

The Newsheet

Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP



November 27, 2022

In-Person and Online Worship Service at 11:00am

Click on either link for Sunday Worship Service



<https://www.facebook.com/WaverlyRoadPresbyterianChurch/>



https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1dv3U42u4jLlksq_71Foyg



SCRIPTURES

November 27, 2022

Matthew 24:36-44 & Romans 13:11-14

WRPC Food Pantry
SERVING EVERY FRIDAY
from 10:00am—Noon.

A very special thanks goes out to all of our Food Pantry volunteers who are helping to FEED THE HUNGRY in our community.



You are loved. We are blessed!

From the desk of Trinity Gibson...

Happy Thanksgiving week,

I'd like to share some of my gratitude list with you this week.

I'm thankful for Waverly Road. Here I have found a church family for the first time in decades. I now have a refuge and strong hold and retreat when life is too hard alone. My kids know true Christ followers that keep the great commandments of love God and love others.

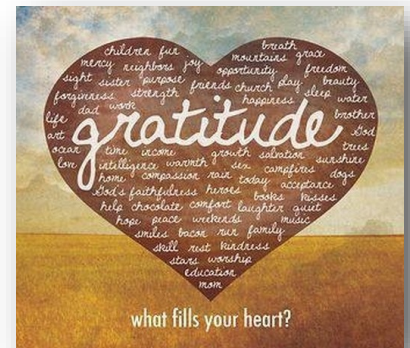
I'm thankful for Holston Camp. Peace overcomes me as soon as I reach the camp grounds. Our kids and many others get the chance to experience a true consecrated place. This year's Youth Retreat was so precious. There's a wonderful sweetness at hearing teens laughing and cheering while growing closer to God.

I thank God for the joy of gathering in person to worship. Getting to see you and hug or shake hands almost brings me to tears. I will never take it for granted again.

Most of all, I'm thankful for the love of God that we experience through Jesus. I pray we all feel and share perfect love through the upcoming holiday season.

In gratitude and thanksgiving,

—Trinity



PRAYER REQUESTS

People in our Prayers

Rev. Dan Clark
Holston Presbytery Camp
Patients receiving Dialysis
Rorie Parker Family
Lee Bockman
Doris Blanchard
Susan Smith
Sharon Nolen
Beverly Carman
Howard's Mother)

Laci, Nicholas & Robin
Lodal
Sarah Valk
Ann Kibler
Dr. Bob & Jeanne Jernigan
Sarah Hale
Susan Avery
Kirk and Lola Finch

Missions in our Prayers—4th Quarter

Local Missions

Kingsport City Schools Homeless Education Program
Trunk or Treat
WRPC Food Pantry

Regional / National Missions

Presbyterian Disaster Relief

International Missions

Families Involved Serving Humanity (FISH), Nicaragua
Northumbria Community Retreat Center & Mother House, England

Special Offerings

Appalachian Miles for Smiles (October 13-14)
Christmas Joy Offering (December 11)

We will leave names on the Prayer Request List for three weeks unless you notify the Church Office to remain on the list for an extended amount of time.



This Week at WRPC

Indoor and Online Worship at 11:00am.

Sunday 11/27	9:45am	In-Person Sunday School – Preschool through Grade 12
	11:00am	Sunday Worship Godly Play Children's Church in Room 102)
Monday 11/28	6:00pm	Youth Group, YS
Tuesday 11/29	9:00am	Walking Group / Meet at Netherland Inn Road entrance
	6:00pm	The Has Beens, FH
Wednesday 11/30	1:00pm	ZOOM Bible Study
	6:00pm	Handbell Practice
	7:00pm	Chancel Choir Practice
Friday 12/2	10:00am	Food Pantry

For the month of DECEMBER...



SMILE will be taking these 12 items that we need the most urgently!

- Convertible car seats
- Boys tennis shoes sizes children's 13 up to adult 13s
- Beds - cribs, toddler, twin and bunks
- Undies
- All adult/teen sizes and boys 2T through size 8
- Hygiene items
- Kids toothbrushes and kids flavored toothpaste and diaper cream
- Pajamas for teens
- Sterlite 64qt clear storage totes
- Organizational supplies - sharpies, masking tape, garbage bags
- Infant and toddler sized socks
- Men's athletic pants (all sizes)
- Boys clothing size 5T and 6
- Diapers - sizes 6 and 7; pull-ups (all sizes)



We'll have subs to eat for dinner and we will be working on Christmas gifts on Monday, November 28!

Stephen Ministers - What kinds of life challenges do Stephen Ministers offer care for?



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

As a member of the congregation, you can be a big help to the Stephen Ministry at WRPC. In this article and upcoming articles, we will be going over some questions that you may be asked about the ministry. The first question we dealt with was general information on the ministry and who is involved. This article will explain what kind of life challenges or transitions Stephen Ministers can provide care for.

- *Do you know someone diagnosed with a serious illness or has someone close to him/her with an illness?*
- *Do you know someone who has lost a loved one?*
- *Do you know someone who has had a job change – new job, retirement, layoff, etc.?*
- *Do you know someone whose last child has left home – college, marriage, etc.?*
- *Do you know someone who is going through a divorce or separation?*
- *Do you know someone who has recently moved to an assistant living or nursing home?*
- *Do you know someone who is new to the area and feeling a little lost?*
- *Do you know someone who is lonely and needs someone to tell his/her story to?*
- *Do you know someone who is going through any type of transition?*

These are a few examples of life challenges when a person could use someone to listen to and to care for him/her. If you know someone going through any of these or other type of transition, a Stephen Minister can be that listener and care giver. The person going through the transition does not have to be a member of our congregation – we provide care to non-members. Also, if you are a member of the congregation of WRPC and would prefer to be assigned to someone you do not know, that is possible. We can work with another congregation to assign a Stephen Minister.

To find out more information about this ministry, please contact one of the Stephen Leaders: Sharon Petke, Dave Petke, or Barbara Lane.



The NEW ***Our Daily Bread*** publications are here! They are located in the Narthex to the right as you enter the Sanctuary. If you are unable to come to church, we will be glad to mail a copy to you. Just call the church office at 247-5121.



Views from the

FOOD PANTRY by Peter Lodal

November 27–December 3, 2022

To all:

We had an average day last Friday (if average ever applies!) – 37 bags delivered.

We will be open this Friday, but if previous years are any guide, the turnout will be light.

Also, the Christmas Card project is now in full swing. Order forms are available in the church office and in the Narthex.

—Pete Lodal



Attending to Advent: poetry, prose and prayer



2022 DAILY DEVOTIONS
from the *Presbyterian Outlook*

By now, you should have received your 2022 Advent Devotional in an email sent to you on Monday, November 21. If you did not receive it, please let Amy know in the church office. Some printed copies are available in the Narthex.

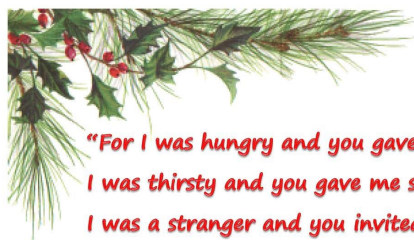
From your friendly Receiving Treasurer:

- Statements have been issued reflecting your gifts from 1/1/22 to 10/31/22. If I didn't catch up with you the last couple of Sundays at church, you will be receiving your statement in the mail. Please let me know of any errors or discrepancies. I always strive for accuracy!
- If you need additional documentation of any gifts for tax purposes (e.g. a letter of acknowledgement, etc.) please let me know and I will get that out to you promptly.
- If you have additional gifts that need to be included in the 2022 tax year, please make sure I have those in hand no later than the end of church on Sunday, December 25 (Christmas).

End-of-year statements will be provided in early January 2023.

As always, thank you for your support of WRPC.

—Noah McMillan, RT



*"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat,
I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,
I was a stranger and you invited me in..."*

Matthew 25:35

When you make a monetary donation to our Food Pantry through Friday, December 16, a 2022 special edition Christmas card will be sent on your behalf. You may use the card to send Christmas greetings, as a unique gift for a friend or family member, or as a way to remember someone. You can also choose to deliver your card in person.

Please use an order form available in the office workroom or on the Narthex table and send it, along with your donation, to Susan Lodal, c/o WRPC Food Pantry. You may also email her at susan.lodal@gmail.com and request an electronic version of the form.

Last year, we sent 129 cards and received \$6,200 through our Christmas Card Project and year-end giving. More than \$149,000 has been contributed to our Food Pantry through this program since 1993 when the first Christmas Cards were made by elementary-aged children. We want to thank everyone who has supported our Food Pantry through the years with their generous donations. You have enabled us to continue serving our neighbors in the name of Jesus Christ.



Sunday, December 4th at 5:00 pm

We will meet in the fellowship hall for our annual Christmas play and Happy Birthday Jesus Party. The program is short! Please join us for this Christmas kick-off!

If you or a child of yours is interested in participating, please contact me at Trinity@waverlyroadpc.org or text 423-483-4685.



Thanks to everyone who brought items for the SMILE Indoor Yard Sale Fundraiser this past Saturday. We made over \$800 for SMILE!

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News from the Church Library

As these days get cold and wintery, I hope that you will think of the wonderful church library you have to enjoy! As some of our members have moved or downsized, we have been the recipient of many inspirational, commentary

and generally uplifting books.

We have a Stephen Ministry (for everyone), Large Print, Oversized, and Children's Section in addition to our general collection.

Our general collection contains:

- Art Books
- Christian Child Rearing
- Biographies of Christian Notables
- History of the Bible and History of the Church
- Variety of Bibles and Bible Commentary
- Gardening, Knitting, Flower Arrangement, Crafting of all kinds
- Healthcare

- Harvard Classics-multiple titles of literature
- Holiday Books of all kinds
- Several Christian Fiction Story Series
- Philip Gulley-Harmony Tales, Karan Karon- Mitford Years
- Lori Copeland series, Andy Andrews Collection,
- Janette Oke-several series, Beverly Lewis-several series,
- Karen Kingsbury-several series, Liz Curtis Higgs-several series
- Robin Jones Gunn-several series, Left Behind Series
- Many Inspirational Text
- Philip Yancey, William Barclay, Will Campbell, Timothy Keller
- C.S. Lewis, David Jeremiah, John Ortberg, Robert Shuller,
- Max Lucado, Charles Swindoll, Billy Graham, Fred Rogers.
- Only to mention a few!

If you find that you would like to use the church library and you cannot get to church, please give me a call. I will work with you to help you find titles that you might enjoy and deliver them to you whenever possible.
Wanda Kerns (423) 288-7696.