

WALLACE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

JULY 2016

Summer Worship | July 3rd - 31st |

Theme: Following Jesus, the Light of the World.

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July 3rd

Sacrament of Communion

Scripture Reading: Galatians 6: 11, 14-18

Young Disciples' Time: "A Large Mark"

Scripture Lesson Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

Morning Message: "Leaving a Mark"

July 10th

Commissioning of Summer Kids' Week Volunteers

Scripture Reading: Colossians 1: 3-13

Young Disciples' Time: "A Cave Quest"

Scripture Lesson: Luke 10: 25-37

Morning Message: "A Soul Focus"

June 17th

Summer Kids' Week Celebration

Scripture Readings: Memory Verses

Young Disciples' Time: "In the Bag"

Scripture Lesson: Luke 10: 38-42

Morning Message: "At the Feet of Jesus"

July 24th

Scripture Reading: Colossians 2: 6-19

Young Disciples' Time: "The Prayer Swoosh"

Scripture Lesson: Luke 11: 1-13

Morning Message: "Provision

Through Prayer"

July 31st

Scripture Reading: Colossians 3: 1-17

Young Disciples' Time: "The Biggest Slice of the Pie"

Scripture Lesson: Luke 12: 13-21

Morning Message: "The Riches of God"

The Sacrament of Communion will be observed on the first Sunday of the month in July and August.

Pastor's Corner



"Believe in the Good"

all. As one author puts it, "One that set Jesus' teaching so radically apart from that of the religious leaders is that the religious leaders emphasized what people shouldn't do while Jesus stressed the positive nature of our calling – what we should do. It's not enough to refrain from killing our enemies; we are called to love them and pray for them.

week. What would it look like, if we ignited the light of Jesus in the lives of 50 children this month to be the light of Jesus in the world forever? What would it be like, if we all started being the gospel rather just believing in the gospel? I encourage you to Be the Good you believe in!

As a nation and a global community, we are once again dealing with the ramifications and fears caused by terrorism after the horrific killings in Orlando, Florida and more suicide bombings in Istanbul, Turkey. Terrible events like these continue to occur around the globe and overshadow the hope of peace and love that God would desire all people to know. The need for the gospel (good news) continues to be the calling of faithful disciples for the Kingdom of Jesus Christ in the world! However, we are at times overwhelmed by the challenges that continue to confront us as a community of believers, even as we seek to be faithful. Perhaps, it is because we "talk the talk" more than "walk the walk".

In Matthew 5, we read about the Be-Attitude that Jesus would have us embrace in order to understand the blessing of God. The one's about being blessed while being persecuted for righteousness sake and being blessed when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely (Matthew 5: 10, 11), don't seem to fit with our understanding of blessing.

We want blessings to be something poured out as a reward for favorable behavior rather than the blessing being the attitude we express when we are being the disciples of Jesus in the world as it is, challenges and

Think about your own shortcomings and how you might counteract each one with a positive virtue. For example, instead of being critical, learn to encourage; instead of hoarding wealth, learn to be generous and so on. (Instead of being judgmental, offer help to right a wrong, or instead of protesting an action, engage the situation to improve the outcomes.) Ask God to help you go beyond merely desiring change to being transformed into his likeness.

I first saw the above saying at my daughter's house last year. Throughout the year I have seen it in many times in a variety of places, including on Facebook. It has always caused me to pause and ponder the possibilities for me and the church to be the agents of "Being the Good" in the world. Belief bears no fruit without application of what one believes in.

During the summer months we are engaging in a variety of activities to be the good in the world. We have emphasized the various mission projects we are engaged in as a congregation in June. In July we will be holding our Summer Kids' Week (see separate article) as a ministry of our congregation to nurture the light of Jesus in the world. We will be emphasizing the importance of the "Light midst the darkness", through our Cave Quest adventures during the

Peace.

Pastor Dennis



"I AM THE LIGHT OF THE
WORLD. WHOEVER
FOLLOWS ME WILL
NEVER WALK IN
DARKNESS, BUT HAVE
THE LIGHT OF LIFE."

JOHN 8:12

Events and Announcements



JULY EVENTS

**Monday July 11th - Friday
July 15th**

Summer Kids' Week

*Cave Quest: Following Jesus,
the Light of the World*

9:00am - 12:00pm Daily
Wallace Church

Thursday, July 14th -

Saturday July 16th

SS Simon and Jude Festival

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED
FOR THE WALLACE BOOTH**

6:00pm - 11:00pm Daily
SS Simon & Jude

Saturday July 23rd -

Saturday, July 30th

**New Wilmington Mission
Conference**

Westminster College, New
Wilmington, PA

July 24th

**The Wallace Soul Series:
LuAnn Cibik, Creating a
Sacred Space for Your Life
Workshop**

6:30pm - Wallace Chapel

Monday June 25th

Picnic with The Table Group
6:30pm - The Manse

Friday, July 29th

**Interfaith Exploration Group
SS Simon and Jude Movie
Night: Dietrich Bonhoeffer**
7:00pm - 8:30pm - SS Simon
and Jude Sanctuary

NEW WILMINGTON Mission Conference

JULY 23-30, 2016

Seeking to deepen the missionary spirit,
live out the Great Commission, and
proclaim the gospel in service and
witness for Jesus Christ.

To the end that all may know!



Who is, what is, the New Wilmington Mission Conference???

The New Wilmington Mission Conference is associated with New Wilmington Presbyterian Church and Westminster College in scenic New Wilmington, PA, just one hour north of Pittsburgh. "Every year over 1,800 people gather from 31 states and 19 countries to experience how God is moving in the world through missions." (Quoted from their website.) The theme for this year's conference is, "To the End That All May Know!"

This amazing week is filled with worship, learning, service opportunities, Christian band performances, scholars, and missionaries from around the globe. It includes programs for infants through adults. So the good news is you can bring the whole family! If you are feeling a call to serve, but are uncertain of a direction, this is the conference to attend.

Visit their website for speakers, schedules and program details, registration is required... www.nwmcmission.org or (724) 946-9770.

Information is also available in the transept and scholarship is available. Please talk to Pastor Dennis Molnar, Eunice Nasri, or Mike Kluczan if you have further questions.



Wallace Nursery School Is Hiring

We are looking for a teacher to work in the three-year-old class. The candidate should have a degree in Elementary or Early Childhood Education or experience working with young children for a period of time and the proven ability to perform in the classroom. Acts 23, 33 and 34 clearances along with FBI background check and finger printing are required. The hours are Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 8:30am - 12:30pm. Salary starts at about \$10.00 an hour.

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Planned Giving



A Note from the Stewardship Committee...

"Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you." (Luke 6-38)

The word "give" appears 921 times in the Bible - almost as many times as the word "faith", "hope", and "love" combined. Giving can be an expression of your faith in God, your hope for the future, and your love of others. Consider expressing your faith, hope and love with a gift to the church in your will. It doesn't have to be a monetary gift either of course, just something you believe in your heart would help Wallace thrive.



Declutter and Donate!

We are going to hold a Church Flea Market on Thursday, August 25 – Saturday, August 27 in the Activities Room of the church. We will be decluttering the church and encourage you to do the same at home as we prepare for the Flea Market. All donated items will benefit the church and leftover items will be sent to a local service organization. We are looking for volunteers to help prepare, be at the event, and clean up from this fund raising adventure. A sign-up sheet is located in the transept area. Further details will be forthcoming.

Picnic at the Manse with The Table Group...

The Table Group at Wallace is hosting a picnic at the Manse on **Monday, July 25th, at 6:30pm**. It's ok to come a little later as well in case you need more time after arriving home from work.

They ask you to bring a side dish or dessert. Please check in with The Table Group's page on Facebook (search "The Table at Wallace"), to find out what others plan to bring. Hope to see you there!



2016 Lakota Sioux Mission Trip



We have just returned from the Pine Ridge Reservation after conducting the most recent Art Camp for the children at Little Wound School. The trip had a threefold effect: the 20-30 children that attended engaged in a variety of art projects, including bow making, shawl creations, prints, leaf imprints, and hand paint prints; several adult women helped with the class including some teaching of Lakota art projects; and the team building of the mission team through a focus on "sacrifice" and "giving of self". You will hear much more in the weeks ahead and see plenty of pictures that captured the journey to South Dakota and back. Thanks to all who donated support and offered prayer coverage while we were on the journey!



Scripture and the Arts



Mark your calendars for our celebration of the arts the ENTIRE month of August!

Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church will be celebrating the arts with a month of planned activities revolving around visual art, music, dance and creative workshops. These activities are open to all members of the congregation and community. Please mark your calendars and join us!

August 1st, 2nd, 3rd - "Scripture & the ARTS": Mini Art Camp

Time 9am-12pm. Children entering 6th through 12th grade. The instructor is Ron Emrick and the focus of the art camp will be drawing. The camp will provide instruction, all supplies, and a safe, encouraging environment to create visual art. Each child will be invited to select one piece of his or her art to participate in the "Scripture & the ARTS" month long exhibition. All community children are invited; the camp is limited to the first 20 children who preregister. *Contact: Ellen Heriger 412-269-1854, heriger@verizon.net*

August 5th - "Scripture & the ARTS": Exhibition

Opening Reception - Church Transept

Time: 6:30-8:30pm.

The exhibition will feature art from church members, community members and the kids' mini camp. The theme for this year's exhibition is "ART as a Sacrosanct". The exhibition is open to artists ages 10 and up who have preregistered. There will be six Juror's Choice Awards that will be given based on the artistry of the work and the interpretation of the theme. This year's juror Starr Hall will be present to discuss her awards. *Contact: Dee Paras 412-276-0679, deeparas@verizon.net*

August 5th - August 28th - "Scripture & the ARTS": Exhibition

Exhibition Hours: Monday - Saturday, August 6th - August 27th

11:00am - 3:00pm

*Please use the church office entrance. *Contact: Dee Paras 412-276-0679, deeparas@verizon.net*

August 13th - Kids' Art Open House

Time: 10:00am - 11:00am.

Children are invited to come to the church transept to view the art exhibition and to participate in art and craft activities with Terri Molnar. Each child will each get a sticker to choose their own "Best in Show" piece of art in the exhibit. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Come and join us in this time of hands on art! Move next from art to music at our Music Open House. *Contact: Dee Paras 412-276-0679, deeparas@verizon.net*

August 13th - Kids' and Adults' Music Open House

Time: 11:30am - 12:30pm.

Children and adults are invited to come to the Chapel and join Ashley Lind and Sandy Rubright for a time of learning and musical expression with drums. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. *Contact: Sandy Rubright srubright@wallacememorial.org*

August 14th - Expressing the Doxology using Sign Language.

During worship, Sandy Rubright and Becka Abbott will be leading the

Art Fun for Adults at Wallace Church!



During our month long celebration of the arts in August, The Scripture and the Arts Team, is offering an art workshop for adults on Saturday, Aug. 20, from 9:30-2:00 at Wallace. No art experience is necessary for this creative workshop using Yupo paper and alcohol inks. All materials will be provided for this hands-on art experience that encourages the realistic painter of any medium to loosen up; provides more abstract artists with time trying newer mediums; and allows someone with no art experience to explore. Register early, space is limited!

To find out more information on both the Adult Workshop and Art Mini Camp, please visit The Scripture and the Arts Team's page on the Wallace website:

<http://wallacememorial.org/scripture-arts-team/>

You can download and print registration forms from the web page, or obtain them through the church office. Please note forms cannot be submitted on-line, please return all forms to the church office.

Fellowship



Scripture and the Arts Continued...

children in Sign Language. Psalm 150 says "Let us Praise God in his sanctuary with sounding trumpet, tambourine and dance, strings and flute.....in other words, with all that we have!" *Contact: Sandy Rubright srubright@wallacememorial.org*

August 20th - "Scripture & the ARTS": Adult Workshop
Time 9:30am - 2:00pm. Artist Cindy Gilberti will be leading us in the exploration of alcohol inks and concentrated watercolors on Yupo paper. No art experience is necessary! All materials will be provided for this hands on art experience. Fun for adults, men and women of all ages! Pre-registration is necessary.

Contact: Ellen Heriger 412-269-1854, heriger@verizon.net

August 21st - "Choirchimes Event for All Ages"
Time - Following worship 12:00 - 12:45.

The event will be available for individuals from 10 years old to 90 plus. Sandy Rubright will present a fun and informative session about Choirchimes, which came from Dormant Presbyterian Church. Come, learn how to ring a bell, laugh and share in the joy of music making!

Contact: Sandy Rubright srubright@wallacememorial.org

August 28th - "Scripture & the ARTS" Exhibition Ends
Time - Art pick up 1:00-4:00pm.

Contact: Dee Paras 412-276-0679, deeparas@verizon.net



Scripture and the Arts Mini-Camp
Monday, August 1 through
Wednesday, August 3, 2016
9 AM-Noon

For students entering 6th grade through 12th grade fall 2016, held at Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church.

The instructor is Ron Emrick and the focus of the art camp will be drawing. The camp will provide instruction, all supplies, and a safe, encouraging environment to create visual art. Each child will be invited to select one piece of his or her art to participate in the "Scripture & the ARTS" month long exhibition. All community children are invited; the camp is limited to the first 20 children who preregister. *Contact: Ellen Heriger 412-269-1854, heriger@verizon.net*

The Comfort Group Enjoys the June "Killer Heels" Exhibit at the Frick Art Museum



The Comfort Group gathered for an outing on June 22, at the Frick Art Museum to see the "Killer Heels" exhibit. They reported a lovely day was had by all, and they enjoyed the guided tour. Afterwards the group followed up with lunch at Point Brugge a few blocks away, and would highly recommend the restaurant. If you're in the mood for some wonderful Belgian food, this is some of Pittsburgh's finest!

Standing left to right in the bottom photo are: Linda Aspinall, Ruth Marrone, Prair (Noreen's granddaughter), Noreen Madden and Lucy Kottner.

The High Nooners' Trip to Moundsville Penitentiary in late June.



Interfaith Exploration



The Interfaith Exploration Group from Saint Simon and Jude Parish and Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church invites you to a -



Follow the story of Peter on his journey from denial to determination, becoming the rock and guardian of Christianity.

ALL MOVIES ARE 7:00 to 8:30PM...

...in the Air Conditioned

SANCTUARY AT SAINT SIMON and JUDE PARISH, GREEN TREE

Snacks and Beverages will be provided!

All ages are welcome; Invite your family and Friends!

Are you looking for a fun volunteer project?

Wallace is running a games booth at the Saint Simon and Jude festival. It is July 14, 15, and 16, 6:00pm to 11:00pm. We are looking for volunteers to take a 2.5 hour shift one of those nights. There always needs to be two people in the booth so we need a lot of disciples to volunteer.

Contact Rebecca Abbott @ 412-512-6951

Or
rebecca.a.abbott@gmail.com

Thank you for your willingness to serve!

Summer Movie Series on **EPIC STORIES OF FAITH:**

The Extraordinary Impact of Ordinary People

Friday, July 29:
Dietrich Bonhoeffer
Lutheran pastor, theologian, Nazi resistance fighter, and martyr.

Friday, August 19: **Peter (Part I)**
Friday, August 26: **Peter (Part II)**

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Three Rivers Adult Interdenominational Links



For young folks who are interested in exploring other interfaith experiences, TRAIL is a great group to join! It is a Christian fellowship for Pittsburgh area young adults (20/30s) from different traditions. They meet the first Friday of every month to go on group outings together. The August 5th outing is a Hebrew chant and meditation led by David Goldstein at the East Liberty Presbyterian Church. The event starts at 7:00pm. **If you are interested in participating contact Wil Forrest, wil@coh.net or (412)-260-2554**

The Wallace Soul Series



CREATING A SACRED SPACE FOR YOUR LIFE

SUNDAY JULY 24TH

6:30pm - The Wallace Chapel

LuAnn Cibik

One of the few worldwide Master Educators of Interior Alignment®. She is an Advanced Soul Coaching® Practitioner, Gateway Dreaming® Coach, and Master Oracle Card Reader.

Founder of the Inner Harmony Feng Shui School

Topic - Creating a Sacred Space for Your Life

LuAnn's summary of her workshop:

"Your home is the template for your life, and the place where you nurture your goals, dreams and ambitions in life. Feng Shui is the ancient art of arranging your space to support the life you want. Your home might be subtly blocking you from your goals, or not in alignment with your innermost beliefs. Discover 4 easy ways to create a Home for your Soul, that will empower you to connect more deeply to the Divine and your values in life. Find out easy methods for Clearing and

blessing the energy of your home, in order to release the energy of past emotional challenges. Learn powerful methods for releasing the objects in your home that no longer bring you joy, or hold you in a past pattern of disempowerment. Discover through the use of the ancient Chinese tool, the Bagua, what the different rooms in your home represent in order to create a more balanced life."



Commentary by Meredith Barrett...

Feng Shui (spoken in English as "fung schway") literally translates as "wind-water". It is an ancient Chinese philosophy that involves harmonizing people with their surroundings.

The Chinese believe in a powerful spiritual energy called Qi (or Chi, pronounced "chee") - that can be either positive or negative in nature. The goal of feng shui is to position a home, building or garden on a spot with favorable Qi, and to arrange the space in a way that positive energy can flow freely. The "good vibes", so to speak, uplift our moods and invoke a feeling of serenity, so we may operate at our best selves.

Unfortunately, Feng Shui has come

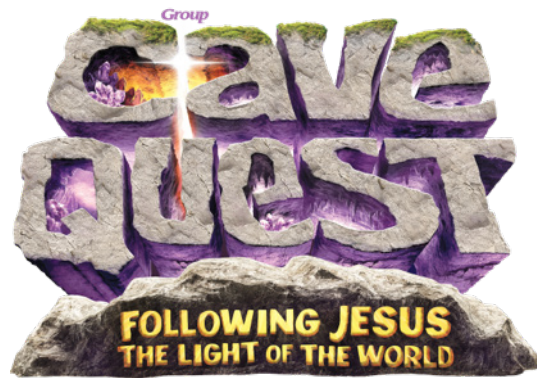
under criticism as being a pseudo-science, and some Christians have dismissed it as sorcery. However, Feng Shui is meant to be a set of principles, not science or gospel. You don't have to believe in Qi to experience the cleansing benefits of feng shui. At the very least, it will de-clutter your environment, thereby helping to de-clutter your mind and spirit.

Does all of this still sound real out there? Well I'm not sure we can honestly say our environment has little to no affect on us. Feng Shui principles applied to home decorating are actually pretty down-to-earth. An article on RealSimple.com sums it up nicely: "Feng Shui practice is based on the idea that our homes are a mirror of what's happening inside us. Its purpose is to get your environment in alignment with who you are and where you want to go—to harmonize your energy with your home's energy."

So LuAnn is simply going to show us techniques on how to achieve this. Perhaps you can take all your "de-cluttered" items, and donate them to our Wallace Flea Market at the end of August - what Divine timing! Thank you and God bless!



Youth Ministry



Summer Kids' Week (aka Vacation Bible School) will be:

July 11-15, 2016,
Monday-Friday from
9:00am – 12:00pm.

This year's theme is "Cave
Quest: Following Jesus,
the Light of the World."

Come
Hang
Out
With
Us!

Each day, kids participate in small groups, called Cave Crews, and discover practical ways to follow Jesus, the light of the world! Not only will they experience exciting Bible adventures but they'll also watch for God in everyday life through something called God Sightings™. You and your kids will discover that God is active in our lives and that His light shines for us to see it daily!

Cave Quest is filled with unforgettable Bible-learning experiences kids will see, hear, touch, and even taste! KidVid Cinema shares real stories of real kids who are shining God's light in everyday life! Plus, team-building games, cool Bible songs, and tasty treats keep everyone on the move.

Summer Kids' Week is a FREE event, so that's all the more reason to participate!

You can register you child(ren) on-line at
wallacememorial.org/vacationbibleschool.



Birthday Fund 2016:

Raise the Roof!



The Birthday Fund is an opportunity to give back for the blessing of life, and to help us save for a rainy day! This year again the focus of the birthday fund will be "Raising the Roof!" During your birthday month, we ask that you consider giving one dollar for each year of your age in celebration of your years. But it is not limited to those celebrating a birthday during any given month - not at all! Do you see a name of a dear friend on the list below, or someone who has inspired you in your faith journey? Make a gift in honor of his or her birthday.

Gifts can be submitted on Sundays, using the blue envelopes located in the sanctuary pews (please indicate "Birthday Fund" on your check or envelope), or submitted at any time in person or through the mail - simply complete the form below with your info, and return it to the church office.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL OF THOSE BORN IN JULY!

7/1 Noah Donald
7/2 Katherine Coperich
Velma Niemeier
7/3 Elle Schmitz
7/4 Kristen Emrick
7/5 Donna Connolly
7/7 Joanne Bald
Joanne Kromer
7/8 Linda Kuehn
7/8 Sally Petro
7/9 John Hughes

7/11 Chris Mildner
7/12 Caroline Riley
7/13 MacKenzie Erdos
Pauline Walter
7/14 Dana Pitteroff
7/16 Patricia Figorski
Lisa Speros
7/17 Olga Preffer
7/19 Fred Frost
Kalista Heidkamp
Randy Ide

7/21 Sean Rieger
7/22 Peggy Anderson
Laura Martinelli
7/23 Janet Lewis
Greg Olds
7/26 Fred Bissert
Linda Halley
Jacqueline Thomas
7/27 Martha Bald
Ethel English
Noreen Madden
7/28 Janet Chadwick
Dominic DeMarco
Bill Gery
Robert Hayes
Jan Schroeder
7/29 Daniel Wren
7/31 Emmet David

Yes, I am grateful for the blessing of life, and am happy to be a part of the Birthday Fund!

Name: _____

Gift Amount: _____

This is a:

_____ Gift for my birthday month

_____ Gift in honor of the birthday of:



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