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If you wish to give to any of the relief efforts by cash or check:

1. Please make out your tax deductible check to PCW.
2. Clearly mark your donation memo "PDA/Hurricane Relief."
3. Drop it in the offering plate, mail to the church office (140 Mountain Avenue, Westfield, NJ 07090) or donate 24/7 through our website.

Community Day 2017



Find all pictures on Flickr!

<https://www.flickr.com/gp/131917334@N03/oQCYTm>

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance enables congregations and mission partners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to witness to the healing love of Christ through caring for communities adversely affected by crises and catastrophic events.

There are years of recovery ahead for those affected by Hurricane Harvey, Hurricane Irma & currently Hurricane Maria, as well as everyone devastated by the earthquakes in Mexico and fires in the Northwest U.S.

Will you help extend the hands of Christ by standing in the GAP? -Give. Act. Pray.

Find out how you can help through PDA's website at <https://pda.pcusa.org/>.

Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) Update

The PNC gave the congregation an update of our status on Sunday, 9/17/17, when the PNC was commissioned at all of the worship services.

We have completed the Minister Information Form (MIF). The draft MIF was emailed to the Session asking them to advise the PNC if there was anything in the MIF that was surprising or concerning to them. The Final Draft MIF will be distributed to the Elizabeth Presbytery Committee on Ministry on 9/28/17. Members of the PNC will attend the Committee on Ministry meeting on Thursday, 10/5/17, to present the PCW MIF and to answer questions. We are hopeful that the Committee on Ministry will approve the PCW MIF at that meeting.

Once our MIF is approved a member of the PNC will enter it into the Church Leadership Connection data base which is located at the PC(USA) offices in Louisville, Kentucky. The MIF will then be read and approved by PCW's Clerk of Session and the presbytery. Both will electronically sign the document. The MIF will then be available to be seen by perspective candidates.

We encourage the congregation to share suggestions for prospective candidates as well as provide continued prayers.

PNC Members: Jessica Cerino, Carole Cook, Robin Hoy, Josh McMahon, Anita McNamara, David Seaman, Pam Shaw, Alan Smith, Gary Zanfagna



Please Join (or re-join!) The Flower Ministry

Who?

- ◆ Chris Svoboda, Lisa Walker, Lily Yucetepe and our team of amazing volunteers.

What?

- ◆ Fresh flower or other seasonal arrangements in the Sanctuary and Chapel each week so that we can celebrate our members' joys and remember their loved ones
- ◆ Smaller bouquets made from these arrangements which are distributed to our church members who are infirm, bereft or otherwise in need of sustenance

How Can You Help?

- ◆ Donate flowers to the Sanctuary or Chapel on a weekend to honor or memorialize a special person
- ◆ Deliver flowers to Church members

Contact us

Lisa-908-403-4442 or walker1200@comcast.net
Chris-908-391-8820 or christine.svoboda@yahoo.com
Lily – 908-591-6161 or lily.yucetepe@yahoo.com

What is stickyfaith?



PARENTS! JOIN US ON SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER after 10 a.m. worship in the George Plenty Room for a five week – one hour video-based study that came from a parent’s desire to see her own kids emerge from adolescence with their faith intact.

Learn powerful strategies and practical ideas, enabling you to impart a deep and lasting faith in your children. This will be led by Christine Treger. Let us know if you plan to attend and if you need child care.

Contact Betty Born at: bborn@westfieldpc.org or 908-233-0301 ext. 24.



Back! Get it?

C.O.W. is back

C.O.W. (Church On Wednesday) is for children 3 years through 5th grade

- ◆ **The Cherub Choir (ages 3 through 1st grade)** rehearses in the Robinson Room from 5pm-5:25pm; they go to the Assembly Hall (AH) for Bible Story/Activity at 5:25pm-6pm
- ◆ **Joyful Noise Choir (singers & ringers 2nd through 5th grades)** rehearse in the Handbell Room under the Sanctuary from 5:30pm-6pm and has Bible Story/Activity in the AH from 5pm-5:25pm.
- ◆ **Dinner in AH for ALL** is 6pm-6:20pm. Parents sign up to help with Dinner & Activity.

Suggested weekly donation is \$5 per-person with at \$20 family maximum.

Please, sign up to help with dinner or activity with Christine Treger at ctreger@westfieldpc.org or 908-233-0301 ext. 38. Children’s choirs will help lead worship in the sanctuary monthly offering to God the songs they learn at COW!

Make C.O.W.(Church On Wednesday) an up-front and center priority in your children’s lives!

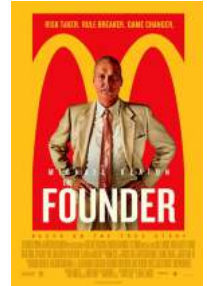


You're Invited To...

Lunch and a Movie

Have you ever wondered how the fabulous-successful McDonald's fast-food chain got its start? You will have a chance to find out at the Senior Network's Lunch and a Movie on Wednesday, October 25, when "The Founder" will be shown. Just bring a bag lunch to the Robinson Room in the Parish House at noon. The Senior Network will provide beverages and desserts. After lunch, the gathering moves to the Christian Lounge for the film.

The concept and expansion of McDonald's global empire is one of the great success stories of American business. "The Founder" profiles Ray Kroc, who took the single restaurant owned by two brothers and turned it into a golden brand. Michael Keaton plays Kroc, a struggling salesman from Illinois who met Mac (John Carroll Lynch) and Dick McDonald (Nick Offerman) in the 1950s at their burger operation in Southern California. Kroc was impressed by the brothers' speedy system of making the food and saw franchise potential. Kroc soon maneuvered himself into a position to be able to pull the company from the brothers and create a multi-billion dollar empire.



Come for an afternoon of food and fun, as well as fellowship. Bring a friend with you.

Lunch and a Book

We will not meet in October, so you should have plenty of time to read "Hillbilly Elegy" by J.D.Vance for our meeting on **November 3rd from 12-1:00 p.m.** in the Church Library. One reviewer writes, "From a former marine and Yale Law School graduate, a powerful account of growing up in a poor Rust Belt town that offers a broader, probing look at the struggles of America's white working class. Hillbilly Elegy is a passionate and personal analysis of a culture in crisis—that of white working-class Americans. The decline of this group, a demographic of our country that has been slowly disintegrating over forty years, has been reported on with growing frequency and alarm, but has never before been written about as searchingly from the inside."

All are welcome! Any questions, please contact Lisa Black, lmb.blacklaw@gmail.com.

FISH Hospitality

Come and be part of an incredible mission opportunity right here at PCW! Our FISH guests will be arriving on Sunday, October 29 and will be with us for a week. We are in need of volunteers to help set up; provide meals; host; sleep overnight and help break everything down at the end of the week. Please consider becoming a part of this amazing ministry! The overnight shifts are always difficult to fill and if you want the easiest shift, this is the one for you! Lovely families, easy work!

For more information, please contact Margo Seaman at margonova@comcast.net or Carole Cook at chcook22@yahoo.com.

Westfield Day Care Center

Westfield Day Care is currently enrolling for preschool, pre-k and full day Kindergarten! We are an accredited early learning center and we will be celebrating 50 years of teaching, learning and caring next year! We have certified, experienced teachers and provide meals/snacks and enrichment programs.

Please visit our website westfielddaycarecenter.org or call 908-232-6717 for more information!

The Morning Craftsmen

This group of talented volunteers brings their carpentry, painting, plumbing and other skills to the church on Wednesday mornings to tackle small to medium-sized projects around the campus. The group is recruiting new members, and invites you to consider joining this worthwhile effort. We gather at 9am on Wednesdays in the George Plenty Room to plan out the morning. It may be small repairs of pews, painting of doors, replacing an electrical outlet, etc. Each project that is completed in-house is a cost saver to the church.

Interested? Have questions? Come by on a Wednesday morning to see what we do, or contact Warren Hanscom (908-789-8961; wkanscom@gmail.com) or Gary Hunsinger (908-654-4155; jghunsinger@msn.com).

Newcomers Information Seminar

Sunday, October 1 at 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

New Member Class

Sunday, October 22 at 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

You're Invited To...

Small Group Opportunity

Friday Morning Bible Study: This friendly group meets Fridays in the George Plenty Room (across from the main desk in the Parish House) at 9:30AM for coffee and tea, followed at 10:00 by a look at Sunday's Bible reading and a 30-minute teaching on DVD.

This Fall, we will have the Great Courses lectures on "The Lives of Great Christians" by Professor William R. Cook of SUNY-Genesco, who is knowledgeable and very engaging.

Come whenever you can – all are welcome.

Theology Discussion Group

Please join us for a discussion of our next book: *Falling Upward*. In this book, Fr. Richard Rohr seeks to help readers understand the tasks of the two halves of life and to show them that those who have fallen, failed, or "gone down" are the only ones who understand "up." Most of us tend to think of the second half of life as largely about getting old, dealing with health issues, and letting go of life, but the whole thesis of this book is exactly the opposite. What looks like falling down can largely be experienced as "falling upward." In fact, it is not a loss but somehow actually a gain, as we have all seen with elders who have come to their fullness.

- ◆ Explains why the second half of life can and should be full of spiritual richness
- ◆ Offers a new view of how spiritual growth happens? Loss is gain
- ◆ Richard Rohr is a regular contributing writer for Sojourners and Tikkun magazines

This important book explores the counterintuitive message that we grow spiritually much more by doing wrong than by doing right--a fresh way of thinking about spirituality that grows throughout life.

We will begin by discussing the first few chapters of this book on October 16th, 7:30pm-9:00pm in the Christian Lounge. All are welcome. You can get more information from Alan Smith, alandsmith518@gmail.com or 917-239-1667.

Presbyterian Women

First Outing of the Year!

The Presbyterian Women are holding their first outing (open to any women) on Thursday, October 19, 2017 where we will leave from the church at 11 a.m. to go to Newark for a Tour of the Ballantine House and Newark Museum. The celebrated Newark beer-brewing family's home, a brick and limestone mansion, originally had 27 rooms. Part of the Newark Museum since 1937, the house was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1985.

A box lunch will be distributed. Our anticipated return is 4 p.m. The cost of the trip is \$63, payable to the Presbyterian Women of PCW. Checks may be handed to Circle leaders, or placed in the PW mailbox in the mailroom of the Parish House. Call Gerri Stiner at 908-768-2073 to reserve your spot or email her at gerristinerinc@gmail.com and hand in your check ASAP. Deadline for reservations is October 5.

Presbyterian Women Want YOU!

No Membership or commitment to meetings!

Sign up and join us for one-time events like:

- ◆ Various "Gatherings" - the Trip in October, special speakers in the Spring
- ◆ Norwood December "Shopping Spree"
- ◆ All-Church Christmas Dinner
- ◆ Baking Cookies for College Kids
- ◆ Bake Sales (Fall and Spring)
- ◆ Mother/ Daughter Tea

One doesn't need to be a formal part of Presbyterian Women to attend meetings that support missions, fellowship and outreach.

For more information about the organization that usually meets at members' homes on Thursday mornings or Thursday nights once a month, contact co-presidents Sharon Campbell campbellslondon@yahoo.com, 908-789-9646 or Jenn McCall, Presidents at jackandTom@comcast.net 908-668-7933.

PCW Youth (Grades 6-12)

During this program year at PCW Youth we've got a new motto. And if we live into it - big things will happen.

This year we're being challenged to [RISE UP].

In the book of Acts, Peter and John encounter a paralyzed man. As the man is looking at them with eyes that beg for action Peter says, "I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk!"

What makes PCW Youth great isn't the pastor or leaders, it isn't the programs or trips, it isn't even those cool kids that show up. It's none of that - it's Jesus. It's Jesus who makes anything we do worth talking about.

And it's Jesus that is calling us to [RISE UP] for 2017-2018.

[RISE UP] doesn't mean do more everywhere.

[RISE UP] means do more where you are.

Leaders can rise to make more students feel at home.

Parents can rise to make one program a consistent part of your kid's life.

Students can rise to make room for newcomers.

If we live into this big things will happen for our community.



Beginning October 1

- ◆ Sunday School - 9am - Youth Room
- ◆ Middle School Fellowship - 6:30pm - Westminster Hall
- ◆ High School Fellowship - 6:30pm - Youth Room

Beginning October 3

- ◆ Confirmation Class - 6pm - Youth Room

**New PCW Youth 2017/2018 Registration Form can be completed online or by hard copy
(found in the Parish House Mailroom).**

PCW Youth Yearly Calendar is available in the office or online.

Stay connected with PCW Youth:

Rev. Amanda Joria, Associate Pastor for Youth & Mission, ahuels@westfieldpc.org, 908-233-0301 ext. 37

Linnette Mercado, Youth Assistant, lm Mercado@westfieldpc.org, 908-233-0301 ext. 22

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Clerk's Corner

From the Session Meeting in September 2017

The Pastor Nominating Committee offered an update concerning its work and stating that the Ministry Information Form (the next clerical step to calling a Pastor) has been drafted and is in the editing stage prior to forwarding it to the Presbytery's Committee on Ministry

The Session adopted a new Hospitality Statement in the desire to show "the hospitality of Christ to all who walk through our doors." There was both a commitment to respectful care of the church campus, and a clear understanding we are moving to enable our commissions on Worship, Outreach and Welcome and the Deacons to use their considered best judgment in extending hospitality across the campus. This includes the serving of appropriate refreshments before and/or after worship services throughout our campus, including areas used for Worship.

Campus Improvements – The Session approved the campus-wide project to occur over the next several months to address the structural, drainage, and access issues. A color rendering of the improvements to Westminster Hall illustrating the accessibility and entry area improvements was presented.

The Discussion period – Dr. Henderson led a discussion focusing on streamlining the structure and business of the Session.

David Rogers, Clerk

Thank YOU!



Thank you to all of the women in Circle 4 who donated money or toys to the recent mini-drive we sponsored for Arista-Care at Norwood Terrace Nursing Home that will distribute the toys to women for their children in shelters in Plainfield.

Donations for our Christmas "Shopping Spree" are being accepted now in the church's mail room. Please drop off NEW or gently used items suitable for the residents to give their family members at Christmas. For more information of what is acceptable, contact Susan Dougherty at 732-382-5367 or crusadersue@hotmail.com

Nancy Collins' Visit

During September, the Zambia Team was able to host PC (USA) Mission Co - Worker Nancy Collins for lunch in the George Plenty Room. The travel team shared about the recent PCW trip to Lusaka and Livingstone and Nancy was able to give additional insight based on her work as the regional liaison to that area. Nancy asked the team, "what made you cry while you were there?" The answers ranged from the joy of singing together in the church, to being welcomed into people's homes, to the despair they saw in the Community Schools in Lusaka.

This congregation is lucky to be able to witness the impact Christ's Church has in Zambia through partners like Nancy Collins and the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian.

-Rev. Amanda



Music Ministry

Happy Autumn in beautiful New Jersey.

The Chancel Choir is preparing *The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass* as a musical offering following worship on Sunday, October 29 at noon, more information is below. It isn't too late to start learning the music with us, if you are interested, we can help you catch up.

In other news, do you find yourself saying....

"I would like to sing in choir, but It has been a long time since I sang in a group; I'm not sure if I even remember how to read music." Join us on a Thursday evening, we'll help you feel comfortable. We all have different musical backgrounds, the bringing together of which is part of the great joy of singing in choir.

"I would like to sing in choir, but I can't make every single Thursday evening rehearsal." That's OK. Speak to Paul or join us on a Thursday evening when you are able to attend, and we'll go from there. We do our best to be at as many rehearsals as we are able, but for most people, that is below 100%. It is a fact that choirs sound their best when the most possible members are at the most possible rehearsals; it is also a fact that living in the 21st Century generally means having a busy schedule with conflicts between multiple different yet important facets of life.

"I enjoy choral singing, but I most enjoy attending the Wired Service. What can I do?" Please join us for the Bluegrass Mass -- see below. Also, throughout the church year (for example Christmas Eve and Holy Week) there are occasions when the Chancel Choir sings in worship services which are not concurrent with Wired when you would be able to sing without missing your regular worship service.

"I've never played handbells before, but it looks like fun." Handbells ARE fun, we'll teach you everything you need to know. See you at rehearsal!

-Paul Sanner

Director of Music, Organist

reformation funday

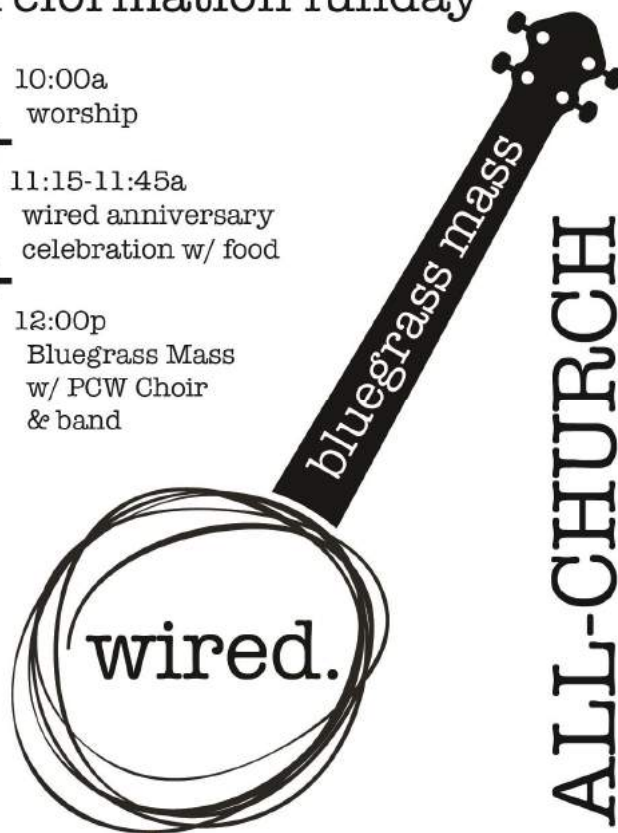
10:00a
worship

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11:15-11:45a
wired anniversary
celebration w/ food

+

12:00p
Bluegrass Mass
w/ PCW Choir
& band



The anniversary of the Protestant Reformation is approaching, 500 years to be exact. Over the years perhaps we've learned that the Church working toward the Kingdom requires not one long-ago reformation but to be "reformed and always reforming." On our own corner of Mountain Ave. and E. Broad St., we strive to Invite, Grow and Serve. We understand that God loves everybody, and that no two people are in exactly the same place in their walk of faith. Taken together, we might say that a reformed and always reforming congregation owes a rich variety of worship experiences, so...

Please join us on October 29 in giving thanks and celebrating the blessing that is OUR diversity in worship at PCW. We hope you'll stay "on campus" after the 10 am services -- first with a bite to eat in Westminster Hall to celebrate the 4th anniversary of Wired, and then in the Sanctuary to hear the PCW Chancel Choir offer **The World Beloved: A Bluegrass Mass**, composed by Carol Barnett in 2008. It is a lively musical tapestry of mass texts, new spiritual words, choral singing and bluegrass band, and lots of fun. See you then!

-Paul Sanner and Kevin Wilkin

"After Spring" Documentary



Sunday, October 22, 4 p.m.
Westminster Hall
Please RSVP 908-233-0301

Since the start of the Syrian conflict six years ago, nearly 11 million people have been displaced. Close to 6 million are internally displaced in Syria, while approximately 4.8 million now live in neighboring countries of Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq and Egypt, waiting for the day when they can return to Syria.

After Spring tells the moving, personal and inspiring stories of Syrian refugees and aid workers at the largest refugee camp for Syrians, the Zaatari Refugee Camp in Jordan. The camp is home to 80,000 people, half who are under the age of 18 years old. The film follows the daily lives of two families in transition, and aid workers fighting to keep the camp running, allowing viewers to experience what it is like to live in Zaatari.

- ◆ The screening of "After Spring" is open to the community, free of charge - all are welcome!
- ◆ To RSVP, please email Linnette Mercado at lmercado@westfieldpc.org or call the church office at 908-233-0301.
- ◆ A trailer for the documentary is available at www.afterspringfilm.com/trailer.

Elmarie Parker Visit



On Friday September 15, PCW welcomed Rev. Elmarie Parker, who serves as Regional Liaison to church partners in Iraq, Syria, Lebanon. The focus of Elmarie's work is to strengthen and deepen ties between the church in Iraq, Syria, and Lebanon and Presbyterians in the United States. Her husband, Rev. Scott Parker, serves as a PC (USA) Ecumenical Partner for the region, working with the Middle East Council of Churches. He is also a PC(USA) Writer in Residence, using written storytelling to communicate stories of hope, where God is at work amidst conflict and chaos.

For more information about the Parkers' work and ministry, and to read first-hand accounts of some of their experiences in Syria, Iraq and Lebanon, go to www.findaworld.org.

Please pray for the Parkers, as they prepare to return to the Middle East in early November.

Officers' Retreat 2017

September 15-16

The Leadership Retreat featured words on prayer by Rev Cindy Bowman and challenges by Rev Sam Henderson.



Where We Saw God This Summer

A big THANK YOU to Barbara for responding to our request to tell us where she saw God this summer. If you want to share your story, please email spire@westfieldpc.org.

I had the privilege of going to Kenya with an Irish organization called Kenya Build this June. Since 2007 they have built schools at three different orphanages. Our task this year was to paint four existing classrooms and help with the construction of a new classroom at one of the orphanages called Dream Children's Home in the Ngong Hills near Nairobi. We also had time to sing and play with the children. I saw God so many times during this mission trip.

I saw Him in the smiling happy faces of the children at the orphanage. I saw Him in the sad, hopeless faces of children in Nairobi's Kibera slum, the largest slum in Kenya, which we visited. The contrast between those in the orphanage and those in the slum was so evident. I saw Him in the couple who created the orphanage, who have taken in so many children and given them love. "Mum" Rachel grew up in the Kibera slum, overcame many obstacles, and has dedicated her life to caring for as many orphaned and vulnerable children as she is able. I saw God in the Kenya Build team, each willing to spend their money and vacation time to work hard to help the children. I saw Him in those team members who have already and will now sponsor children at the orphanage, giving them opportunities for a better life. I also saw God in a woman I met whose father had had Parkinson's disease. After he passed away a few years ago, she created the Africa Parkinson's Foundation and has become an advocate for those with Parkinson's disease.

It was so inspirational to see God's work being done among these most vulnerable people and to be part of it was a blessing for me.

-Barbara Ringk

A Word From Pastor Sam on BLESS Groups

Countdown to BLESS: Have you found your group yet?

Beginning the week of October 15, many will be stepping up to grow, living into our PCW mission of INVITE, GROW, SERVE. They'll be looking with new eyes at the people they encounter in and beyond "church" each week. We'll be practicing and speaking about simple acts of SERVICE from the BLESS Sermon series.

BLESS GROUPS
Meeting once a week between Oct 8 - Nov 5

FACILITATOR
A BLESS Facilitator will get a group of 3 or 4 people to join them in meeting weekly to talk about how the BLESS practices are going.

PARTICIPANT
A BLESS participant will agree to be in a group that meets for 35 minutes for 5 weeks and talk about the BLESS practices.

I want to BLESS others!

NAME: _____
EMAIL: _____
PHONE: _____

BLESS Cards available in worship

How do I Get "On Board" to BLESS?

Sign and turn in your BLESS card, available in worship, if you haven't yet. (Thanks to many who have!) We'll send you FULL information about how to participate in the following process. If you're facilitating a group, let us know, as well!

- ◆ Step 1: Form or get with a group of 3-5 people (including you).
- ◆ Step 2: Decide on a time and location that suits you.
- ◆ Step 3: Register your group with the church office using the BLESS Sign Up Cards or online (facilitators**).
- ◆ Step 4: Start BLESSING others
- ◆ Step 5: Meet (35 mins / 5 weeks) discuss your experiences using the 4 questions we'll provide.

**Facilitators take the lead, grab a friend to help them get 1-2 more for a group, then read or ask someone else to read the 4 questions each week. It's so easy that people who consider themselves unqualified may be the best candidates!

-Pastor Sam

We Extend Christian Sympathy To The Families Of...



We extend Christian sympathy to Lynn Siegel and family upon the death of Lilian Blauvelt, mother and grandmother, who passed away at the end of August. Please keep the Siegel family in your prayers.

We extend Christian Sympathy to the family of Beverly Chandler, who passed away on September 9, 2017. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Please keep these families in your prayers.

We Celebrate the Baptism Of...



Myra Yi Xuan Connor
daughter of Andrew & Rongling

Philip Hao Xuan Connor
son of Andrew & Rongling

Samuel Peter Haag
son of William & Kristina

Daniel Harry Sawicki
son of Daniel & Maia

Sam Valentine
son of Jeffrey & Tina

Baptism Class

If you would like to attend the Baptism Class on November 5 at 11am in the George Plenty Room, please contact Rev. Cindy Bowman to RSVP at cbowman@westfieldpc.org or 908-233-0301 ext. 47.

If childcare is needed during this class, we must know in advance, prior to October 30.

Community Corner

New Jersey Festival Orchestra 35th Anniversary Season

NJFO opens October 14th with "Serenades to Music."

The NJFO 35th anniversary season opens dramatically with "Serenades to Music" on October 14th at 7pm at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield. The concert features Vaughan Williams' Serenade, a great musical work inspired by William Shakespeare's contemplation of the beauty of music in The Merchant of Venice. Internationally acclaimed Serbian violinist Stefan Milenkovich joins NJFO for the celebration. Hailed by The New York Times as 'a true virtuoso', Mr. Milenkovich will perform Paganini's B minor violin concerto, one of the most dazzling scores ever created for the instrument. Click below to hear him perform this same piece with the Vojvodina Symphony Orchestra at their New Year's Eve Gala. Prepare to be wowed!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=23oRqLax-o>

Mozart's sublime 39th symphony - a Champagne-like sparkling masterpiece – then brings the NJFO season opening concert to a delightful and energetic close. Said Maestro Wroe: "Without a doubt, this is a season of celebration! With a song in our hearts, this year NJ Festival Orchestra aspires to transport you beyond the ordinary to a place of spiritual ecstasy. I, for one, can't wait for the festivities on October 14th!



TICKET INFORMATION

Tickets are \$28-\$76, U18 only \$15. Subscribe to the NJFO classical series and save up to 20% with one of the special discount ticket packages! There are many other benefits to becoming a subscriber, including the opportunity to share the gift of music by becoming an NJFO ambassador. For tickets, discount ticket packages and information call 908 232 9400 or go to www.njfestivalorchestra.org. Avoid all ticket fees and handling charges by purchasing tickets and packages online at www.njfestivalorchestra.org.

Hailed by The New York Times as 'a true virtuoso', internationally acclaimed Serbian violinist Stefan Milenkovich joins NJFO to perform Paganini's dazzling B minor violin concerto.

Westfield Historical Society First Wednesday Luncheon

As part of the The Westfield Historical Society's First Wednesday Luncheon series, Dr. Carole Shaffer-Koros, will present a talk on "A Failed Russian Revolution: The Battleship Potemkin Mutiny" on October 4th, 2017. The event will begin at 12PM at the Echo Lake Country Club, located at 515 Springfield Avenue, Westfield.



Dr. Shaffer-Koros is Professor Emerita of English and History and Founding Dean of the School of Visual & Performing Arts at Kean University. She taught full-time for thirty-eight years and part-time for six years in the Departments of English, Spanish, History and Music. Until recently, she taught as an adjunct in the Master of Arts in Holocaust and Genocide Studies program at Kean. She is a scholar in American Literature and has written and published on such figures as Edith Wharton, Edgar Allan Poe, Gwendolyn Brooks and Nathaniel Hawthorne as well as major writers from around the world. Dr. Shaffer-Koros holds a BA in Spanish from Douglass College, Rutgers University, and an MA and PhD in Romance Languages from the University of Pennsylvania. She has been working on a long-term project on alchemy in the works of nineteenth century American authors, especially Poe and Hawthorne. She has taught over 25 different courses, including Literature and Film of the Holocaust and currently serves as Treasurer of the Edith Wharton Society, the International Poe Studies Association and the Genealogical Society of the West Fields. She is also a member of the Planning Board for the International Hawthorne and Poe Conference to be held in Kyoto, Japan, in June 2018.

Those wishing to attend the luncheon may make a reservation by calling Mary at 908-233-2930, by noon Friday, September 29th, 2017. The luncheon fee of \$35 (WHS members) or \$40 (non-members) includes a three-course meal, coffee/tea, and gratuity. The luncheon fee may be paid at the door. Westfield Historical Society memberships will also be available at the luncheon.

Echo Lake Country Club is at 515 Springfield Ave, Westfield, NJ. For Echo Lake County Club dress code information, visit: <http://www.echolakecc.org/club>.

For more information on the Westfield Historical Society events, visit <http://westfieldhistoricalsociety.org> and like us on Facebook!

October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1</p> <p>8am Worship 9am Questers 9am Youth Sunday School 10am Worship 10am Wired 11am Newcomer Info. Seminar 11am Sticky Faith 11am Serendipity Bible Study 6:30pm Spiritual Awakenings 6:30pm MS & HS Fellowship</p>	<p>2</p> <p>11am Small Group 7:30am AA 7:30pm Theology Discussion Group 7:30pm Boy Scout Troop 72</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10am Staff Mtg. 12pm AI-Anon 4pm Small Group 6pm Confirmation Class 7:30pm Mission, Stewardship, Worship 7:30pm Women's AA</p>	<p>4</p> <p>7am Dawn Patrol 9am Craftsmen 1pm Agape Prep 3:15pm Agape 5pm COW 7:30pm Chancel Handbells 7:30pm Chansonettes 8pm AA</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:30am PW Board Mtg. 7:30pm Choir</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9:30am Bible Study 7pm AA</p>	<p>7</p> <p>12pm Ruby Slippers AA</p>
<p>8</p> <p>8am Worship 9am Questers 9am Youth Sunday School 10am Worship 10am Wired 11am Sticky Faith 11am Serendipity Bible Study 6:30pm Spiritual Awakenings 6:30pm MS & HS Fellowship</p>	<p>9</p> <p>COLUMBUS DAY Church Office Closed</p> <p>1:30pm Parkinson's Support Group 7:30pm AA</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10am Staff Mtg. 12pm AI-Anon 4pm Small Group 6pm Confirmation Class 7:30pm Session 7:30pm Women's AA</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7am Dawn Patrol 9am Craftsmen 1pm Agape Prep 3:15pm Agape 5pm COW 7:30pm PNC 7:30pm Chancel Handbells 7:30pm Chansonettes 8pm AA</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9am PW Circles 7:30pm Choir</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9:30am Bible Study 7pm AA</p>	<p>14</p> <p>12pm Ruby Slippers AA</p>
<p>15</p> <p>8am Worship 9am Questers 9am Youth Sunday School 10am Worship 10am Wired 10am Lunch Bunch 11am Sticky Faith 11am Serendipity Bible Study 6:30pm Spiritual Awakenings 6:30pm MS & HS Fellowship</p>	<p>16</p> <p>11am Small Group 7:30am AA 7:30pm Theology Discussion Group 7:30pm Boy Scout Troop 72</p>	<p>17</p> <p>10am Staff Mtg. 12pm AI-Anon 4pm Small Group 6pm Confirmation Class 7:30pm O & P 7:30pm Deacons Mtg. 7:30pm Women's AA</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7am Dawn Patrol 9am Craftsmen 1pm Agape Prep 1:30pm Senior Network 3:15pm Agape 5pm COW 7:30pm PNC 7:30pm Chancel Handbells 7:30pm Chansonettes 7:30pm Personnel 8pm AA</p>	<p>19</p> <p>8am PW Trip 8am Investment Committee 7:30pm Choir</p>	<p>20</p> <p>9:30am Bible Study 10am Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group 7pm AA</p>	<p>21</p> <p>12pm Ruby Slippers AA</p>
<p>22</p> <p>8am Worship 9am Questers 9am Youth Sunday School 10am Worship 10am Wired 11am Sticky Faith 11am Serendipity Bible Study 11am World Vision Movie 11am New Member Seminar 6:30pm Spiritual Awakenings 6:30pm MS & HS Fellowship</p>	<p>23</p> <p>11am Small Group 7:30am AA 7:30pm Boy Scout Troop 72</p>	<p>24</p> <p>10am Staff Mtg. 12pm AI-Anon 4pm Small Group 6pm Confirmation Class 7:30pm Women's AA</p>	<p>25</p> <p>7am Dawn Patrol 9am Craftsmen 12pm Lunch & A Movie 1pm Agape Prep 3:15pm Agape 5pm COW 7:30pm PNC 7:30pm Chancel Handbells 7:30pm Chansonettes 8pm AA</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9:15am Outreach & Welcome 7:30pm Choir</p>	<p>27</p> <p>9:30am Bible Study 7pm AA</p>	<p>28</p> <p>12pm Ruby Slippers AA</p>
<p>29</p> <p>8am Worship 9am Questers 9am Youth Sunday School 10am Worship 10am Wired 11am Sticky Faith 11am Serendipity Bible Study 12pm Bluegrass Mass 6:30pm Spiritual Awakenings 6:30pm MS & HS Fellowship</p>	<p>30</p> <p>11am Small Group 7:30pm AA 7:30pm Boy Scout Troop 72</p>	<p>31</p> <p>10am Staff Mtg. 12pm AI-Anon 4pm Small Group 6pm Confirmation Class 7:30pm Women's AA</p>				
<p>FISH Guests Are Here! October 29 - November 5</p>						
<p>For planning purposes our online calendar at westfieldpc.org/monthly-schedule/ provides an extended view of activities. <i>The calendar is updated regularly. Dates are of course subject to change.</i></p>						



October 1

Haag, Kristina Rohall
Dilzell, Jennifer N.

October 2

Sharma, Sam
Dickey, Sydney Eldridge
Compton, Elizabeth

October 3

Corbet, Joanne
Richards, Judith Ann
Oslislo, Patricia

October 4

Francz, Jane
Wyckoff, Janice
Matera, Donald Robert
Anderson, Julia

October 5

Ehrhardt, Barbara Monaghan
Kristiansen, Deborah
Meierdierck Jr, Terra Marie
Parker, David
Trott, Julian

October 6

Huff, Catherine
Roberts Jr, Hal
Nash, Leesa
Benke, Lisa Cortney
Foltz, Elizabeth

October 7

Gropp-Roth, Diann Inge
Munson, Ryan
Daggett, Kristi
Devaney, Kevin James
Fitzhenry, Colin Gerard
Ramage, Thomas
Sandstedt, Megan

October 8

Curtis, Jane
Hevert, Dr Robert
Wetlesen, Thomas Albert
Rhodes, Kimberly
Sisto, Laing
Bennett, William
Yang, May
Clark, Katherine

October 9

Williams, Alexander

October 10

Dedousis, Dr John
Smith, Reid

October 11

Flannery, William

October 12

Bethea, Susan
Smith, Alan
Bennett, William

October 13

Dunkley, Camille
Branin, Kelly
Vaccaro, Nicole
Maines-Clark, Lindsay
Ebel, Olivia

October 14

Kieczkowski, Martha

October 15

Linn, Frances
Pinkin, Lois
Gorman, Gregg
Greenlaw, Marymerle

October 16

Aliche, Tiffany
Cerino, Josephine

October 17

Cote, John
Stravach, Gabrielle
Bush, Kara
Beck, Amelia

October 18

Husch, Bradley
Elfstrum, Tammie
Beck, Julie

October 19

Hilbert, Elva-Marie
Degen, Monica
Seaman, Lydia Anne

October 20

Gerckens, Karl

October 21

Johnson, Gladys
Schwarz, Douglas
Himmel III, George
Mann, Ryan
Spurlock, Cotter
Bond, Nicholas

October 22

Montanye, Kathleen
Kane, John
Devaney, Susan

October 23

Shpunder, Loretta

October 24

Schork, Jean
Mill, Claudine
Jackson, Megan
Reed, Brian
Benke, Alex
Sullivan, Lauren
Ciotti, Ralph

October 25

Aliche, Tracy
Garabedian, Marissa
Swartz, Anna

October 26

Knudsen, Martin
Wilson, Patti-Jo

October 27

Greco, Carrie Ann

October 28

Lee, Debra
Weber Jr, Albert
Browning, Gerald
DiFulvio, Maddie
Doerr, Brandon
Jones, Joseph
Zachariades, Virginia

October 29

Cummings, Bruce

October 30

Alexander, Glenn

October 31

Adams, Lynn
Murphy, Colin

Staff Birthdays

October 13

Lou Ann Kaplonski

October 25

Linnette Mercado





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Lunch & A Movie Rescheduled for October 4

Due to the power outage on September 27, the Senior Network has rescheduled their movie, Lion.

OCTOBER 4 at 1pm in the Christian Lounge.

Movie: Lion | No Lunch

Everyone who would like to come is invited. Bring a friend!
There's a seat waiting for you!

Constant Contact Email



In order to ensure that you are receiving PCW emails, please add our email addresses to your safe sender list. If you are using GMAIL, please be sure to check your Promotions Tab & move our emails over to your Primary Tab.

Don't forget - Weekly email announcements are sent on Thursday night & Monthly Spire Emails are delivered on the first of each month. You may always go into your profile through Constant Contact and update your preferences.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Worship Service in the Chapel at **8:00am**
Contemporary Worship, Wired in Westminster Hall at **10:00am**
Traditional Worship Service in the Sanctuary at **10:00am**

Youth Sunday School (Grades 6-12) - Youth Room (3rd Floor Parish House)
Combined Sunday School (3yrs-5th grade) at 10:05am - CE Building

Child care for infants thru 3yr olds is available in our nursery located in Room 104 in the lower level of the Christian Education Building, 9:00am - 11:00am.

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