

**WOW KIDS CLUB****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  
(1<sup>st</sup> grade & younger)

6:00 Dinner for whole Family

**January**

- 4 Board Game Game Day
- 11 Cook Wednesday Dinner
- 18 Am I Prejudiced?
- 25 Bowling (bring \$5.00 for the game /snack)

**MIDLERS WAYOUTH****WEDNESDAYS:**

6:00 -6:30 Dinner/ \$2 Donation at church

6:30-7:30 Program: Recreation, or

Service Project or Game & Discussion

**January**

- 4 Putting Christmas Away
- 11 Bowling (bring \$8 for game and pizza)
- Sunday and Monday January 15-16 Ski Over night
- 18 Dealing with Bullies
- 25 Should I Respect All Adults?

**MIDDLER SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Church History Survey

**January**

- 1 no Sunday School
- 8 Session 13: The Mystics
- 15 Session 14 and 15: A Chasm Comes to Christianity and Review
- 22 Session 16: Here I Stand
- 29 Session 17: The Lawyer Pastor

**SENIOR HIGHS**

Senior Highs gather each Sunday morning for fellowship, food, education and service. They meet from 9:45 to 10:45 in the Senior High Lounge and at other times and places for special projects and entertainment.

- 1 New Years Day: No Sunday School
- 8 Visit a Baptist Church
- 15 Soup Sunday/Desserts for Emmaus Kitchen
- 15 - 16 Ski overnight
- 22 Breakfast and What Christians do NOT have to believe
  - 9:15 Congregational Meeting
- 29 Help Mercyhurst College students with dinner set up

**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**January**

- 1 New Years Day: no Sunday School
- 8 “Faith Expressed in Literature and Poetry” with Dr. Paul DeSante
- 15 “Part 2: Recapitulating Israelite History: Matthew’s Baby Jesus” Dr. Rob VonThaden, Mercyhurst College
- 22 “Ethical Perspectives on Human Enhancement” with Dr. Dan McFee
- 29 “Holy Warrior Presidents” with Dr. Charles Brock

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

MEDS is a book discussion group led by Rev. Tom McLaren. The group will be discussing a new book as the month begins. The sessions run from 7:00 to 8:30 on Monday nights in the church parlor.

**WOW Adult Study** convenes in the parlor on Wednesdays at 6:45 with Jim Haas.

Email Devotional – each week in preparation for Sunday, Keith Sundberg offers a reflection on the passage that will be the focus of the children’ Sunday school lesson and the pastor’s sermon.

**New On-Line Adult Education**

The CE Committee has purchased for the congregation access to a thoughtful and helpful resource from “Scripture Echo.” The author of the *Exploring Contemplative Prayer: A Nine Month Journey to the Quiet* is Tracey Marx, a Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) minister. Our church has its own home page at <http://www.scriptureecho.com/CPfind/startPageWPC.html> so you can access it at your residence! For those without a computer, the materials have been placed in the Prayer Room in a marked white notebook for use there.

**GREEN TEAM**

... wonders how creative you were with Christmas wrapping paper and with the amount of electricity you used during the holiday season?

**NEW COLLEGE INTERN**

We welcome to Wayside Erin Werstuik as our College Intern to assist and help lead the Senior High Ministry.

Erin is a senior education major at Mercyhurst College and plans to teach in South America following graduation and her wedding this summer.

Her home is in the North Hills of Pittsburgh and her roommate last year was Katie who served as our intern during her senior year.

**WaYouth Ski Overnight for Middlers and Senior Highs**

When: Sunday and Monday, January 15-16

Where: Overnight at Mission Meadows Camp and Ski Trip at the Peak

Who else is going? Youth from First Presbyterian Church of Warren

How Much: Overnight at camp, dinner and breakfast \$40

Lunch on Monday is not included, bring \$10

Skiing Costs: Beginners Package for first time skier or snowboarder: \$38.00

Upgrade for the lift is \$23.00

Beginners Package for first time skier or snowboarder:

with lift ticket beyond the beginner slope: \$61.00

Lift Ticket for the day is \$36.00

Ski Rentals are \$22.00

Snowboard rental is \$27.00

Applications are at the Information Table or by request through the church office.

Scholarships are available.

**CAMPUS MINISTRY SPAGHETTI DINNER**

Our congregation has been asked to support Mercyhurst College’s campus ministry by hosting a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, following the 11:00 service. The funds raised will be scholarships for their students to work on a Habitat for Humanity project during their spring break. Tickets will be on sale in the lobby through out the month of January.

**BOOKS!**

We celebrate books given and books written by members of the church this month.

Congratulations to Kimberly Morrow for the publishing of her first book,

Face It and Feel It: 10 Simple (But Not Easy) Ways to Live Well with Anxiety.

Congratulations also to Chuck Pora who has published two books:

Pora Lotta Lore and Pora Lot More Lore.

And congratulations to Randy Valentine for his new novel, Trace: the Divine Sequence.

Our thanks to the Bastow family for two new children’s books for the library:

The Christmas Pageant by Christy Colby Heno

That Blessed Christmas Night by Dori Chaconas

and to Harry and Marilyn Anderson for devotional books for the Prayer Room.