



# TIDINGS

September 2019

## A Word From Your Pastor

It is my first summer here in Westhampton and it has been a good summer so far. There has been lots of sun and warm weather, flowers are blooming and the fireflies are out at dusk. In the month of July I was able to enjoy these evenings a bit more because church board meetings do not convene in the month of July. In fact, it seems like a lot of life's practical matters are suspended for at least one month in the summer because people recognize that it is a time to be enjoyed. It is a time to spend with family and friends who are always delighted to visit such a beautiful area in the hot weather. It is a time for barbecues and beach days. It is a time for Sabbath.

We hear about this idea of Sabbath right off the bat in the first book of the Bible—Genesis. As God creates the world in seven days, one day is set aside for rest and worship. Genesis 2:3 tells us, “God blessed the seventh day and made it holy.” In the New Testament in Mark 2:27, Jesus tells us that “The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath.” God tells us that human beings were not created to be slaves to a certain day of the week or to hurt or burden us, instead we are given a special day on which to rest and worship for our own good.

Many of us think of the Sabbath as just on Sunday, though other faith traditions may have selected another day for their Sabbath day. But the Sabbath isn't just about going to church, it is also connected to the idea of rest, of fulfillment, of replenishing the well from which we all draw. Sabbath is about taking the time to connect with God in some way, to make sure that your soul is getting the rest and the nourishment that it needs so that you may continue to serve others.

As we return to a busier schedule this fall, remember to use that time to bring yourself closer to God, to spend some time doing the things that nourish you. If you need some inspiration here are some suggestions from Adam Mabry who wrote “The Art of Rest: Faith to Hit Pause in a World that Never Stops.”

1. Sleep. Sometimes you need actual physical rest. Most of us don't do it enough.
2. Read. When was the last time you sat down and read? Maybe you sit down and read the Book of Mark in one sitting! It is important to read Scripture not just to do the work of study but to enjoy the divine author.
3. Pray. Taking time to pray is a wonderful opportunity to talk and to listen to God.
4. Reflect. Scripture uses different words including: meditate, ponder, consider, etc. All of them describe a non-hurried thoughtful review of our lives and decisions.
5. Advocate. This means doing something that isn't your principle vocation. For me this often means working with animals, something I did in grad school. Walking shelter dogs, giving sea birds a bath or bottle feeding a baby bunny at the wildlife rescue. It should be something you like to do when you're not doing what you have to do.
6. Play. Do something fun. Holy rest should refresh us enough to get back to work.
7. Eat. Enjoy some good food, gather others around for a meal.
8. Sing. Even if you're not a natural singer, we still all do it. Maybe you sing a hymn or a modern song. Praise God with your voice.

- Whatever you choose to do with your Sabbath time, the most important thing is that you take the time. In the busy rush of our lives, we often forget to make time for rest and peace. We should remember that taking Sabbath is part of what God calls us to do.

A blessed Sabbath to you all,  
Pastor Vanessa

## Prayer Concerns:

**Recent:** Kimberly Rogers Murawski; Dana Barrett (friend of Nancy Miller); Bob Baum, home; Linda Howard-Kloepfer; Emily Yervasi (daughter of Vinnie & Marie Yervasi); Jim Bachman; John Comba, Home; Creighton Berry; George Burns, home; Gale Seidler; David O'Shea; Barry McGrath (Karen Derryberry's brother-in-law); Jay Sears; Jean Williams (friend of Vern Hackworth); Frank Jessup; Rev. Kate Jones-Calone; Kay Kidde; Rev. John Kloepfer  
**Long Term:** Doris Towers, Westhampton Care Center; Chelsey Carter Collins, Southampton Care Center; Russell Deihl; Brad Carbone; Gene Hubbard, Home



**Volunteers needed!!**  
**Bike Rally**  
**Saturday September 14th**  
**7AM-2PM**  
**Church Parking lot**

## Presbyterian Women

The PW will join together for a sandwich and salad luncheon meeting Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at noon. You will need to come with your favorite home-made sandwich, a few words about your summer and plans to make the Rummage sale a success! Salad, dessert, coffee and tea will be served for you to enjoy with your sandwich.

**Fall Rummage Sale**  
**Friday: Sept. 27th 9am-3pm**  
**Saturday: Sept. 28th 9am-12:30pm**

**All helping hands will be welcome beginning after coffee hour, Sunday September 22nd to set-up tables.**

**Beginning Monday morning we will sort and price all items for the sale.**

## Church Family News

### BAPTISMS

Aug. 11 – Nora Grace David

Aug. 25– Jionni Gabriel Vigorito

### DEATHS

Aug. 9– John Blydenburgh

Aug. 10– Peter Horton

## Mini Retreat, "Thanks, Hope, Wow"

Come join our Adult Bible Study Mini Retreat on Sunday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 am – 5:00pm, "Thanks, Hope, Wow", the three essential prayers based on the book by Anne Lamott. We will explore and experience these prayers together. Please contact Rev. Jeanne Baum (631-286-7454) or David Glover (631-816-3543) for details.

## Fall Fashion Show!



Back by popular demand the fundraising committee invites you to the Fall Fashion Show and Tea on **Saturday, October 5 at 2 pm in the fellowship hall.** Fashion will again be provided by Diana's Boutique of WHB. The models will be women you know from the congregation. Tickets will be available during the coffee hour, in the church office and at Lynne's Cards and Gifts. All are welcome!



**Saving the Planet**  
**One Piece of Metal**  
**at a Time**

**Save your scrap metal!** This year's scrap metal drive has been scheduled for Saturday, September 28th. We are accepting all types of metal: steel, copper, aluminum, old appliances, cars, etc. Bring all items to the church parking lot from 9 AM to 3PM. If you have large items that have to be picked up, contact Tom Rogers or the church office.



*You are cordially invited*

to a  
Service of Installation  
For

*Rev. Vanessa Winters*

Sunday, September 15th, 2019, 3:00pm

Westhampton Presbyterian Church

90 Meeting House Road

Westhampton Beach, NY 11978

A brief introduction and time for gathering and question asking with  
Rev. Vanessa will be held at 2:00 pm.

Reception immediately following in the Parish Hall.

*Clergy are invited to process, please bring vestments*



# Summer Happenings

WPC Church Family join Chris & Karen Andrews for their CJ Andrews Golf Scholarship Fundraiser in July at the Mill Roadhouse.



## Solos & Duets



## The "BIG Easy"



## Youth Group

The dog days of summer are coming to an end....and another school year is upon us. The kids have been busy working, attending camps, family vacations, and soaking in the sunshine at the beach with family and friends.

We kick off September with a bang...the annual Ride from NYC to Montauk takes place on September 14<sup>th</sup>. Once again the youth group will be hosting the rest stop for them in our parking lot most of the day. Set up begins bright and early at 7am, and the first riders start to show around 8:30. We man the station till 2pm when we start to break down . If you'd like to stop by and volunteer, we appreciate all hands! We will need a lot of hands for our busiest time from 10:30 -12:30, and during clean up.

We will work on our fall schedule once we get together in September.

## Christian Education

Our regular Sunday School will resume on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Our annual Sunday School photo will take place on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please return your Sunday School registration (sent in an email, or it can be found on the church's website). Our classes this year are divided as follows: Pre-K -2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. We also have a confirmation class this year that will start in the New Year. It will meet after coffee hour (approximately 12-1:30) it is open to anyone who is in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up. If interest please contact Kathy Tureski @whpresbyterianss@gmail.com. More info will follow.

Our teachers for the year are: Andrea Chattaway, Ameer Mazurkiewicz, Marie Yervasi, Eloise Carter, Gini Wagner, Cindy Schneider, and Tracey Zollweg. Our subs are: Cindy Campbell, Kathy Frevert and Kara Bak. Rev. Winters and I will be teaching the confirmation class. We look forward to another exciting year!



## CROP Walk

CROP Walk is a walk for hunger sponsored by Church World Service, an effort by 37 churches working together. Church World Service provides food for the hungry, but it also gives communities the skills and tools so they can learn to feed themselves. Only 4% goes to administer the program; the rest goes for direct assistance. This is a wonderful use of our charity dollars.

This year is the 50<sup>th</sup> year of the CROP Walk so it is a very special event. There are over 800 walks scheduled for this year. Last year \$8,300,000 was raised by 87,000 participants. Our church raised \$2,226 of it.

This year's walk is on Sunday, October 20 after worship and coffee hour. Instead of the three options of route in the past there will be just one—walking from the church to St. Marks Church and back, a mile each way. If this is too far for small children, some people may opt to stop at the duck pond while we go on. The point is not how far you go but that you make this symbolic gesture and be supported by friends and family in our church. There will be refreshments back at church after the walk. Please sign up now to be a walker and start asking for people to support you generously.

—Stu Wood for the Mission Committee.

## *The Bay at Dawn*

### A Poem by Kay Kidde

*The bay on this midsummer morning  
Composed by night  
Quiet as dew,  
Is grey is blue  
Is little notes of light.  
The first slight wind  
Sets tiny waves to quivering.  
The body of the water from the sea moves in vast  
Up to wash the yellow rich green reeds, the shore,  
Then slides back under to invite in more  
Always drawing on the source, to clarify, restore.*

—Kay Kidde

From the book of poems called "This is the Day"



## WISHING YOU A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND HAPPY ANNIVERSARY....



1	Steve & Christina Ravenhall	15	Wes & Nancy Winters
1	Ralph Neubauer	15	Bill & Hanne Manker
1	Karen & Ralph Neubauer	15	Susan Lipp
1	Jessie Fox	16	Hannah Wagner
1	Keri & Wing Shiu	16	Robert & Cindy Schneider
3	Tracy Martin	16	Caroline Aslin Imber
3	Lou Hornick	16	Stu & Mimi Wood
4	Donna Goebel Williams	17	Eric & Bonnie Wootten
4	Fred Bauer	17	George & Lily Burns
5	Jessica Howard	18	Gary Martin
5	Kathy Johnson	18	Mark Jones
5	Jane Otis	19	Mike & Kimet Hipp
6	Jim Bachman	21	Chris & Karen Andrews
6	Jessica Howard & Seamus Naughton	22	Stuart Wood
8	David Aiello	22	Mike Hipp
8	Chris & Jennifer Tamis	22	Peter & Jean Cuthbert
8	Margery Gosnell-Qua	24	Harry & Nancy Miller
9	Blake Busking	24	Christian & Jola Carter
11	Jane Busking	26	Holly Hubbard
11	Grant Babis	27	John Sprague
11	Jennifer & Andrew Schultze	27	Ben Cary
12	Margery & Bruce Qua	28	Dante Thomas Aiello
13	Doris Towers	28	Abe & Lucy Cary
13	Vern Hackworth	28	Traci Duke
13	Kyle & Stephanie Miller	29	Bobby Fox Jr.
13	Leif & Jenn Neubauer	29	Jeanette Smith
13	Tommy & Kimberly Otis	30	Jeff Speer
14	Kristin Lohneiss		
15	Creighton Berry		



# September 2019

During the month of September, WH Library Zumba programs are available, please contact the library for program details.  
\*indicates library program

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 Communion 12th Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>Summer Services: 9am Chapel 10:15am Sanctuary</p>	<p>2 Labor Day Office Closed</p>	<p>3 7pm Deacons</p>	<p>4 9:15am Mission 10:30am Staff</p> 	<p>5 5-8pm East End Hospice Be- reavement groups in Class- room</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 7:30pm Spanish Ministry</p>
<p>8 13th Sunday after Pentecost 11:30am-5pm Mini Retreat, "Thanks, Hope, Wow" 3pm Garden Club setup</p>	<p>9 8:30am-4pm WH Garden Club</p>	<p>10 *9:30am Zumba  5:15pm M&amp;W 6pm Session</p>	<p>11 12pm PW Salad/ Sandwich Luncheon Mtg.</p> 	<p>12 5-8pm East End Hospice Be- reavement groups in Class- room</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 7am-3pm Bike Rally  7:30pm Spanish Ministry</p>
<p>15 14th Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>3pm Service of Installation for Rev. Winters</p>	<p>16 Tidings Dead- line</p>	<p>17 *9:30am Zumba  7pm Trustees</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 5-8pm East End Hospice Be- reavement groups in Class- room</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 *9:30am Zumba Gold  7:30pm Spanish Ministry</p>
<p>22 15th Sunday after Pentecost</p> <p>Fall Rummage setup begins</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 5-8pm East End Hospice Be- reavement groups in Class- room</p>	<p>27 9am-3pm Fall Rummage Sale</p>	<p>28 9-12pm Fall Rummage Bag Sale 9am-3pm Metal Drive  7:30pm Spanish Ministry</p>
<p>29 16th Sunday after Pentecost</p>	<p>30</p>			<p><u>AA:</u> Sat. 10am –Bailey Hall Sun. 12pm-Conf. Rm. Sun. 6pm– Bailey Hall Wed. 7:30pm– Bailey Hall</p> <p>Boy Scouts meet each Tues. 6pm</p>		

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