



# TIDINGS

WESTHAMPTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Summer Edition 2024

### A Word from the Pastor

Beloved Friends,

As I come to the end of my time here at Westhampton Presbyterian Church, I find myself filled with gratitude. I am thankful for all the time we have shared together, the journey we have taken, and the many moments that have made my life and ministry here special. As a celebration of the past five and a half years I thought I would write my last tidings article sharing my top five favorite moments here at Westhampton Presbyterian.

Sunrise services at the Swordfish Beach Club on Easter morning. It is such a blessing to live in such a beautiful area and being able to celebrate Christ's resurrection on a beautiful beach with our community was always a highlight of the year. The warm drinks and hot cross buns provided by the Kings was also a bonus!

Christmas Eve service in the Quogue Chapel. In the winter, when we don't often use the chapel, it is always so wonderful to be in that space. I love to hear the music and songs on Christmas and of course to sing "Silent Night" by candlelight.

Leading confirmation classes and welcoming new members into the church. I had so much fun and it was such a privilege to conduct confirmation classes along with Kathy Tureski. I especially enjoyed the confirmation retreat in March of 2020 at Holmes Camp with our confirmands. It is such a joy to hear young people share their faith experiences and then to welcome them into our church as members.

This past summer (2023) we had a bible study where we learned about what it meant to be Presbyterian. What I loved most about it was that it took place at the Beach Bakery in downtown Westhampton Beach. We enjoyed learning together, spending time in the sun, having some delicious refreshments, and even occasionally having people stop by off the street.

My son Manny's baptism. This congregation has been so welcoming to my entire family, but never more so than when we welcomed Manny into our family during my time here. It was extra special to have him baptized here in the sanctuary, a place we will now always be tied to as the site of the sacrament. All the folks of the church were so enthusiastic in welcoming him into the church family.

It's hard to boil down the time we have spent here into one article, but it is a small snapshot of the happy years we have spent in this place. My family and I are going to miss celebrating the holidays and spending time here, but I know that you will continue to do amazing work here at the church. I wish you all the best as we move forward in this transition, knowing that as long as we continue to follow Christ, we are on the right path.

Many blessings to you all this summer and beyond,

Rev. Vanessa Winters

## Prayer Concerns:

**Recent:** Chelsey Carter Collins, Hamptons Center for Rehab; Hana Cutler, cousin to Holly Hubbard; Glorja Johnson; Harry Chung, recovery from surgery for cancer, (Friend of Mary & John Hull); Leslie Johnson, cancer (Stephanie Miller's mother); Pat Bebon; Raphael Hidalgo, chemo (Seth Stevens' uncle); Ruth Feitl, Karl Feitl's mother; Libby Hirsch, cancer (Tom Rogers' cousin); Raymond Hann; Terry Heffernan, chemo (friend of Mimi & Stu Wood); Vita Collery, cancer, Karen Derryberry's cousin; Ralph Neubauer; Helen Fitzsimons; Marjorie Ridgway, home  
**Long Term:** Phyllis Styrzo, Hamptons Center for Rehab; Kimberly Rogers Murawski; Ralph Downs, Florida; Dana Barrett, friend of Nancy Miller

## Men's Group

Whether you are a friend or member of the church, we welcome you to join us on Thursday, June 6th at 10am in the conference room. Coffee and goodies will be available.



**PW Strawberry Shortcake Meeting:  
 Wednesday, June 12th at noon. See page 4.**

## Church Family News

### Weddings:

**Saturday, May 4, 2024**  
*Sartorius—deLasa*

**Saturday, June 8, 2024**

*Tom & Linda*

### Interment:

**Sunday, June 2, 2024 at 11:30am**  
 WPC Memorial Garden

*Patricia Lutz*



## Join us for Worship this Summer!

**Sunday, June 16th—Sunday, September 1st**  
 Quogue Chapel Service 9:00 am  
 Sanctuary Service 10:15 am



**SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH**

After worship in the picnic area.

Sign up in the Parish Hall!

Bring a side dish to share!

Ice Cream Truck

&

Children's Games

## Memorial Scholarships

Applications are now available to eligible high school seniors and college level students who will be attending an accredited academic institution in the Fall. Applicants should be members in good standing of the WPC and provide documentation of Fall semester attendance.

While last year's recipients should have received this year's application via email, they are available in the Church office and can also be requested by contacting Ellen Campbell at [ecampbell18@optonline.net](mailto:ecampbell18@optonline.net) or by calling 631-255-9307. Applications, along with documentation and personal statements, must be received at the church office by June 15<sup>th</sup>.





## Hiking and Fellowship Corner

Anyone interested in gathering and hiking, kayaking, biking, going to a museum or picnic at the beach during the summer speak to Janet Hann during coffee hour or contact her at H#631-288-6884 or C#631-871-7240.



## GARDEN CLUB

If you have not yet given Betsy Doyle your contact info, please send her a text at 631-495-5179 so she can add you to the phone chain for future meetings. We will be working during the week of June 3-7 in order to get the garden beds looking good for the summer (and Tom and Linda's wedding!) Watch the bulletin for full details.



Save the date for our annual church picnic on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship. Join us on the back field to enjoy an afternoon filled with fun and fellowship as we celebrate the

start of summer! We will be grilling up hamburgers and hot dogs, as well as providing cold water, soda, and juice. Children's games and activities are planned along with some special surprises!

A sign-up sheet is located in the parish hall. Please let us know you'll be joining in and sign up to bring a side dish, fruit bowl or dessert to accompany our spread. Also, volunteers are needed for set-up, working the grill and clean-up and any help you might be able to provide is greatly appreciated. We are always in need of those with trucks to help transport tables, chairs, buckets, and coolers to the back field. Please see/contact Elder Scott Campbell (631-312-3452), if you would like to help in any way.

Hope to see you there!!



**SAVE**  
the  
**DATE**

*Save the date for the summer fundraiser! This year the theme is "An ole' Fashion Picnic" with food to match. Jane and Tom Otis are our gracious*

*hosts. The date is Saturday July 20th with a rain date of the 21st. The fun starts at 5:30. Jim Hulme will entertain us with his music. There will be delicious food and drink and there is always plenty of good fellowship. Tickets will be available after worship, in the church office or at Lynne's Cards & Gifts starting June 16. Speak to a member of Fundraising if you have any questions or if you would like to be a sponsor.*

## A Note from the P.W.

The Presbyterian Women enjoyed soup/salad and sandwiches at our May meeting. We wished Linda Perritt much happiness on her upcoming nuptials.

Our next meeting will be Strawberry Shortcake on June 12th at 12 noon. We will miss Rev Vanessa but wish her and her family all the best in the next chapter of their lives.

Save the date for our Wine and Hors D'oeuvres on the deck at Christine Haddad's house on Wednesday, July 10th at 6 pm.

September seems like it is far away but enclosed in this Tidings you will find information on the Community Yard/Craft Sale on September 21st. Applications are available in the church office now! Don't miss out.!

Have a good summer!



## Youth Group

A big round of applause for the fabulous Youth Sunday service that centered around our mission project for the year, by helping end hunger and poverty with Heifer International. The kids did a fantastic job, I'm so proud of them. And let's not forget about our volunteers who teach God's stories to them all year; Eloise Carter our PreK – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Sunday School teacher, Marie Yervasi our 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, and Cindy & Scott Campbell our MS & HS teachers. Lastly, Betsy Doyle took on a "Musical Sunday School Class" a few times this year and the kids sang songs and did crafts, it was a wonderful addition to our curriculum. Thank you so much!

Remember in September we decided on a Sunday School year long mission project, to Gift an Ark to Heifer International. It was also a way to tie in our theme for Youth Sunday! Every third Sunday we collected quarters from the congregation to fill our "goat tube", for those of you that don't know the tube is designed to hold \$150. in quarters enough for a goat! As of Sunday, we were very close to meeting our goal of \$5000.00. for the Ark! Bravo! We still have to tally our collection from Sunday but watch for a post in the bulletin.....fingers crossed! Thank you to everyone who helped us along the way.

We are looking for a least one Sunday School teacher to join us next year as we really need to add an additional class to split grade levels. Please reach out to me you have questions or would like to volunteer. My email: [whpresbyterianss@gmail.com](mailto:whpresbyterianss@gmail.com) or cell 631-283-0679 or at church.

See you in church or at the picnic June 9th!

Kathy



**Reminder: the next issue of Tidings is the September issue. Please have your submissions in by August 20th.**



# PARTICIPANTS WANTED FOR COMMUNITY YARD / CRAFT SALE

**Who:** Anyone in the community who has "treasures" to sell!  
**All Are Welcome!!!!**

**When:** Saturday, September 21, 2024 (rain date: Saturday, October 5, 2024)  
Set-up: 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  
Sale time: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Where:** Westhampton Presbyterian Church Parking Lot  
90 Meeting House Road, Quogue

**What:** Pack your car/truck with your treasures to sell

**Cost:** \$40.00 per spot (nonrefundable)  
Note: Applications not accepted after September 16!  
1 spot = 2 parking spaces (19½' W x 17½' L)

Limited spots available



For more information or to reserve your space, contact Christine:  
email: christinernx33@gmail or call 631.653.4652

# Fundraising "Sip & Paint" Night



So many happy and smiling faces, proud of their artistic abilities! Many requests for another paint night in the near future. If we only had amazing encouraging art teachers like Ginger Baer! Thanks to all those that came and helped and supported this fun event.





## SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT SERIES

The second of our Sunday Concert Series performances featured soprano Emma Ozman and pianist Daniel Ragone. The audience was treated to a beautiful afternoon of music spanning time periods from classical to contemporary, and styles from opera to musical theatre. The fundraising committee hosted a reception after the concert, and audience members were able to meet Emma and Daniel and congratulate them in person. It was a perfect way to spend a Sunday afternoon! A very special thank you to Elizabeth Shane Pizzarello and Jen Truscott for helping to sponsor the concert.

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT #3

Our next performance will feature the Red Door Chamber Players String Quartet on July 28 at 3PM. Tickets will go on sale June 2 and they can be purchased during coffee hour, at the church office during the week, or at Lynne's Cards and Gifts on Main Street in Westhampton Beach.

## CONCERT SPONSORS

The fundraising committee is seeking sponsors for the remaining two concerts in our series. We have been very blessed so far to have generous members of our congregation volunteer to offset the performance fees for the artists. You do not have to sponsor the entire cost. You will be acknowledged in the concert program (if you wish) or you can make an anonymous donation. If you are interested in sponsoring all or part of one of the performances, please speak to Betsy Doyle or any member of the fundraising committee. You can also call Betsy at 631-495-5179 or email her at [muzikalady@aol.com](mailto:muzikalady@aol.com).



## Finding a New Pastor

As you probably know, the first step toward finding a new pastor is to do a mission study of the church. This means surveying the congregation and all of the groups in it to see clearly who we are, why we come here, what we are happy with and what we wish would change. You probably remember that we did the same thing less than six years ago, but we aren't the same as we were then. Think of Covid and what it did. Think of new people here and their expectations as well as the members who have died and their input to the life of the church.

Last time we did this we started right about now, springtime, and it took something like two years to find Vanessa. This time we want the process to go much more quickly, starting with not wasting the whole summer. We already have a mission study committee in place (Nancy Winters, Janet Hann, Korey Williams, Betsy Doyle and Mimi Wood) and we have prepared a survey of the congregation which will be passed out on June 9 at our recognition/picnic service.

The Presbytery does not recommend doing the survey this way because they say few people will come back and hand it in. We believe it is vital to do it this way because we won't see crowds like this until September. We are counting on the fact that those who come here to worship will see that we can't move forward until the survey is returned and studied, and they will return their surveys in the offering plate or by mail. If we are wrong and we get few replies the whole process will start over in the fall. So, why not fill out your survey at the picnic? Well, because you should have time to ponder many of the questions and give full answers, perhaps stapling extra pages on with your thoughts. Don't rush it.

By the way, remember when we did this work last time we had a full interim pastor, John Kloepfer, who had office hours and acted as a full pastor? The Presbytery tells us that there are nearly no candidates to do that job any more, so we may be much more on our own this time, another reason not to delay our work. Translated: fill those surveys out carefully and GET THEM BACK IN!

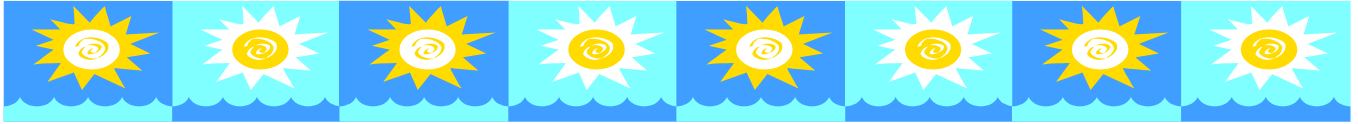
Stu Wood, committee chair



***Our Tidings is a great way to spread good news, photos, events, activities, and fellowship. Everyone is encouraged to share an article!***



# SUMMER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES



<b>JUNE</b>		<b>JULY</b>		<b>August</b>	
3	Mary and John Hull	1	Henry Neubauer	1	Kathy and Warren Frevert
3	Hunter Wootten	1	Nalda Rothe	1	Robert Larson
4	Lynne & Mark Jones	3	Christian Charles	2	Bill Brenner
7	Joan Larson	4	Jenn Truscott & Gale Sheridan	4	Tom Rogers
9	Chris Winters	4	Kyle Miller	4	Guy Napolitano
9	Nalda & Desider Rothe	5	Gale Seidler	4	Joan King
9	Amy and Brian Mosher	5	Charlotte Gillin	5	Gini Wagner
10	Bob Johnson	7	Gil Frevert	6	Chelsey Carter Collins
12	Carol & Joe Nemeth	7	Ashley Jade Harvey	6	Wes Winters
12	Frankie DiBiaso	9	Frank Jessup	9	Carson Campbell
14	Julia Ketner	9	Jennifer Truscott	10	Warren Frevert
14	Janet Hann	10	Millie Cary	10	Cynthia Drayton
15	Meryle & John King	11	Cheryl Van Tuyle	14	Stephanie Miller
15	Tucker Collins	11	Grant Frevert	14	Chandi Jackson
17	Abigail Ketner	12	Rev. John Kloepfer	15	Owen Williams
18	Matt Hoge	12	SuzAnne and Frank Jessup	16	Judy and John Sprague
18	Ellen Campbell	14	Linda Howard-Kloepfer	21	Betsy and Bob Fox
18	Ryan Zollweg	16	Stephanie Oakland	23	Rico Johnson, Jr.
19	Holly Haile Thompson	17	Korey Williams	23	Sandy and Ed Sorgan
23	Holly & Ralph Hubbard	19	Helen Fitzsimmons	23	Kathy and Bob Tureski
25	Bruce Qua	22	Jennean Jessup Levitt	23	Ava Lundborg
27	Cormac Douglas Ravenhall	23	Dennis Kingwell	24	Nancy & Harry Miller
28	Cindy Campbell	23	Sophie Cline	24	Rob Tureski
29	Alvin Wintermyer	23	Jackie Moore	25	Edmund Carey
30	Madeline Campbell	24	Lauren Babis	26	Ellen & Bill Brenner
		25	Rev. Vanessa & Chris Winters	27	Caroline Oakland
		27	Patricia Speed	27	Skye Lily Charles
		27	Stacy Jessup	28	Jane & Tom Otis
		28	Rev. Vanessa Winters	30	Gianna Aiello
		29	Scott Frevert	30	Lochan Francis Miller
		29	Bill McDaris	31	Dick Anderson
		29	Kathy and Bob Johnson	31	Anderson Hipp
		29	Gigi & Matt Ravenhall	31	Edward T. Otis, V
		30	Daniel Qua		
		30	Leland Qua		
		31	Mary and John Hoch		
		31	Deborah Busking		

# June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8am-1pm Pre-school Graduation on the field
2 2nd Sunday after Pentecost  10am Worship 11:30am Pat Lutz Interment 5-7pm Preschool Raindate	3	4 7pm Deacons	5	6 5pm Boy Scouts	7 7:30pm E.E. Women's Choir Concert	8 1pm Tom & Linda wedding
9 3rd Sunday after Pentecost  10am Worship Church picnic	10	11 2-3:30pm E.E.H. Adult Group 6pm Session	12 9:15am Mission 12pm PW Strawberry Luncheon	13	14 Flag Day	15
16 4th Sunday after Pentecost Summer Worship begins  9am Chapel 10:15am WPC Father's Day	17	18 2-3:30pm E.E.H. Adult Group 7pm Trustees	19 Juneteenth Office Closed	20	21 5-8pm W.H. Pines Meeting	22
23 5th Sunday after Pentecost  9am Chapel 10:15am WPC	24  Preschool Summer camp Session 1	25 2-3:30pm E.E.H. Adult Group	26	27	28  <b>AA:</b>	29
30 6th Sunday after Pentecost  9am Chapel 10:15am WPC					Sat. 10am –Choir Rm Sun. 12pm—Conference Rm Sun. 6:30pm– Parish Hall Wed. 6:30pm– Parish Hall Boy Scouts meet each Fri. 5pm	

# July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 <i>2-3:30pm E.E.H. Adult Group</i>	3	4 <i>Independence Day Office Closed</i>	5	6
7 <i>7th Sunday after Pentecost</i>  <i>9am Chapel 10:15am WPC</i>	8	9 <i>2-3:30pm E.E.H. Adult Group</i>	10  <i>6pm PW "On the Deck"</i>	11	12	13
14 <i>8th Sunday after Pentecost</i>  <i>9am Chapel 10:15am WPC</i>	15	16 <i>2-3:30pm E.E.H. Adult Group</i>	17	18	19 <i>Preschool camp 1 ends</i>	20  <i>5:30pm Summer Party hosted by Jane &amp; Tom Otis</i>
21 <i>9th Sunday after Pentecost</i>  <i>9am Chapel 10:15am WPC</i>	22	23 <i>2-3:30pm E.E.H. Adult Group</i>	24	25	26	27
28 <i>10th Sunday after Pentecost</i>  <i>9am Chapel 10:15am WPC 3pm Concert: Red Door Chamber Play- ers</i>	29  <i>Preschool Summer camp Session 2</i>	30 <i>2-3:30pm E.E.H. Adult Group</i>	31			



# August 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 11th Sunday after Pentecost  9am Chapel 10:15am WPC	5	6  7pm Deacons	7	8	9	10
11 12th Sunday after Pentecost  9am Chapel 10:15am WPC	12	13  6pm Session	14  9:15am Mission 10:30am Staff 12pm PW Luncheon	15	16	17
18 13th Sunday after Pentecost  9am Chapel 10:15am WPC	19	20  7pm Trustees	21	22	23 Preschool camp 2 ends	24
25 14th Sunday after Pentecost  9am Chapel 10:15am WPC	26	27	28	29	30	31