

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF
DECEMBER 7 – DECEMBER 14**

Sunday, December 7	8:30 A.M.	Early Celebration of Worship
	9:30 A.M.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	9:45 A.M.	Sunday School & New Member Class
	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
Monday, December 8	7:00 P.M.	PW Christmas Party
	12:00 P.M.	Trustees
	7:00 P.M.	MEDS
Wednesday, December 10	7:30 P.M.	Outreach
	4:00 P.M.	WOW
	5:30 P.M.	Primary Choir
	6:00 P.M.	Fellowship Dinner/Middler Wayouth
	6:45 P.M.	Adult Study
Thursday, December 11	7:30 P.M.	Session
	12:00 P.M.	Martha Circle
	6:30 P.M.	Bell Choir
	7:00 P.M.	Prayer Shawl Chancel Choir
Friday, December 12	12:30 P.M.	Lunch Bunch at Shrine Club
Saturday, December 13	9:00 A.M. – 9:00 P.M.	Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Sunday, December 14	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
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CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

It is our privilege to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion this morning. All baptized believers who accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are encouraged to partake of the elements, including children who have an age-appropriate understanding of the Sacrament and parental consent.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God by Jane Hess in loving memory of John & Bill Hess.

ROSE ON BAPTISMAL FONT

The rose on the Baptismal Font celebrates the birth of Paige Noelle Garrity on December 1st. Paige is the daughter of Aaron & Kim, sister of Hope and Addison, granddaughter of Sue Garrity, niece of Rand and Amanda and cousin of Olivia, Ella and Grace. Our congratulations to the Garrity Families.

WAYSIDE COOKIE SALE

Today is the Christmas Cookie Sale. Come to Fellowship Hall after worship and get your beautiful platters, \$15.00 each.

PW ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

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

NIGHT OWLS ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY

Remember to sign up for the Night Owls adult Christmas party at the home of Holly Skala and Doug Villella, 431 Shawnee Drive on December 20th at 6 p.m. Bring a gift under \$10 and a dessert or appetizer. Dinner and beverages will be provided. Sign up in the lobby. Call Holly or Doug at 833-2584 with questions.

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 today.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EVENTS

Issues of Faith: Sunday, December 7: “Putting Feet to Prayers: Mexican Illegal Aliens” – Rev. Ellie Johns, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Next Week: December 14: “Putting Feet to Prayers: The Business World” Dr. Kevin Sullivan, Mercyhurst College

Family, Faith & Fellowship: Dec.7: “Revisiting “Unplugging the Christmas Tree” – Kimberly Morrow
Next Week: Dec. 14: Second Session of “Revisiting “Unplugging the Christmas Tree”

Adult Bible Study: Don Worthington explores the lectionary readings for each Sunday
WOW for ADULTS continues the 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.

Advent Devotionals are available in the lobby for all ages offered by Worship and Music Committee and CE Committee.

SYMPHONIC SINGERS CONCERT

The annual Christmas Concert presented by the Symphonic Singers will take place in our Sanctuary on Sunday, December 14th at 3:00 p.m. The Singers are directed by Ms. Jean Verdecchia. All are welcome to attend.

WISE NIGHT OWLS

The Wise (but not old) Night Owls will host a Christmas Party on Saturday, December 20th at the home of Jon & Chris Hoyt. We will exchange those “special” white elephant gifts but will also exchange a special Christmas ornament, each exquisitely wrapped! Sign up at the Information Table.

PARKING IN DECEMBER

As we get closer to Christmas, space in the parking lot becomes more of a premium. If walking is no problem, please consider parking further away from the main door. That will save the closer spots for those for whom walking longer distances is more difficult and for our visitors. Thanks.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

DEACONS’ ANGEL TREE PROJECT

The Deacons 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.

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 Tuna and Toilet Tissue. All non-perishable food items are always welcome.

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

Waysiders will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army next Saturday, December 13th in front of the Giant Eagle at Kmart Plaza. There is one time slot for ringers still open, so if you are interested check the sign-up sheet in the Lobby. All ringers should plan to arrive about five minutes early.

SCRIP ORDERS

Just a reminder that there are two 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.

PRESBYTERIAN HOMES CHRISTMAS ANGEL APPEAL

You can make a difference in the lives of many older people by making a donation to the Presbyterian Homes Christmas Angel Appeal. Gifts will provide medicine, nutritious meals, and quality care for residents in need. Please pick up an Angel Appeal envelope from the Information Table this morning.

WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 7, 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: 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

Greeters: 4th & 5th Grade Sunday School

Information Table: Bill Pentz

Fellowship Time: Bobbi Jo Fye

Childcare: Kelly Craig, Nursery; Ron Craig, Preschool

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

Ushers: Johanna Anderson, Bill DeWitt, Tom Fye, Emma Haas, Jon Hoyt, Devin Johns, Ron Kolb, Lee McVey, Michael Monaco, Bill Pentz, Ian Ross, Matt Twinem

Worship Assistant: Senior High

Acolytes: Brianna Bojewski, Jeremy Brinling

Sound Board: Jim Dunn

Greeter: Mike and Sandy Reed

Information Table: Kitty Menges

Fellowship Time: Sharon Riley

Childcare: Christie Szklenski, Nursery; Mary Debello, Preschool

