Jim Dunn
Greeter:	4 th & 5 th Grade Sunday School
Information Table:	Bill Pentz
Childcare:	Kelly Craig, Nursery; Ron Craig, Preschool

ADULT EDUCATION NEXT WEEK: Family, Faith and Fellowship will be led by Kimberly Morrow. She will lead a discussion of how to make Christmas less stressful and more meaningful as she shares ideas from “Unplugging the Christmas Tree.” Issues of Faith will host Rev. Ellie Johns. Ellie will share stories and examine the challenge of ministry with “Mexican Illegal Aliens.” Don Worthington will focus on the lectionary readings in the Adult Bible Study.

WOW for ADULTS has begun a new series entitled “Living the Questions.” It is an excellent series with contemporary theologians who discuss openly the most difficult questions of our time.

MEDS is delving into Living Buddha, Living Christ, by Thich Nhat Hanh, led by Rev. Tom McLaren.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

RINGING THE BELL FOR THE SALVATION ARMY

Again this year our Second Saturday Project in December will find us staffing the kettle and ringing the bell for the Salvation Army. We will be working on Saturday, December 13th at the Giant Eagle at Kmart Plaza on West 26th Street. We ask people to work in pairs for a one-hour shift. No prior experience is necessary. If you are interested, please sign up at the Information Table for a time slot that fits your schedule.

DEACONS' ANGEL TREE PROJECT

The Deacons are conducting the annual Angel Tree Project. This year we will again assist the House of Healing and Community Shelter Services by providing gifts and necessities to each of these agencies in an attempt to make the holidays special for many who are less fortunate. Angel Tree cards are available in the lobby following both services today. Please return all unwrapped gifts by December 11th.

WAYSIDE COOKIE SALE

The Holiday Cookie Sale is Sunday, December 7th. It is suggested that you order cookies for yourself and friends in advance. The platters will have at least 4 dozen holiday cookies and will cost \$15 again this year. They are wonderful for entertaining or to give as gifts. On the Information Table in the Lobby you will find order sheets and volunteer sign-up lists.

WEST MILLCREEK FOOD PANTRY

Canned and dry goods are accepted every Sunday for the West Millcreek Food pantry. The basket for your donations is located in the lobby next to the coffee table. This week the Pantry suggests Bar Soap & Toilet Tissue. All non-perishable food items are always welcome.

SCRIP ORDERS

Just a reminder that there are three more opportunities prior to Christmas to order gift cards through the church's Scrip program. These make great presents and many local retailers and restaurants are on the list. Orders can be placed today, or December 14th and cards will be available the following Friday. Remember: you receive the full value of the card while the church receives a small commission, a real win-win situation. Order forms are available on the Information Table.

