



WESTERN SPIRE

Nancy Nuggets for October, 2011

“... for those who love, time is eternity.” -Henry Van Dyke

It was only after I had finished my thesis on Time, Planning and Sabbath that I found one of my favorite books of all time, The Power of Full Engagement. The authors' thesis is that for those of us living in the twenty-first century, “the digital age,” our pace is rushed and relentless. Most of us try to cram as much as possible into every day and always feel that we are still running behind. This leads to persons being wired up but also melting down. Time management isn't enough for us. We need to manage our energy in order to perform well and to lead balanced lives of health and happiness. We need to balance our energy expenditures with energy renewal. It is a great book and theologically helpful to contemporary Christians.

This fall as we consider our stewardship of our resources, please consider your own lives and your sources of energy and renewal. We draw life from being around those who love us. We draw life and light from worship. We worship in spirit and truth! Our quantity and quality of energy isn't fixed but a renewable resource. So think about renewal: Committee meetings where laughter is prominent can be energizing. Working together on projects such as the Ox Roast builds up the Body of Christ. The peace and quiet of worship, alternating with empowering songs, prayer and the sacraments can renew our spirit. We each can create energy management rituals that assist us in engaging in life. Are you wasting precious energy on trivial pursuits? Have you hugged a child recently? Consider the time and energy wasted on worry or grumbling--reinvest your time and energy in being creative or as Dewitt Jones suggests reframe problems into opportunities. Look at the world with a sense of abundance rather than scarcity. We are lucky to be alive! As we do this we become more comfortable with *reframing problems into opportunities, finding new angles and finding the next right answer because there is never just one right answer*. We can also draw life from changing things up a bit. Many of us don't change or try something new because we are afraid of making mistakes. The New York Times Magazine recent education issue led with a bright pink headline “What if the Secret to Success is Failure”? What if...

Of course, according to some, in fact many, of his time Jesus was a failure. But, God would not have it so ultimately; Jesus Christ transformed failure into new life. So can we, if we but follow.

Think about it. We'll see what tomorrow brings forth in love. Session is meeting in retreat on October 18th. We expect to come out of the meeting with some specific ideas/plans for our future life together. Please pray that we will invest our corporate energies into God's future.

Soli Deo Gloria! The Rev. Dr. Nancy J

Sunday Worship for October

8:30 a.m. October Reader: Linda Gross 8:30 a.m. Ushers: Bob and Jane Culver

Sunday, October 2, 2011 World Communion Sunday

Sermon "Pressing on Toward the Goal"

Lessons: Psalm 19; Epistle: Philippians 3:4b-14;

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-46.

11:00 a.m. Reader: Sue Pringle Coffee Hour:

Communion Elders: Norm Underwood, Janet Gunkler, Sharon Marr & Sue Pringle

11:00 a.m. Ushers: Jan & Mike Semans

Toddler Room: Katie Mitchell

Sunday, October 9, 2011 Guest Preacher: Randy Kennard and Lynn Malboeuf

Sermon: "I Was Thirsty and You Gave Me Drink"

Lessons: Isaiah 58:1-12; Epistle: James 2:14-20;

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Reader: Pam Hughes

Ushers: Vicky & Paul Powell

Coffee Hour: Janet Manktelow & Sue Pringle

Toddler Room: Vicky Powell

Sunday, October 16, 2011

Sermon "The Cross: Christ the Center"

Lessons: Genesis 1 Epistle: Philippians 2;

Gospel: John 1:1-5,10-18.

11:00 a.m. Reader: Edie Chapman Coffee Hour: Western Horizons Pot Luck Lunch

Ushers: Vicky & Paul Powell

Toddler Room: Sue Pringle

Sunday, October 23, 2011

Sermon "The Steeple: By God's Grace"

Lessons: Deuteronomy 26: 16-19 Zechariah 10: 6-12

Epistle: Ephesians 4: 1-16; Gospel: John 20:19-23.

8:30 a.m. reader Donna Scribner 11:00 a.m. Reader: Rena Haigh

Coffee Hour:

Ushers: Vicky & Paul Powell

Toddler Room: Sue Leonard

Sunday, October 30, 2011

Sermon "The Sunflower Symbol: Reformation Today and Always"

Lessons: Genesis 15:1-6;17:15-22; 18:9-15; 21:1-7

Epistle: Galatians 3: 23-29; Gospel: Luke 24:36-49.

11:00 a.m. Reader: Rochelle Morse Coffee Hour:

Ushers: Vicky & Paul Powell

Toddler Room: Linda Pulcini



IT'S HERE AGAIN!!

Time to clean out those clothes closets/cabinets/garages for

THE ANNUAL "FALL

RUMMAGE SALE"

OCTOBER 20-22, 2011

WPC FELLOWSHIP HALL

THURSDAY... 9AM – 5PM

FRIDAY.....9AM – 5PM (50% OFF SALE STARTING AT 1PM)

SATURDAY...9AM – 11AM (\$2 BAG DAY)

DON'T MISS OUT!!

ALWAYS GREAT BARGAINS!!

(DONATIONS ACCEPTED STARTING 10/16/11. PLEASE - NO LARGE APPLIANCES, FURNITURE, COMPUTERS, OR TV'S)



Western Presbyterian Church has had a **BABY BOOM!!!** Our nursery in the Sunday School wing is in need of a rocker or glider. Do you have an extra one you can donate? If so, please contact Rena Haigh (597-5971) or Irene Fadden (986-1340). Thank you!



CLOTHING CUPBOARD

The clothing cupboard is in need of Fall/Winter children's clothing, especially Boy's sizes 5 & 6.

Any help you can give will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you!

TODDLER ROOM SCHEDULE

Below is the schedule for staffing of the Toddler Room during the 11:00 Sunday morning services. Thank you in advance for your extremely important mission of providing infant and toddler care. You will find a red binder in the supply closet of the Toddler Room. Please have parents complete a form from the binder for each child who will be staying with you. Snacks are available in a plastic tote in the supply closet also. Please arrive about 10-15 minutes early to organize snacks and to allow parents the time needed to complete the forms in the red binder. Many thanks!

10/9/11	Vicky Powell	331-3814
10/16/11	Sue Pringle	597-9553
10/23/11	Sue Leonard	597-6616
10/30/11	Linda Pulcini	331-6828
11/6/11	Nancy Talma	597-5003
11/13/11	Carol Sloan	597-5182
11/20/11	Amie McMullin	597-1559
11/27/11	Edie Chapman	597-6119
12/4/11	Irene Fadden	986-1340
12/11/11	Janet Manktelow	597-4314
12/18/11	Jan Taylor	597-4293
12/25/11	Laurie Ellis	597-5934
1/1/12	Rena Haigh	597-5971
1/8/12	Ruth Dantz	597-2143
1/15/12	Katie Mitchell	597-5653

****If you will be unavailable on the date you have been assigned, please contact another volunteer and exchange dates. Please contact Rena Haigh or Linda Pulcini, or the church office with questions or concerns. Again, thank you very much!



OCTOBER 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2 <i>World Communion Sunday</i> 8:30 & 11:00AM Worship Service Sunday School EBW Adult Sunday School Group starts	3	4 2pm - Deacons 7pm - King's Daughters (MGR)	5 7pm - CTNS Board Meeting	6 7pm - Choir	7	8
9 MDE - Noon 8:30 & 11:00AM Worship Service Sunday School EBW/Adult Sunday School	10 Columbus Day Office Closed	11 7pm -- Property	12 7pm - Christian Ed.	13 7pm - Choir	14 6:30-9:30pm - 4H Fellowship Hall	15
16 8:30 & 11:00AM Worship Service Sunday School EBW Adult Sunday School Western Horizons Pot Luck Lunch	17	18 Session Retreat – Branding Workshop – All Day RUMMAGE SALE SET-UP- Fellowship Hall 4-6:30 GUM Dinner SPIRE Deadline	19 RUMMAGE SALE - SET_UP Fellowship Hall 7pm - Finance 7pm - Worship	20 RUMMAGE SALE- Fellowship Hall 6pm - Bells 7pm - Choir	21 RUMMAGE SALE - Fellowship Hall	22 RUMMAGE SALE - Fellowship Hall
23 8:30 & 11:00AM Worship Service Sunday School EBW Adult School	24	25 2:45 - Parkwood Program 7pm-Session Mtg.	26	27 6pm -Bells 7pm - Choir	28	29
30 8:30 & 11:00AM Worship Service Sunday School EBW Adult School	31 Halloween					



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		1 2pm -Deacons	2	3 6pm - Bells 7pm - Choir	4	5
6 8:30 & 11:00 Worship Service Sunday School EBW Adult Sunday School	7 7pm - Membership Development Comm.- FH	8 7pm-Social Concerns 7pm-Property 7pm-Worship Comm. Election Day	9 7pm - Christian Ed.	10 6pm - Bells 7pm - Choir	11 6:30-9:30pm - 4H Fellowship Hall Veterans Day	12
13 8:30 & 11:00 Worship Service Sunday School EBW Adult Sunday School	14	15 1pm - Circle I	16 7pm - Finance 7:30pm -Circle IV	17 6pm - Bells 7pm - Choir	18	19 WPC Women's Holiday Party - FH & Kitchen All Day
20 8:30 & 11:00 Worship Service Sunday School EBW Adult Sunday School 12:00 - Hanging of the Greens	21	22 SPIRE Deadline 7pm - Session	23	24 6pm - Bells 7pm - Choir Thanksgiving	25	26
13 8:30 & 11:00 Worship Service Sunday School EBW Adult Sunday School	28	29	30			



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

October 2	Madelyn Jagger
October 3	Carol Campbell
October 4	Julie Vice
October 7	Tillie Henry
October 7	Beverly Wilkinson
October 8	Mary Blake
October 8	Maja Hutter
October 9	John Kratzert
October 9	Rochelle Morse
October 11	Paul Powell
October 13	Shawn Murray
October 15	Donald Dantz
October 15	Carolyn Roland
October 18	James Hemmings
October 19	Linda Gross
October 20	Irene Fadden
October 20	Sandy Kelly
October 20	Dave Lyon
October 21	Larry Williamson
October 23	Carol Watson
October 25	Elizabeth Pinkney
October 27	Rebecca Underwood
October 27	Susan Luechauer
October 27	Sheila Koeberle
October 29	Eugene Bucknam



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

October 5	Charlotte & Ronald Oates
October 16	Kelly & Bruce Babcock
October 18	Kimberly & James McFarlane
October 19	Ruth & Donald Dantz
October 21	Gary & Tricia Spence
October 24	Nancy & John Kratzert
October 25	Eleanor & Robert Giles

If you are an active member and we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please contact the office at 597-9171 so we can add it to our list next time.

SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

Operating and Mission Funds
August 1, 2011 Through August 31, 2011

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Operating Pledges/Offerings	\$14,161.00
Per Capita	172.00
Other Donations	250.00
Income from Investments	<u>1,134.00</u>
Total Income	\$15,717.00
<u>EXPENSES</u>	
Session Committees	\$ 2,568.00
Personnel	8,774.00
Mission	1,406.00
Per Capita	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$12,748.00
NET INCOME (Expenses)	\$ 2,969.00

WPC FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS SUMMARY

AUGUST, 2011

<u>ENDOWMENTS</u>	<u>VALUE</u>	<u>YTD VARIAN.</u>
OPERATIONS	\$ 866,679	+ \$4,246
EDIFICE	<u>890,921</u>	<u>+ 4,178</u>
TOTAL	\$1,757,600	+ \$8,424
 <u>MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS</u>	 \$ 113,498	 + \$1,741
 TOTAL INVESTMENTS	 \$1,871,098	 + \$10,165

J.KELLY, TREASURER