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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 on Sunday, November 22, **9:30 AM** in the Quiet/Meditation Room.

GOD'S PEOPLE HERE: We hold close in prayer Gladys Bendix, mother of Bill Bendix, who returned to her apartment at Sunrise Assisted Living in Wilton following hospitalization at Norwalk Hospital... We hold close in prayer Richard Rastettler, father of Chris Sherwood, and his wife, Margaret. Dick has been admitted to the Health Center at Essex Meadows, Essex, CT with Alzheimer's disease... We hold close in prayer Navy Lt. Sarah Sherwood, daughter of David and Chris Sherwood. Sarah is in Naval Intelligence posted in Kabul, Afghanistan on a tour due to conclude in March, 2010, at which time she'll return to Naval Intelligence School in Virginia.

INTERFAITH SERVICE COLLECTION: Thanks to the generosity of the three congregations at the Interfaith service last Sunday, we collected \$584.10 for UNICEF. Thank you everyone!!!

2009 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

2009 Budget Approved:	\$459,497
Pledges Received To Date:	\$363,085
Required Each Week:	\$ 13,773

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES for WPC's children this Advent season

- **For children in 2nd through 8th grades**, there will be a youth choir singing some of the anthems along with our adult choir in the very special annual Advent Music service on Sunday, December 20. Children will rehearse with Al Galletly on Thursdays, December 3, 10 and 17 at 4:30pm and with the adult choir on Saturday, December 19 at 10:30am. If your child would like to sing in this special service, **please let Al know no later than December 1.**
- **For children in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade**, there will be a Christmas pageant "tableau" presented during the Family Christmas Eve service at 4pm on December 24. The "tableau" format means the children will *not* be singing anthems, dancing, acting or speaking lines. Instead, Pastor David Graybill will read the Christmas story from scripture. Between the scripture lessons, as the congregation sings familiar Christmas carols, children will come forward and take their place in costume in the nativity scene. The only preparation required will be one costume fitting on Thursday, December 10 at 5:00pm, and one brief walk-through rehearsal on Wednesday, December 23 at 2:00pm. If your child would like to be a part of this Christmas Eve pageant, **please let Jane Field know no later than December 1.**
- Please note: children in 2nd through 5th grades are most welcome to participate in BOTH of these services if they wish!!!

CHURCH SCHOOL

Advent Calendars: Celebrate the Meaning of Advent with a Child

Assemble an Advent calendar with an envelope holding a message and small gift for every day in Advent to highlight the spiritual side of Advent for children from 4 years old through 5th grade.

- 9 am to 4 pm Monday, November 16 through Friday, November 20th
- A donation of \$9.00 covers the cost of the materials.
- Please call the church school office (762-7992) or send an email (JCCEC@hotmail.com) to reserve a calendar.

Two Mission Projects

#1. Donate food, paper goods and personal care items to:

Norwalk Emergency Shelter: canned fruit, canned tuna, pork and beans, rice, microwave popcorn, granola bars, macaroni and cheese dinners, canned soup.

Wilton Food Bank: paper towels, tissues, toilet paper, laundry detergent, toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotion, deodorant.

#2. Donate Gently Used Children's Winter Clothing

For the last 10 years we have donated "gently used" infant and children's winter clothing to the Mercy Learning Center in Bridgeport. Mothers who go to the Mercy Learning Center for a variety of literacy and job training programs can shop for free in the Center's "company store" which is stocked with donated clothing. In past years, your donations have been deeply appreciated by many mothers.

Please bring your donations to our newly painted Blue Mission Box outside the Church School office.

WEPCO An Outdoor Work Day Another Way to Give Thanks! Saturday, November 21 2009 9 AM to Noon

Members of Wilton Presbyterian and St. Matthew's will gather to tidy the grounds of our churches. This is a wonderful time of work, fun and fellowship for people of all ages. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Activities will include:

- Fall cleanup of lawns and planting beds
- Cleaning sand from the storm drains
- Spruce up of the playground
- Other needs that arise

The workday will be held unless there is heavy rain or heavy snow. Bring gardening tools, shovels, pitch forks, rakes and wheelbarrows. *Contact Jim Neighbors at 894-8590.*

CALENDAR

Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday with the <u>Times</u>
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship
	10:00 AM	Confirmation Class
	2:30 PM	Advent Calendar Workshop
	4:00 PM	Chris Delmar's Ordination
Monday		DECEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
	10:00 AM	Staff
Tuesday	12:00 PM	Men's Bible Study
	7:30 PM	Stated Meeting of Session
Wednesday	6:00 PM	7 th /8 th Grade Fellowship
Thursday	7:15 AM	Morning Prayer
	7:30 PM	Sanctuary Choir
Sunday	9:00 AM	Sunday with the <u>Times</u>
	9:30 AM	Called Meeting of Session
	10:00 AM	Morning Worship/Five Grains of Corn
	4:30 PM	High School Faith in Action