

# Glad Tidings

hearts open to christ - doors open to his world

First Presbyterian Church of Haddonfield • March 2017



**Rev. Bill Getman**  
Senior Pastor

## Pastor's Notes

Dear Family of Faith Members,

On Super Bowl Sunday we asked you to give an extra donation for our Souper Bowl of Caring. As I reported in the following week's bulletin, your contributions totaled over \$1200, three times as much as any of our previous years' collections, enabling the Mission Committee to designate the entire amount to a local not-for-profit organization serving the hungry. Thank you so much!

What also happened that day turned out to be a wonderful gift to the 9:30 worshippers and to me! For my children's message that day I had a large soup pot, referring to the Souper Bowl of Caring, and a tube of miniature M and Ms, introducing my young friends to this year's Feed My Starving Children event and asking them to fill up the tubes once they'd finished the candy. I asked if the two things were in any way related to each other - the large pot and the small candy. One of my friends responded immediately: "A very small thing can make a big difference!"

I told her that her message was way better than mine. Seemingly small things can make a very large difference: small acts of kindness, often in short supply; small acts of civility, presently an oddity in our culture; small gifts of acceptance, in a time when rejection is for many the order of the day. As Mother Teresa once said and I have often quoted: "God does not call us to great acts of service, but to small acts with great love." My young friend in the children's message must be familiar with Mother Teresa!

Shouldn't we all be! And shouldn't we all be even more familiar with Jesus' call to love our neighbors as ourselves, occasionally in large, sacrificial ways, but more often in simple, small ways. May this Lent bring a daily reminder of that call and a daily decision to answer it faithfully.

In Christ's peace,  
Bill

## MARCH Highlights

**March 1**  
**Ash Wednesday Services**  
Chapel • Noon  
Sanctuary • 7 PM

**March 5**  
**Holy Communion**  
**Youth Mission Trip**  
**Extravaganza**  
Fellowship Hall • 5 PM

**March 15**  
**Senior Ministry Program**  
Parlor • 1 PM

**March 19**  
**Haddonfield Church Choir**  
**Festival**  
Sanctuary • 4 PM

**March 24 and 25**  
**Feed My Starving Children**  
**Packing Event**  
Saturday • 8 AM - 4 PM  
Sunday • 12:30 - 6:30 PM

## Seniors Ministry

Pam Powers from Kain-Murphy Funeral Home will be our guest on Wednesday, March 15 at 1:00 in the Parlor. Pam and Bill Getman will talk about the importance of assisting surviving family members following our deaths by planning funeral services in advance.

The Seniors Ministry is also planning programs for April and May, focusing on resources that are available in our area to assist aging members in important life-choices.

And the spring will bring a shredding service to our parking lot, enabling you to finally and securely rid your home of all the paper records you've kept way too long! Watch for an announcement about the date.

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### Ash Wednesday Services

**Join us at Noon in the Chapel or 7:00 in the Sanctuary on Ash Wednesday, March 1, as we mark the beginning of Lent. Distribution of ashes will be part of these services of prayer and reflection.**

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## IHOC Guests

Our church along with the Haddonfield Methodist and Lutheran churches will be hosting the men from the Interfaith Homeless Outreach Council beginning Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. Although the participants will be housed at our church from Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> to March 12<sup>th</sup>, the responsibility for overnight hosts as well as meals will be divided among the three churches.

Overnight hosts from First Presbyterian are needed from Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> through the 26<sup>th</sup> and for several nights during the week of March 5<sup>th</sup>. As an overnight host, you are asked to spend the night (cots are provided) to ensure that the transition from one day to the next goes smoothly. If you are able to volunteer to host for an evening or perhaps two, please contact Roy Probst at 547-5549.

Molly Revell will be coordinating the dinners to be served and the food supplied by our congregation for breakfasts and lunches. If you would like to help Molly in this effort, please give her a call at 429-0077.

Weekend hosts will also be needed for Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, March 5<sup>th</sup>, and March 11<sup>th</sup>. If you have an hour or two to spare, consider becoming a weekend host.

Ed Hess will be acting as First Presbyterian's IHOC coordinator. Give him a call if you would like more information about the program or ways in which you might become involved. Ed can be reached at 428-8598.

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**Remember to bring non-perishable food items when you come to worship each Sunday.**

## Glad Tidings

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### Worship

8:15 - Chapel  
9:30 - Sanctuary  
11 AM - Sanctuary

Holy Communion  
First Sundays

### Sunday School and Adult Education

Sundays 9:30-10:30 AM

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# MUSIC MINISTRY

Please read below to find out when your ensemble will ring/sing and for information regarding the Haddonfield Church Choir Festival.

**Peter Leibensperger**  
**Music Director**

## Worship Participation Schedule

Cherub Choir	3/5/17	11:00am
Carol Choir	3/5/17	11:00am
Thomas Sherrerd Choir	3/12/17	11:00am
Chapel Choir	3/19/17	11:00am
Thomas Sherrerd Choir	3/26/17	9:30am
Whitechapel Bells	3/26/17	11:00am

### Haddonfield Church Choir Festival

On Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm, our church will host a choral festival featuring ten adult and children’s choirs from our community to raise money for Feed My Starving Children through a free-will offering. Our own Chancel and Chapel Choirs will participate. Mark your calendars and support this great event.

On Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, the Chapel Choir will rehearse for the festival from 10:00am–11:30am. The Chancel Choir will rehearse from 11:00am–12:30pm. Please make sure that you and/or your child is available and in attendance for this important rehearsal.

### Our Thanks to Ted Barr and Tony Thurman!

Three years ago, the Moore Memorial Organ was showing critical signs of disrepair. Reeds could no longer be tuned, keyboards were warped from heat, an insufficient amount of air pressure caused delayed sounding, ranks rocked back and forth when the tremolo stop was pulled, there even appeared to be a Twist Tie holding together internal mechanisms—all of these things (and more) made our beautiful instrument difficult to play and its future uncertain.

But Ted and Tony volunteered many hours, using their expertise and connections in the organ community to bring in the most trustworthy organ builders to ensure that our pipe organ will continue to serve this community for decades to come. At the end of February 2017, the third and final phase of the Organ Restoration Project was completed, and it would have been an absolutely impossible undertaking without Ted and Tony. Our pipe organ is one of the unique treasures of this church, and it is easily taken for granted because we enjoy it every week. Please take time to thank Ted and Tony for their generosity, their dedication, and their talents.

# Christian Education

## **Congratulations to the 2016-2017 Confirmation Class!**

Payton Christine Anderson, Ava Loren Berzanski, Rachel Elaine Bonnet, Christina Li Dante, Eric Collin DeCoursey, Jack Daniel DeVita, Philip Owen Edmonston, Carson Robert Grabowski, Zachary Michael Imperatore, Emily Paige Kipers, Delaney Erin McGlade, Elizabeth Ann Metzler, Robert Tucker Bradford Minor, Nicholas Joseph Palmer, Kylie Elizabeth Preihs, Katherine Elizabeth Rice, Luca Scott Sirman, Grace Elizabeth Schaffer, Victoria Marcelina Wilson, and Samuel Anthony Zeigler!

We warmly welcome you into full membership in the church! It has been such a privilege and a delight to walk along side you in this time of self-reflection and spiritual growth. Thank you for offering so much of yourselves with your thoughtful meditations, scripture readings, music and prayers while leading worship on **Sunday, February 12th, 2017**. We offer special thanks to our Confirmation teachers Lee Federline, Lindsay Harris, with Rev. Bill Getman, and DCE Laura Colee.

Also, a special thank you to our **CONFIRMATION MENTORS**, who have met with our Confirmation Students, gotten to know them, guided them and shared their faith with them over the past several months! Thank you for showing our newest members how much this community cares about them and how excited we are to have them here with us. You are wonderful!

## **FAT TUESDAY LENTEN SMALL GROUP KICK OFF TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28<sup>th</sup> STARTING AT 6pm LIGHT HOUSE/MANSE**

Join us at 6pm on Fat Tuesday (February 28<sup>th</sup>) at the Light House/Manse for pancakes, pancakes, and more pancakes. Indulge in some delicious and decadent breakfast delights before Lent begins the next day. The party is BYOT—bring your own (and favorite) topping! We'll have additional toppings for you as well.

Our Fat Tuesday celebration will serve as our Lenten Small Group kick off party. Everyone in the FPC community, including all the Lenten Small Groups, is invited to join! We'll see you there!

## **LENTEN BOOK GROUPS BEGINNING THE WEEK OF MARCH 1<sup>st</sup> SIGN UP FOR A GROUP IN THE PARLOR**

This Lenten season, acclaimed scholar Ellen Davis will help us dive deeper into our Christian faith and Biblical tradition in her book *Getting Involved with God: Rediscovering the Old Testament*. Throughout Lent, our FPC community will be gathering in small groups to read and discuss Davis' book together. During this season of introspection, we hope to learn how to get and stay involved with God—what it takes, what it costs, what it looks and feels like.

Sign up for a Lenten Discussion Group on Sundays in the Church Parlor. *Getting Involved with God* is available for purchase in the church office for \$10. Lenten groups will be meeting throughout the Lenten season, starting the week of March 1<sup>st</sup>.

### The Lenten Group Schedule

**Sunday Morning:** 9:30-10:30am (starting March 5<sup>th</sup>)  
Leader: Judy Grantham Location: Basement Office

**Sunday Afternoon:** 1-2:30pm (starting March 5<sup>th</sup>)  
Leader: Laura Colee Location: The Bistro at Haddonfield

**Tuesday Morning:** 11:00am-12:30pm (starting March 7<sup>th</sup>)  
Leader: Laura Colee Location: Church Parlor

**Tuesday Evening:** 7-8:30pm (starting March 7<sup>th</sup>)  
Leader: Nadia Vanderkuip/Becky Bryan  
Location: Nadia's House

**Wednesday Evening:** 7:00-8:30pm (starting March 8<sup>th</sup>)  
Leader: Lisa Hurd/Laura Colee Location: Lisa's House

**Friday Morning:** 9:30-11am (starting March 3<sup>rd</sup>)  
Leader: Laura Poliero/Nancy Ruth Wainwright  
Location: Laura's House

## **LENTEN CLASS ON THE TRINITY FOR 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> GRADERS**

During the first four Sundays of Lent (March 5, 12, 19, 26), we are offering a special class on the Trinity for our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Sunday School classes during the 9:30am Sunday School hour in the Hospitality Center. During our Trinity class, students will learn about each person of the Trinity—the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—about each of their roles, and how they work together. Students will also work on creating an artistic representation of the Trinity throughout the class and present their creations to the church congregation on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> during the 11am service. DCE Laura Colee will teach our Trinity class.



# **FAT TUESDAY PANGAKE DINNER**

**Tuesday, February 28 @ 6pm  
in the Manse/Light House**

**BYOTopping**

## ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES IN MARCH

### CHRISTIAN HERITAGE CLASS

TOPIC: SCRIPTURE IN AMERICA

BACK BOARD ROOM

9:30-10:40am David Stedman, Leader

**MARCH 5. PRESBYTERIANS BROUGHT LOW: The Persecutions of the Covenanters in Scotland.** With the Monarchy restored in Great Britain in 1660, the Scottish Presbyterians found themselves at the mercy of a vindictive king and his Roman Catholic brother, determined to crush their “republican” notions. Non-complying pastors were driven from their pulpits and congregations fled their churches for “conventicles” in remote area, always carrying their Scriptures, and always hunted by the dragoons. It was a time of martyrs. Presentation/film

**MARCH 12/26. NO CLASS.**

**MARCH 19. Margaret O’Neil**, formerly a docent at the National Gallery of Art in Washington, DC, will share her extensive knowledge of illuminated manuscripts with the class. The Christian Heritage Class has looked at versions of the bible leading to the creation of the King James

Version. This class will consider the material object of the early bible, the importance of the image with the text, and the array of devotional books and bible picture books that existed prior to the printing press.

**APRIL 2. PENNSYLVANIA: The Quaker Experiment in America.** Amid the American colonies founded with a State or Established religion, such as Catholic Maryland, Dutch Reformed New Amsterdam, and Lutheran New Sweden (Delaware), was a proprietary colony founded by non-conforming Quakers which welcomed all those who believed in God. William Penn, the only member of his family who was or remained a Quaker, and his hard-working co-religionists were great Bible readers who shunned the trappings of worship and looked for revelation of the light within. Presentation/film

### WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

BOOK OF COLOSSIANS

CHURCH PARLOR 10:30-11:45am

Join us during the month of March as the Wednesday Morning Bible Study dives into the book of Colossians. We meet Wednesday mornings from 10:30-11:45am in the Church Parlor. Dan Colombi serves as our Bible Study leader. Reformed New Amsterdam, and Lutheran New Sweden (Delaware), was a proprietary colony founded by non

# 2017 YOUTH MISSION TRIP EXTRAVAGANZA

**food! silent auction! crafts! tombola raffle!**  
**Sunday, March 5th – 5pm – Fellowship Hall**  
**\$10 for Adults/\$5 for Kids**

All proceeds benefit the 2017 Youth Mission Trip to New Orleans

Come support the 2017 Youth Mission Trip to New Orleans, Louisiana and learn more about the work we will be doing there! Enjoy a delicious “Southern/Cajun” themed dinner, crafts for kids, great entertainment, a Tombola Basket Raffle, and a Silent Auction! ALL proceeds will support this incredible ministry in the life of our church and assist in the cost of repairing houses and communities affected by Hurricane Katrina.

Please join us on Sunday, March 5 at 5PM in Fellowship Hall and support this wonderful cause!

# Preschool News



Barbara Sewall  
Preschool Director

## March

The nicest place to be is in someone's thoughts,  
the safest place to be is in someone's prayers,  
and the very best place to be is ... in the hands of God.

**SummerSchool:** May 30 - June 16, 9:30 - noon. Classes for those children "going into 2 ½ Class ; going into 3's Class; going into 4's Class; going into Pre-K Class; and going into Kindergarten in the school year of 2017 - 2018. Please come to the office for information, or call, 856-429-0609.

## April

April 3 - 7 Mother's Morning Out classes, 2 ½, & 4/5's classes will have Egg Hunts at school during this week on the playground.

April 4 and 5 Three Year-old Classes will be going to Springdale Farm for Easter Egg Hunts!

April 10 - 17 No School, "Happy Easter"

April 21, Friday Baby Paws Farm arrives 10 am .... In the Court Yard. Come visit at lunch time- 11:40 to 12:15

April 24 - 26 Group Pictures

May 1 - May 5 Bike Rodeo Fellowship Hall will be transformed into road ways, car washes, restaurants, banks and more, as children learn the safe way to drive.

May 1 - 5.....Last week for Creative Movement, Music, Yoga and Art

**Flower Sale will start May 9- 11- watch for more information**

# PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S MISSIONS

Presbyterian women have a long tradition of helping others. Over the years, they have been giving generously of their time and talents as well as monetary contributions to help others in our country and around the world. From the Ladies Aid Societies of years ago, through the work of our Women's Association and now, during the past twenty-nine years as Presbyterian Women, they continue their service. According to "The Purpose of Presbyterian Women," they are committed to "building an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church U.S.A and witnesses to the promise of God's kingdom."

Our own PW group has been able to contribute to various local charities through their annual individual pledges, memorial funds, bequests, and sales projects such as the Coffee Project and the Strawberry Festival. Special Mission giving has benefited Urban Promise, New Visions, the Fresh Air Home, Guatemala Milk Fund, Kid's Alley, Caring Hearts Ministry, Youth Mission trip, Your Food Shelf, Interfaith Caregivers, migrant grooming kits and St. Wilfred's. They are sponsoring an Urban Promise student and have set up an ongoing Kiva program.

Our group also participates in PW's special offerings; each spring we join in the "Birthday Offering." It began ninety-five years ago in 1922 when all the women of the church were asked to give one penny for each year of their lives. In that way, the women would celebrate their own blessings and the moneys received would be used to help meet the needs of a girl's school in Japan.

Since then the Birthday Offering has become a tradition, channeling funds to mission projects which are not supported by the General Assembly. These missions include agricultural

development, child care, drug counseling, elderly care, and homelessness, among others. Recipients must have a clearly-defined purpose which works in accordance with our church's mission goals. The program must provide a form of aid which relates directly to the people being served and must be a creative project less than three years old. The proposals must indicate how the project will work and how the lives of the people being served will be improved. This year's offering will benefit three projects:

- The Navajo Water Project will provide water systems for families at the Smith Lake Navajo Reservation in New Mexico. Presently the families have no running water in their homes. The grant will provide each household with a cistern, pumps, sink and shower.
- The Family Justice Center Safe Haven for Victims of Domestic Violence in Georgetown and Horry Counties in South Carolina needs more space. The grant will help in the construction of a new larger facility
- First Hand Aid Rural Clinic Development Initiative in Cuba is designed to establish six medical clinics located at Presbyterian Churches in rural Cuba where people do not have the means to get to medical facilities.

The Presbyterian Women of our church are proud to be able to participate in these mission projects here in our own community and around the world. If you would like to join in the offering, please contact any Circle leader, Circle member or one of the PW Moderators, Judy Grantham at 856-231-8922 or Sue Smith at 856-546-8482.

## IT TAKES A VILLAGE: FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

Volunteer sign-ups for IT TAKES A VILLAGE: FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN MOBILEPACK opened on February 14<sup>th</sup> on-line at [ittakesavillage-fmnc.com](http://ittakesavillage-fmnc.com) The MobilePack will be held this year on **Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**. There will be four (4) shifts of two (2) hours each starting at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday and three (3) shifts starting at 12:30 p.m. on Sunday.

Our goal is to pack 300,000 meals and to raise \$70,000 to do this. Sponsored by the Haddonfield Council of Churches, this

event is our community's contribution to help alleviate hunger worldwide by providing nutritious food for children in schools, orphanages and remote villages who are starving and malnourished.

Mark your calendar now to sign up and volunteer for this fast-paced, fun-filled experience with a life-sustaining outcome. Come by yourself, bring a friend or form a team. For more information about the event contact Gerry Rice at [gerviola@mac.com](mailto:gerviola@mac.com)

## 2017 First Presbyterian Church Mission Calendar

This calendar has been prepared to assist our members in their planning. Also, there are other groups within the church doing mission work not reflected here. Check the mission bulletin boards and pew bulletins for more information. You will find flyers with descriptions of our partner agencies, their contact info, and ways individuals can help. We do hope that each of our members finds ways to live faithfully and engage in meaningful mission.

**All Year** Drop off nonperishable food in baskets outside worship and hygiene products & clothing in open closet behind parlor.

- Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>** IHOC Begin FPC responsibility for meals & overnight sponsors for men housed here
- Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>** Sign-ups for Feed My Starving Children Packing
- Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>** **Outreach Health Ministries/Camden**  
11-1 St. Wilfrid's
- Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>** **Cooking for New Visions** 1pm church kitchen. Sweet Treats Club drop off earlier.  
**Respect for Diversity Forum II** by FPC JAC  
7:30 pm – Open to all
- Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>** **Meals Delivered to New Visions**
- Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>** *IHOC MALL WALK 2:30 registration 1:30- fundraiser at Voorhees Town Center*
- Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup>** World Day of Prayer - focus on economic justice
- Mar. 5<sup>th</sup>** Youth Trip Fundraiser
- Mar. 9<sup>th</sup>** Feed My Starving Children Fundraiser at *Painting with a Twist*
- Mar. \_\_\_** **IHOC Adopt-a-Box collection**
- Mar. \_\_\_** **Kids Alley has a party each year before Easter. Volunteers needed.**
- Mar. 12<sup>th</sup>** **Clean Up/Reset Help needed** on FPC lower level as IHOC guests move out – contact Ed Hess
- Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>** **Outreach Health Ministries/Camden**  
11-1 St. Wilfrid's
- Mar. 28<sup>th</sup>** **Cooking for New Visions** 1pm church kitchen. Sweet Treats Club drop off earlier.
- Mar. 29<sup>th</sup>** **Meals Delivered to New Visions**
- Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>** - **Feed My Starving Children Packing Event**
- April 9<sup>th</sup>** **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering\***
- April 21<sup>st</sup>** **Caring Hearts' Spring Fling Party** - Volunteers welcome 11-1pm Kaighn Ave. Baptist Church
- April \_\_\_** **Outreach Health Ministries/Camden**  
11-1 St. Wilfrid's
- Apr. 25<sup>th</sup>** **Cooking for New Visions** 1pm church kitchen. Sweet Treats Club drop off earlier.
- Apr. 26<sup>th</sup>** **Meals Delivered to New Visions**
- May 14<sup>th</sup>** *Mothers' Day PW Blanket Appeal*
- May 18<sup>th</sup>** *Urban Promise Wellness Center Fundraiser* at Double Nickel Brewery
- May 21<sup>st</sup>** **Outreach Health Ministries/Camden**  
11-1 St. Wilfrid's

- May 23<sup>rd</sup>** **Cooking for New Visions** 1pm church kitchen. Sweet Treats Club drop off earlier.
- May 24<sup>th</sup>** **Meals Delivered to New Visions**
- June 4<sup>th</sup>** **Pentecost Offering\*** received, 40% designated for Kids Alley Learning Center.
- June \_\_\_** *Vacation Bible School annual mission project TBD*
- June 18<sup>th</sup>** **Outreach Health Ministries/ Camden**  
11-1 St. Wilfrid's
- June 20<sup>th</sup>** **New Visions Sweet Treats Club** cookie drop off.
- July 25<sup>th</sup>** **New Visions Sweet Treats Club** cookie drop off.
- Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>** **New Visions Sweet Treats Club** cookie drop off.
- Sept 17<sup>th</sup>** **Outreach Health Ministries/ Camden**  
11-1 St. Wilfrid's
- Sept 26<sup>th</sup>** **Cooking for New Visions** 1pm church kitchen. Sweet Treats Club drop off earlier.
- Sept 27<sup>th</sup>** **Meals Delivered to New Visions**
- Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>** **Peace + Global Witness Offering\***  
World Communion Sunday (Peacemaking)
- Oct. \_\_\_** CROP WALK date and location TBD
- Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>** **Outreach Health Ministries/ Camden**  
11-1 St. Wilfrid's
- Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>** **Cooking for New Visions** 1pm church kitchen. Sweet Treats Club drop off earlier.
- Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>** **Meals Delivered to New Visions**
- Fall Mission Committee Meeting(s) will be needed to develop budget proposal for 2018**
- Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>** **Outreach Health Ministries/ Camden**  
11-1 St. Wilfrid's
- Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>** **Cooking for New Visions** 1pm church kitchen. Sweet Treats Club drop off earlier.
- Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>** **Meals Delivered to New Visions**
- Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>** **TURKEY collection**
- Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>** Caring Hearts' Thanksgiving meals- prep in FPC kitchen 7:30 am-noon and delivery
- Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>** **Advent Festival kick off for Mitten Tree, TOY BOX, Caring Hearts Christmas Stockings and information about Alternative Gifts** (All continue into Dec.)
- Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>** **Outreach Health Ministries/ Camden**  
**Special Holiday Session** 11-1 St. Wilfrid's
- Mid Dec.** Caring Hearts' Holiday Party - Volunteers welcome  
Fill Christmas wish lists for Caring Hearts' families. Drop off in office. Contact Ilyse.
- Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>** **Cooking for New Visions** 1pm church kitchen. Sweet Treats Club drop off earlier.
- Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>** **Meals Delivered to New Visions**
- Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>** **Mitten Tree and TOY Box donations delivered**
- Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>** **Christmas Joy Offering\***
- \*Indicates this is one of four annual Special Offerings taken by congregations of PCUSA as part of their commitment to the united church. Portions of the "Peace & Global Witness" and "Pentecost" offerings go directly to the recipients we designate. The REHAB Project in Pakistan and Kids Alley Learning Center have been selected this year.