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Grace and Peace to you



Session News

The Session of WHPC meets monthly, and at other times if a called meeting is necessary. A portion of each meeting includes the Deacons so that matters of joint concern can be addressed. WHPC members are encouraged to communicate regularly with their Elders, especially if there are matters they believe should be brought to the attention of the Session. It is our utmost desire to bring glory to God in all matters, and with prayer to exercise wisdom in leading our congregation. If you would like to personally present any matter of concern to the Session, you may, by contacting the Clerk of Session (Phil Moor), request to attend an upcoming meeting. The Clerk will place your matter on the docket and let you know what time to arrive. Your request is handled in this way to ensure that you know when to arrive and that you have adequate time to present your concern. Recently, we were pleased to have Mrs. Dannel Harb, Mrs. Sue Fowler, and Mrs. Marsha Rhyne come to Session to give a report on the Wednesday women's Bible study, and to express their appreciation to the Session for its support.

Minutes of Session meetings are printed and placed in a notebook in the church office, and thus are available to any member who wishes to read them. The notebook is located in the bookcase just to the left of the door where you enter the church office.

There are also copies of Session-approved policies and the Book of Church Order available for your reading. If you have internet access, you may also read and download the BCO from the following website: <http://www.pcaac.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/BCO-2017-for-Web-with-bookmarks.pdf>

At the Fall Meeting of Tennessee Valley Presbytery, our church was among several churches whose Session records were submitted for annual review. The TVP has written criteria specifying the required content of Session minutes. We are pleased to report to you that our Session record was reviewed and found fully in accord with the criteria.

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Get involved in the Mission of Hope Christmas Outreach

West Hills Presbyterian will be visiting its adopted school, Stinnett Elementary School, in Leslie County, KY., for our 14th annual MOH Christmas outreach program. We will be delivering toys, clothes, and health/hygiene items to 370 students on Monday, December 18th. We will also be sharing a Gospel message with the students during an assembly. The items we deliver will be collected by Mission of Hope. We will, however, need to provide 90 pairs of shoes for students and also gift bags for the teachers.

How you can help:

1. Pray for this Christmas Outreach
2. Volunteer to go on the trip.
3. Buy shoes for a student via our Sunday School Shoe Collection



Look for a Mission of Hope display in the foyer for more information.

Shoes for Stinnett, KY School Children



Christmas is coming and once again we have been asked to supply shoes, and socks for 90 of the neediest children. We are excited to see how God is going to supply their needs through your generosity. More information will be made available in each Circle and Adult Sunday School Class. A sign-up will also be in the Narthex November 19th and 26th. Bring your purchased shoes and socks to room 107. A table will be set up for that purpose. There is no need to wrap your item. Put the socks in the shoebox and tape the supplied label to the box. **The deadline is December 10th. All shoes must be in room 107 so that they can be**

taken to Kentucky on the Mission of Hope truck. If you would rather donate money to buy shoes, the suggested cost per pair is \$30. Please make a check out to WHPC with the memo of "Stinnett Shoes" and bring to the church office or put in collection plate.



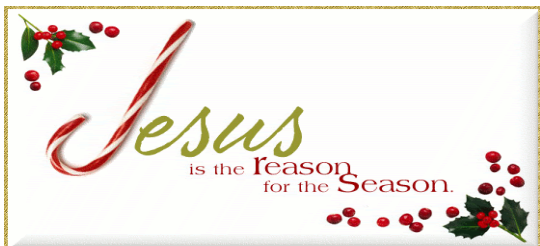
Mid-Winter Lock-In 2018

January 26, 6:00 p.m.


January 27, 9:00 a.m.


Grades K- 5th gr. Cost \$5.00

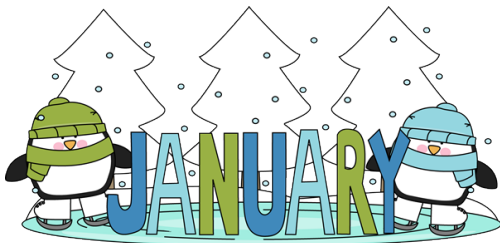
An overnight adventure of pizza, games, music, movies and devotions. Be there! Invite your friends. Sign-up by Wednesday, January 24.



December 2017



<p>Communion is the second Sunday of every month.</p>	<p>Did we miss your birthday? Please call the church office and let us know your date. 865-693-2031.</p>				<p> Sam Rhyne Laura Shipp</p>	<p>1 2 Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m. Christmas Brunch 10:30 a.m.</p>
<p>3 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>4 Monday Night Care Group 6:30 p.m.  Richie Keen Michelle Mckenzie</p>	<p>5 Lovell Rd. Care Group 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>6 Children Programs 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 6:30 p.m.  Cook Gilchrist</p>	<p>7 Good News Club 1:45 p.m.</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m.</p>
<p>10 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. *Communion/ Worship 10:50 a.m. Christmas Cantata 5:00 p.m.</p>	<p>11 Monday Night Care Group 6:30 p.m. Session/Deacon Mtg. 6:00 p.m.  Tami Defenderfer</p>	<p>12 Day Circle 10:00 a.m. Lovell Rd. Care Group 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>13 "Dogs & Carols" Wed. Night Kids 6:00 p.m. Choir 6:30 p.m.  Richard Maples</p>	<p>14 Good News Club 1:45 p.m.</p>	<p>15 Grandmothers at Prayer 11:00 a.m.  Dick Bowles Ron Mitchell</p>	<p>16 Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m.  Janice Richardson</p>
<p>17 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  Don Redman Stinnett KY Trip</p>	<p>18 Monday Night Care Group 6:30 p.m. Blue Star Moms 6:30 p.m. Stinnett KY Trip</p>	<p>19 Lovell Rd. Care Group 7:00 p.m.  Park Coffin</p>	<p>20 Children Programs 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m.  Susan Joiner Ed Lee</p>
<p>24 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>25 Church Office Closed Merry Christmas  Kristin Trindle</p>	<p>26  Ellen Smith</p>	<p>27 No Wednesday Evening Programs Choir 6:30 p.m.  Jim Coffin Xavier Tyler</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29  Robin Genung</p>	<p>30</p>

31  Phil Moor						
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January 2018

	1 Church Office Closed 	2	3	4 Night Circle 6:45 p.m.	5	6 Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m.
7 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. Women's Council Noon Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.	8 Monday Night Care Group 6:30 p.m. Session/Deacon Mtg. 6:00 p.m.  Heidi Arvin Al Grant	9 Day Circle 10:00 a.m. Lovell Rd. Care Group 7:00 p.m.  Bob Stogner	10 Children Programs 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 6:30 p.m.  Faye Poston	11 Good News Club 1:45 p.m.	12	13 Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m.
14 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. *Communion/ Worship 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  Margaret Duggan	15 Monday Night Care Group 6:30 p.m. Blue Star Moms 6:30 p.m.	16 Lovell Rd. Care Group 7:00 p.m.	17 Children Programs 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 6:30 p.m.	18 Good News Club 1:45 p.m.	19 Grandmothers at Prayer 11:00 a.m.	20 Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m.
21 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  Don Redman	22 Monday Night Care Group 6:30 p.m.	23 Lovell Rd. Care Group 7:00 p.m.	24 Children Programs 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 6:30 p.m.  Elijah McKenzie	25 Good News Club 1:45 p.m.	26 Mid-Winter Lock-in 6:00 p.m.	27 Mid-Winter Lock-in Prayer Gathering 10:00 a.m.  Claudette Starr

28	29	30	31		<p>Did we miss your birthday? Please call the church office and let us know your date. 865-693-2031.</p>	<p>Communion is the second Sunday of every month.</p>
<p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:50 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Monday Night Care Group 6:30 p.m. Monday Moms 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Lovell Rd. Care Group 7:00 p.m.</p> <p> Mary Stevens</p>	<p>Children Programs 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Choir 6:30 p.m.</p> <p> Dougal Moore</p>			

Announcements & Prayer Needs:

Please remember that the church office needs to approve all note cards, articles, pamphlets, flyers, announcements, etc. before they are put on the foyer table, church bulletin board, or wall/door signs holders.

The 2018 Flower Calendar is available at the Christmas Brunch, then the bulletin board across from the elevator. If you would like to provide flowers for the sanctuary, please sign your name on the designated date and note if you are giving the flowers "in honor" or "in memory" of a loved one. The cost is \$50. Please make your payment to the church marked "Flowers".

Save the Date! Night Out - Dinner & a Movie, for adults & children, February 9th. More information up-coming!

Please remember these dates in prayer December 17 & 18, for the Stinnett, KY Mission of Hope Trip.

The 2018 Church Offering Envelopes are in the Mission Hall. Please call the church office, 693-2031, if you did not receive a set. If you see envelopes for shut-ins and can deliver envelopes to the shut-ins, please do.

If you are planning to make a year-end contribution to West Hills Presbyterian Church for 2017, please be sure that your gift has been postmarked or placed in the offering on or before December 31, 2017, so that it can be posted properly. According to IRS rules, gifts received on or after January 1, unless bearing a 2017 postmark, must be credited to 2018 contribution statements. Thank you for your generosity.

**Please Pray For:
WHPC Family & Friends**

Clara Abercrombie
Charlotte Anderton
Margaret Duggan
Betty Emery
Geraldine Fish
Al & Beth Grant
Shirley Hedrick
Fay Hontz
Kane McAfee
Bob & Betty Mills
Bill & Mimi Morrison
Linda Mowles
Tammy Owsley
Irene Price
Alice Redman
Claudette Starr
Robert Thio
Mary Zitzman
Our Elders & Deacons
Our Church
Our Missionaries
Our nation/President

WHPC Active Duty Military Personnel

Eric Abercrombie
Jamie Morris, wife of Rob Morris
Kevin Bell
Gabe Green

(10-29-17 – 11-12-17)

Average Attendance - 131

Average Visitors Attendance - 7

October 2017 Financial Report

Income

Actual Income for October: \$36,893.75
Actual Income for Year-to date: \$358,563.43

Expense

Actual Expense for October: \$33,388.48
Actual Expense Year-to-date: \$369,851.25

Summary

Current Month Income Exceeds Expenses by: \$3,505.27
Year-to-date Income Exceeds Year-to-date Expenses by: (\$11,287.82)

The Deadline for the newsletter is the 15th of every month at noon. You may submit your article to church office or email at churchofficewhpc@gmail.com. Include your name with your submission. We reserve the right to edit for style, content and length.

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SOOO, YOU DON'T MAKE COOKIES!!!! WELL, SOMEONE TOLD US SHE WAS GOING TO THE STORE AND BUY THE PRETTIEST ONES SHE COULD. SHE DID NOT WANT TO MISS OUT ON THE COOKIE SWAP. OF COURSE THE COOKIE SWAP IS OPTIONAL-JUST COME FOR BRUNCH!!!

CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2017-10:30-12:30

THIS YEAR WE ARE GOING TO DO SOMETHING A LITTLE DIFFERENT AT OUR BRUNCH. WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A

COOKIE SWAP. IN CASE YOU HAVE NEVER BEEN TO A COOKIE SWAP, THIS IS WHAT WE WILL DO. FIRST YOU MAKE 3-5 DOZEN COOKIES, PUT THEM IN A TIN AND BRING TO BRUNCH. YOU ALSO BRING AN EXTRA TIN. THEN WE PUT ALL THE COOKIES ON A TABLE AND YOU GET TO SELECT FROM ALL THE COOKIES THE NUMBER OF COOKIES YOU BROUGHT, **REMEMBER THIS IS OPTIONAL!!!!**

OF COURSE WE WILL HAVE OUR USUAL BEAUTIFUL MUSIC AND A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE, THIS YEAR BY OUR OWN DANNEL HARB.

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**Women's Ministry Council
2018 Officers**

President (2018)
President Elect (2018)
Vice President
Recording Secretary(2019)
Treasurer (2019)
Communications Chair (2018)
Day Circle Chair (2019)

Debbie Kinnard
Lila Dean
Jill Rhyne
Emily Cimino
Diane McNeil
Faye Poston
Linda Mowles

Night Circle Chair (2019)
Teacher, Day and Night Circle (2019)
Monday Moms
Fellowship Chair (2018)
Mercy Co- Chairs (2018)
Flower Chair (2019)
Liaison, PCA Women's Ministry (2018)
Home Missions Liaison
Foreign Missions Liaison (2019)

Claudette Starr
Julie Moore
Linda Mowles
Ellen Smith
Suzanne Fowler and Joni Maples
Janice Richardson
Michelle McKenzie
Diane McNeil
Heidi Arvin

Up Coming Events -Mark Your Calendars

February 9th, Friday – Dinner and Movie for adults and children.

There will be a dinner and a movie for the adults “Case for Christ” and “Movie with Mr. Mitch” for the children.

April 7th, Saturday – Afternoon Tea and Tour at Crescent Bend.

More information will be coming later.

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WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

All scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.

II Timothy 3:16

WHO: Women with a desire to study God's Word

WHAT: Ongoing weekly Bible Study;
Facilitator, Dannell Harb

WHEN: Starting January 10, 2018
Wednesday, 10:00 - Noon

WHERE: WHPC, Room 106



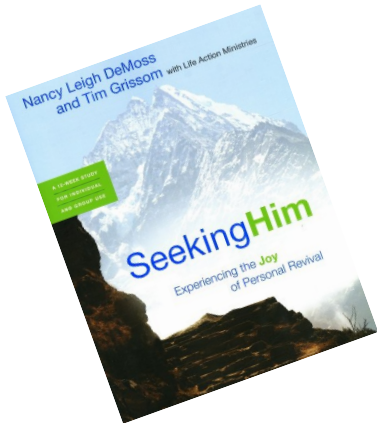
SEEKING HIM

Experiencing the Joy of Personal Revival

A STUDY BY NANCY LEIGH DEMOSS

AND TIM GRISSOM

- Restore your first love
- Resolve conflict
- Repair relationships
- Remove bitterness, fear and worry



- Each class includes a video segment and a discussion time.
- A study book with questions may be purchased for \$12 (additional \$4 for spiral binding) at the first class.
- A signup sheet will be located in the foyer.
- Bring a friend! Visitors always welcome!
- For more information, call Suzanne Fowler (584-2483) or Dannel Harb (584-3554).

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The Sanctuary Choir will present

*"Sing Joy to All the
World"*

Sunday, December 10th,

6:00 p.m.

A Christmas Celebration

By Lloyd Larson

Following the service there will be a time of fellowship and refreshments in the FAC. Please bring your favorite "Finger Food or dessert".



2 Hot Dogs
Chips
Drink
Cookies
\$3.00- Adults
\$2.00 - Children

Introducing The Inaugural
Dogs and Carols



Family Sing

Wednesday Night, Dec. 13
6:00pm-7:30pm
WHPC Family Activity Center
Dinner, Carol Singing,
Music From:
The Wednesday Night Kids

“And you will say in that day: “Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted. Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.” (Isaiah 12:4-5)

At West Hills Presbyterian Church, we rejoice and give thanks that He has included us in this call to not only give thanks, but also to participate in making his deeds known throughout the world. West Hills is committed to supporting the spread of His Kingdom around the world, rejoicing with thanksgiving for every opportunity to share in His work. As 2018 approaches, the Foreign Missions Committee is excited about the upcoming Foreign Missions Month.

The theme for 2018 is, **“Advancing Christ’s Kingdom Throughout the World “**. We will continue the same popular format with a different focus each week. Fellowship begins at 9am with coffee, juice, and pastries/doughnuts. A joint Sunday school will follow allowing our featured guests and missionaries to share in depth what God is doing throughout the world. We will then worship together including a brief *MISSION MOMENT*.

We begin our focus a little earlier this year as we welcome keynote speaker, Dr. Lloyd Kim, on January 28th. Dr. Kim is a PCA minister currently serving as the President and Coordinator for Mission to the World (MTW), the world’s largest Presbyterian mission organization and one through which several of our missionaries serve. Dr. Kim received his Bachelor Degree in Engineering from UC Berkley, Master of Divinity from Westminster Seminary, and Doctorate in New Testament Studies from Fuller Theological Seminary. After joining MTW, he served in the Philippines, Cambodia, and Southeast Asia before assuming his current position.

On February 4th, David Campbell, Manager of Mobilization at MTW, will join us. We are encouraged by the work the Lord has done in Cuba over the past nearly two decades as many of us have travelled on short-term mission trips to Nueva Gerona or Havana. You may be either unable to or not comfortable traveling to a creative-access mission field like Cuba. MTW has many short-term mission opportunities around the world. Join us on February 4th to learn of other short-term mission opportunities.

On February 11th we welcome back our missionaries from Ukraine, Eric and Beth Yodis. Come and learn what God has done in a country that has undergone so much political strife in recent years. Also, hear what Eric has to share with us in (hopefully) both song and sermon.

February 18th brings us great news from Greece, another ever-changing landscape due to the refugee crises in Europe, as Phillip and Joy Kirkland update us on their work. As the *Gateway to Europe* for many escaping war-torn and poverty-stricken countries, Greece presents new and interesting avenues for sharing the Gospel.

On February 25th, the November 2018 Cuba Team will share stories and experiences from their recent trip to Nueva Gerona. Certainly even in our hemisphere, social and political influences have the potential to negatively influence the spread of the Gospel, except for the grace, providence and will of our Lord. Come and hear how our God will never cease to work out his plan nor fail his saints who are obedient to his calling.

The Foreign Missions Committees asks that you take time between now and February to pray for how the Lord would have you be involved in foreign missions. West Hills foreign mission support is possible only because of your meeting the nearly \$85,000 commitment we have. This support is not part of our regular church budget, but rather from FAITH PROMISE PLEDGES received during foreign missions month.

Your Foreign Mission Committee:

Richard Bowles (chair)

Laurice McCord (Financial Secretary)

Garry Chin (Secretary)

Jack Brakebill

Betty Wilson

Sharon Bowles

Ron & Jama Overton

Ron & Harriott Mitchell

Bud Kelly

Richard & Kristin Trindle

Bob Eldridge

Ruble Smith

Heidi Arvin