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This month at Wayside:

- PW Holiday Cookie Sale
December 4
- PW Christmas Party
December 4
- Christmas Eve Services
7:00 & 10:00 p.m.
Bell Choir 9:45 p.m.
- * Christmas Day
Worship Service
11:00 a.m.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

An old movie, "Come See the Paradise," is set on the west coast against the backdrop of the days just after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. A young man has married a woman of Japanese ancestry; their daughter's appearance is a blend of her parents' ethnic backgrounds.

As Christmas approaches, the father takes his little girl to see a department store Santa. They patiently wait in line and, when it is their turn, Jack sets his daughter on Santa's knee. The department store Santa takes one look at the child and refuses to have anything to do with her, even going so far as to direct a racial slur toward her. Jack is incensed that an adult would be so rude and cruel to his daughter, and that other parents close by seem to condone the behavior. His daughter is heartbroken, unable to understand why Santa has said no to her. It is a very sad scene.

We contrast that department store Santa with the Jesus who gives the real meaning to the season. We remember his words: "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs." (Mark 10:14) That verse goes on to tell us that Jesus took children in his arms and blessed them, and it implies that he enjoyed it completely and would have it no other way.

Christmas is about all of us as children of God. And it reminds us that while the world around us may sometimes be unwelcome, unfriendly and even cruel, that is not the way it is in the community of God's people. There you will find acceptance, encouragement, and welcome – or, at least, you should. When Christians get it right, that is how it looks: like a department store Santa who makes every little girl or boy believe that he or she is the most beloved child in the world.

See you in church as, together, we share the good news.

Peace.



Rev. James Haas

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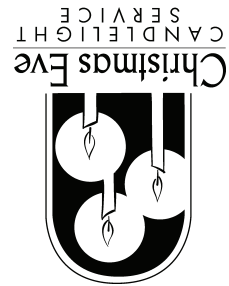
All non-perishable items are always welcome.

Soup, Canned Meat,
Tuna Fish, Cereal,
Spaghetti & Sauce,
Peanut Butter

December:

Requested items for

**WEST MILLCREEK
FOOD PANTRY**



*December 24th
7:00 & 10:00 PM*

*Christmas Eve
Worship Services*



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November Newsletter Coordinators:
Peggy Biles, Sally DeWitt, Karen Dunn, Jane Hess,
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James Haas, Senior Pastor

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WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We gather for worship, study, fellowship, and prayer. We seek to reach out with Christ's love to our community and the world.

Wayside Church is a welcoming, caring community of God's people committed to developing Christian disciples.

"MISSION STATEMENT"

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MANY THANKS

The Board of Trustees would like to express its genuine gratitude to several people who have gone out of their way to meet some of the specific needs of the church. Special thanks to:

- Mary DeBello and the Deacons who are coordinating the Angel Tree project
- All the Waysiders and friends who have participated in our 2nd Saturday projects this year, made desserts for or served dinner at the Soup Kitchen, assisted with distribution at the mobile food bank.
- All the Sunday School teachers and others throughout the week who help us to understand our faith and grow as disciples

There are many others who contribute generously of their time and efforts in support of the church; we are grateful to all of them.

WORSHIP SERVICE TAPES

Audio tapes are made of all our 11:00 a.m. Sunday services. They are then made available to anyone who would like to borrow them; just check them out from the shelf in the Library.

If you know of anyone else who would like to listen to the tapes, please call the church office.



OUR GIFTS TO MISSION WORKERS

Thanks to the efforts and generosity of so many people, Wayside was able to present mission worker Nancy Dimmock with meaningful gifts when she visited with us in early November. Our two checks (representing proceeds from the 'Noisy Offering,' the sports-wear sale, and the Presbytery Women's Cold Water Creek event, plus a large individual contribution) totaled \$4500. In addition Nancy has or will receive an additional \$1650 that was given to her directly by those in attendance or subsequently sent to the church. All that made the grand total \$6150!

We thank God for the important work that the Dimmocks do in Africa and for the opportunity we have to share in a ministry that blesses so many lives. Well done, Wayside!

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING

A Presbyterian tradition for more than sixty-five years, the Christmas JOY Offering is one of the four special offerings designated by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church to provide congregations direct ways of supporting causes that help those in need. Wayside will receive the JOY Offering starting on Sunday, December 11th. All our gifts will be distributed equally to the Board of Pensions for programs that assist retired church workers and their families in times of special need, and to the General Assembly Council to support the eight Presbyterian racial/ethnic schools and colleges.

Please use the special offering envelopes in the pew racks.

2011 CROP WALK

We had a good year for Wayside's participation in CROP Walk even if the weather wasn't very cooperative. More than 29 families, of all ages, walked and raised over \$5000 in support of world hunger. It was a gray and rainy day but we all had a good time and even managed to end up sharing in the tailgate goodies. Thank you to each of you who supported the walkers so generously and thank you to all of the walkers for making it happen.

Karen Sidorowicz, LeeAnn Warnaka

SECOND SATURDAY WORK PROJECT IN DECEMBER

We've again been asked to ring the bell for the Salvation Army kettle collection, this time on Saturday, December 10th in front of the Giant Eagle at Kmart Plaza on 26th & Peninsula. We will work two-to-a-team in one hour shifts from 9:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. If you are interested in being one of our bell ringers, please sign up in the Lobby.

WAYSIDE REFLECTIONS

The Colors of Christmas -

<i>Purple & White</i>	<i>Sacred</i>
<i>Red & Green</i>	<i>Secular</i>
<i>Pastels</i>	<i>The Nativity</i>
<i>Primaries</i>	<i>Santa</i>
<i>Sparkling</i>	<i>The Tree</i>
<i>Brilliant</i>	<i>The Lights</i>
<i>Flickering</i>	<i>The Candles</i>
<i>Golden</i>	<i>The Trumpet</i>
<i>Jesus Stories</i>	<i>The Sacred</i>
<i>Gift Stories</i>	<i>The Secular</i>
<i>Dancing Eyes</i>	<i>The Children</i>
<i>Reflective Eyes</i>	<i>The Adults</i>

How many "colors" are in Our Christmas - a plethora of hues, sights, sounds, a blend of

*ANTICIPATION,
REMEMBRANCE,
HOMAGE,
LULLABIES,
BELLS,
HYMNS OF JOY,
ANTHEMS OF PRAISE
JOYFUL and TRIUMPHANT*

O Come Let Us Adore Him, Christ, the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Jane Hess

NIGHT OWLS

The Night Owls Christmas Party will take place on Saturday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jack and Melissa Grimm, 4238 Prestwick Drive. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

Please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby, and watch for further details in the bulletin.

DIRECTORY UPDATES

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STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN CONTINUES

After weeks of preparation, Wayside celebrated Stewardship Sunday on November 13th. Thanks to all who participated and committed their gifts to the church. To date, 143 pledges have been received for a total of \$318,331. These figures represent a wonderful start but we still have a distance to go to in order to fully support the many ministries of Wayside for the new year.

If you haven't already submitted a financial commitment card for 2012, we encourage you to do so. It is very helpful to provide the Budget Committee with an accurate idea of the pledges so they can use this information as they plan for Wayside's future in 2012. If you have questions about your current level of giving, please contact Karen, Wayside's financial secretary at 833-7653.

At this time when we count our many blessings, we hope you will count Wayside among yours and make a financial commitment to support the good work of the church in the new year!

Worship + 2 + Treasure = Growing in Faith

DECEMBER MIDDLER WAYOUTH SCHEDULE

Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
6:00 -6:30 Dinner/ \$2 Donation at church
6:30-7:30 Program: Recreation, or
Service Project or Game & Discussion

Dec 7	Christmas party at the Grimms' home
Dec 14	A Christmas Movie
Dec 21	Christmas break - No Club
Dec. 28	Christmas break - No Club

WOW Calendar for December Schedule for Wednesdays

3:30 Van picks up Second to Fifth Graders
4:00 - 6:00 WOW Club Program
5:30 to 6:00 p.m. Primary Choir
December
 7 Rehearsal for Pageant
 4:00 Snack; 4:15 - 5:00 Rehearsal
 5:00-6:00 Games; 6:00 Dinner
 6:30-7:30 Rehearsal
 14 Rehearsal for Pageant
 4:00 Snack; 4:15 - 5:00 Rehearsal
 5:00-6:00 Games; 6:00 Dinner
 6:30-7:30 Rehearsal
 21 and 28 Christmas Break: No Club

SENIOR HIGH MINISTRY

Sunday Mornings from 9:45 to 10:45

Senior Highs meet each week to explore their faith, for fellowship, prepare for worship leadership, and offer their talents in service to the community and the church.

- 4 Care Packages for College Students -
 5 pm Christmas dinner & party at Serafini's
- 11 Breakfast & What Christians DO have to be Believe
- 18 The Christmas Story:
 "Dateline Bethlehem: Year Zero"

MIDDLER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Church History survey is one of the three cycles offered to help prepare for confirmation class in 9th Grade

December

- 4 Session 10: Christianity & Islam
- 11 Session 11: Pilgrimages & Crusades
- 18 Session 12: Medieval Theology in Stone & Glass
- 25 Christmas Day - no class

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Bible Study – a Bible study that examines the deeper meanings of the texts; led by Don Worthington

Embracing an Adult Faith – a discussion based class seeking new insight into their faith

Issues of Faith

- 4 "Blacks & Whites in Politics & Faith"
 Rev. Charles Mock, Associate Pastor of Community Baptist Church
- 11 "Part 1: The Marginalized Prophet: Luke's Baby Jesus"
 Dr. Rob VonThaden, of Mercyhurst College
- 18 TBA
- 25 Christmas Day - no class

The Bible and More a new class this year led by Rev. Jim Haas explores biblical and contemporary themes.

Financial Report

as of October, 2011

Receipts:

Month\$49,584
 Year-to-date\$370,154

Expenses:

Month\$39,288
 Year-to-date \$377,847

Thank you for your continued support

PW ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

All women are invited to come to a Christmas Party on Sunday, December 4th at 7:00 p.m. We will meet in the church lobby area for a delicious dessert and entertainment provided by Dawn Weborg and the WaYouth Choir of our church. This is a wonderful time filled with fellowship and Christmas joy. Please plan to attend and invite a friend. If you need a ride please contact Karen Haas or Jean Moore.

HOLIDAY COOKIE SALE

The Women of Wayside are having another Holiday Cookie Sale on Sunday, December 4th. Please volunteer to bake cookies or order cookie platters at the table in the Lobby or call Judy Bestwick at 838-3398 or Mitzi Moore at 835-0084. Money earned from this fundraiser will be given to the Presbyterian Women's Mission Fund. Now, more than ever, funds are being requested to help those in need. Thank you.



TENNESSEE BACKPORCH CONCERT

Wayside will again be hosting a Christmas concert by the very popular Tennessee Back Porch, this time on the evening of Friday, December 2nd. The music will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$4 for children and youth. All tickets can be purchased from the Church Office or after Sunday services in the Lobby.

Please invite your friends and neighbors and join your Wayside family for some wonderful music of the season. (The final portion of the concert includes some 'sing-a-long' carols.) It promises to be an evening of great joy.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN ELECT OFFICERS FOR 2012

PW Officers for 2012:

- Moderators* - Marilyn Stern
 Karen Haas
Treasurer - Jami Sundberg
Secretary - Micki Loesel

Bread for the World:

- Naomi Foust
 Betsey Miller

Historians - Georgi Harrington, Jean Moore

Mission - Karen Dunn
 Brenda Harcourt

Ways & Means:

- Cookie Tray Sale*
 Jill Abbott
 Judy Bestwick
 Pattie Pora

Rummage Sale
 Nancy Fye

Nominating - Jane Hess (chair)
 Dawn Weborg

Honorary Life Membership
 Becky Worthington (chair)
 Nicki Jares
 Gretchen Kelley

Church Women United Representatives:
 Rita Weaver (chair)
 Jean Taylor

Presbyterian Women Representative:
 Elaine Garts

Circle Representatives -
 Elizabeth - Elaine Garts
 Martha - Barbara Jones
 Naomi - Mildred Shenk

We congratulate the new officers! We appreciate the willingness of all of these women to serve in their respective positions. It is through their leadership that Presbyterian Women at Wayside will continue to thrive and work to fulfill the mission of PW. A grateful thank you to those who served in 2011.

FAMILY NEWS

Recuperating at home:

- Alice Allman
- Jean Huckleberry

Hospitalized:

- Ethan Johns
- Judd Smith



Anniversaries:

- 1st - Bob & Denise Pollifrone
- 3rd - Ray & Nancy Brozewicz
- 18th - Tim & Peggy Glass
- 22nd - Lou & Cheree Harris, A.P. & Mollie King
- 26th - Steve & Maggie Hutzelman
- 28th - Greg & Kimberly Morrow, Jeff & Amy Brinling
- 30th - Chris & Doris Christianson

POINSETTIAS

You can help in decorating the church for the Advent and Christmas season by purchasing poinsettias for the sanctuary. Simply sign up at the Information Table or call the church office at 833-7653. Please place your order by December 4th.

HOLIDAY BREAKFAST

Sunday, January 1, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. is our traditional Holiday breakfast. Please bring a favorite bread, muffins, or rolls on a plate ready to serve. Beverages are provided. There is one worship service at 11:00 a.m.

YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions for 2011 must be received by December 31 to be included in the 2011 totals from WPC. If a contribution is postmarked in 2011, it is tax deductible in that year, even if it is not received and posted until 2012. At this time when we count our many blessings, we hope you will count Wayside among yours and make a financial commitment to support the good work of the church in the new year!

Birthdays:

- 1st— Paige Garrity, Florence Joifrita, Ritch Marsh
- 2nd—Marion Gallivan, Kitty Menges
- 3rd—Dave Borowski, Tom Boyd, Pam Monaco
- 4th—Harry Anderson, Philip Jackson, Shirley Wagner
- 6th—Raeanne Hasbrouck, Caleb McLaughlin, Ashley Stamm
- 7th—Addison Garrity, Bob Pollifrone
- 8th—Trisha Hoyt, Hadley Jones, Jayne Start, Bethany Wickham
- 9th - Sophia Sidorowicz
- 10th—Nathan Feltmeyer, Jim Haas, Karen Haas, Jacob Mummert, Annette Rothschild, Mark Steehler
- 11th—Paul Bittner, Henry Fritts, Justin McEllroy, Linda Pentz, Mike Reed
- 12th—Rita Brown, Jim Harris, Simon Yahn
- 13th—Jon Steffan, Jill McGill
- 14th—John Fair, Norma Harrington
- 15th—Gene Sundberg
- 16th—Dorothy Hutzelman
- 17th—Mary Lasher, Holly Skala
- 18th—Gregory Yahn
- 19th—Katie Haas, Carol Yahn, Richard Gebhardt
- 20th— Blake Bojewski, Natalie Thompson, Brian Stamm
- 21st—Joseph Monaco, Mark Smith, David Yonkers
- 23rd—Claire Christensen, Pete Nixon
- 24th—Charles Pora
- 25th—William Betz, George MacIsaac, Doug Zimmerman
- 28th—Matt Monaco
- 29th—Karen Evans, Blossom McBrier, Daren McCullough
- 30th—Melissa Buseck, Anne Shenk



FALL CONVOCATION 2011

Dear Friends,

Our previous nine Fall Convocations have been primarily adult programs. This year, however, we included children and youth. I have wondered if that made the difference in the feelings I have had since our weekend with Temple Anshe Hesed. I have never had such a sense of a lingering blessing as I have this year.

It started with the children's Passover service a year and a half ago, continued with our joint WOW Club program in September and culminated with a combined Sunday school and choirs on Sunday, October 30. Adam Unger chanted the Torah reading from Genesis and introduced us to the way Jesus heard the scriptures. And for the benediction we heard Hebrew sung by a chorus of children from both congregations. The excitement of the children and youth that morning was contagious in class and as they sang in worship.

Directly or indirectly the Fall Convocations have always been for the children as well. Each speaker has introduced our adults to a new way of thinking about our faith. Our godchildren benefit from our education when our level of spiritual awareness is raised a notch or two. Someday the children will tell our story of the day when Jews and Presbyterians shared their common faith, and sang praises to God with one voice. I hope they remember it as one of the days when God smiled.

Peace/Shalom, Keith



ADVENT DEVOTIONALS CHILDREN

Devotions, stickers & stand up nativity
 “Come to Bethlehem and See” (NEW)
 “Gifts of Love”
 “A Place for Christmas”
 “Symbols Tell the Story” devotions, stickers and
 a stand up Christmas Tree
 “We Want to See Jesus” – Coloring Book
 “Christmas Corral” –
 Bed Bug Bible Gang activities book
 “Have You Heard the Story of Jesus & His
 Love?” – daily devotions, rhymes, seek & find
 pictures
 “In thy Dark Street Shineth” –
 devotions, stickers and Bethlehem stand up
 “Bethlehem is Bright Tonight” –
 devotions, stickers and Bethlehem stand up
 “Twirling Toward Bethlehem” – a cut out mobile

YOUTH

“This is Embarrassing!”
 “Let’s Light Up the Wreath” (limited number)
 “Journey of the Wise” (limited number)
 “Advent Seasonings” (limited number)

ADULTS

NEW

“The Lord is Near” – Advent Meditations from
 the works of Henri Nouwen (NEW)
 “A Season for Singing
 (Reflections on Favorite Christmas Hymns)”
 by Dr. Mary Manz Simon
 “A Grand Miracle”
 Spiritual writings of C. S. Lewis
 “Living in Hope:
 Advent Meditations from the Writings
 of
 Henri Nouwen”

FAMILIES

“A Revealing Light”
 by Mark Neilsen
 “In the Presence of the Lord”
 by Caroline Pignot



MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER

A wide variety of nuts and sweets are for sale in the Lobby after Worship Service. Proceeds will benefit the summer WaYouth work trip.

NURSES NOTES

As Thanksgiving approached, I began to think about the things I am most thankful for and this is what I came up with. Most important to me are PEOPLE. All of the people who practice random acts of kindness in so many different ways. Did you ever wonder how many people walk the Peninsula every year to raise money or awareness for various agencies and causes? Everything from Alzheimer’s to Cancer, CROP Walks for the hungry, even “Because You Care” for our furry friends. How about those big, burly athletes wearing pink shoes and hats to promote breast cancer awareness? I have a friend who “Pays it Backward” every Monday morning at a fast food restaurant. She says it is just a nice way to start her week. I could go on, but most of all I am thankful that God directed me to Wayside to meet all of the wonderful PEOPLE who practice random acts of kindness throughout the year.

Georgianna

GIFT CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS

Orders for SCRIP Gift Cards can be placed during the first two weeks of December. The cards make wonderful Christmas presents, both to the recipient and to the church. When you give the card to a loved one, they receive the full face value of what you paid, while at the same time Wayside receives a small (usually about 3 or 4%) commission. All the money the church receives from the program is being used to offset our winter heating bills.

Order forms listing the hundreds of stores participating are available on the Information Table or in the Church Office. There is also a brief registration form that must be filled out with your first order. All forms should be turned in to the Office. If you place your order by Sunday, gifts cards will be available by the following Friday.

WORSHIP IN DECEMBER

On the first Sunday of December we will celebrate the Lord’s Supper and light the second candle on the Advent wreath. A week later we will welcome guests representing various local ministries that Wayside supports through our local mission giving. On the 18th we will enjoy the annual children’s musical. Our two Christmas Eve services are scheduled for 7:00 & 10:00 p.m. On the 25th, there will be just one service (11:00 a.m.).

December 4th Communion Sunday/Second Sunday of Advent

Text - Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

Title - “When Steadfast Love and Faithfulness Meet”

Advent is a very busy time. With tremendous changes in technology, politics, and financial expectations, we can lose sight of God’s working in our creation. Our challenge becomes one of identifying and taking comfort in the ways in which God is working in the world and in us. Psalm 85 offers us a fresh look at God’s initiatives and encourages us again to remember steadfast love, faithfulness, righteousness and peace.

December 11th Third Sunday of Advent

Text - Psalm 126

Title - “Promised Joy”

Not all pregnancies end with a baby. Not all children go the way their parents expected. Not all adult stories are successful endings. Where is the joy that God promised in Psalm 126 and Jesus promised in the beatitudes?

December 18th Fourth Sunday of Advent Sunday

The WOW musical, “Silent Mice, Holy Mice”, will be presented at both services this morning. The group has been rehearsing every Wednesday afternoon. It is the story of the beautiful German Christmas Carol, “Silent Night.”

December 24th **Christmas Eve Services at 7:00 & 10:00 P.M.**

We will have services at 7:00 and 10:00 p.m. Both will feature the traditional Christmas readings with lots of wonderful music and the service of candle lighting. Our worship at the earlier time will include many of our younger musicians and will be more child-friendly. Both the Chancel Choir and the Sanctuary Bells will be included in the late service.

December 25th Christmas Day (11:00 a.m. only)

Lots of good Christmas music will be included in our worship this morning as well as some stories that are designed to help us give new thought and understanding to the gift of this season. Join us as we celebrate the birth of our Savior during our final Sunday worship of the year.

CHRISTMAS EVE AT WAYSIDE

Wayside’s Christmas Eve services at **7 p.m. and 10 p.m.** will be filled with joyous carols and Christmas selections. The 7:00 p.m. service anthems presented by: Primary, WOW, WaYouth and College Choirs. The late service will begin with music by the Sanctuary Bells at 9:40 p.m. The Chancel Choir will present John Ritter’s “Candlelight Carol” as well as “Rejoice and Be Merry”. Three choral selections will be accompanied by the Sanctuary Bells.

DECEMBER 2011

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			30 COOKIE BAKING Noon Naomi Circle 4:00 P.M. WOW 5:00 P.M. Budget Meeting 5:30 P.M. Primary Choir 6:00 P.M. Dinner Middlers 6:30 P.M. Shower for Baby Jesus 6:45 P.M. Adult Study 7:30 P.M. CDN	1 7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir	2 7:30 P.M. Tennessee Backporch Concert	3 PW Cookie Tray Assembly 10:30 A.M. WaYouth Choir
4 Communion Sunday 8:30 A.M. Early Worship Service 9:30 A.M. Choir 9:45 A.M. Sunday School 11:00 A.M. Celebration of Worship 12:00 P.M. Fellowship Time 5:00 P.M. Bell Choir Sr. High's to Serafini's 7:00 P.M. PW Party	5 7 P.M. MEDS	6 7:00 P.M. Green Team Meeting	7 4:00 P.M. WOW 5:00 P.M. WaYouth Choir 5:30 P.M. Primary Choir 6:00 P.M. Dinner Middlers 6:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M. Pageant Rehearsal 6:45 P.M. Adult Study	8 11:30 A.M. Elizabeth Circle Noon - Martha Circle 7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir	9	10 9 A.M. - 9 P.M. 2nd Saturday Project Bell Ringers 12:30 P.M. Lunch Bunch Kahkwa
11 8:30 A.M. Early Worship Service 9:30 A.M. Choir 9:45 A.M. Sunday School 11:00 A.M. Celebration of Worship 12:00 P.M. Fellowship Time 3:00 P.M. Symphonic Singers Concert 5:00 P.M. Bell Choir	12 Noon - Trustees 7 P.M. MEDS 7:30 P.M. Outreach	13	14 4:00 P.M. WOW 5:00 P.M. WaYouth Choir 5:30 P.M. Primary Choir 6:00 P.M. Dinner Middlers 6:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M. Pageant Rehearsal 7:30 P.M. Session	15 7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir	16	17 7:00 P.M. Night Owls
18 WOW Musical 8:30 A.M. Early Worship Service 9:30 A.M. Choir 9:45 A.M. Sunday School 11:00 A.M. Celebration of Worship Noon - Fellowship Time 5:00 P.M. Bell Choir	19 7 P.M. MEDS	20 7:00 P.M. Prayer Shawl	21 NO CLUBS	22 7:00 P.M. Chancel Choir	23	24 CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP 7:00P.M. & 10 P.M.
25 No Early Worship Ser- vice 11:00 A.M. Celebration of Wor- ship	26	27	28 NO CLUBS	29	30	31 HAPPY NEW YEAR!

PW HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Congratulations to Pat Fish for being awarded an Honorary Life Membership in Presbyterian Women! This honor is awarded to a person with faithful service and commitment to Christ and the mission of the Church. Pat was presented with a certificate and a beautiful pin that symbolizes Presbyterian Women and their work. Our thanks to God for Pat's ministry among us.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CHURCHWIDE GATHERING

The 2012 PW Churchwide Gathering is scheduled for next July 18-22 in Orlando, Florida. The theme of the event is "River of Hope." It promises to be a wonderful gathering of faithful women. The PW group here at Wayside is making a \$400 scholarship available to any first-time attendees!

Hopefully financial assistance will be offered to other women as well who are able to attend. And PW at the Presbytery level has available \$300 scholarships for women who register to attend the Gathering! Wayside women already planning to attend include Karen Haas, Nicki Jares, and Elaine Garts. For further information, please contact Karen Haas.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Waysider Katie Haas, a Peace Corps Volunteer in Sierra Leone, continues to be blessed with great support from her church family. Letters and gifts from Wayside fill her little house in Pujehan and her heart with gladness. She is exceedingly grateful for all the gifts and thoughts and prayers. Katie is in her second year of teaching at the Holy Rosary Secondary School. In addition she is coordinating the completion of the school's new library. She will spend the Christmas holidays with Peace Corps friends in the capital city of Freetown. Our thanks to everyone for keeping her in your thoughts and prayers.

Jim & Karen Haas

LUNCH BUNCH CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Lunch Bunch will meet Saturday, December 10th, at the Kahkwa Club at 12:30 p.m. Please call Peggy Bules at 836-0096 or Annette Rothschild, 836-0835 to make reservations. We will have a gift exchange for those who enjoy doing so. Come and enjoy!

It has been a great year, and I've enjoyed being your Chairman. If anyone ever has suggestions, please let me know. I am very thankful for your friendship. Please keep coming and bring some new friends!

Peggy Bules

The Green Team is here.....

.....environmental stewardship is our mission.

Hint: remember to turn out lights when leaving an empty room!

WOW CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

"Silent Mice, Holy Mice"

On December 18th, the WOW choir will present the delightful musical, "Silent Mice, Holy Mice" at both services. We will meet many "church mice", including Franz Gruber and Pastor Mohr, all instrumental in the creation of the beautiful German Christmas Carol, "Silent Night."