

## Upcoming Events

September 6

Oratorio Rehearsal

September 7

WPC Orchestra Rehearsal

September 8

Chancel Choir Potluck  
Rehearsal

September 11

Kick Off Sunday for  
Children's, Youth, and Adult  
Education

September 14

Word Before Work Starts

September 21

Women's Bible Studies Start

September 24

Oratorio Donut Rehearsal  
Volunteer Opportunity at  
theVillage

September 25

Music Transforms Concert

September 26

Midday Prayer



# Wayne Presbyterian

*Wayne Presbyterian Nursery School welcomes*

## WENDY DEVLIN

...as our new director! Wendy comes to us with a wealth of experience in Early Childhood Education. She graduated from Cabrini College in 1997 with a B.S. in Early Childhood/Elementary Education and has taught two-, three-, and four-year-olds for several years (a couple of them at Launfal School). For the last 10 years, Wendy has taught Kindergarten at Penn Christian Academy. Over the last three years, in addition to teaching full time, she has also served as a Department Head for the Pre-K and Kindergarten classrooms.

Wendy and her husband have been married for 13 years this fall. They have four daughters. Two are step daughters. Tess is 21 and attends Montgomery County Community College. Tori is 18 and a freshman at Rosemont College. Alexa is 11 and in sixth grade. Delaney is 9 and in fourth grade.

Wendy's experience as a teacher, gifts as an administrator, and passion for early childhood education will be wonderful blessings to our school, our church, and our community.



*Wendy Devlin and family*

The Nominating Committee is currently welcoming nominations for Elders, Deacons, Stewards and next year's Nominating Committee. Should you be interested in one of these positions or would like to nominate another member, please fill out the form found in the Connector at the reception desk. Please drop off your forms in the Nominating Committee box (end of hallway behind the Sanctuary) or deliver them to one of the members of the Committee as soon as possible: **David Webster, Susi Bruhns, Pam Clark, Sue Ellen Larkin, Bill Nirmaier, Michael Packer, Sue Rink, Meg Rosecky or Chad Slate.** Nominations may also be e-mailed to David Webster at: **dwebster@axiomasset.com.** If e-mailing a nomination, please do not forget to include the office for which the candidate is being proposed. Thank you!

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# ADULT EDUCATION

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We know the summer has been long without the joy and energy of regular adult education, but have no fear, Sunday school is back! We want you to consider joining us each Sunday at 9:30am for one of our wonderful, thoughtful, and faithful classes.



Kick-off the school year by joining us in the Chapel at 9:30am on Sunday, September 11. We'll welcome PC(USA) Executive Presbyter the Rev. Ruth Santana-Grace as our kick-off Sunday speaker. She'll remind us of the good work the church is doing in Philadelphia, encourage us to think about how we might share our gifts, and inspire us to be Christ's church here in Wayne and around the world.

Her talk coincides with the launch of our fall Time and Talent Survey. You'll receive a Time and Talent Survey this fall and we hope you'll prayerfully consider how God is inviting you to a deeper level of engagement in this community of faith.

## Semester-long Esther

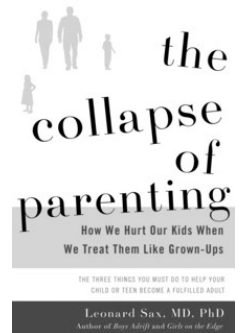
On Sunday, September 18, at 9:30am in the Knox Room, Joe Modica will begin his semester-long class on the book of Esther. Joe's style of teaching is relaxed and fun, and he makes the Bible accessible for all who want to learn more. Join him and dive into this wonderful work of Scripture.

## Parenting and the Collapse of Parenting

We also have a fantastic parenting class beginning Sunday, September 18, at 9:30am in the Fireside Room. Dr. Elisabeth Slate will help us explore "The Collapse of Parenting: How We Hurt Our Kids When We Treat Them Like Adults." Elisabeth is a psychologist, parent and WPC member. She'll help us think about what it means to be a "just right" parent—one who is loving and also sets boundaries. We'll talk together about our role as parents and consider where God is inviting us to grow in our parenting skills.

## Acclaimed Author: Dr. Leonard Sax

On Sunday, October 2, at 9:30am in the Chapel, we're thrilled to welcome Dr. Leonard Sax for a special presentation on his book, *The Collapse of Parenting*. Dr. Sax is the author of this and several other wonderful books on parenting. He is a physician and psychologist, parent, and WPC member too! He is nationally and internationally known and has a wealth of knowledge and perspective to share with us. Whether you attended the classes the two weeks prior, or can just come to this event, join us!



## And more...

It's going to be a great fall in adult education. With classes on Islam 101, the work of God in outer space, conversation about the importance of the first 1,000 days of life and special speakers, we hope you'll join us to expand your mind and deepen your faith.



## Centering Prayer Group

Over and over in the gospels, we see Jesus going off to pray. Sometimes he uses words, sometimes he lets the silence fill him. As his disciples, we too are invited to pray in a number of ways and throughout our days. We hope you might consider trying centering prayer as a way to connect with God and deepen your prayer life.

Centering prayer is a freeing and healing prayer where one sits in silence and lets himself or herself simply *be* before God. Done in groups or alone, the silence begins to show us the unconditional love of God. Each Sunday at 8:30am in room 207, a group of folks will gather for 20 minutes of centering prayer. We hope you'll consider trying out this faith practice. You can come every week or only when you can. You can be new to this type of prayer or an experienced pray-er. All that is necessary is a desire to be with God. Join us beginning Sunday, September 11, at 8:30am.



# WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

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September 14\* or 21

6:45\* or 9:30 am

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**Start your fall with a return to Bible Study!** We are offering four classes sure to pique your interest and feed your soul:

- 1) **Word Before Work.** Led by Rev. Dr. Anne Clark Duncan. Starting on 9/14\*, 6:45-8:00am, Fireside Room.  
*Breathe*, by Priscilla Shirer
- 2) **Wednesday Morning Bible Studies.** Starting on 9/21, 9:45-11:15 (schedules and room vary by class).  
*The Parables*, led by Angela Tait  
*Romans*, led by the Rev. Laurie Taylor Weicher
- 3) Wednesday morning starting on 9/28, 9:45-11:15.  
*Jesus in Genesis*, led by Dory Hoxie

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**Starting September 21, Fellowship Time is back!**

Come at 9:15 for coffee, light refreshment, and conversation with friends old and new! Then at 9:30 we'll have announcements, song and a word of prayer to center you for study.

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# MUSIC MINISTRY

## MUSIC AT WAYNE PRES JOIN US!

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### ADULTS

COLLEGE AGE AND UP

#### CHANCEL CHOIR

Rehearsals Thursdays 7:30-9:30 in the Music Room beginning September 8

#### WAYNE ORATORIO SOCIETY

Rehearsals Tuesdays 7:30-9:00 in the Chapel beginning September 6

#### TE DEUM BELL CHOIR

Rehearsals Mondays 7:30-8:45 in the Music Room beginning September 18

#### SELAH BELL CHOIR

Rehearsals Tuesdays 9:00-10:15 AM in the Music Room beginning September 19

#### WPC ORCHESTRA

Rehearsals Wednesdays 7:30-8:45 in the Sanctuary beginning September 7

### YOUTH

GRADES 6 TO 12

#### WESTMINSTER CHOIR

Rehearsals Sundays at 5:00 in the Music Room beginning September 11

#### WPC ORCHESTRA

Rehearsals Wednesdays 7:30-8:45 in the Sanctuary beginning September 7

### CHILDREN

THROUGH GRADE 5

#### CHERUB CHOIR

Children ages 4 & 5 (pre-school & kindergarten).

Rehearsals Thursday afternoons in the Music Room beginning October 6

#### CANTUS CHOIR

Children in first grade.

Rehearsals Wednesdays 5:00-6:00 in the Music Room as part of Kids Club program beginning October 5

#### CALVIN CHOIR

Children grades 2 to 5.

Rehearsals Wednesdays 4:00-5:00 in the Music Room as part of Kids Club program beginning October 5



"MUSIC AT WAYNE PRES"

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# MISSION OUTREACH

## Greetings Friends of the Common Place!

We are pleased to alert you to mention of The Common Place in the Philadelphia Tribune. You may read the article, "The Common Place: Bringing together diverse groups in youth-driven atmosphere," at [bit.ly/2bN7PsA](http://bit.ly/2bN7PsA) ([www.phillytrib.com](http://www.phillytrib.com)). Read an excerpt below:

"The Common Place worships once a month on Sunday evenings, with services that are led by youth. (The Common Place self-describes as 'kid led, pastor approved.')

When the Philadelphia Tribune visited, youth were involved in the music portion of the service, scriptural readings, and the offering. A performance by a group of violin students from Mitchell Elementary School was the centerpiece.

Pastor Brooks-Lytle said for every service, a different youth ministry group is highlighted. In the past, they've featured children acting out Bible scriptures and dance ministries.

"We all get to benefit from that and to be led in that," she said. "It's what

you would call an ecumenical service. Within Christianity that's different denominations breaking down walls, coming together. You have folks from different racial groups and economic backgrounds. Anytime you can come together, that's a light in and of itself."

## Myers Tots and After School Programs

Thank you members of WPC for making a difference in the lives of the children in the Myers Tots and After School Programs. Through your generosity much needed financial support to the program has been provided. When several youth died from violence in SW Philadelphia during the winter, City Lights gave "seed money" so that the After School Program could start a basketball team in an attempt to keep these youth off the streets. The church has given money so that Ms. Edna can hire teen helpers for the Myers Summer Program for the Tots. Families in the WPC Nursery School gave the Tots Duplo blocks and now the children can use their imaginations to build all kinds of fun things. Members also generously give much-needed supplies such as toilet paper, paper towels, hand sanitizer, and more. In August, adult volunteers participated in the annual



Summer Olympics by leading the games and providing the awards and certificates of participation.

In appreciation for all that the church does for her programs, Ms. Edna wrote: "We at the Myers Tot Program & Center would like to extend a Very Special **Thank You** to All for your donations and support to our center participants and community. For many, many years you have been sharing with us out of what God has blessed you with. We thank you so much for choosing us to share with. You all are our friends in the Lord! God Bless You!"

## Your Compassion Letters Make a Difference

From Missionary Thomas H. Goetz, Japan:

"What a wonderful surprise! Receiving words of encouragement is a real boost. And all of the signatures! I spotted one Japanese name, Kazuya. Please tell him "arigatou" and "yoroshiku!"

"I just checked online and you are not far from Philadelphia. It has been years since I have been there. I am a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary and have been back once, with my family, about ten years ago. Once again, thank you. You made my day!"

– Thomas

*Ubi caritas, et amor, Deus ibi est.*  
Where there is caring and love, God is always there.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT THE VILLAGE

Please join the Village Faith in Action Council for the Rosemont Campus Workday on Saturday, September 24, 9:00am–12:00pm, at the Rosemont Campus, 452 S. Roberts Road, Bryn Mawr.

Enjoy coffee and a continental breakfast, learn about the Village programs, and help spruce up the Rosemont Campus. For more information or transportation, contact: Ruth Murphy, WPC's liaison at [ruth591@verizon.net](mailto:ruth591@verizon.net) or 610-964-1169. To sign up, contact: Liz Fiola, 610-519-1657 or [volunteer@village1877.org](mailto:volunteer@village1877.org).

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### **Main Line Friends of Refugees Initiated**

Nine Main Line Christian churches, including Wayne Presbyterian, have joined forces with Bethany Christian Services (BCS) to aid in the resettlement of a government-vetted and duly documented refugee family. “Refugee” is a legal term given to anyone who is approved by our Department of Homeland Security who has fled their home country because of a well-found-

ed fear of persecution, based on their race, religion, nationality, political opinion, or social group. The U.S. accepts less than 0.5% of the world’s current refugees approved by the United Nations for resettlement.

BCS is an American Christian social ministry organization experienced in providing resettlement services to newly arrived refugees and immigrants, and contractually authorized by the U.S. Department of State to do

so. BCS partners with local churches and organizations to support newly arriving refugees and to help them fully assimilate into their new home community. The goal is to promote economic self-sufficiency as soon as possible.

A family’s arrival is expected in September. The level of effort peaks during the first 4 to 6 months, and finishes within the second 6 months, so already volunteers from the other churches have been organized into ten supporting subgroups: housing; furnishings; food; clothing; medical/health; employment; education; transportation; finance; and public relations.

Scripture in the Old and New Testaments calls us to welcome foreigners living among us. If you have a compassionate heart and feel called to offer your talents or treasure on one of the above subgroups, look for announcements in the Sunday bulletins, attend Sunday morning information sessions, and contact Mission Committee members Martin Akram, 610-333-5909, martin.akram@gmail.com or Scott Laird, 610-254-9209, hslaird@aol.com.

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## YOUTH

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### **Confirmation**

Eighth graders, and other youth looking to get Confirmed, join us for our first Confirmation on September 11 at 9:30am at the Wayne Senior Center (this building shares the parking lot with our church). Parents, we will then have a mandatory parents’ meeting at 10:40am in the Wayne Senior Center for all of the parents of the kids going through Confirmation. Also, on September 23, 7–9pm, we are having a Confirmation social at Get Air in KOP. Contact Andrew for more information: ahostetter@waynepres.org.

### **Youth Sunday School**

Middle and high schoolers, get excited for another good year of Sunday school! Starting on September 11 at 9:30am, our middle school Sunday school will be meeting in room

209, and our high school will be meeting in room 203. Every Sunday these classes will be making their way through various stories in the Bible, and learning what they have to say about their lives today. All youth are welcome!

### **Rock and Door – Youth Group**

Those of you who have come to Rock and Door before know that we always have fun, but we decided to do something really fun for the first meeting in the fall. We are going to play **Pokéwayne Go!** Wear some walking shoes, and throw a couple extra pokeballs in your backpack, because we have some rare Pokémon you can only find in Wayne. Join us on September 18, 6–8pm, for dinner and a fun evening of making new friends and completing crazy tasks to find and train these elusive Pokémon!

## The Chill and Anchor

The last few years we have had weekly hangouts for both Middle and High School students where we play video games and board games, hang out around a campfire, snack on some yummy food, and spend quality time together. The Chill is our Middle School hangout and Anchor is our High School hangout. Starting September 27, on Tuesdays the Chill will be after school, 3–4:30pm, at church, and Anchor will be 6–7:30pm at the Hostetter house.

## Middle School Fall Retreat

Middle schoolers, get ready for the best weekend of the fall! We will be going up to Camp Ichthus for a weekend of campfires, gaga, rock walls, zip lines, prayer, group games, and moving talks and small group discussions. So mark your calendars for this event on October 21–23, and grab a brochure about it during Sunday school, Confirmation, or Rock and Door.

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

## Children's Ministry SAVE THE DATES

Save the dates for these upcoming events...

### October 5

Kids Club Kick Off

### October 9

Fifth Grade Bible Presentation in Joyful Noise

### October 16

Toddler Bible Presentation in Sunday School

### October 21

Dinner and a Movie - *Zootopia*

### October 30, November 6 & 13

Thanksgiving food collection

### November 27

Family Advent Celebration

## Start of Sunday School

September 11,  
9:30am



Sunday School gets started on September 11 at 9:30am. All teachers are welcomed and commissioned just prior to the first day of Sunday School. We are always looking for additional help, whether you lead a class or just want to assist. Regardless of your role, we would love to have you. If interested, please contact Kelli Masters at [kelli@waynepres.org](mailto:kelli@waynepres.org) or 610-688-8700, x222.

Please complete a **Children's Ministry Registration Form** for your child(ren) and mail it or bring it with you on the 11th. These forms must be completed for all Sunday school children.

Please refer to the table below for class locations.

## Kids Club Kickoff

October 5

Calling all kids!!! Join us for Kids Club on Wednesdays from 4 to 6pm. We will gather after school at the church for stories, crafts, music, games, snacks, mission projects and a crazy good time. All kids in grades 1 through 5 are invited to come and to bring your friends. Kindergarteners are welcome to join us if they are singing with the Wednesday choirs. There is no cost to attend Kids Club. Registration forms are currently being accepted. Please contact Kelli Masters at [kelli@waynepres.org](mailto:kelli@waynepres.org) or 610-688-8700, x222, for more information.



## Dinner and a Movie

October 21

All kids in grades K–5 are invited to come to church on Friday evening, October 21, for a fun-filled time of pizza, snacks and a movie. Bring your sleeping bag, pillow and friends and join us for *Zootopia*! Make your reservations now by emailing [kelli@waynepres.org](mailto:kelli@waynepres.org)!



CLASS	PARENT DROP-OFF	PARENT PICK-UP
2 & 3 year olds	Room 105	Room 105
Pre-Kindergarten (4's)	Room 103	Room 103
Kindergarten	Room 304	Room 304
Grade 1 Room 301	Joyful Noise Room 303	Room 301
Grade 2 Room 201	Joyful Noise Room 303	Room 201
Grade 3 Room 206	Joyful Noise Room 303	Dismissed to meet family
Grade 4 Room 306	Joyful Noise Room 303	Dismissed to meet family
Grade 5 Room 302	Joyful Noise Room 303	Dismissed to meet family

## Weddings

*Kristin Brown & Michael Gross* - July 9

*Mara Claffy & Nicholas Cherubino* - July 16

*Sarah Hernandez & Christopher Brown* - August 13

## Baptisms

*Liam Beckett Carr* - July 10 - parents: Rich & Becca Carr

*Millie Elise Earle* - August 7 - parents: George & Jennifer Earle

## Births

*Lia Lois Garofalo* - August 3 - daughter of Luciano & Emily Garofalo, granddaughter of Dan & Betsy Boston

## Deaths

*We extend Christian sympathy to the friends and families of...*

*Ted Hosp* - May 13 - wife, Vija; daughter and son-in-law, Jen and Jim Galasso

*Kay Brewington* - May 15 - sons and daughters-in-law, Paul and Linda, Vance and Marian

*Mildred "Louise" Desjardins* - June 6 - son and daughter-in-law, Chip and Carol Desjardins; daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Michael Cornell

*Doug Kloppenburg* - June 26 - wife, Krista, and two daughters

*David Detweiler* - July 12

*Richard Groves, Sr.* - July 16 - wife, Mary, son and daughter-in-law, Richard J. and Dana; daughter and son-in-law, Ginny and Vikram Nambiar

*Gordon Fetter* - July 26

*Blanche (Polly) McMichael* - July 30 - son, David, and family

*Frances Tumilty* - August 8 - sons and daughters-in-law; memorial service August 26

We also extend Christian sympathy to William (Ernie) and Liz Precious on the death of Ernie's mother on July 17;

Rob and Babs Bickhart and their family on the death of Rob's mother in late August;

And to Rebecca and Eric Greenhow, and Andy Greenhow, on the death of Becky's mother

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