

Groups on summer hiatus:

Men's Fellowship Lunch will meet again on Monday, September 14, 11:30 am, most likely at the Olive Garden on Market Street in Montrose. See you then.

Presbyterian Women Circles will be meeting again in September. Our 2015/16 Bible Study is entitled "Come to the Waters." To find out more, check out the PW table at the Summer Fare, or contact Cathy Melver, PW moderator.

Five @ Five will present their first concert of the 17th season on Sunday, September 20, 2015.

Monday Supper Club will meet again on September 28, 2015.

Other On-going Activities

WEEKLY SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE:

8:30 AM-Early Worship on the Johnstone Patio (or WHH)

10:00 AM-Childcare available (beginning June 14)

10:30 AM-Worship in the Sanctuary

11:30 AM-Fellowship in Wright-Herberich Hall

Third Sunday Dinners

WPC members will be hosting our friends and neighbors from the community on Sunday, June 21, July 19, and August 16, 5:00 pm in Wright-Herberich Hall. Check with Anne Karney, meal coordinator, or Sharlene Santelli, volunteer coordinator, to see if your services are needed. Or come to serve as table hosts and share a fine meal with our church family and guests.

Book Club Summer Meetings: 7:00 pm in the Church Library

June 8: The Secret Place, by Tana French, led by Nancy Keogh

July 7: Behind the Beautiful Forevers, by Katherine Boo, led by Harriet Cutler

August 8: Station Eleven, by Emily St. John Mandel, led by Cathy Melver

Summer Youth Events: A separate flyer has been prepared listing a plethora of events for middle school and high school youth planned for the summer. Flyers are available on the literature racks in the church building, or contact the church office for a copy.

Fall Script deadline: August 12, 2015. Please have your articles about fall activities in to the church office by 12:00 Noon that day.



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The Summer Script – June-August, 2015

2015 Eberts Preaching and Lecture Series

The Rev. Matthew Skinner, PhD, teaching elder in the PCUSA and professor at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota will again be our guest May 31-June 1 this year. His theme will be, *What Kind of a Community Should a Church Be?* Dr. Skinner will preach during worship on May 31. He will present a public lecture at 7:00 pm following dinner catered by Old Carolina Barbeque at 6:00 pm, and an additional public lecture on Monday evening, June 1, 7:00 pm

Summer Adult Fellowship Events

1) Saturday June 13, 7:00 pm. Meet at Wolf Creek Winery and bring an appetizer or dessert to share. No RSVP needed. Please email any questions to Erin Spring (espring414@gmail.com) or Kathryn Vuchak (kathrynvuchak@aol.com).

2) Sunday, August 2, 5:30 pm. Join us for the Cleveland Orchestra at Blossom (Broadway Divas). Bring your own picnic and arrive after 5:30 pm for a picnic and fellowship. Concert starts at 7:00 pm. Please RSVP to Erin Spring (espring414@gmail.com), so we can tell you how to find us on the lawn.

2015 VBS Week—July 6-9, 2015

WPC's annual Vacation Bible School will be returning Monday-Thursday, July 6-9 from 9:15 am to noon. Our theme this year is "A Neighborhood Build." We will be working together to build a neighborhood out of large boxes and other everyday household supplies. On Thursday evening we will have a 6 pm potluck and share our new neighborhood with our families and friends. This week is based in relationships, creative play, pride in making things, communication, and community. Children 4 years old through 5th grade are invited to participate. Students 6th grade-12th are needed to help with the younger children and adult volunteers are needed. Please sign up in WWH beginning May 24 and on our web site beginning soon. Our first volunteers meeting will be held Sunday, June 7 at 9:30 am in Wright-Herberich Hall.

Fall(!) Kickoff at WPC

Join us for a picnic on September 6, following morning worship at Hardesty Park. This gathering will kickoff our children's, youth and adult education ministries, which will begin on September 13, at 9:30 am. The Deacons will provide meat, and members of the congregation are asked to bring a salad, vegetable, or dessert. Drinks and paper products will be provided and a shelter house has been reserved. Please sign up in Wright-Herberich Hall beginning in August. We would love to play volleyball, softball, kickball, and yard games. If you have any of this equipment that you would be willing to share, please contact Sharlene Santelli at ssantelli@sbcglobal.net or 330-825-7583.

Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) Update

The PNC would like to update you on our search for the next installed pastor. We've revised the Ministry Information Form (MIF) in order to attract a wider pool of candidates. The revised MIF has been approved and posted to the Church Leadership Connection website, where it can be viewed by prospective candidates. Potential candidates are continuing to express interest in WPC for their next call. Several of them look promising, and we will continue to move forward with the vetting and discernment process. The PNC is in various stages of the interview process with a handful of candidates, including telephone calls, video conferences and in-person discussions. The PNC thanks you again for your patience. Please look to us for more updates as we continue our search for a new pastor for this church. PNC members are: Kacey Yates Gable, Mike Grau, Nancy Keogh, Ed Labbe (chair), Ginny Melver, Barb Shriner, and Kathryn Vuchak.

Celtic Garden

The Celtic Garden has been planted with some new perennials and of course, many annuals. The Gardeners thank all members and friends who shared their plants and bought perennials at our sale on May 2. We made over \$900. Thank You! We thank Dave Stobbs, who power-washed the cement walk and the brick walk in the garden. He also replaced the gravel in the brick walk. Walk around the garden and see what a wonderful job he did. Thank You, Dave, it took a lot of time and was hard work. Please take time to walk through and enjoy your Celtic Garden this spring, summer and fall. New gardeners are always welcome. We will be working May 30, June 13, June 27, July 11, July 25, Aug. 8, Aug. 22, Sept. 5, Sept. 19, Oct. 3, Oct. 17, and Oct. 31. We start at 9:30.

Prayer Quilt Ministry

The Discipleship Committee is launching a Prayer Quilt Ministry at Westminster Presbyterian Church. *What is a Prayer Quilt?* Very simply, a prayer quilt is a quilt that is made with love and tied with prayers. Each knot tied into the quilt represents a prayer that is offered specifically for someone in need of those prayers. As the congregation or other groups, family, or friends gather, knots are tied into the quilt representing prayers, love and concern for the recipient. Recipients agree to accept the gift of prayer in the form of a quilt before the quilt is made and tied. To request a prayer quilt, please contact Marian Wahl at mcwahl@sbcglobal.net or 330-633-9727, or Ellen Daugherty at edaugh1185@gmail.com or 330-666-5645.

How can you participate in this ministry?

1. Pray, as you tie a knot in the quilt.
2. Volunteer to cut squares, sew, or pull ties. (The group currently meets on the third Tuesday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to noon)
3. Donate cotton fabric, yarn or embroidery floss (any color). Donated materials may be placed in the box in the coat room.
4. Donate cash to purchase fabric.

Financial Report (through April 30)

Income: \$185,978.80 Expenses: \$187,600.94 Deficit: \$1,622.14

Income is lower than expected, as are expenses. Thus, the relatively low deficit. We have some significant mid-year bills to pay, so we look a little better than we really are. And summer is coming when income tends to be lower. **So...**remember to stay current with your pledges, even when you are gallivanting around the countryside!

Finance Staff Change: Robin Bennett has taken another position in Barberton, OH. We have hired **Betsy Winn** to serve as our temporary financial secretary as we complete the assessment of our long-term financial staffing needs. *Welcome, Betsy!*

Giving Envelopes for the months of July through December 2015, will be mailed to your home by the Church Budget Envelope Company in the month of June. If you did not receive envelopes for the first half of 2015; but would like to, please contact the Finance Office and we would be glad to see that you receive them.