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## **FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

Summer provides us with a slower pace and a chance to do things a little differently in the church. Not long ago I was meeting with our new Outreach Committee (formerly called Evangelism). The subject of the importance of knowing our beliefs as Presbyterians came up in our meeting and how often we struggle with knowing what we believe and why we believe it. Increasingly our society values the languages of science and computers, of medicine and economics, and we are less knowledgeable about God and Christ and the ethics that are informed by our faith. People may know that they struggle with a moral decision in our society, or they may know they are uncomfortable with the theology of a neighbor, and yet not know how to talk about why they believe a different theological position.

This summer I will be preaching a sermon series on Presbyterian beliefs, entitled, **This I Believe**. Starting June 9, with Pentecost Sunday when we go to our summer schedule of unified worship at 10:00 am, I will preach each Sunday this summer with three exceptions on a series of different Presbyterian beliefs. Those exceptions are July 7, when I will take a Sunday of vacation time, July 21 when we will have Soccer Camp Sunday, and August 11 which will be our Glorious Return Sunday. From June 9 to August 25, we will highlight a comprehensive overview of Presbyterian Beliefs (see schedule below). If your vacation takes you out of town any of these weeks and you would like to familiarize yourself with the sermon you missed, or if you want a friend or family member to learn about Presbyterian beliefs, check us out on You Tube.

Faithfully yours,  
Kevin E Frederick

June 9	Pentecost – The Holy Spirit
June 16	Father's Day & Trinity Sunday – What We Believe About the Trinity
June 23	The Sovereignty of God
June 30	The Lordship of Jesus Christ
July 7	Jason to preach
July 14	The Authority of Scripture
July 21	Soccer Camp Sunday
July 28	Biblical Justice
August 4	Predestination
August 11	Heritage Sunday – What Mean These Stones
August 18	The Priesthood of All Believers
August 25	Reformed and Always Reforming
September 1	Hymn Sing Sunday



## JUNE CIRCLES

Circle 2	June 10	9:30am
	To be determined	
Circle 4	June 10	1:30pm
	Tron House	
Circle 5	June 10	7:00pm
	To be determined	
Circle 7	June 10	2:00pm
	Star Evans	

The Presbyterian Women's Coordinating Team will meet Monday, June 3, at 5pm in Room 200.

## JUNE COMMITTEES

### Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

2:00 PM Christian Action

### Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>

7:00 PM Property  
7:00 PM Personnel

### Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>

6:00 PM Diaconate

### Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>

10:30 AM Jett Set  
7:00 PM Community Garden

### Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>

1:30 PM Worship  
4:00 PM Outreach

### Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>

3:00 PM Communications  
6:30 PM Personnel

### Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>

10:00 AM No Fellowship

### Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

12:00 PM Missions  
4:00 PM Stewardship/Finance

### Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>

6:00 PM Session

## JUNE WORSHIP

### June 2<sup>nd</sup>

(Graduate Recognition)

8:30am Connections  
10:55am Traditional Worship

### June 9

(Summer Schedule Begins)

9:55am Unified Worship

### June 16

(Father's Day)

9:55am Unified Worship

### June 23

9:55am Unified Worship

### June 30

9:55am Unified Worship



**Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**11:00am in Pioneer Hall**  
**Please call the church office to sign up!**



*Always  
in our hearts  
Forever  
in our memory*

Christian sympathy is extended to Amy Bonner and family upon the death of her aunt, Frances Gossage on May 2 in Atlanta, Georgia.



The Presbyterian Women are accepting donations in June for the Dry Bottoms Ministry sponsored by the First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ in Valdese. They are in need of diapers (sizes 4, 5, and 6), wipes, and diaper rash cream. This is our seventh year in supporting this ministry that now serves over 100 families a month.



All men are invited once again to the Waldensian Winery for conversation and fellowship on Thursday evening, June 27, from 4pm-6pm (the fourth Thursday of each month). This is a drop-in event. Remember to bring a snack to share!

**If you would like to receive our email prayer requests or Church Highlights, please contact Rita Spivey in the church office at [office@waldpres.org](mailto:office@waldpres.org).**



Last month I wrote right after all our Palm Sunday/Holy Week/Easter music, which was the culmination of months of work together. This month I'm writing the day after our Music Appreciation unified service. It was joyful worship with all ages and various styles of music represented. All the different parts of "Our Song Shall Rise to Thee" (a phrase from our opening hymn) came together with Jason's moving sermon for a beautiful offering of heartfelt praise to God. Thank you to each and every person involved who offered their gifts: Carla Sperry, Marissa Williams, and Kaleb Stamey on organ and piano; Melinda Davis on flute; all the Connections Band players and singers with soloists Maria Smith and Bert Sigmon; children's choir and soloists Emma, Lilah and Jonas Henry Johnson, Ruby and Valerie Adams, Magnolia McGimsey, and Piper Jillings; Chancel Choir who sang two anthems, one with the children's choir; and our handbell choir. And once again, Jan Garrou and Sally Gaillard outdid themselves with a fabulous feast for all the musicians and their families. Thank you to all!!

As we take a break now from our regular school-year schedule, we still have music opportunities over the summer. Chancel Choir continues to rehearse on Wednesdays (7:00 - 8:15) through June 12 and then every other Wednesday in July and August. For the children who come to VBS, Sunday, June 16 – Wednesday, June 19 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm, we will learn some fun songs with motions during our Opening and Closing Assemblies each evening. Join us as we ROAR!

After worship on June 23, three of our children, James Fletcher, Piper Jillings, and Lilah Johnson, will travel to Montreat with Katherine Fletcher and me as chaperones for Worship & Music Week. We have rented a house on Montreat's

campus so that we can take full advantage of the week and fix our own food. This conference is a highlight of each year for me, and I am happy to get to share it with friends at WPC now! We are thankful to the Worship Committee and generous sponsors for supporting this venture. James, Lilah and Piper will sing in a choir of 150 or so of their peers, play Orff and other instruments, do some hands-on interactive Bible study, play group games, take part in a youth musical drama that has been written just for this conference, and help lead in midday worship services. The week ends on Friday, June 28th with an evening concert by children, middle schoolers, high school youth, and adult choirs--the public is invited, and we hope some of you can come to hear us since we're less than an hour from Montreat. Your prayers for us as we spend that week together are much appreciated!

I am praying often that the good music experiences we have enjoyed together over the last nine months will bring some new friends to each of our music groups by the fall. WPC musicians are such welcoming people! We want to share and grow more in the year to come. Will you join us?

Here's to summer, a time to breathe and plan for the fall!

With thanks to God for you,  
Laurie

## Words of Thanks

A special thank you to all my church family who prayed for me and sent cards when I had a recent fall and serious back injury.

Mary Barstow

To the church family of Waldensian Presbyterian Church,

Thank you so much for the five boxes of food you donated to East Burke Christian Ministries. Today we helped 21 families, so you helped these folks. We truly appreciate your support!

Carolyn Yoder, EBCM Director

## Waldensian Presbyterian Church



**Each 1 - Reach 1**



***"Live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."  
Ephesians 5:2***

On behalf of the family of Elaine Applegate, we would like to thank the members of WPC and the community for the outpouring of food, telephone calls, text messages, cards, and especially prayers. It would be almost impossible to thank each person individually. Elaine was a special person that we all knew and loved. Life will never be the same without her.

A special thanks to Kevin for the visits, prayers, and wonderful service that he conducted. Thanks again from the bottom of our hearts.

Roger Heavner  
Jennifer Tejada  
Mary Beth Pike



### **FINANCIAL SECRETARY**

The Personnel Committee and Stewardship & Finance Committee of WPC take this opportunity to introduce a new contracted employee. Her name is Kela Roth. Kela has been hired, for the time being, as an independent contractor to assume duties of our Financial Secretary position. Her contract status will allow the S&F Committee to determine the actual number of hours needed for the position. Also, this will provide time for the Personnel and S&F Committees to revise the position's job description according to our current needs.

Kela brings a wealth of experience to WPC. She has 20+ years of experience in accounting along with office and human resource management. She has a diverse skill set in software/system programs.

Kela has held several positions and duties including providing support for sales persons, assisting with correspondence, management, payroll, human resource duties, documentation, accounting, sales and budgeting/marketing duties. She currently has responsibility for completing monthly accounting transactions for several companies remotely.

Kela graduated from East Burke High School and from the Insurance Institute of America in Nashville, TN and is credentialed, holding a Certificate of Risk Management and Claims. She lives in Valdese and looks forward to working with the members and staff of our church as she becomes acquainted with the duties of her position.

Kela began work Monday, May 6, and will have a busy schedule throughout her

orientation period. The church Treasurer will work closely with her as she becomes familiar with the job. Once her training period is over, she will have normal office hours each Wednesday from 10am to 3pm.

The Personnel Committee and S&F Committee of Waldensian Presbyterian Church urge all members to welcome Kela.

*WPC Personnel and Stewardship & Finance Committees*

### **Children's Letters to Pastors...**

Dear Pastor, please say in your sermon that Peter Peterson has been a good boy all week. I am Peter Peterson. Sincerely, Pete

Dear Pastor, please say a prayer for our Little League team. We need God's help. Or a new pitcher. Thank you. Alexander

Dear Pastor, I liked your sermon Sunday. Especially when it was finished. Ralph

### **CHURCHWIDE GOURMET HOTDOG NIGHT**

**Wednesday, June 19  
(Last night of VBS)**

**The meal for VBS participants is at 5:30pm. Our program begins at 6:00pm. (Those not involved in VBS, please join us for the meal at 6:15pm.)**

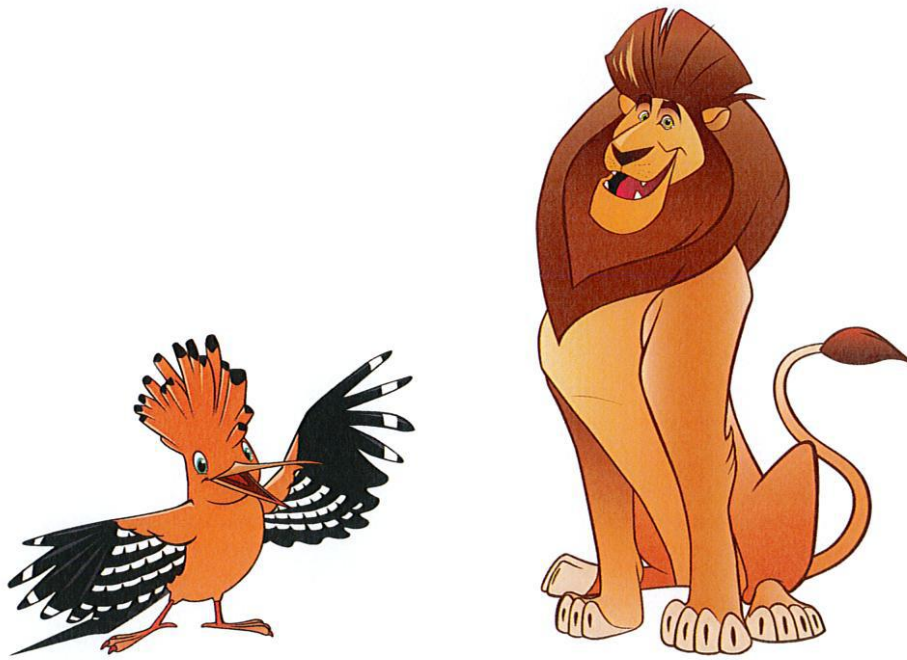


## **June Birthdays**

June 2	Luke Demiter
June 3	Lucas Lindsay
	Megan Pons
	Linda Rostan
	Lynn Willis
June 4	Cooper Willis
June 6	Frances Tron
June 7	Tripp Garrou
June 8	Allan Bonner
June 9	Sally Gaillard
	Brooke Heavner
	Pat Pons
June 10	David Thomas
June 11	Ashley Dewey
June 12	Joanna Heilman
	Sarah Sharpe
June 14	Aleisha Williams
June 15	Gene Tucker

June 17	Elizabeth Furr
	Paege Powell
June 18	Jarrett Hyde
	Dianne Mobley
	Silas Willis
June 21	Nicholas Shull
June 22	Robert Jolly
	Cyndie Kamal
June 23	Margaret Bleynat
	Magnolia Morse
June 24	Tom Garrou
June 25	Frank Grill
June 26	Linda Cannon
	Jill Fletcher
	Wayburn Jones
June 28	Boston Bollinger
June 30	Barbara Cockerham





# Christian Action

At WPC, Summer kicks off with a ROAR!

## Terrific Thursdays

Elementary aged kids! Terrific Thursdays begin this month! Our theme this year places a focus on **map reading and transportation**. Elementary aged children will learn basics of map reading and how to locate a few key places on a map of ancient Israel!

### Schedule

June 13: Greenway Public Transit - Ice Cream & Picnic!

9am - 3pm

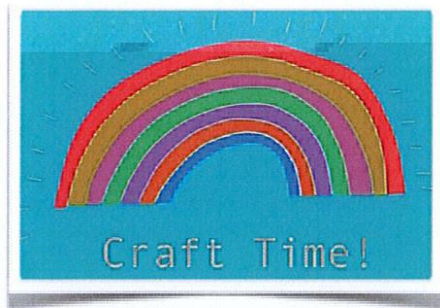
Our VBS adventure begins on June 16! We have a wild theme that uses the African Savannah as its setting to teach about God's goodness. Even when things around us are bad, our Lord has good plans for us!

This year our VBS will recruit volunteers who are all over 45. That's right, we are turning the younger volunteers away. The children love to talk & laugh with our "older" folks!

**We will begin decorating for VBS on Sunday, June 9th at 4pm. If you are free to help, your efforts would be appreciated!**

There will also be an adult class offered during our VBS! There will be an emphasis on the different mission ministries our church is involved in.

**VBS dates: June 16-19, from 6pm-8pm  
(Meal each night at 5:30pm)**



### **“Make it Take it”**

Make it Take it is a Tuesday morning craft time led by Trish Garrou. This event will be a two hour program leading up to a lunch together in Pioneer Hall!

Your child will arrive on the WPC campus at 10 am. They will be led through a creative craft that they will be able to take home the same day! Lunch will be provided and we will conclude at 12:30.

#### Schedule:

June 11

### **“Make it Bake it”**

“Make it Bake it” is a new ministry where your child can have fun and learn a few skills in the kitchen. Your child will create assorted desserts to take home! More importantly, they will be creating desserts that other volunteers will be able to give to folks in need of a smile! We bake at 10 am and conclude with lunch in Pioneer Hall at 12:30 pm.

#### Schedule:

June 26

## **Why I Attend WPC**

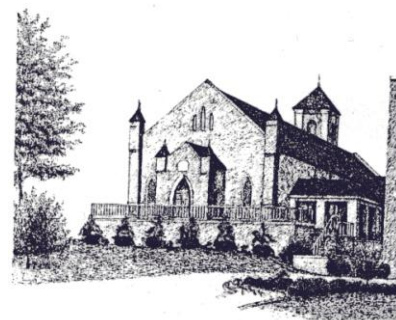
By Melinda Davis

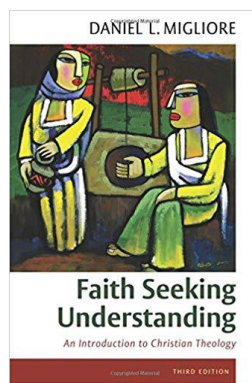
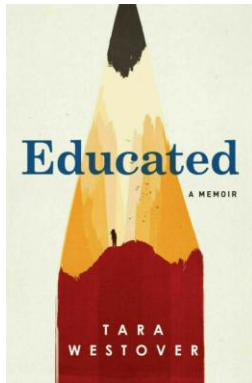
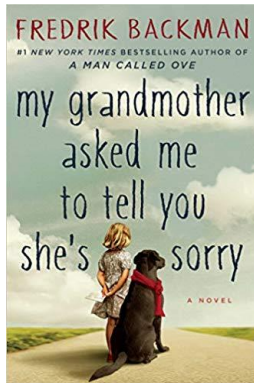
Come to worship.

Come to worship the one who heals us, who frees us, who calls us... to live life in peace and grace.

Come to worship.

I am in need of the saving grace of Jesus Christ. I seek to strengthen that relationship through regular opportunities to learn and grow in a faith community. I hear the Word proclaimed here at WPC through speech, print, and music. The faces of the people shine brightly with the truth of God's love. And, all I have to do is “come and worship.”





## BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Join us as we explore books in our small group setting. These groups are designed to allow readers several weeks to acquire and read the selected books. The format of the book discussions includes provided questions and group discussions in an informal setting. Books are selected from recommendations from group members.

All are welcome to participate. Feel free to come when you can and/or come when you are interested in what is being read and discussed. Feel free to come each time, to either or both groups.

*Please be considerate when borrowing books from the public library and check out only one of our selections at a time.*

Morning Book Discussion Group – 11am [note new later time]  
(meets at the Tron House on the last Thursday of month, most months)  
Thursday, June 27 – *My grandmother asked me to tell you she's sorry: A Novel*, by Fredrick Backman

Evening Book Discussion Group- 5pm (note new earlier time)  
(meets at the Tron House on the third Thursday of month, most months)  
Thursday, June 20 – *Educated* by Tara Westover

Faith Matters Group – 4pm  
(meets in Room 200 the fourth Sunday of the month)  
Sunday, June 23 – *Faith Seeking Understanding: An Introduction to Christian Theology* by Daniel L. Migliore (Part One)  
Sunday, July 28 – *Faith Seeking Understanding: An Introduction to Christian Theology* by Daniel L. Migliore (Part Two)

Join us any month! The morning and evening groups meet at the Tron House, behind the museum on St. Germain Avenue. The afternoon group meets in Room 200.

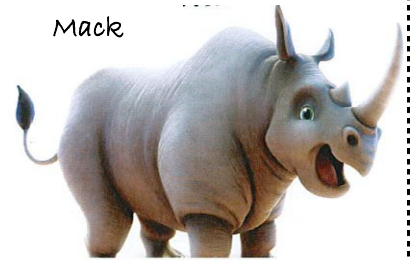
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CALENDARS!

**ROAR!**

Life is wild 🐾 God is good

## Vacation Bible School June 16-19

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Vacation Bible School will be held this year beginning Sunday, June 16, at 6pm and running through Wednesday, June 19 (meal each night at 5:30pm). As we have done in the past, the church is offering an adult program each evening. The focus of the adult program will be the different missions in which our church participates each year. The presentations will be as follows:

Sunday- "Man in the Mirror"  
By Rev. Kevin Frederick

Monday- Sister Church in Guatemala by Tamika Garrison

Tuesday- CEPAD Nicaragua  
by Dr. Ed McFadden

Wednesday- Malawi  
by Barbie Heilman

## SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

A full copy of the following Session Minutes is available on the bulletin board across from the Office Manager's office. Detailed committee reports are also available. Some committee highlights will be contained in various parts of these reports. However, since Session reports are posted in their entirety, information in this newsletter is presented in an abbreviated format, containing only important motions and other pertinent information.

### **Stated Session Meeting Minutes March 24, 2019**

#### **Treasurer's Report (Steve Martinat)**

Steve presented the financial statements through February 28, 2019. Revenues were \$53,750. Expenses were \$75,497, resulting in a \$21,747 shortfall. The pro-rated (16.6%) approved budget deficit offset is \$8,813 which leaves a budget shortfall of \$12,934. Steve said that we are about the same as a year ago for revenue and expenses. Steve presented a summary of activity in the Restricted Accounts, a summary of revenue and expenses for the General Fund, and the Balance Sheet. Steve answered all questions about these funds.

#### **Approved Motions (other than routine):**

**Motion: to change the committee representatives to the Nominating Committee, as shown on page A-4 of the Manual of Administrative Operations**

**Motion: To let the director of "From this Day Forward" outdoor drama reside in the Gingerbread House for the 2019 season of rehearsals and performances. During this time, the house would be subject to periodic inspections by church staff and the Property Committee of the church.**

**Motion to approve \$5,707.00 from 2% fund request submitted by Property Committee to be used for physical improvements to the Tron House property in preparation for the new Media Based Sunday School/Outreach program.**

**Motion to approve \$6600.00 from 2% fund request submitted by Property Committee to be used to have a gas line and gas furnace installed in the church sanctuary.**

**Motion: To endorse the building and growth of the Ruth Williams Scholarship Fund.**

**Motion: To approve the ROAR curriculum for VBS 2019.**

**Motion: The Personnel Committee of Waldensian Presbyterian Church recommends the employment of Coron Jordan as Kitchen Coordinator. The annual salary for this position will be as follows:**

- \$19,500
- \$1,000 Travel Allowance

**The employment categorization of the position will be variable part-time non-exempt (time sheet required).**

**Ms. Jordan will begin her employment at WPC during late April – early May 2019.**

**Motion : Approve the revised job description for the DCE (included in Session packet).**

#### **Other News**

The acolytes are doing an excellent job and we are receiving many positive comments about having them in our services.

A temporary person has been hired to fill the financial secretary position.

We have several beautiful music programs scheduled for the Easter Season.

The new Child Protection Policy has been drafted and needs review of the full CA committee. The completed document should be ready for review by Session at the April meeting.

A formal list of M.A.D.E. 5 funds to be distributed to certain agencies has been given to Rev. Frederick for disbursement. Committees are reviewing architectural plans for restroom renovations in Pioneer Hall.

John Cannon  
Clerk of Session

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### **Minutes of the Called Meetings of the 8:30 Connections Service Congregation and the 10:55 AM Traditional Service Congregation March 31, 2019**

Immediately following both the 8:30 AM Connections worship service in Pioneer Hall and the 10:55 AM Traditional worship service in the Waldensian Presbyterian Church sanctuary, as moderator, Rev. Kevin Frederick opened the congregational meetings with prayer. John Cannon, Clerk of Session, noted that a quorum was present in each service.

Rev. Frederick stated the purpose of the meeting was to elect one remaining representative to the Officer Nominating Committee for 2019. He stated that all members of the Officer Nominating Committee, except for a representative from the Missions Committee, had been elected the previous week at the combined service. Jeanene Burris has volunteered to be the representative from the Missions Committee and is being presented here for confirmation from the congregations.

The moderator asked for the vote of all those in favor of electing Jeanene Burris as a representative from the Missions Committee to serve on the Officer Nominating Committee for 2019. The decision of the congregation was unanimous.

There being no other business, the meetings of both congregations were adjourned by prayer and the benediction by the moderator at 9:30 AM at the Connections service and at 12:00 PM for the 11:00 AM worship service.

John Cannon  
Clerk of Session

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**Our May Nickel a Meal  
offering totaled \$439.54.  
Thanks for your support!**