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Wear your name tag and say "Hello" to at least one person you don't know!

**Please turn off all cell phones and pagers when entering the sanctuary**

**INVITATION TO NEW MEMBERS.** We welcome friends and visitors at worship this morning. Should this be the right time and season for you to join this family of faith, please speak with the Pastor or an Elder, or call the church office (762-5514). The next regularly scheduled Session meeting to receive new members will next Sunday, October 18, 9:30 AM in the Quiet/Meditation Room.

**GOD'S PEOPLE HERE:** We hold close in prayer former WPC member, Bob Dillingham, father of Carol Rowe, who underwent hip replacement surgery last Wednesday in Sarasota, Florida and Heather Sacktleben, friend of Jane Melani, who is a patient at Stonybrook University Hospital in New York... We keep vigil with Patty Connor at the side of her mother, Judy Griswald, who is in hospice care in Milford... Phil Jacoby's father, Phil, continues his battle against lung cancer in Wilmington, North Carolina... Skip Ploss is home recuperating from an appendectomy on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>... Congratulations to Melissa Friedman and Stephen Baker, friends of the church, who were married at Brandford House in Groton, CT on Saturday, October 3... and to Tobin Waskom and Ted Bassani, who were married yesterday in the WPC Sanctuary. Tobin is the daughter of Pat and Mike Waskom.

The **NORWALK ROTARY CLUB** is holding its annual Community Service Award dinner this Thursday, October 15 at the Norwalk Inn beginning at 6:30 PM. This year's honoree is The Rev. Lindsay Curtis of Grace Baptist Church. Everyone is cordially invited to attend. Copies of the invitation are on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space. Please take one!

**THE SEASON OF CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP**

**Begins next Sunday, October 18**

**"Experience the Joy of Giving"**

Deborah Burnaman will introduce the campaign next Sunday at morning worship. WPC members may expect to receive information in the mail concerning the campaign during the week after, with a celebration of stewardship following worship on Sunday, November 1. Members of the Campaign Committee include Buck Burnaman, Leader, Deborah Burnaman, Joe Dionne, Sonny Kern, and George Ryder.

**"THIS I BELIEVE"** is a two-session gathering of WPC members/friends to discuss and write a brief essay on their core beliefs/values. Based on the NPR series of the same name and led by David Graybill, the first of these two sessions will be on Wednesday, October 21, 7:30 PM in The Lounge. Sign-up with Jane Field. Questions? Call David Graybill (762-5514)

**THANDA ZULU JEWERY SALE: Sunday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, after Church Services in the Lounge.** Handmade by previously unemployed women in rural KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, Thanda Zulu jewelry enables women to support their families, while creating pride in their work and hope for their communities. In rural South Africa poverty and HIV/AIDS are leaving millions of children without adequate care and support. Thanda Zulu creates valuable jobs, which allow women in the rural areas to work from home and look after their own children and the orphans in the community. In addition, Thanda Zulu donates all proceeds of its beaded jewelry, wood, and fabric items to **Thanda After-School**, a non-profit organization that empowers orphans of AIDS and other vulnerable children through skills development, lessons, and activities after school. **Thanda After-School** works to create long-term changes, with a focus on entrepreneurship, poverty alleviation, and HIV/AIDS prevention. Thanda Zulu products are both innovative and alluring - join us for the opportunity to support a good cause while creating sustainable change!

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25**  
**OUR ANNUAL INTERFAITH SERVICE**

10:00 AM  
in the WPC Sanctuary  
with our brothers/sisters from  
Temple B'nai Chaim (Leah Cohen, Rabbi) and  
American Institute for Islamic Studies (Kareem Adeeb, Founder)  
Reception following worship in The Lounge  
together with  
Thanda Zulu Jewelry Sale

**CALENDAR**

Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday with the <u>Times</u>
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	11:15 AM	Worship Committee
Monday		OFFICE CLOSED in observance of Columbus Day
Tuesday	10:00 AM	Staff
	12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study
	5:30 PM	Sixers (Ambler Farm)
	7:30 PM	Mission Committee
Wednesday	7:30 PM	Small Group Kick-Off Fair
Thursday	7:15 AM	Morning Prayer
	7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir
Friday	10:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
	3:30 PM	High School Heifer Project
Saturday	8:00 AM	High School Heifer Project
Sunday	8:00 AM	High School Heifer Project
	9:30 AM	Called Meeting of Session
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	11:30 AM	Youth Choir

**SAVE THE DATE:** If you signed up for one of the following small groups advertised during September:

- Back 2 Nature
- Curtain Call
- Good Book
- Popcorn & Presbys
- Two By Two
- Knit Together (for knitters)
- Writer's Workshop

**please come to the kick-off meeting of these small groups this Wednesday, October 14, at 7:30pm in the Lounge.\*** (If you haven't signed up yet but want to participate in one of the groups listed above, you should come, too!)

This brief meeting will give every group the opportunity to meet with each other face-to-face and make important "housekeeping" decisions like when and where your meetings will take place, how you will communicate with each other and with the church office between meetings, and content questions (like which book the book group will read first, which movie the movie group will watch first, which play the theater group will attend first, or what outdoor activity the Back 2 Nature group wants to tackle first).

If you have already signed up, you will also receive another email about this kick-off meeting that will include the names and email addresses of all your fellow group members. It will ask that you please RSVP to Director of Spiritual Formation Jane Field ([jane@net.net](mailto:jane@net.net) or 762-5514) so we know how many members of each group will be able to attend.

If you haven't signed up yet but plan to attend the kick-off event, please RSVP to Jane ([jane@net.net](mailto:jane@net.net) or 762-5514) so we know how many folks to expect.

\*You do **NOT** need to attend the October 14 kick-off event if you signed up for Get Real, Sunday with the Times, Women's or Men's Bible Study, or Women's Ministries—these small groups do not require participants to sign up in advance—you can just attend whenever you are able. Same goes if you signed up for the "One Shot Wonder" workshops--This I Believe, Advent Quiet Day, Race Matters—you will hear directly from the facilitator in advance of your event.

**SMALL GROUP MINISTRIES UPDATE:** Quite a few friends and members of WPC have signed up for one or more small groups. Have **you** signed up yet??? If not, please take a moment at coffee hour to sign up on the posters, or download a copy of the registration form from the church website ([www.wiltonpresbyterian.org](http://www.wiltonpresbyterian.org)). Registration forms can be faxed or mailed in, put in the offering plate during worship, or dropped off at the church office any time. For more information, contact Director of Spiritual Formation, Jane Field

Here's who has signed up as of September 30:

#### Small Groups

*(The following groups will be getting organized and planning their first meeting some time during this month—sign up now if you want to be included):*

- **“Back 2 Nature”** (doing outdoor activities like hiking, biking, skiing, kayaking, etc.): Robert Bourguignon, Margaret Carkner, Mark Carta, Dan Delmar, Luis & Isabel Jimenez, Irla Landry, Karen Lourd, Colleen Lundwall, Jane & Frank Melani, Linda Rost, Susan Tannian, Carole Telyan and Cathy Thomas.
- **“Curtain Call”** (attending and discussing plays): Lisa Hofrichter, Isabel Jimenez, Florence Johnson, Irla Landry, Susan Tannian and Carole Telyan.
- **“Good Book”** (reading and discussing books): Robert Bourguignon, Margaret Carkner, Lisa Caswell, Lisa Hofrichter, Irla Landry, Linda Rost, Susan Tannian and Carole Telyan.
- **“Popcorn & Presbys”** (watching and discussing movies): Margaret Carkner, Dan Delmar, Florence Johnson, Sherry McReynolds, Linda Rost and Susan Tannian.
- **“Two By Two”** (couples' dinner group): Carol & Sonny Kern, Sue & Rich Macal, Sherry & John McReynolds, and Cathy Thomas & Bill Lacy.
- Not in the September brochure, but suggested by members:
  - **“Knitters' Group”** suggested by Irla Landry who would like to gather with other knitters to create scarves, hats and mittens for our youth to distribute to the homeless during the DC Mission Trip: Ellen Mann.
  - **“Writers' Workshop”** suggested by Hillary Jacobs who would like to be part of a small group for people who enjoy writing and sharing their work.

#### One-Shot Wonders

*(These events require just a one-time commitment. “This I Believe” will be scheduled soon, at the convenience of those who sign up. “Advent Quiet Day” is December 15, and “Race Matters” will be held in February):*

- **“This I Believe”** (an essay writing workshop): Max Gabrielson, Lisa Hofrichter, Susan Tannian, Linda Rost, Bill Rider, Carole Telyan and Cathy Thomas.
- **“Advent Quiet Day”** (mini-retreat December 15): Patty Connor, Jen Reese, Susan Tannian and Cathy Thomas.
- **“Race Matters”** (a dialogue with Grace Baptist Church): Margaret Carkner, Karen Lourd, Linda Rost, Susan Tannian and Carole Telyan.

*The following groups do not require participants to sign up in advance. However, if you indicate your interest on the registration form or poster, you will receive occasional email updates about the group:*

- **“Get Real”** (First Tuesday every month, 7:30am, Christian ethics lecture series): Berta Hull, Judy Mabley, Barbara Quincy, Judy Rovins and Carole Telyan
- **Men's Bible Study** (Tuesdays at Noon): Joel Anyan, Ned Greene, Sam Halsey, Sonny Kern, Frank Mabley, and Rob Wilkinson.
- **“Sunday with the Times”** (faith and current events (self-directed group uses discussion guide provided) every Sunday morning at 9am October through May in Gathering Space Meditation Room): Carole Telyan
- **Women's Bible Study** (Fridays at 10:30am) : Lisa Caswell, Patty Connor, Debi Forsyth, Lisa Hofrichter, Florence Johnson, Irla Landry, Louise Leinroth, Karen Lourd, Judy Mabley, Sue Macal, Adele MacGregor, Beth Mason, Jane Neighbors, Susan Tannian, Jannice Williams
- **Women's Ministries** (see brochure for all programs): Patty Connor, Lisa Hofrichter, Florence Johnson, Karen Lourd and Cathy Thomas