



TIDINGS

WESTHAMPTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
JULY/AUGUST 2025

A Word from your Pastor

"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news." -Romans 10:15

With the heat and humidity rising, it is no surprise that the area beaches are filling up. As I make the journey from the parking lot to the water's edge, I'll see a processional of slip ons, Birkenstocks, chancas (for our Latin family among us), and Hocas giving testimony that there are people on the beach that one is about to meet. However, if I continued farther, I would see one's feet bare upon the sand, devoid of the Birkenstock, Hoka, or any other particular brand of footwear to distinguish one from another. At the water's edge there are the feet that have been calloused, some pedicured, some taking first steps and some that have journeyed the corners of the earth. Regardless of how you approach footwear, either by kinesthetic practicality or to be covered by contemporary artistic expression, the Apostle Paul honors, of all things:

feet, as the means by which anyone offers the loving kindness of the good news of the Gospel. The lowly foot: necessary in practicality but rarely honored for its aesthetics. Acknowledged only when it hurts and receives attention when it's not functioning properly. For many, it is merely a vehicle for fashion. Yet, in the wake of its lowliness, Paul exalts it to a position of honor in sharing God's good news. The name branding of the covering is left at the threshold of the entryway to uncover the beauty of both the messenger and receiver of good news. I invite us to that moment of authenticity; as we authentically share God's good news in word and work to all those regardless of the disposition of their feet. In that, may all see the beauty of God's love. Amen.

Be sure to keep hydrated this summer!

Love,

Pastor Michael



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Recent: Linda Rogers, lymphoma; Cesario family on the passing of John Cesario; Karen Derryberry, breast cancer; Tom Cuffari, cancer (friend of Stu & Mimi Wood); Sarah Waite, healing prayers (niece of Mary & John Hull); Carolyn Manker Smith, breast cancer (Hanne & Bill Manker's daughter); Mariko Pichardo, healing prayers; Lenny Rempe, (longtime member of WPC); Susan Sullivan, friend of John and Mary Hull; Leslie Johnson, cancer (Stephanie Miller's mother); Pat Bebon; Libby Hirsch, cancer (Tom Rogers' cousin)

Long Term: Ralph Neubauer; Chelsey Carter Collins, Hamptons Center for Rehab; Kimberly Rogers Murawski; Dana Barrett, friend of Nancy Miller

Church Family News

Interment

July 20: Scott Christ
11:30am Memorial Garden
All are welcome.

Deaths

May 29—Scott Christ

May 30—Jeanette Smith



Worship with us this Summer!

9am Quogue Chapel service

10:15am Sanctuary service
followed by refreshment hour



Presbyterian Women: Summer Gathering

Our annual summer Wine, and Hors D'oeuvres gathering will be on Janet Hann's patio. Bring an appetizer, bottle of wine or other beverage to share on Wednesday July 9th at 6 pm. It is a nice relaxing evening enjoyed by all.

Bible On-Line w Pastor Michael Starting August 4th @ 7PM

Every Monday, starting on August 4th, Pastor Michael will offer a Zoom online Bible Study for those who would like to journey through the lectionary, and sermon texts for the following Sunday. The zoom link will be provided and everyone, regardless of denomination, is welcome. The Zoom meeting will begin at 7PM and last an hour.

"Summertime Social " Fundraiser Event

Get your tickets for our Summer Fundraiser *Summertime Social* on Saturday August 16 at 5:30pm under the tent on the church field. Live music, raw bar and a signature cocktail! Suggested donation \$65. Tickets available during coffee hour, in the church office or at Lynne's Cards and Gifts. You won't want to miss the fun! If you are interested in being a sponsor, please contact a member of the fundraising committee, Rev. Michael or Erika.



Church Picnic Recap

We were joined by an abundance of members and friends for our annual picnic on Sunday, June 8th! What a wonderful afternoon filled with fellowship outside on the church field. We thank all those who shared a side dish, they were enjoyed by all! Special thanks to both the adults and youth who either helped set up, grill, provide games and activities to the children and help with the cleanup. As always, "many hands make light work" and our picnic would not be possible without the help of our generous volunteers. Happy Summer!

Presbyterian Walkers and Friends

The summer hike will be at the Beautiful Bayard Cutting Arboretum on Thursday July 17th. This a 691 acre New York State Park located at 440 Montauk Hwy in Great River along the Connetquot River. Dress according to the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes or hiking boots. There is a vehicle parking fee of \$8, seniors are free during the week. Also, there is the Hidden Oak Café to have lunch if you choose. Meet at the church parking lot at 8:15 am to carpool or at the park at 9:00 am at the new Welcome Center/ restrooms.



Connetquot River view



Walking Dunes

New Summer Adventure

Anyone who wants to adventure out to paddle on the water, come join Janet kayaking. I will be watching the weather, tides and wind conditions. The paddles will be during the weekdays in July; 15th, 18th, 22nd, and 24th. I will send out an email notice regarding details day or two before. Please call Janet at C#631-871-7240 or H#631-288-6884 with your contact information.



Jessup's Neck



Hi! I'm Janet, your Presbyterian Adventure Guide!

Congratulations 2025 Graduates!

Carson Campbell: Graduate of Eastport South Manor
SUNY Binghamton

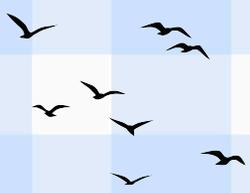
Kayla Coffey: Graduate of Westhampton Beach
University of Delaware

Kaitlynn Mazurkiewicz: Graduate of Westhampton Beach
Marist University

Ryan Zollweg: Graduate of Westhampton Beach
Crane School of Music @ SUNY Potsdam

Julia Ketner: LPN Graduate of Suffolk County Community College





WPC invites you to a
Summertime Social

Join us under the tent on the church field for
good food, fellowship & fun!

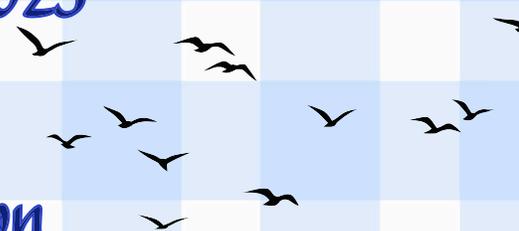
Including live music, raw bar and cocktails!

Saturday, August 16, 2025

5:30 pm

\$65 suggested donation

Tickets available Sundays after worship, Lynne's Cards
& Gifts and the church office 631-288-2576



MISSION COMMITTEE

FATHER'S HOUSE

On the first day of summer, we gathered a big close family — our project participants and staff with their families — for a warm, sincere event to welcome the summer in a joyful and special way.

A fun program, team relays, delicious kebabs, a lot of laughter and sincere communication awaited us. But the warmest moment was writing the dreams - everyone shared what their heart dreamed about, prayed, and then we released those dreams into heaven to God, believing that He hears and will help them come true.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the creation of this festive day.

Thanks to Anne Elliott and Westhampton Presbyterian Church in New York for the finances we were able to purchase this mini vacation.



The Mission Committee supports twenty organizations from local, regional, national and international sources each year totaling fifteen thousand dollars in what is called the Mission Specific category. This is in addition to \$11,000 given each year to Mission General, which is the Presbytery. We like to support causes that we know personally since the total number of deserving groups is practically infinite. We support Brighter Tomorrows, for instance, because it shelters women victims of domestic violence in our area, and Maureen's Haven because it provides food and shelter for the East End's homeless. We support Father's House because one of our members knows someone in Ukraine who is involved in helping Ukrainian orphans, and we support the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence because that group came here and spoke at one of our brunches. We on the committee wish we would hear from those of you who are passionate about causes that deserve our financial or physical help. First of all we wish you would join us on the committee, but you can talk to any of us giving us ideas. Secondly, if you know of ways our people could help in a cause, such as helping Habitat for Humanity build houses or a soup kitchen that needs volunteers to pass food out, please let us know. If any of you would like a specific cause to help financially beyond what we are giving, just let us know and we will give you addresses. If you feel led to help in any way, we'd love to hear from you.

Every once in a while an organization changes or disappears and our money becomes less useful, and we move our donation to another group. We have \$975 to go to a missionary, but we have been disappointed in one we have been supporting who helps Ukrainian refugees settle into life in Germany. I feel we could do better, but I don't know who would be more deserving. Any ideas? Come join us on the second Tuesday of each month except July at 9:15 am, or speak to us or Pastor Hafele.

Stu Wood

Youth Group & Sunday School

Happy Summer!

Looking for students in 8th grade (fall of 2025) and above who are interested in confirmation classes and being confirmed next year. Please drop me an email @ whpresbyterianss@gmail.com. Pastor Michael and I are looking to see how many are interested. We will meet and discuss the program once we know how many students are interested with everyone this fall.

Mark your calendar....I know it's early but first day of Sunday School will be September 7th, look for the schedule and Sunday School registration in an email.

Congratulations to our High School Graduates: Carson Campbell, Kayla Coffey, Kaitlynn Mazurkiewicz and Ryan Zollweg.

Shine your light graduates! May your faith and actions be a positive example to others. "Remember, the road to success may be long and winding, but with persistence and hard work you'll reach your destination."

Enjoy the summer!
Kathy

Garden Clean-up crew!

Thank you to all the helping hands spruce up the front garden beds of the church and manse, by planting flowers and removing those pesky weeds! What a wonderful team we have! If you are interested in helping in some way, please reach out to Betsy Doyle.

Food Pantry

Our community food pantry desperately needs assistance. Please help by donating nonperishable food items, personal care items (such as shampoo, soap, diapers, toothpaste, etc.) and household cleaning supplies. All donations should be unexpired and unused. Please leave your donations in the basket located in the church entryway or in the church office. Thank you for supporting our community.

Sunday Audio Volunteer needed

Dear Friends, as many of you know, we livestream our Sunday services to reach those in our church community who are unable to attend in person. Each week, a small team of dedicated volunteers manages the video and audio equipment and ensures the stream goes live on our YouTube channel. Because the team is quite small and not always available, we are looking for a committed volunteer to join and support this important ministry on a more regular basis. If you are interested—or know someone who might be—please reach out to Bruce Qua, who leads the team. Thank you for your continued support! Blessings, Maik Jornitz Elder, Communication & Tech

Presbyterian Women: WARM UP FOR WINTER SWEATER SALE

Wanted: sweaters, coats, jackets and even sweatshirts in GOOD condition for the PW's " Warm Up For Winter Sweater Sale" coming in October. While you are putting away your winter clothes and getting out the summer clothes, put aside sweaters and the above that no longer fit, that you are tired of or you just don't want anymore. GOOD condition means no stains, no holes and no one-step away from the rag bag! It would be helpful if they are labeled. Bring them to the church office and Gini and crew will be sorting them out and storing them for the fall. We will continue to be doing this throughout the summer and into September. Thank you. More information will be coming. Stay tuned.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

July

1 Henry Neubauer
 1 Nalda Rothe
 3 Christian Charles
 3 Jennifer Truscott & Gale Sheridan
 4 Kyle Miller
 5 Gale Seidler
 5 Charlotte Gillin
 7 Gil Frevert
 7 Ashley Jade Harvey
 9 Frank Jessup
 9 Jennifer Truscott
 10 Millie Cary
 11 Cheryl Van Tuyle
 11 Grant Frevert
 12 Rev. John Kloepfer
 14 SuzAnne and Frank Jessup
 16 Kathy Tilley
 16 Linda Howard-Kloepfer
 17 Stephanie Oakland
 19 Korey Williams
 23 Jennean Jessup Levitt
 23 Sophie Cline
 24 Jackie Moore
 24 Lauren Babis
 27 Pat Speed
 27 Stacy Jessup
 29 Rev. Michael & Claudia Hafele
 29 Scott Frevert
 29 Bill McDaris
 29 Kathy and Bob Johnson
 29 Gigi & Matt Ravenhall
 30 Daniel Qua
 30 Leland Qua
 31 Mary and John Hoch
 31 Deborah Busking

August

1 Kathy and Warren Frevert
 1 Robert Larson
 2 Bill Brenner
 4 Tom Rogers
 4 Guy Napolitano
 4 Joan King
 5 Gini Wagner
 6 Chelsey Carter Collins
 6 Wes Winters
 9 Carson Campbell
 10 Warren Frevert
 10 Cynthia Drayton
 14 Stephanie Miller
 14 Chandi Jackson
 15 Owen Williams
 16 Judy and John Sprague
 23 Rico Johnson, Jr.
 23 Sandy and Ed Surgan
 23 Kathy and Bob Tureski
 24 Ava Lundborg
 24 Nancy & Harry Miller
 25 Rob Tureski
 25 Edmund Carey
 26 Ellen & Bill Brenner
 26 Claudia Hafele
 27 Caroline Oakland
 27 Skye Lily Charles
 28 Jane & Tom Otis
 28 Rev. Michael Hafele
 30 Gianna Aiello
 30 Lochan Francis Miller
 31 Dick Anderson
 31 Anderson Hipp
 31 Edward T. Otis, V



July 2025

Join us for Summer Worship!
 9am Quogue Chapel
 10:15 Sanctuary at WPC

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<p>AA: Sat. 10am –Choir Rm Sun. 12pm—Conference Rm Sun. 6:30pm– Parish Hall Wed. 6:30pm– Parish Hall</p>		<p>1 9:30am Fundraising Committee</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3 10am Men’s Group</p>	<p>4 Independence Day Office Closed</p>	<p>5</p>
<p>6 4th Sunday after Pentecost</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 7pm Trustees</p>	<p>9 6pm PW “Cocktails on the patio”</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13 5th Sunday after Pentecost</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 11:30am Staff Lunch</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20 6th Sunday after Pentecost 11:30am inter- ment for Scott Christ</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27 7th Sunday after Pentecost</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>		

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10 9th Sunday after Pentecost	11	12 5:15 pm Music & Worship 6pm Session	13 9:15 am Mission Committee 10:30am Staff	14	15	16 5:30pm “Summertime Social” Fundraiser
17 10th Sunday after Pentecost	18	19 7pm Trustees	20	21	22	23
24 11th Sunday after Pentecost	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 12th Sunday after Pentecost						

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