

**GREETERS**  
**Dec 16** Diane and Barry Cook  
**Dec 23** Barry and Becky Fadely  
**Dec 30** Irene Mertens

**WORSHIP LEADER**  
**Dec 16** Emma Saeler  
**Dec 23** Becky Fadely  
**Dec 30** Pat Ladehoff

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR**  
**Dec 16** Fellowship Luncheon  
**Dec 23** Cookie Share  
**Dec 30** Malinda and Terry Johnston

**NURSERY**  
**Dec 16** Jessica Jones/Jennifer Saeler  
**Dec 23** Jessica Jones/Tiffany Newland  
**Dec 30** Jessica Jones/Sharon Barocelli

**COUNTERS** Susan Coffman, Becky Fadely,  
**SEXTON** Terry Johnston

**BULLETIN FOLDERS** \*Friday mornings at 11:00.  
**Dec 21** Linda Burnside  
**Dec 28** Irene Mertens

**SANCTUARY ASSISTANTS** (during the week of)  
**Dec 16** Dan Voss  
**Dec 23** Jane Helms  
**Dec 30** Sylvia Pearson

**WOODSTOCK CLOTHES CLOSET**  
**Dec 28 (10-12:15)** Linda Burnside

**BROWN BAG BLESSING (Tuesday & Wednesday)**  
**Dec 18** Irene Mertens, Dan Voss  
**Dec 20** Gary Hines

**HEAD USHER**  
**Dec 16** George Swecker (Team 5)  
**Dec 23** Ray Powell (Team 6)  
**Dec 30** Eric Cook (Team 1)

### Prayer Concerns & Joys

**Remember in Prayer** Jennifer O’Ferrell

**Those in Nursing/Health Care Facilities** Louise Grinstead (Greenfield Woodstock); Shirley Lynn, Mary Gwen Long, Margy Boyer (Pine Meadow); Bettie Hepner (Greenfield Reflections); Bob & Dot Lowerre (Strasburg Greenfield); Marguerite Lynch (Avante, Staunton), Janet Einstein (Sunnyside)

**WPC World Mission Focus** Corrymeela Peace Community (Northern Ireland)

**WPC Local Focus** Woodstock Ministerial Association, Shenandoah Alliance for Shelter, Response, Bread of Life Food Pantry, Woodstock Clothes Closet, Brown Bag Blessing

**Birthdays This Week** December 19: Mary Norville

### WPC Staff Directory

Ann Grisdale - Clerk of Session  
 Pastor- Kate Rascoe  
 Lori Staley - Secretary  
 Elizabeth Sollenberger - Organist/Pianist  
 Lori Staley - Choral Director  
 Jessica Jones - Nursery Care Provider  
 Cindy Isner - Custodian  
 Vicky Germroth - Librarian  
 Ray Powell -Treasurer  
 Cindy Wilkins - Assistant Treasurer  
 Loretta Lantz - Presb. Women Moderator  
 Jerry Germroth/Ray Powell- Men’s Co-Pres.

### The Presbyterian Preschool (459-8510)

4-Star Preschool Experience for 3 and 4 year olds  
 Stephanie Dysart - Director  
 Elizabeth Warner - Assistant Director  
 Sarah Keefauver - Special Education Aide

Cathy Gilbert - ESL Director  
 Sarah Kalkbrenner - GED Director

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# The Weekly Wellspring

Happenings in and around WPC

December 16, 2018

## Weekly Scripture Readings

**Sunday, December 16**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**

Morning: Pss. 24; 150  
 Evening: Pss. 25; 110 Isa. 13:1–13  
 Heb. 12:18–29 John 3:22–30

**Monday, December 17**

Morning: Pss. 122; 145  
 Evening: Pss. 40; 67 Isa. 8:16—9:1 2  
 Peter 1:1–11 Luke 22:39–53

**Tuesday, December 18**

Morning: Pss. 33; 146  
 Evening: Pss. 85; 94 Isa. 11:1–9  
 Eph. 6:10–20 John 3:16–21

**Wednesday, December 19**

Morning: Pss. 50; 147:1–11  
 Evening: Pss. 53; 17 Isa. 11:10–16  
 Rev. 20:1–10 John 5:30–47

**Thursday, December 20**

Morning: Pss. 18:1–20; 147:12–20  
 Evening: Pss. 126; 62 Isa. 28:9–22  
 Rev. 20:11—21:8 Luke 1:5–25

**Friday, December 21**

Morning: Pss. 102; 148  
 Evening: Pss. 130; 16 Isa. 29:9–24  
 Rev. 21:9–21 Luke 1:26–38

**Saturday, December 22**

Morning: Pss. 90; 149  
 Evening: Pss. 80; 72 Isa. 31:1–9  
 Rev. 21:22—22:5  
 Luke 1:39–48a (48b–56)



Thy word is a lamp unto  
 my feet and a light unto  
 my path...

## In violence and travail

Walter Brueggemann

We give you thanks for the babe born in violence.

We give you thanks for the miracle of Bethlehem, born into the Jerusalem heritage.

We do not understand why the innocents must be slaughtered; we know that your kingdom comes in violence and travail.

Our time would be a good time for your kingdom to come, because we have had enough of violence and travail.

So we wait with eager longing, and with enormous fear, because your promises do not coincide with our favorite injustices.

We pray for the coming of your kingdom on earth as it is around your heavenly throne.

We are people grown weary of waiting.

We dwell in the midst of cynical people, and we have settled for what we can control.

We do know that you hold initiative for our lives, that your love planned our salvation before we saw the light of day.

And so we wait for your coming, in your vulnerable baby in whom all things are made new.

Amen.

## Highlights of the December 9, 2018 Session Meeting

1. The Session meeting was opened with devotions and prayer by Elder Morgan Saeler. Present at the meeting were our Moderator, The Reverend Kate Rascoe, Ann Grisdale (Clerk of Session) and Ruling Elders Margaret Nelson, Cindy Wilkins, Irene Mertens, Morgan Saeler, Sharon Baroncelli, Jane Runyon, Jerry Germroth and George Shaffer. Ruling Elders Lori Staley, Marian French, George Swecker and Diane Cook were excused. Also in attendance was church treasurer Ray Powell.

2. The minutes of the November 4, 2018 stated meeting were approved and the treasurer's report was received as information.

3. Elder Jane Runyon gave the commissioner's report on the November 27<sup>th</sup> Presbytery meeting held at Strasburg Presbyterian Church.

4. The following actions were approved by the Session:

a. Transferring the membership of Sally and Chuck Walters to the Braddock Street United Methodist Church, Winchester, Virginia.

b. The 2019 Communion dates, the 2019 special offerings, and the 2019 counters.

c. A spring yard sale sponsored by the Presbyterian Women with the proceeds designated for completion of the unfinished upstairs room (explanation below).

d. Called the Annual Congregational Meeting for Sunday, January 20, 2019.

e. Called a Special Session meeting on Sunday, January 13, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. for the purpose of examining the Class of 2021. Their ordination and installation will follow during morning worship.

5. Two bids have been received from contractors to build a gate at the top of the stairs in the Fellowship Hall. The Session approved that Jerry Germroth and Ray Powell be authorized to select a contractor for this project with the amount not to exceed \$1500. The Presbyterian Men will fund this project.

6. There is an unfinished room on the second floor of the education wing. The ESL program that meets in our church needs additional room. The Session approved the renovation of the unfinished room along with two additional closets and approved the fund raising needed to complete the project. The Presbyterian Men have pledged \$7000 for the completion of this project. Final cost estimates are not available at this time.

7. The Session received the first draft of the 2019 budget.

8. The next meeting of the Session is scheduled for January 13, 2019 at 12:30 p.m.

There being no further business, Pastor Kate closed the meeting with prayer.

## Sanctuary Poinsettias Given to the Glory of God by

\* Margy Boyer, in memory of her family

\*John Coleman, in memory of Carol Coleman

\*Louise L. Garman, in honor of her four children and their families

\*Walter & JJ Jones, in memory of Walter C. Jones and Oscar & Janet Beasley



## Building Fund Donations Given to the Glory of God by

\*Linda Burnside, in memory of Jack & Katheryn Rose

\*Keith & Susan Coffman, in honor of our children and grandchildren, and in memory of our parents

\*Barry & Diane Cook, in memory of our parents, Arthur & Margaret Cook, Melvin & Dorothy Lauchner, and our daughter-in-law, Brooke Joslin Cook

\*Barry & Becky Fadely, in honor of our children & their families and 9 grandchildren, and in memory of our parents: Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Beasley, Jr., and Mr. & Mrs. Calvin Fadely

\*Terry & Malinda Johnston, in honor of our children Heath and Elizabeth, and our grandchildren, and in memory of our daughter, Sarah, brother John, parents Joe & Sue, and Ralph & Helen

\*Irene Mertens, in memory of Bob Mertens

\*Alison and Carl Nelson, in memory of Bill Coffman

\*Bill & Sylvia Pearson, in memory of loved ones

\*Ray & Judy Powell, in memory of our parents and brothers

\*Jane Runyon, in honor of my children, Carolyn, David & Cory

\*Jennifer & Morgan Saeler, in honor of Emma, Jackson, and Brooklyn, and in memory of Maggie

\*Liz Sollenberger, in honor of the WPC Choir and Tone Chimes



## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sun.	Sunday School	9:45am
	Elders Pray	10:40 am
	Worship	11 am
	Fellowship Hour	12pm
Mon	Preschool	9-1pm
	Exercise Class	1pm
	Lions Club	6pm
Tues.	Preschool	9-1pm
	ESL/GED	9:30-12pm
	BBB	4:30pm
	Skyline Nursing Home	6:30pm
Wed.	Preschool	9-1pm
	Advent Lunch and Worship	12pm
	Tone Chimes	4pm
	Choir	5pm
Thurs.	Preschool	9-1pm
	ESL/GED	9:30-12pm
	Batterers Intervention	4-7pm

## Advent Season Happenings At WPC

- ◆ Sun Dec 16 worship, 11:00a
- ◆ Wed., Dec 19 - Community Advent Services @ Emanuel Lutheran Lunch – noon, worship – 12:30
- ◆ Sun Dec 23 worship, 11:00a
- ◆ CHRISTMAS EVE  
Candlelight & Communion Worship  
Monday Dec 24, 7:00pm



## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Please join us next week, December 23, as the Adult Sunday School Class begins a 6-week study of John Calvin: Founder of the Reformed Tradition. This Study from the "Being Reformed" curriculum series introduces us to leading ideas in John Calvin's theology, including how we know God, what Jesus came to do, election and predestination, Calvin's understanding of the Church, and understanding the sacraments.