# WILLOW CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ARGYLE 7300 BELVIDERE ROAD & CALEDONIA, IL. 61011 & 815-885-3455 & JULY 2023 STREAMER "A Faith Community, Growing Together, Sharing the Love of Christ"

### WCPC wishes everyone a safe and blessed 4th of July!

<u>A NOTE FROM PASTOR LAUREN</u> - Words cannot capture my gratitude for this wonderful church. Vacation Bible School is the perfect example of how God calls many folks with many different gifts together to do something incredible. Similarly, the Bed Build in early June was an opportunity for someone like me (who has rarely used power tools) to work alongside someone like Steve Picken (who, it may go without saying, frequently uses all kinds of tools, and uses them skillfully!). As different as our ability levels are, Steve and I were both able to contribute to the build, and now a few more children will have a peaceful night's sleep in their very own bed.

I am so grateful for a church that wants to do things like the Bed Build, who eagerly welcomes the children for VBS, who collects items for the Animal Shelter and hygiene products for women in need. And this is simply the ways you've served in the last few months! Thank you for being a church that gives time, energy and talents. Thank you for finding ways to use your unique gifts to bless others. Thank you for putting your faith into action in so many different ways. Thank you for your commitment to shining bright so that this church remains a beacon of light to our community.

**2023 VBS** - A huge thank you to our amazing volunteers who made this week magical for the kids! Thanks to our fearless Director Rebekah Landi and everyone who helped decorate, plan, teach, play and prepare snacks: JoAnn Buffington, Jamie Cuningham, Lynette Danzl-Tauer, Haley Gratz, Dianne Londo, Ron & Tanya Muzzarelli, Bryson O'Dell, Steve Picken, Katherine Ralston, Shannon Reagan, Kim Reid, Maren Reid, April Rottman & Shelly Williams.





10a

11a

JULY CALENDAR Sunday 7/2

Worship - Communion Fellowship and Coffee

**WORSHIP IN THE PARK!** - Join us on Sunday, July 16th, 2023 at Aberdeen Park! Table service and drinks provided. Please bring your own meat to grill, a dish to share and lawn chairs if you'd like. A playground is close to the shelter and a wheelchair will also be available for anyone who needs assistance getting from the parking lot to the shelter.

Tuesday 7/4	untre Formiles Doct	Happy 4th of July! Office Closed Wednesday 7/5	9a	Men's
Coffee at Boone Cou Thursday 7/6	11:30a 6p	Ladies Meet and Eat at Sophia's Restaurant Beginners Bell Choir Rehearsal		
Sunday 7/9	10a 11a	Worship - Hymn Sing Fellowship and Coffee		
Tuesday 7/11	8a 6p 7p	Buildings and Grounds Pipe Band and Drumming CoRPB		
Thursday 7/13	6p	Beginners Bell Choir Rehearsal		
Sunday 7/16	10a 11a	Worship in the Park @ Aberdeen Park - Dan Holmes Fellowship and Coffee		
Tuesday 7/18	6p 6p 7p	Pipe Band and Drumming Worship and Music CoRPP		
Wednesday 7/19	9a	Men's Coffee at Boone County Family Restaurant		
Thursday 7/20	11:30a 6p	Ladies Meet and Eat at Sophia's Restaurant Beginners Bell Choir Rehearsal		
Friday 7/21		Streamer Articles due!		
Sunday 7/23	10a 11a 11:15a	Worship Fellowship and Coffee Media Committee		
Tuesday 7/25	6p 7p	Pipe Band and Drumming CoRPB		
Sunday 7/30	10a 11a	Worship Fellowship and Coffee		



<u>MEDIA PLATFORM</u> - Thank you to everyone who has given and earmarked memorial funds for this important project. The platform makes a huge difference for the amazing volunteers who work so hard on making sure our sound quality is excellent and that our worship service is available online. And, it looks great! A huge thanks to the Media Committee for their hard work and vision, and to the Buildings & Grounds Committee for making that vision a reality!

#### A NOTE FROM LIZ O'LEARY - Happy summer to all!

I was disappointed, as I'm sure many of you were, that our outdoor worship for June was rained out. However, let's keep our fingers crossed for July and our Worship in the Park.

Here is July's music lineup:

July 2nd - Elizabeth O'Leary, contralto

July 9th - Hymn Sing Sunday (Be thinking of your favorites!)

July 16th - Worship in the Park with Dan Holmes

July 23rd - Tom Andrew, keyboard July 30th - Elizabeth O'Leary, contralto Please let me know if you have Special Music to offer. I will find a place for you. All for now,

Liz

**2023 ANNUAL BED BUILD** - Thank you so much to everyone who supported our Annual Bed Build! Thank you to the lunch makers, the construction crew, those who gave financially (it's not too late! You can still write a check or use an envelope to indicate a gift toward the Bed Build) and to our friends at Caledonia Congregational Church who donated bedding. A huge thank you to Mary Beth Gratz for organizing the build. We built **30 beds** in just a few hours! If you would like to become part of the **delivery crew** when local families need beds, let Pastor Lauren or Mary Beth know.



**SESSION SUMMARY** - The Session of Willow Creek Presbyterian Church of Argyle met on June 6th, 2023 for the regularly stated meeting. The meeting opened at 6:30p with prayer and devotions by Janet Hyland. A quorum was declared. The following actions were taken:

- 1. Consent agenda was approved as stated.
- 2. Motion to table the submission of paperwork to the Illinois Historical Society Sequescentinnel recognition of the church due to a variety of concerns.
- 3. Motion, second and approved to amend motion from approving 1 purchase on the Media Committee equipment list to the first 3 items on the list. Motion, second and approved the use of memorial funds to purchase 1-3 on the Media Committee equipment list: Audio Technica ATW 1001/L 1 microphone, 1 receiver (\$399.95), Audio Technica ATW 1322 2 microphone, 1 receiver (\$899), Audio Technica ATW 1102 1 microphone, 1 receiver (\$349.95). For a total of \$1,648.90
- 4. Motion, second and approved to grant Mandy Nelson a Flora MacEachran Scholarship for 2023.

### WCPC OPERATING STATISTICS:

May was an above average month for giving. Our expenses were above average for the month. Our new sound booth was the reason for the increase for the income/expense for the month of May. We were in the red on the year about \$3,000 so far, but in the black about \$500 for May. Thank you for your continued support of Willow Creek Presbyterian Church.

	May 2023	Year-to-Date
Income	\$23,103.45	\$79,276.31
Expenses	\$22,551.48	\$82,312.13
Excess/(Deficit)	\$551.97	\$(3,035.82)

LON & KATHY CLARK'S 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY – All are invited to celebrate the Clark's 50th Anniversary (which was April 7th) in their backyard on Saturday, July 15th at 12p (20 Reidwood Ln. Argyle). Country trio The Zac Wulf Band will be playing from 12p – 3p. Meat from Smokin' Coop, buns and soft drinks will be served. Please bring a side or dessert and bring your own lawn chairs. Gifts are not necessary. If it rains, the party will be indoors at WCPC in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP! Lon (815) 901-1150 <u>nolkralc@yahoo.com</u> & Kathy (815) 762-9993 <u>kathleenbclark@yahoo.com</u>

## WORSHIP IN THE PARKING LOT: Sunday, August 20th at 10am! Bring a chair!

### <u>Save the Date: Kirkin' o' the Tartans Sunday, September 24th, 2023</u>

**ROGER & BARB CUMMINGS** express their gratitude for all the prayers and would like to let everyone know that Roger is home as of Thursday, June 22nd, 2023!

<u>GREG & JOYCE GRAEFF</u> would like to say thank you for all the thoughts and prayers! They want you to know that they feel the love and warmth of all and that they know our Lord is working through them as they go through this difficult time. They also ask that you keep the thoughts and the prayers coming their way.

#### LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT THE NEW STREAMER FORMAT! EMAIL <u>OFFICE@WILLOWCREEKPC.ORG</u>

#### MINISTERS: ALL MEMBERS OF THE BODY OF CHRIST

For more information about our staff and volunteers, visit our website. The Church Office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30am - 3pm. If you'd like to set up a time to visit Pastor Lauren or Pastor Tanya, please reach out to the church office.

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