Glad Tidings

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF WESTERN SPRINGS **SEPTEMBER, 2018**

From Erik's Desk

We have so many exciting things happening in the life of the congregation, and these pages are filled with news about many of them. As people return from vacations and return to patterns of their lives, I want to encourage you to consider ways that nurturing your faith can be part of your routine. Transition times in life (and I seem to know a lot about transitions these days!) provide a chance to examine our habits and set new ones. This is a good time to ask the question: *how am I paying attention to my faith even when I am not at church?*

In youth ministry studies, there is a lot of conversation about what makes faith "stick" for young people. Overwhelmingly, the studies point to parents who practice their faith in the home in an authentic and honest way. This doesn't always mean having the answers to every question. What it means is that church and faith aren't simply reserved for an hour on Sunday morning or the obligations of church service. Faith – the journey of walking with God – becomes contagious, particularly with children, when we seek to live our lives in a way that doesn't partition our church self from our work self, our family self, and all of the other "selves" that can be so easy to create.

How do we do this? How do we live the authentic life? This is our adventure together. We walk this journey together because God has given us the gift of one another so that we can stumble alongside others as we try to understand how to love God and love our neighbor. This brings me back to the life of the church contained in these pages. As we meet as the Session, Deacons, and committees of the church gather, I intend to consistently return us to the question of how our discussions, our energy, and our programming are drawing us closer to our mission and Christ's directive to love God and neighbor.

My hope is that as you consider ways that you and your family will be involved in the life of the church this Fall, you'll ask the questions I've posed in this article. I also want to encourage you to pray for the people who will involve themselves in other events. Encourage them and listen to their stories about how they're encountering God in a midweek Bible study, or a

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Rally Day —

September 9 . . .

... is the kick off to our church year of worship for all ages. During Worship, our pre-school children - 5th grade will meet their Sunday School teachers after Words for Children to discuss 'God Makes a Promise to Abraham', make instruments and joyful noise as we begin a joyful celebration.

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Organ Dedication Concert

September 9

Guest Organist,
Dr. A. Steven Taranto

Sunday, September 9th at 3:00 p.m., there will be an Organ Dedication Concert in celebration of our newly purchased, 3 manual, 58 stop, Allen Organ.

Read more on page 8

Progressive Dinner Saturday,

September 29

The fun begins at 5:00 p.m. and wraps up around 9:30 p.m. We will gather at the Hennessys for appetizers and beverages, and then will separate into small groups for dinner and dessert.

For all the details, see page 2!

Congregational News

Welcome Pastor Erik – Attend a *Meet and Greet*

Join a one-time small group to meet Pastor Erik. If you weren't able to attend one, all is not lost! There are dinners, play dates, and scotch tastings coming up. Choose your location, date, time and activity on the Sign-up Genius, or in the Narthex on Sunday morning. Don't be shy! Recruit a friend and attend together. Have an idea or to host an event yourself, contact Kay Kelly.

The August *Meet and Greets* were fabulous, awesome and downright fun! Many thanks to those who have already hosted.

Progressive Dinner

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When you sign up, you'll be asked to help by choosing one of the following:

- Bring an appetizer that serves 12, or
- Host for 6 - 8 people, or
- Bring a main dish or salad (recipes will be provided for main dish and salad), or
- Bring a dessert of your choosing, or
- Contribute $15/person.

All adults are invited and there will be free childcare at the church for children. We encourage you to signup early!

Deadline to signup is September 24!

Need a ride and want to come? Vegetarian or Gluten-Free? Any questions? Please contact Val Blough!

From Erik's Desk

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fellowship time, or singing in the choir, or serving on a committee.

Finally, I continue to look forward to getting to know more of you. Please introduce yourself to me if you have not already done so, and I look forward to seeing you on Sunday mornings and throughout the week! Know that you are in my prayers!

Erik

Rally Day

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Our Youth Leader, Candice Mares invites all middle school through high school students (JUPYs and UPYs) to sit in front with her during Worship and then assist at Rally Day with games, face painting, chalk art, cookie walk, Bouncy House, etc.

Following worship, the Rally Day program begins for everyone!

Music: Our fabulous musician Kevin McDermott and his band, Ring Shout and Friends, will offer music.

Food: will be provided by Plaë - It's a taco grill! Serving tacos from 11 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

- Chicken, Steak and a Veggie tacos AND rice and beans (and all the fixings)
- Fruit and ice cream bars too!!
- **Be sure to make a reservation** - we need to know how many adults and how many children (under 12!) The caterer needs an accurate count to ensure there is enough food for all.

Everyone is encouraged to RSVP by using Sign-up Genius, or the sign-up in the lower hallway, and indicate how they would like to help out— whether they would like to donate items or help coordinate a game.

Moderators of committees have been invited to create and post sign-ups that morning so members and friends can indicate where they would like to help out.

Congregational News

Save the Date!
Pastor Erik Installation
October 14

The Presbytery of Chicago will formally install Erik as our new pastor at a worship service here at PCWS on October 14 at 3:00 p.m. There will be guests from the Presbytery and even a few family and friends of Erik's from out of town. This will be a wonderful opportunity for us to celebrate our new beginning as a congregation with our new pastor. There will be great music from our choir and Stephanie as well as the No Name Band and others! The Deacons and PCWS will be hosting a reception in the Jones Room after the worship service (more information to come as to how you can help!). Please plan to attend this exciting event that does not happen often in the life of a church!

Interfaith Book Group
Wednesday, September 26
1:30 p.m. at PCWS

For September, the book chosen to read is The Islamic Jesus by Mustafa Akyol. The book is a scholarly study about Jesus and the Bible and should provide discussion that is lively and far reaching.

All women of the church are welcome as well as friends in the community. We are truly interfaith with Protestant Christians, Catholics , Muslims, and seekers of the truth with no specific church affiliation. (Please note the change in date.)

Carol Stoub, PCWS
Carol Akhers, Mosque

I Need My Space: New PCWS Room Reservation System

The PCWS office brings you an all-new way to make room reservations at church! Visit https://bit.ly/2KwfFY3. Through this online form, you can provide all of the details about your event and space needs, including set-ups, building access, and info to advertise your event in Glad Tidings and the bulletin announcements on Sunday. By using the online form, you can select from basic set-ups, or choose to submit a special set-up.

Once the form is received, the office will review the request, and confirm the reservation if there are no conflicts or follow-up questions. With all of the information gathered using the form, this should streamline the reservation process. All we ask of church groups is that they start by using the online form, and choose one person to be the contact for office staff to reach out to. Do you have events, group meetings, committee gatherings, or other space needs this fall? Submit your space reservation requests now!

Tower Room is now Resource Room

As you know, storage space is at a premium in the church. Recently, we began a reorganization project that includes turning the Tower Room into storage. Faith Formation began by stripping the Tower Room, pulling up the orange shag carpet, and painting. Once updates are finished, Faith Formation will begin moving Sunday School supplies and other resources into the room. Eventually, the space will offer shared storage for Worship, Faith Formation, and other committees, freeing up space in the office. The new Resource Room will provide a work-space for committee projects, as well as centralized storage space.

In the past, Faith Formation has used closets throughout the building, which leads to clutter and over-buying of supplies when they are misplaced in a different closet. Special thanks to Kim Fronk and Mindy McMahon for spearheading this project and putting in so much effort!

OUR PASTOR

Rev. Erik Khoobaryian, Pastor
Email: erik@presbyws.org

For a complete list of our staff, visit our website: www.presbyws.org.

Women's Retreat

PCWS Women's Retreat
Friday, November 2- 4, 2018

"O clap your hands, all peoples; Shout to God with the voice of joy." **Psalm 47:1**

It has been said that hands tell the stories of life. These marvelous creations of God, these beautiful, scarred, one of a kind hands, store so much of your story. As do the mighty and loving Hands of a God who has held you in God's hands all along as your own story has been written.

For one weekend in November, we invite you to treat yourself to a time-out. To take a break from the every-day stuff of life, and give yourself time to remember. To give yourself the gift of meaningful connection with other women of faith, as you share your stories together. And to ask, "What if you saw your hands as a catalogue of your life up to this point? What lessons have you learned? What experiences are you grateful for? Where have you seen God at work in the stories of your hands? And what might be the new stories of serving and worshiping and living out God's call in your life that God may be wanting to write next in your life?"

You are not going to want to miss this opportunity for fun, relaxation, fellowship, and joy, as we come together to praise the God who rejoices in all our stories.

Friday, November 2nd - 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. check-in;
Bring beverage (wine is permitted) and an appetizer or fruit to share with all the women

Saturday, November 3rd -
Full day together with breakfast, lunch and dinner on site and spiritual events - Bring snacks and beverages for nighttime game playing

Sunday, November 4th -
Breakfast and joyful closing service together - 11:00 a.m. departure with option to gather in Oregon at 'Cork and Tap' for lunch.

Accommodations:
We have reserved the Sears Center that has eight bedrooms, four rooms with private bathrooms and four rooms that share a bath. The rooms all have a queen bed and a set of bunk beds. We plan to have three persons to a room, thus no one has to share a queen bed unless we have an abundance of interest. There is a meeting room with fireplace, kitchenette and is where we will meet and play games at night. There are no stairs. We also reserved the Bunk House that has a private room for our leader and second bedroom with a bunk bed, all sharing one bathroom. It also has a kitchen and sitting area that we will allocate for meditation or private conversations. The dining hall nearby will be shared with other guests while we have our meals. A few single occupancy rooms may be available in the Heritage Lodge where a non-PCWS group has reserved and will be confirmed at a date closer to the event.

Cost: $175 per person

To register, visit the PCWS Womens Retreat website to complete the registration form and pay online!

Questions? Contact Mindy McMahon

Adult News

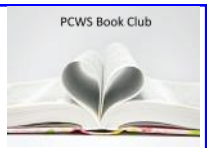
Pastor's Bible Study
Beginning September 12

Please join Erik for a drop -in Bible Study Wednesdays, 2:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. in the Graham Charter Room. We will look at the scripture text(s) for the upcoming Sunday morning and have great discussions!

Feel free to come any time and invite a friend to join you!

See Erik with any questions.

Book Club
Monday, September 24
7:30 p.m.



The PCWS Book Club begins the 2018/2019 season discussing:

Sept. 24 The Other Einstein by Marie Benedict—A brilliant physicist in her own right, Mrs. Einstein must fight to make a place for herself in the male-dominated scientific world.

Oct. 22 The Day the World Came to Town: 9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland by Jim DeFede—Small town meets the crisis as 38 jetliners are diverted when U.S. airspace is closed.

Please mark your calendars for the 4th Monday of the month, at 7:30 p.m. in the Graham Charter Room, for interesting discussions!

Lunches . . Programs . . Fellowship . . Mission
Thursday, September 6, 12:30 p.m.

All Presbyterian Women are invited to a salad luncheon on Thursday, September 6th, at the First Presbyterian Church of LaGrange. Their pastor, Rev. Jonathan Krogh, will present "Discovering the Presence of God", as an introduction to the Horizons Bible Study, *God's Promise: I Am with You.* God's most consistent promise is not forgiveness but presence. Our difficulty is not God's absence, but our incapacity to recognize the many ways God is with us. Come join us for fellowship and this interesting talk. Cost is $12.00. Please RSVP to our church office by noon, Tuesday, September 4th.

Afternoon Circles Welcome All

All women are invited to one or both of the afternoon circles forming this fall:

Early Afternoon Circle
Thursday, September 20, 1:00 p.m.— Graham Charter Room
Early afternoon Circle will meet to discuss Lesson One: God with Us Wherever We Are, from the Horizons Bible Study, *God's Promise: I Am with You.*

Late Afternoon Circle
Tuesday, September 25, 4:00 p.m.— Upper Room

The Late Afternoon Circle (formerly Tuesday Evening Circle) will now meet at 4:00 p.m., the fourth Tuesday of the month with a study on racism. We will begin our discussion this year with special guest, Lauren Lee, an educator of English Literature at Oak Park River Forest High School. She will share with us how our educators prepare and deal with issues of racism today. Additionally her high school is featured in a ten-part documentary "America to Me" to air on the Starz network Sunday, August 26 at 9:00 p.m. Directed by Steve James, the film premiered at the Sundance Film Festival and addresses racism in schools following students at Oak Park River Forest High School.

We continue our study reviewing the book *The Common Good* by Robert B. Reich. Please join us for this introduction to an exciting year of study. For additional information, contact Sue Eck (sueeck@gmail.com) or Jan Fortina (churchladyjan@gmail.com).

Children & Youth

JUPY/UPY Kick-off Family Meeting

Sunday, September 23 - 5:30 p.m.

Interested in learning more about what our 6th-12th graders are offered spiritually and for meaningful fun together? Candice Mares, our Youth Leader, invites parents and youth to join her for a kick-off meeting, to discuss options for outings, and to vote on some plans.
(If unable to attend this vital meeting, there is another opportunity on Sunday, September 30th at 10:30 a.m. but voting on events will have been completed.)

JUPYs—Welcome Newbies - Welcome Back Veterans!

JUPYs are Junior United Presbyterian Youth- come one come all - grades 6 through 8. Bring your friends, an open mind, and the propensity to have an AMAZING TIME! I am so stoked to get to know you!

JUPYs will meet from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. about twice a month in the Youth Room at Church. The calendar on the website is up to date and a physical schedule is available. Just reach out to Forrest in the office or myself.

We will share a meal at the end of every gathering and will partake in various activities and games. A good time is guaranteed for all. Any questions, please ask.

Adults: I am still looking for help. If you are safe space trained and willing to commit even if ONLY ONE OR TWO Sunday evenings, it would be greatly appreciated.

Candice Mares,
Youth Leader

Second Grade Bibles

We hope your children entering second grade are excited to receive their **second grade Bible** from Pastor Erik Khoobyarian during worship on September 23!

We encourage children to bring them to church throughout the year to find passages we are learning about or read at home.

Sunday School - Make a joyful Noise!

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord! Sunday School children will do just that by exploring Bible stories in fun and creative ways using the *Growing in Grace and Gratitude* curriculum. An exciting new twist on Communion Sundays, first Sunday of the month, where children will join together and learn about PCWS mission ministries. We are excited to offer **six Mission Sundays** that will be led by members of the Mission Committee who are eager to engage our children in mission related lessons.

Preschool through 2nd graders (Room 201) and 3rd through 5th graders (Room 202) will gather following words with children and make a joyful noise together sharing God's love!
6th - 8th graders will be meeting with Candice once a month during worship and JUPYs/UPYs will be meeting twice a month on Sunday evenings. As always, our church nursery is open to all children not in Sunday School.

A huge shout out to our amazing teachers - Jen Cushman, Sue Cushman, Carolyn Bozek, Suzie Mosher, Hank Vaughan, Kim Yates, Stephanie Carlisle, Aileen Pendleton and Kim Fronk.

We also need Assistants to help our teachers and comply with our Safe Space policy. If you are an Approved Leader, and able to assist in the nursery or a classroom, for one Sunday or more, please visit Sign-up Genius and pick your date. Thank you for sharing in our children's faith journey! Questions? Please contact Kim Fronk.

Congregational News

From Faith Formation Committee

During our monthly FFC meetings, we discuss prior programs and offerings, examine feedback from those who Participated and elicit the input of our congregation. Questions we ask you to reflect and respond on throughout the year after FFC events include:

- A past/evaluation question (ie., how was the Youth Mission trip meaningful for your family?)
- A present question (ie., how do you think we can meet the needs of members from cradle to grave?/ womb to tomb?)
- A future/planning question (ie., what ideas do you have for Adult Education?)

Always in thought and receptive to talking with you. Your Faith Formation Committee: Eric Boechman, Carolyn Bozek, Kim Fronk, Candice Mares, Mindy McMahon

The Ease of Hosting Fellowship Time

Fellowship time following church is a great place to reconnect with our church family, meet visitors and new church members, and most importantly, enjoy some coffee and treats. The Deacons coordinate this time, including finding volunteers to host…and we'd like to find more hosts to help in the fun. Here are some Do's and Don'ts for hosting:

- *Do* grab a friend or friendly Deacon to host with you. It can be intimating to host on your own for the first time. Grab a friend who has hosted before or any Deacon to show you the ropes. Hosting as a team is always more fun!
- *Do* sign up! The signup sheet is available online through Sign-up Genius or a paper signup is downstairs on the bulletin board outside the Jones room. Also, if you hear from your friendly Deacons asking you to sign up, take the plunge with them!
- *Don't* get stressed about providing elaborate treats. Buying a box of donut holes or store bought coffee cake is sufficient. If you like to bake, we are more than happy to eat your home-made goods, but store bought is great as well. The hour isn't about the food, it is about the company!
- *Don't* worry about making the coffee. There is always a Deacon of the Day at church early that would be more than happy to walk you through the coffee making process. It seems a bit complicated but really isn't.
- If you have more questions on Fellowship Time, ask any of your Deacons and we would be happy to answer. We would also be happy to help you in signing up for an upcoming week! Signup on Sign-up Genius or the Bulletin Board in the lower hallway.

The Deacon's

Gathering Around the Table

Saturday, October 20th 6:00—9:00 p.m.,

Gathering Around the Table will be small monthly gatherings for adult PCWS members and friends to socialize in a casual setting, allowing an opportunity to get to know each other better. Signups will be done monthly, for each gathering, as your calendar allows. "Gathering Around the Table" will give us the opportunity to make new connections and/or strengthen ones already in place.

Gatherings will vary; they may be at someone's home, or out at a restaurant. It will be up to the host/hostess for the individual gathering event to choose. The meals may be lunch out at a restaurant, a picnic in the park, a dinner in a home where the meal is planned, or a potluck where everyone is asked to bring something. We hope the gatherings will allow us all to make new connections within our church family.

The first "Gathering Around the Table" will be at a location to be announced. Sign up now, for the October gathering, online at Signup Genius.com, or on the bulletin board outside the Jones Room.

If you have questions, please email Theresa Dixon.

Music Ministry

Music at PCWS

As our fall worship season begins, so do your opportunities to participate in the excellent musical groups we have at PCWS, so come and join us!

Chancel Choir: We're always looking for new members to join the choir and we can always use more voices. If you're not in the choir, what can I do to get you in the choir? Do you enjoy singing but are afraid because you don't read music, DON'T BE! You don't have to read music to be in the choir, so why aren't *YOU* in the choir?

Chancel Choir is open to anyone, age 14 and up, with a desire to sing. The choir rehearses on select Thursday evenings from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. and please, if Thursday evenings are not a viable option, contact me and we will work out an alternative plan.

Chancel Choir rehearsals in September:
Thursdays, September 6th, 20th, and 27th
The Choir will sing in church Sunday, September 9th and 30th

Chancel Choir rehearsals in October:
Thursdays, October 4th and 18th
The Choir will sing in church Sunday, October 14th and 21st

Please, feel free to contact Stephanie Coates with questions.

Handbell Choir: The handbell choir will begin rehearsals in October. If you would like to come and ring with us, or even just give it a try, please let me know.

No-Name Band: The band will be leading worship on Sunday, October 28th. Please contact Kami Booth if interested in singing or playing with the band.

A big "THANK YOU" to all of those who shared their talents and music with us this summer. We are so blessed by the musical talents of the various members of this church and with the gifts that they share, enrich our worship experience, not only in the summer but throughout the year as well.

Stephanie Coates,
Music Director

Organ Dedication Concert

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Featured in the concert will be pieces that demonstrate the various ways in which the organ can be used in worship. There will be solo pieces by J.S. Bach as well as an original arrangement of *Amazing Grace*. As an accompanying instrument, the organ will play with three trumpets on *Bugler's Holiday* as well as the Stanley Trumpet/Organ Voluntary (Andante Largo). Lastly, we will feature the organ with a few organ duets, a piano/organ duet and our own Chancel Choir will be featured in an arrangement of *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* that will also include a piano/organ duet and handbells. A reception will be held following the concert.

Our guest Organist, Dr. A. Steven Taranto will also be joining us in Worship at 9:30 a.m. on September 9th, which is also Rally Day Sunday!

Monday, September 3
Church and Offices will be closed.

THIS MONTH'S
BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS

Hannah Boeckmann
Max Boeckmann
Colin Baise

MISSION

UPY Mission Trip Presentation—September 16!

According to Merriam Webster Dictionary the word MISSION has many meanings: "the act or an instance of sending; a ministry commissioned by a religious organization to propagate its faith or carry on humanitarian work; a body of persons sent to perform a service or carry on an activity; a specific task with which a person or a group is charged."

More than just six sets of parents sent us to Jacksonville, Florida from July 22 – 28 . . . you, the entire congregation, sent us. You, as our extended loving and warm and trusting family, relied on the eight of us to represent who we, PCWS, are. We, as one, commissioned Lance Smith, Sarah Blough, Natalie Carlisle, Jessie Fronk, Luke Gertsmeier, Drew Hughes, Colleen Sullivan, and myself to go do God's work. You charged us with the task of being capable, loving, kind, generous, hard-working instruments of the Spirit. You sent us to be living examples of our faith, and I am so pleased to tell you that almost every moment of our six days in Florida were spent making you proud.

We spent every morning in the heat, amidst the poverty, ankle deep in lizards, cockroaches, fire ants and very large spiders cleaning up an unwell elderly widow's home on the outskirts of Jacksonville. We painted her home, repaired her exterior, built a wheelchair ramp, cleaned the yard and assisted in fence mending. We played, prayed, laughed and grew closer together as the children of God. We grew in spirit and faith, we learned a lot about each other and a little more about ourselves. We did our best and you should be proud.

The Youth returned enthused from our mission trip for hurricane relief saying the people they met, sang with and worked were a blast! They also offered quotes such as, "Nailed it," "I don't know, we'll find out in the morning," "Jesus on three," and "I'm glad our church isn't in a strip mall."

They will provide a greater overview of their experiences during worship on September 16 - Don't miss it!!

My mission, and I have already chosen to accept it, is to make sure that every year we get better and the trips get more epic. This year the group was intimate and that was perfect but hopefully, after hearing our stories, the UPYS, will be charged to carry out humanitarian work in greater numbers, to more exotic places.

As always, I humbly thank you for trusting me with Mission PCWS UPYs & JUPYs.

Candice Mares,
Youth Leader

Save the Date—October 21, 2018

CROP HUNGER WALK
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

PCWS will again be participating as well as hosting this year's CROP Walk, which means the walk will start and end at PCWS.

This annual event raises money for our local food pantries and supports numerous national and international relief efforts sponsored by Church World Service. Put this family-friendly event on your calendar now and prepare your team for a little pledge-gathering and community building fun!

For more information, please contact Nate Yates, or visit the CROP Walk website!

Member News

Thank you for your service at PCWS in August! We could not do it without you.

Helped in the office: Diane Bonner, Sue Eck, Loretta Gratias-Bremer, Kim Fronk, Laura Fruit, Kay Kelly, Amy Malone, Judy McAtee, Mindy McMahon, Carol Ulreich and Kathy Wennerstrum.

Second Baptist Food Pantry run: David and Jane Boxell

Crushed cans: David and Jane Boxell and Mindy McMahon

Prepared Glad Tidings for mailing: Dorothy Anderson, Becky Glasscock, Mary Kae Headland and Harriett Potenza

Flowers in August: Laurie Merrifield, Sue Eck, and Sue Kovalick

From our Members:

"Dear Western Springs family,
Thank you so very much for the love and support, cards, calls to help me through the time I knew was coming, for the greatest love of my beloved Norm. I know that he loved and served PCWS for many years, it was important in our family lives. I know he's with his loving family. … I love you all, and am grateful. –Betty Toft"

Job Opening: Childcare Attendant

PCWS is looking for a nurturing adult (18 year and over) to help care for our infants- young children, Sunday mornings 9:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. and periodically at other times. Primary responsibility is to provide attentive care to the needs of our infants-young children while maintaining an enthusiastic and safe environment.

Ideally, all applicants must have childcare experience and completion of First Aid Certification a plus. Finalists must be able to be approved under the Safe Space Policy. Additional hours may be offered during evenings, weekdays or weekend events.

More Information, and the application, is available on the PCWS Website.

News Deadlines

Bulletin:
Submit announcements to the church office by 9:00 a.m. Wednesday morning. **Email** to pcws@presbyws.org.

Weekly Connection:
Submit information by Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. for inclusion in the Thursday email.

Glad Tidings Deadline:
Articles for the next month's *Glad Tidings* are due by the **10th** of each month.

To ensure your submission is received, please **email** articles and pictures to: **GT@presbyws.org**

Member News

Remember in Prayer

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You shop. Amazon gives.

As more of us shop online, if you shop at Amazon, please use this link to shop and have a portion of your purchases donated to PCWS: http://smile.amazon.com/ch/36-6009525

Or, visit smile.amazon.com and choose PCWS as your favorite charity.

Anyone can choose PCWS as their favorite charity, why not ask your friends and family to choose PCWS?

We're Social! Are You?

Follow us, share our information with your friends and family!

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To ensure your submission is received, please **email** articles and pictures to:

GT@presbyws.org

Help prepare the October *Glad Tidings* for mailing— Meet September 26, 10:30 a.m. in the Upper Room.

- The Ahmeti Family
- **Paul Banovic**
- **Kimberly Bone**
- Diane Markley Bruser
- George Bruser
- Phyllis Cordell
- Greg Dold, father of Roger Dold
- **Billye Dvorak**
- Paulette Erickson
- **Chris Fronk**
- Mary Jo Gallegos - friend of Jan Melilli
- Marc Goldstein
- Joshua Haberkorn
- **Rich Kanak**
- Ruth Kaduke
- **Phil Kasik**
- **Kathleen Kircher**
- Debbie Kohl, daughter of Betty Anderson
- **Brian & Leah Kohlsaat, baby Amelia, and the Kohlsaat family**
- **John Kregg**
- Barbara Lennie
- Suzie – Patti Mangis' sister
- **Evie Meyer**
- Mary Kate Miller, Julie Garino's Step-Mother
- Debi Mirlenbrink
- Mirian Mirlenbrink, grand-mother of Lori Carsten
- Norb Mirlenbrink
- Peggy Mirlenbrink
- Holly Oliver
- Ginger Oswald
- **Shirley Pine**
- Toni Potenza Moya - Daughter of Harriet Potenza
- **Ruth Riordan**
- Beata B. Sak
- Mike Slesicki
- Betty Staab
- **Donna Strunk**
- Gloria Torres
- **Betty Toft**
- Andy Toft
- Wendy Toft
- Teri Tuffner
- Theresa Ybanez
- Brian, friend of the Smyers family
- Our men and women serving our country in the Armed Services
- Donna—friend of Joyce Smyers
- Mary - friend of Bruce Geary
- Michael (friend of Jane Norman)
- Presbyterian Church Congregation in Nueva Paz, Cuba
- The people of Syria, especially family members of PCWS Interfaith Women's Book Group

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Upcoming Events

Sept. 3	**Labor Day (Church & Offices Closed)**
Sept. 9	**Rally Day** **3:00 p.m.—Organ Dedication Concert**
Sept. 12	**2:00 p.m.—Pastor Erik's Afternoon Bible Study Begins**
Sept. 19	**1:30 p.m. Interfaith Book Group**
Sept. 23	**5:30 p.m.—JUPY & UPY Family Meeting**
Sept. 24	**7:30 p.m.—PCWS Book Group**
Sept. 29	**5:30 p.m.—Progressive Dinner**
Oct. 24	**3:00 p.m. Erik's Installation**
Oct. 20	**6:00 p.m.—Gathering Around the Table**
Oct. 28	**9:00 a.m.—Blood Drive** **Trunk or Treat**
Nov. 4-6	**Women's Retreat**
Dec. 9	**3:00 p.m.—All Church Caroling**
Jan. 4-6	**Winter Family Camp**

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