

The Newsheet

Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

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**WELCOME
TO WORSHIP**

December 10, 2023

**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

December 10, 2023

Isaiah 40:1-11 & &
2 Peter 3:8-15a

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,

Hello Church family,

I grew up without freedom to enjoy Christmas and we were quite poor. When my children were little, I so wanted to give them a magical Christmas celebration. Though it wore me out, I still loved Christmas and what it meant.

We had a “Baa Humbug” pastor would practically rant about all the trappings of Christmas. I would feel so frivolous and silly every Sunday sermon during Christmas. However, one Sunday he had a totally different tone. He seemed happy about Christmas. He explained to us that he realized during this season, everywhere we go we hear music about Jesus! The whole country plays songs about Jesus’ arrival.

No matter where we stand or how we celebrate this Christmas, this is the one time a year we hear, “...for Christ our Lord and Savior was born on Christmas day...” while buying milk.

Wishing all of you a joyful season,

—Trinity



People in our Prayers

Rev. Dan Clark	Laci, Nicholas &
Holston Presbytery Camp	Robin Lodall
Patients receiving Dialysis	Ann Kibler
Lee Bockman	Dr. Bob & Jeanne Jernigan
Doris Blanchard	Sarah Hale
Ted Germroth	Susan Avery
Benjamin Salyer	Kirk and Lola Finch
Howard S. Carman, Sr.	Abigail & Ashleen Easley
(Howard's Father)	Travis & Kathy Adams
Sue Hall	(Collin's parents)
(Steve Hall's mother)	Chuck Green
Ken Marsh	Marty Qualls

Missions in our Prayers—4th Quarter

Local Missions

Meals on Wheels

Regional / National Missions

Ukirk (ETSU)

International Missions

Congo Hope, Congo

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 12/10	9:45am	Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship Service / Christmas Joy Offering
	7:00pm	Personnel Committee, Library-
Monday 12/11	6:00pm	Youth Group, YS
Tuesday 12/12	9:00am	Walking Group, Greenbelt Holston Valley Trailhead
	6:00pm	Has Beens, FH
	6:00pm	Children & Youth Committee, MR
Wednesday 12/13	1:00pm	ZOOM Bible Study
	7:00pm	Chancel Choir Practice
Thursday 12/14	6:00pm	Worship Committee, ZOOM
Friday 12/15	10:00am	Food Pantry, FH



For the month of December...

It's the 12 Days of Christmas at SMILE! Here's our Wish List!

SMILE has been able to double our numbers served from last year (643) to over 1200 already! So many products that we had drives for earlier in the year are seriously depleted. We are happy to send you a tax deductible receipt for any and all physical or monetary donations.

- * Underwear (all sizes)
- * Infant and Children's Socks
- * Pajamas (all sizes)
- * Diaper Wipes
- * Toddler/Preschoolers Car Seats
- * Hairbrushes and Combs
- * 3 in 1 Kids' Shampoos/Body Wash
- * Body Wash for Teen Girls
- * Athletic pants and hoodies for teen boys (adult sizes)
- * Athletic leggings for teen girls (adult sizes)
- * Hygiene products for natural/biracial skin and hair
- * Pack n' Plays and Cribs (gently used is fine)



Join us every Wednesday at 1:00pm for ZOOM Bible Study. We will send out log-in instructions to your email.

CANTEMUS WOMEN'S CHOIR OF THE TRI-CITIES INVITES YOU TO THEIR 10TH SEASON



SUGGESTED DONATION OF \$10 (CASH ONLY) WWW.CANTEMUSWOMENSCHOIR.ORG

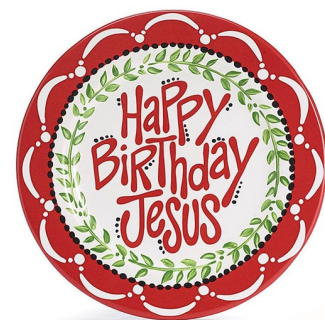
December 24, 2023 WRPC Christmas Eve Schedule

Christmas Morning Worship Service

11:00am in the Fellowship Hall
Christmas Pageant and
Birthday Party for Jesus

Candlelight Christmas Eve Worship Service

6:30pm in the Sanctuary



Children's Nativity Pageant and Birthday Party for Jesus

Sunday, December 24, 2023, 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall



Views from the

FOOD PANTRY by Peter Lodal



December 10–16, 2023

To all:

A return to (more) normal last week, with 47 bags delivered.

Also, if you intend to order Christmas Cards for the Food Pantry Christmas Card project, forms are in the workroom at church.

As always, thank you for your support and prayers.

—Pete Lodal

Mafair United Methodist Church
and
Waverly Road Presbyterian Church
present

The Seven Noels

Songs to Light the World

a cantata by Pepper Choplin

12th Night Celebration - Friday, January 5, 2024

Mafair UMC 1409 E Center St, Kingsport
Music at 6:00 pm with community dinner to follow

RSVP for dinner at
www.mafairumc.org
or call (423)378-9620



YOUTH GROUP

**Monday, December 11,
6:00–8:00pm**

We will be gathering in the Youth Suite for a fun evening of learning and fellowship!

Mission Moment Update...

December 3, 2023
Christmas Joy Offering



This is the time of year, the Season of Advent, when so many things warm our hearts ... being with our friends and families, the faces

of children, the carols we love to sing together, the anticipation of sharing gifts. And we love the lights — the lights on the trees, the candles in the windows — and yes, the Star of Bethlehem, which reminds us of the light that led the way to the perfect gift. The gift of the baby Jesus. The light of our world.

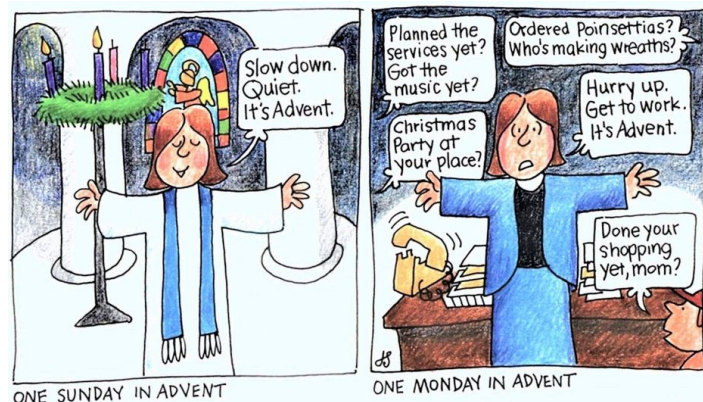
On Sunday, December 10 we will take up the final PCUSA special offering of the year, the Christmas Joy Offering. Through the Christmas Joy Offering, we reflect God's perfect gift to us, with generous support of church leaders among us — past, present and future.

50% of the offering goes to honor and celebrate leaders like retired pastors, church workers and their families who have faithfully guided and led us but who now find themselves in critical financial need because of changing health situations or emergency circumstances. Our gifts restore hope and stability through the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions.

The other 50% of the offering goes to emerging leaders like students in Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color, who develop leadership skills as they pursue their education and prepare to utilize their gifts in service to the world God loves so much.

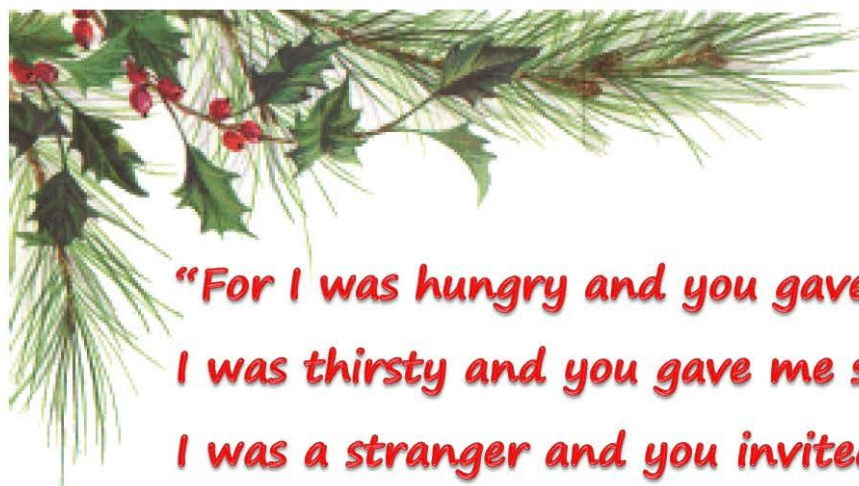
The Christmas Joy Offering has been a cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s. Please prayerfully consider giving to this special offering next Sunday or at any time during the Advent season.

—Mission Committee



ONE SUNDAY IN ADVENT

ONE MONDAY IN ADVENT



***"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 15, a 2023 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 or Karen Carman, c/o WRPC Food Pantry. You may also request an electronic version of the form from Susan or Karen.

Last year, we sent 122 cards and received \$6,280 through our Christmas Card Project and year-end giving. More than \$155,280 has been contributed to our Food Pantry through this program since 1993 when the first Christmas Cards were made by our elementary-aged children. We want to thank everyone who has supported our Food Pantry through the years with their generous donations. You have made it possible for us to continue serving our neighbors in the name of Jesus Christ.



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Bundt Pan Cornbread

Requested recipe from Bree Fox

Ingredients:

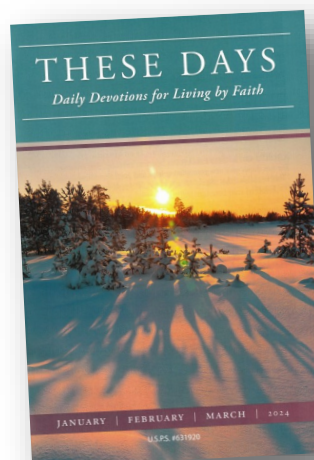
- 1 ½ cups self-rising white corn meal
- 1 ½ cups self-rising flour
- 2 eggs
- 1 tbsp vegetable oil
- 1 tbsp sugar
- 2 ¼ to 2 ½ cups buttermilk
- 1 stick butter

Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 450 degrees. Place a stick of butter in a bundt pan, and put it in the oven as you preheat the oven or about 5-6 minutes before you're ready to pour in the batter. Melt butter completely in the pan.
2. Mix together the corn meal and flour in a medium bowl. Add in eggs, vegetable oil, and sugar, and mix. Add in buttermilk and stir. The batter should

drip off the spoon fairly easily as you raise it. If it doesn't, add more buttermilk by the tablespoon full until it does.

3. Remove bundt pan from oven, pour in batter. (The butter will mix in with the batter and become part of it – yum! Don't stir in the butter.)
4. Bake for 35-40 minutes, until golden brown. Tip out onto a plate as soon as you remove it from the oven. Slice and enjoy!



The NEW *These Days* publications are here!

The booklets are located in the Narthex to the right as you enter the Sanctuary doors. If you would like a copy mailed to you, please call Amy in the church office at 247-5121.