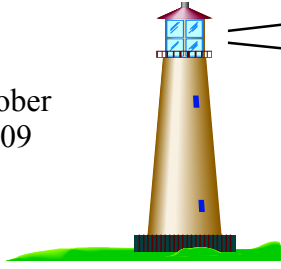


October  
2009



## Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church

# TOWER LIGHT

*"Cultivating a Nurturing Community which extends Christ's Peace to All."*

### 2009 Peacemaking Offering

### World Communion Sunday – October 04, 2009

*"Justice and peace shall kiss each other." {Psalm 85: 10}*

Join us on October 04 as we  
celebrate **World Communion Sunday** and  
receive the **Peacemaking Offering**.

On this day we join with **Christians** around the world  
to celebrate the unity that we find at the Table of the Lord.

We also receive the **Peacemaking Offering**  
to support the efforts of our congregation,  
our synod, our presbytery, and our denomination  
to spread the peace of Christ.

Twenty-five percent of the offering will be used by **The Congregation**  
for our peacemaking activities.

The other 75 percent will help **Our Partners**  
in the presbytery, synod, and general assembly  
as they work on behalf of  
**God's** peacemaking throughout the world.

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### Annual Winter Coat Drive

We will be searching in the closet for our Winter coats soon. Sorry, but it is inevitable! Yet many in our area will not have the basics of Winter coats, hats, and gloves to protect themselves. The Board of Deacons is conducting our Annual Coat Drive of NEW or gently used Winter coats. Please search your closets and your hearts, and bring donations to the church. Donations will be accepted through October 18, 2009, and they may be placed on the coat rack in the hallway just outside of the Transept. The coats will then be taken to South Hills Interfaith Ministry.

### Inquirer's Classes

A three-week series of Inquirer's Classes will be held in the Lounge on Sunday mornings, October 04, 11, and 18, from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Instruction and discussion about our Presbyterian faith and what it means to be a Presbyterian will be led by Pastor Dennis. These classes are strongly recommended for anyone who might be considering membership, but especially if you've not been a member of a Presbyterian Church previously. Child care will be available. Attendance at these Church Growth events does not obligate you to pursue membership at Wallace.

After being formally received by the Session on Tuesday, October 19, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., the new members will be publicly welcomed during the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, October 25, 2009.

If you have questions about either of these events, please call Pastor Dennis at the church {412-561-2431} or Peg Anderson, Church Growth Committee Chair {412-341-2109}.



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## OUR PASTOR

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### *An Invitation to Exhibit the Kingdom of Jesus Christ*

One of the Great Ends of the Church according to the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church U.S. A. is "the exhibition of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ to the world." The month of October will be full of opportunities for our congregation to exhibit the Kingdom of Jesus Christ as we experience it through our worship, fellowship, education, mission, and stewardship. It all begins with providing a presence at the **Green Tree OctoberFest**, October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, when we will connect with the people of our neighborhood as we "open our hearts" to share the gospel message. We will have a booth at the OctoberFest Event in Green Tree Park to proclaim our presence within the community and share the opportunities we have for individuals and families to grow in faith and service with us. An invitation to learn more about our congregation and services will be extended by offering people a heart shaped cookie, and children will be invited to "lend a hand" to express the love of the Lord to our community. We hope all of you will stop by to say "hello" and share your presence with our neighbors. Please contact the Church Office if you would be willing to take a shift at the booth to welcome the people in our neighborhood to the ministry and mission of Wallace.

On Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate **World Communion!** We will celebrate the presence of Jesus Christ in our midst and unite our hearts in a renewed commitment to exhibit His kingdom to the world. As we come to the Lord's Table that day, our souls will be gathered before the Lord along with "the saints" dispersed around the earth and in heaven. Together we are the expression of the Body of Christ in the world extending His love and grace to all we touch in His name. I hope you will commit to being "present" at one of the worship services that Sunday, so we can fully sense the presence of the Lord in our midst as His chosen disciples.

A **Fall Festival of Fun** will be shared on the lawn on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup> as we gather around campfires and enjoy some fellowship with one another while dining on kielbasa, hot dogs, sauerkraut, and pumpkin pie, as well as making mountain pies, while sharing some activities with our children. You can feast on some pancakes and sausage while supporting the Food Pantry at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual **Green Tree Rotary Pancake Breakfast** on the morning of Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The exhibition of the Kingdom at Wallace will continue as the excitement of our **Scripture and the ARTS Event** unfolds during the week of October 11<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>. This will include about 70 artists sharing their gifts of expression and rotating presentations by artisans and musicians. (See the variety of articles in this issue for the schedule and opportunities you and your invited guests can share as you view and listen to God's gifts expressed through the different creative arts.) The "**Wallace presents . . .**" **Event** on the evening of October 17<sup>th</sup> will provide another opportunity for you to extend an invitation to others to enter the joy of the Lord we experience here at Wallace. Throughout the month we will use a variety of image, music, and story to inspire our worship as we express our praise and thanksgiving to our Triune God.

Our month of exhibition of the Kingdom will conclude with a **Celebration of the Reformation** on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, when we will mark the 500<sup>th</sup> Birthday of John Calvin, welcome new members, and dedicate our stewardship commitments for 2010. There is a new vitality of ministry and mission emerging at Wallace as the Lord shapes us into a vital congregation for exhibiting his Kingdom in the Greater Pittsburgh Region. Please come and explore all the ways the Lord is forming us as a congregation, and offer your gifts to the effort of faithful discipleship we desire to exhibit unto the Lord, in gratitude for His exhibition of love through the cross and His ministry among us.

See you around the Kingdom this month!

Peace,  
Pastor Dennis Molnar

## October Worship Services

### **October 4<sup>th</sup> World Communion Sunday**

#### **Contemplative Service @ 8:30 a.m. / Sacrament of Communion**

Meditation "From Him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work."  
Ephesians 4: 16

Psalter Reading Psalm 86  
Scripture Lesson Ephesians 4:1-16  
Morning Message "And..."

#### **Morning Worship @ 11:00 a.m. / Sacrament of Communion**

Scripture Lesson Ephesians 4: 1-16  
Sermon "The Union of the Body"  
First Lesson "A Whole Body"

### **October 11<sup>th</sup> Scripture & the ARTS Sunday**

Theme "Shaped to Serve"

#### **Contemplative Service @ 8:30 a.m. / Sacrament of Communion**

Meditation "Yet, O Lord, you are our Father. We are the clay, You are the potter; we are all the work of Your hand." Isaiah 64: 8

Psalter Reading Psalm 139  
Scripture Lesson Isaiah 64  
Morning Message "The Work of Your Hands"

#### **Morning Worship @ 11:00 a.m.**

Scripture Lesson 2 Timothy 2: 20-26  
Sermon "Kingdom Building"  
First Lesson "Kingdom Tools"

### **October 18<sup>th</sup> Scripture & the ARTS Sunday**

#### **Contemplative Service @ 8:30 a.m. / Sacrament of Communion**

Meditation "Blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear."

Psalter Reading Psalm 100  
Scripture Reading Isaiah 6: 6-13  
Scripture Lesson Matthew 13: 10-17  
Morning Message "Sowing the Gospel"

#### **Morning Worship @ 11:00 a.m.**

Prologue Story Arlene Crissman  
Scripture Lesson Matthew 13: 1-3a, 10-17  
First Lesson Story The Parable of the Sower  
Morning Message "For Those Who Have Ears"

### **October 25<sup>th</sup> Reformation Sunday**

#### **John Calvin Celebration**

Meditation "My heart I offer to you, Lord, readily and sincerely." John Calvin

#### **Contemplative Service @ 8:30 a.m. / Sacrament of Communion**

Psalter Reading Psalm 67  
Scripture Lesson Matthew 6: 19-34  
Morning Message "Heart and Treasures"

#### **Morning Worship @ 11:00 a.m.**

#### **Commitment Sunday**

#### **New Member Sunday**

Scripture Lesson 2 Corinthians 8: 1-15  
Sermon "Extensions of the Heart"  
First Lesson "Heart Offerings"

# ...SEE YOU THERE!

## Scripture & the ARTS

*In the beginning God created...and saw that it was good.* Gen 1:1-10

Come...celebrate the arts at Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church, beginning Sunday, October 11, from 2-8 PM daily. A juried art exhibit "Scripture & the ARTS" will be open during these hours. Additionally, there will be special events each day at the scheduled times:

### ALL WEEK

**"Scripture & the ARTS" Exhibit open from 2-8 PM**

Sunday, Oct. 11

**Critique 3 PM** by juror, Nancy Bush  
(life-long artist and gallery co-owner)

Monday, Oct. 12

Tuesday, Oct. 13

Keyboard specialist Tom Davis  
Playing **"Old Favorites" 7-8 PM**

Wednesday, Oct. 14

**Pottery** with Renee Molnar **3:30-4:00 PM**

Thursday, Oct. 15

**Classical pianist** May Fenton **7-8 PM**

Friday, Oct. 16

**Stained Glass** construction with Alena Lutton **6:30-8 PM**

Saturday, Oct. 17

**An evening concert sponsored by "Wallace presents..."**  
**Louise Berky, flutist** and her accompanist  
plus **Vahan Sargysan, pianist** who regularly performs with the  
Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra  
**Wallace Sanctuary 6 PM.** Beverages following.  
The art Exhibit will be closed during the concert and reopen thereafter.

Sunday, Oct. 18

**Jazz piano** with Larry Beile **5-6 PM**  
Art Exhibit to close following Mr. Beile's performance. Artists may claim their  
works after closing.

The exhibit and all events are open to everyone at no cost. Children are welcome, accompanied by an adult. Children will have a special opportunity to interact with the art.

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### Family Fall Festival

**Saturday, October 10, 2009 @ 5:00 p.m.**  
**Lawn in Front of the Arthur J. Campbell Chapel**

Please join us for an evening of relaxation around a warm fire, roasting marshmallows, making mountain pies, children's tractor ride, and enjoying the company of friends. We will serve a dinner of kielbasa, hot dogs, sauerkraut, applesauce, pumpkin and apple pies, hot coffee and tea, and cold beverages. We hope to see you there. Please complete the reservation form below to indicate your attendance, and place it in the offering plate on a Sunday morning, or mail it into the Church Office by Tuesday, October 06, 2009.

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I/We plan to attend the "Family Fall Festival."

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Reservations \_\_\_\_\_

Green Tree Rotary  
Pancake Breakfast

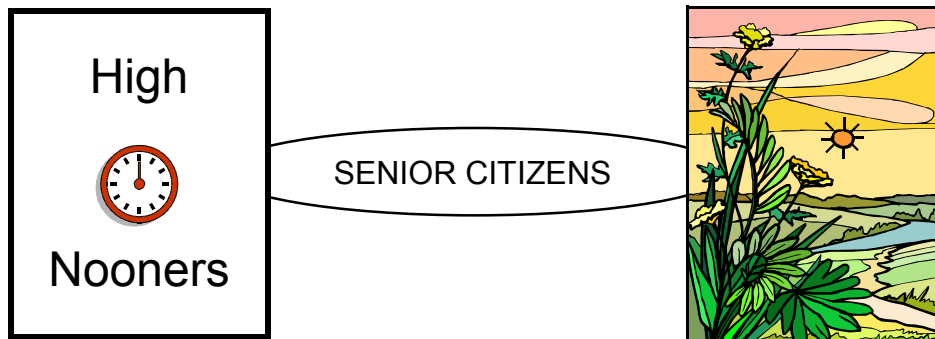
Saturday, October 17, 2009  
7:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon  
Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church

All you can eat!

Pancakes/Sausage/Buckwheat Cakes/Coffee/Juice/Milk  
Benefits Community Service Projects & Wallace Food Pantry  
Donation: Adults \$7.00 / 12 & Under \$5.00 / 5 & Under Free  
Tickets available in the Church Office

Food Pantry Volunteer Luncheon

All Food Pantry volunteers are asked to mark their calendars for the third annual Volunteer Luncheon, to be held at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 08, 2009 at Peter's Place Restaurant in Bridgeville. Formal invitations will be sent in October. Please plan to join us for a time of fellowship and celebration of this ministry!



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| October 28  | Deputy Sheriff Jason Tarap  |
| December 02 | Discussion of Senior Security Issues {Brown Bag Lunch}<br>{Will replace November Meeting}<br>Slide Presentation - Carnegie Museum Christmas Prescipro - the Nativity Scene<br>{Brown Bag Lunch} |
| December 30 | Christmas Party @ Peter's Place<br>Entertainment by Christopher and Company   |

## ***Christian Education & Spiritual Formation:***

Perhaps you think that TWOgether Pittsburgh has nothing to do with you. Perhaps you are not married. Perhaps you are married, but very satisfied with your relationship. Perhaps you think that you are too old, or too young, or too knowledgeable or too private. Well, you'd be missing the mark. Strong marriages help to underpin our entire society. But, even more than that, Wallace Memorial Presbyterian Church undertook to become a **TWOgether Pittsburgh Congregation** as a mission. All of us are ambassadors for the program.

First, please pray for this community outreach.

Then, gift your spouse with the commitment to enhance your already strong relationship with new enthusiasm, specific skills and intentional time for discussion to increase your intimacy by signing up for one of our TWOgether Pittsburgh offerings.

Finally, look around you, at your friends, neighbors and co-workers, identify one, two or three couples that you know and encourage them to explore the possibilities. Your welcoming, personal invitation may be just what they need.

Our first offering this Fall will be **Friday, November 13, 7-9 PM** and **Saturday, November 14, 9 AM-3 PM: Marriage Enrichment**. During this FREE weekend you will celebrate your strengths, identify areas for growth, understand how your family of origin affects your relationship and learn specific skills for communication and conflict resolution to increase your intimacy. Much of the time is spent as a couple with specific activities to enable you to focus on your relationship.

Interested couples please contact Ellen Heriger for further information and to register 412.561.2431 or [eheriger@wallacememorial.org](mailto:eheriger@wallacememorial.org)

**October 11-18** marks another community outreach, a vision to encourage people to open their hearts to God through the arts, both visual and musical. Please pray for our **Scripture & the ARTS Exhibit**, please come yourself, one time or several times, please invite your friends and neighbors and, if possible, please help us host the event with two hours or your time. Please contact Ellen to volunteer or drop the bulletin form in the offering plate. You will find a full page outline of events elsewhere in this Tower Light—post it on your refrigerator, give it to your friends!

Room 208 has books, **books for adults to explore on their Christian journey**. Newly added: Huston Smith's *World Religions* and on order: *Calvin's Institutes*, abridged edition; *Calvin for Armchair Theologians*; and *John Calvin Reformer for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*. Please read Pastor Dennis' words on Calvin in his article in this Tower Light. Stop in room 208, see what's available. If you would like to borrow a book, just leave a note in Ellen's mailbox with title, your name and date.

October dates to remember:

- EVERY Sunday 9:30-10:40 classes for all ages
- October Round Table Class (Fellowship Hall 9:30-10:30): **Bible Basics** with Joan and Roy Humphrey. This truly is for beginners, those new to exploring the Bible. You will become comfortable finding scripture, begin to understand the overall flow of God's interaction with His people and, hopefully, start to use scripture as a pathway to God in your life. Roy and Joan are knowledgeable, fun and never judgmental—a perfect pair to introduce you to scripture study.
- Thursday, October 8, 7:00-8:15 R & R **Book Club** in the Lounge. *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*, by John Boyne. YOU are invited.
- Please save the date: Sunday, November 29: **Family Advent Breakfast**.

# *Young Adult Fellowship*

This Fall, the YAF is enjoying a series of focus months within our overall theme of "Different Perspectives." During this time, we have been examining, both prayerfully and playfully, different faith traditions. In order to gain a broader and deeper understanding of how all of God's people approach the Divine, we will spend some time with our brothers and sisters of various faith traditions, and seeking to understand their practices and beliefs.

## *Different Perspectives*

***AUGUST: A Muslim Focus***

***SEPTEMBER: A Jewish Focus***

***OCTOBER: A Catholic Focus***

**Catholic Traditional Latin Mass and Lunch**

*Together we will experience the traditional Christian Latin Mass, spend time with the priest afterwards asking questions, and then break bread at lunch.*

*Come experience one of our oldest Christian services.*

Sunday, October 11 at 11 am (or meet at WMPC at 10:30 am), St. Boniface Church, 2208 East Street  
RSVP to Wil by 10/2/09

**A Catholic Legacy**

*The rich history of Catholicism has left an enduring legacy in many arenas. Together we will explore just a couple. We will engage in mission work, and seek to understand liberation theology.*

*Come seeking to serve and to understand.*

Monday, October 26 at 6:30 pm, WMPC Youth Zone - RSVP to Wil by 10/23/09

***NOVEMBER: A Buddhist Focus***

***Understanding and Practicing Buddhist Meditation***

*First, in discussion with monks, we will seek to understand Buddhism and Buddhist meditation, and then in meditation, we will seek to experience them.*

Wednesday, November 11 at 6:00 pm (or meet at WMPC at 5 pm)  
Pittsburgh Buddhist Center, 111, Route 908 in Natrona Heights - RSVP to Wil 11/6/09

**One Cool Time**

*We complete our eating tour of all the continents with some Antarctic fare while we further explore Buddhist topics and practices. Yum and Om.*

Monday, November 23 at 6:30 pm, WMPC Youth Zone - RSVP to Wil 11/20/09

***DECEMBER: A Protestant Focus***

***JANUARY 2010: Putting it All Together***

Interested? Contact Wil Forrest - [wforrest@wallacememorial.org](mailto:wforrest@wallacememorial.org) or 412-260-2554

***Let's share in Christian fellowship serving  
and enjoying God together.***



# Here's WALLY!

Dear Friends,

Fall is here! Pretty soon the leaves will be changing colors. This is always such a lovely time of year.

Green Tree is having their OctoberFest the beginning of October, and I hear that Wallace will be in one of the booths. What a great idea. Maybe you'll get some new members from the leads you generate.

I hear the Fall Festival will be on October 10<sup>th</sup>. I hope you and your family will be there. That is so much fun and the food is great. I plan to be there.

OK, did you go to the Holy Hot Rod Car Cruise? Did you try some of that delicious Gelato? I really liked it. And weren't those cars something? Wow! It was even better than last year.

Halloween is coming. What costume are you going to wear? I'm not sure what my Mom is planning. I thought I'd like to go as John Calvin so we can celebrate his 500<sup>th</sup> Birthday. You know how much I like parties. Oh well, time will tell.

See you soon.  
Love, Wally, III

## Thank you to Mission Committee of Session

"Thank you very much for allocating the money to buy all of the items that were sent by Wallace to Iraq. I can't tell you how much it helped to have food that we could eat on the go. Sometimes protein and snack bars were all that we had to eat for stretches of 24 or more hours. The boxes really helped to make a difference in our ability to complete our mission. Thanks again!"

Sincerely,  
Michael Fisher

## Food Pantry Needs for October 25 Pantry Sunday

October's food collection for the Wallace Food Pantry will be on Sunday, October 25 during both worship services. All donations are greatly appreciated, but the most urgent need on that date will be "the trimmings" for clients' Thanksgiving dinners. This includes boxed stuffing or potato mixes, cranberry sauce, gravy {in envelopes, please}, canned sweet potatoes or yams, canned pumpkin, and so forth. As always, if you have items to donate, but will not be in worship that Sunday, you can leave your items on the table beside the pantry. Thank you for your support of this ever-expanding ministry.

## Coffee Hour Volunteers

Coffee Hour Volunteers are needed to help with the set-up during the first service. It simply involves getting the coffee brewed and snack put out. With enough folks signed up, you would only need to help out about once every three months. If you can help with this wonderful time of fellowship, please call Jan Esterly @ 412-478-7148.

## Keystone Oaks School District Middle School Awards

Each year American Legion Post 490 of Castle Shannon recognizes an eighth grade boy and girl at the middle school's end-of-the-year recognition assembly with the American Legion Awards.

To be eligible for the award, students must be nominated by at least one of their teachers. From there members of the eighth grade class select the boy and girl they feel best demonstrates the qualities of honor, scholarship, service, Americanism, leadership, and courage. The 2009 award winners were Andrew Hromoke and **Kiersten Badzgon**.

Memorial gifts have been given in loving memory  
of the following:

David H. Donald  
David S. Olander  
Helen R. Furedy  
Robert G. Sims  
Alan Engstrom

A "Service of Witness to the Resurrection"  
was held for Catherine M. Harbaugh.  
{Date of Death: August 27, 2009}

**October Birthdays . . .**  
**Best Wishes on**  
**Your Special Day !!**

1	Mildred Gardner Hazel Korn James Wartens	14	Stephanie Caruso Autumn Tancaitor	25	Nadine Mancini Dolores Paras Richard Powell Gena Wise
2	Betty Dunn Philip Molnar	15	Boyd Alspach Marie Hill	26	George Fenton, Jr.
6	Dale Neubert Shelby Wherry	16	Margaret Addis Tara Lutton Natalee Tortorella	27	Julie Brammer Linda Long
7	Liam Donald Carol Moessinger	17	Geraldine Sullivan	28	Keil Mowbray
9	Emily Addleman Marijane Eibs Melissa Gorman	18	Anderson Fisher	29	Jason Figorski John McManus Linda Oberst Terry Oberst
10	George Illig, Jr. Linda Jamison	19	William Slater, II	30	Alyssa Senn
11	Lisa Scorzafave	21	Foster Hartman Renee Molnar	31	Charles Addis Craig Esterly Amy Goelz
12	Dawn Hicken Michael Hughes	22	Carolyn Esterly Jennifer Hughes Sue Neubert		Jody Kellner Lauren Lindsay Thomas Marchlen
13	Paul Collman Kyle Hicken	23	Kaitlyn Kunz		
		24	Abigail Fleischauer Dot-Ann Sutter Paul Wren		