
~FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE~

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From the Pastor's Desk...

This last week of January is kindness week. Thousands of children all over the country are banding together and doing Random Acts of Kindness in their schools and communities. But I don't think kindness should be limited to one week out of the year, instead it should be part of our lifestyle. Through kindness we can begin to change our world and build a better world. Here are some simple examples of kindness:

- Hold the door for someone.
- Take a neighbor to the grocery store.
- Buy a cup of coffee for someone.
- Volunteer at the animal shelter.
- Host coffee hour at church.
- Make cookies and share them with a neighbor.

It may not seem like it would make a difference, but I do believe that it will make a difference in our world.

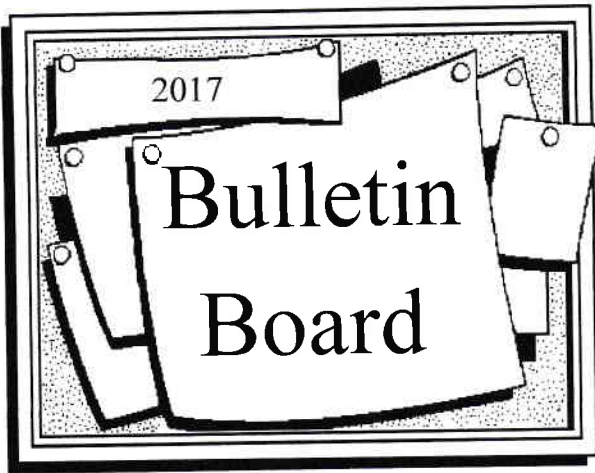
Not only will it make a better world, it will also improve your health. Here are some of the benefits of showing kindness. You know how prescriptions always come with a list of side effects to watch out for, well the same is true with kindness. But these are the side effects.


As the song says:

You got to try a little kindness
Yes show a little kindness
Just shine your light for everyone to see
And if you try a little kindness
Then you'll overlook the blindness
Of narrow-minded people on the narrow-minded streets

February is the month of love, what a great time to start spreading kindness.





 **Souper Bowl**
Sunday
February 5th
All Sunday School Kids
are asked to please bring a jar
of Peannut Butter or
Jelly..... Thanks

March Newsletter Deadline
is February 14th!

WA Meeting
February 5th @ 11:15am



WA Dinner
Monday Feb 27th
@ 6:00pm
Fellowship Hall

Food Pantry
February 4th ~ 11-12:30

Session
Meeting
7:30pm
February 13th



Deacon Meeting
February 12th at
11:00pm

Staff Meeting
February 13th
3:15pm

New Member Classes to Begin February
19th
 Rev. Janet will be conducting New Member classes beginning Sunday, February 19th at 11:15am grab a cup of Coffee and join us in the Sanctuary. The classes will continue Sunday, February 26th and New Members will be received Sunday, March 5th during the worship service. If you are interested in becoming a member of West Milford Presbyterian Church, please plan on attending. Please call the Church Office (973-728-3081) with any questions. Childcare is available upon request.


Cookie Walk
Sunday February 12th
after worship.

Feb 12th Boy Scout Sunday.
After the worship service
Please join us at 11:45
for a Court Of Honor
in the Scout House.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Joys & Concerns

February 2017

Worship Opportunities

Sunday, February 5th:

10:00am ~Worship Communion
~ Souper Bowl

10:00am Church School

11:15am WA Meeting

11:15am Worship Comm. Mtg

11:00am Coffee Hour

Sunday, February 12th:

10:00am Worship~
Boy Scout Sunday

10:00am Church School

11:00am Coffee Hour

11:00am Cookie Walk

11:15am Deacons Meeting

11:45am Court of Honor

Sunday, February 19th:

10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour

11:15am New Member Class

Sunday, February 28th :

10:00am Worship

10:00am Church School

11:00am Coffee Hour

11:15am New Member Class



Phyllis Wilson would like to thank everyone for there prayers and well wishes

Concerns:

- * Sandy Muzzillo's son, Kris, died.
- * Linda Sibson's brother, Jeff's partner died.
- * Chris Scilingo had a heart attack. He is doing well.
- * Doris Osterhoudt is out of the hospital and back at the Chelsea.
- * Audrey Suter in rehab after being in thr hospital.
- * Linda Fredricksen—friend who is undergoing chemo.
- * Amy Weed's stepfather had surgery .
- * Amy Weed's biological father has skin cancer.
- * Judy Spotto's sister is doing well after a mastectomy.
- * Rev. Janet's friend, Charles who is undergoing treatment for blood cancer in Seattle.
- * Erin Smidt is traveling to Viet Nam, prayers for safety.
- * Leah Majka's friend Kathy, who is treatment for kidney cancer (she only has one kidney).
- * Carol Smith's neighbor, a young father, with leukemia.
- * Amy Weed's co-worker whose mom died.
- * Judy Spotto—friend whose dad died suddenly.
- * Judy Spotto—friend whose father is failing.
- * Audrey Suter is in rehab in Hackensack.
- * Grace Cobb is in the hospital.

Joys:

- * Chris Scilingo—thanks for the prayers and supportof his family after a heart attack.
- * Leah Majka's horses are happy in their new home.
- * Phyllis Wilson doing well after two cataract surgeries.
- * Gary Halvorsen doing well after a heart transplant.
- * Julia Held had time with family.
- * Helen Kershaw has a new grandson.
- * Leslie Sphon's son, Gary, and his wife are expecting a child in June.
- * Joy to have children in church.

We support each other with our prayer

*Dear West Milford Presbyterian Church Family,
It is hard to put into words the thanks we would like to give for all the help, thoughtfulness and sympathy you have given us during this difficult time. We are very grateful for your support and friendship in our lives .*

With Love,

The Muzzillo Family

Deacons Doings February 2017

So yesterday we were decorating for Christmas and now, very quickly it seems we are preparing for Valentine's Day! Huh! Where does the time fly??

The deacons at the moment are getting set for our "hot" chili cook off. Who will be the winner this year? You can't win if you're not in. It is a fun evening.

The following week we partner with our children for Souper Sunday, your chance to vote for your team. I believe our votes have predicted the winners in the past but truthfully, "I really, really dislike football!" I do like the boost it gives to our food pantry. Speaking of- here's a nice story, someone who needed our pantry in the past now has a job and is doing better. Guess what they did- they sent in a very nice donation of food for us. I have no idea who it is but thought it was a really nice thing.

We will be celebrating Valentine's Day by getting cookies to bring home from the Women's Association cookie walk.

Have a wonderful February. Hope we don't get too much snow.

See you in church. Linda



FISH & CHIPS DINNER

The Women's Association of West Milford Presbyterian Church is hosting its annual Fish and Chips Dinner on Friday, March 31, 2017. Enjoy delicious, freshly made fish and chips from the famous "Tastefully British." In addition to the entree, the complete dinner includes homemade coleslaw, rolls, beverage, and dessert.

Valentine Cookie Walk

February 12th:

The Women's Association would appreciate bakers for the annual Cookie Walk! Please bake a minimum of two dozen cookies to be donated for the sale.

You may bring them in on the 14th to be sold at Coffee Hour. So those that enjoy baking cookies please bake and those that enjoy eating cookies, please buy!

If you have any questions, see Mary Macheska during coffee hour.



You're invited to get ready for

spring celebration

The West Milford Presbyterian Church Women's Association invites all church women to an evening of fellowship, fun, and food. Wine is permitted so feel free to BYOB.

Where: Fellowship Hall

When: Monday, February 27th

Time: 6:00 pm

Please RSVP by February 21st by signing up after church service, calling the church office (973-728-3081) or emailing Jan Halvorsen at janlee702@gmail.com



West Milford Presbyterian
Youth Group

Snow Tubing

Mount Peter
February 11, 2017

11:00 am to 1:00 pm

ALL
ARE
WELCOME

Must be taller
than 42" or
with parent

\$23 per person

2 Hours

Need Payment at
Registration

Contact Mr. Enering for details cenering@optonline.net or 973-767-7933





NOTES FROM SESSION

Greetings from Session. We are all set to start the New Year 2017. We had our reorganization meeting last week. Amy Weed has signed on to be our church Treasurer. Finance is her career and she is very capable. We are looking forward to her service to the church. Doug Weed has joined our Session team. Did you know that Doug was an understudy for the character Mr. Mistoffolees in the Broadway Play, Cats? He also taught himself calculus and began a career in Engineering. Thank you to Matthew Smart, Richard Hepp and Jaycen Stillman for signing on for another term in Session. Thank you to all of the other Session members who continue their hard work and dedication to our team:

Diane Ericksen, Ruth Allen, Chuck Ening, Evan Worthing, Don Wright, Mike Hashimoto, Lisa Calabria and Leah Majka

A big thank you is in order for the Boy Scouts and Youth Group. Each group volunteered to rake around the church (twice) and helped during the Auction and Christmas Bazaar. We really appreciate your help and hard work!

The Women's Association has donated \$5,000 to our church's general fund. Thank you for your generous donation. Thank all of you for the time and energy you use in raising money for your missions and for our church.

ELDERS

Class of 2017

Diane Eriksen
Mike Hashimoto
Leah Majka
Evan Worthing

Class of 2019

Matthew Smart
Rich Hepp
Jaycen Stillman
Doug Weed

Class of 2018

Ruth Allen
Lisa Calabria
Chuck Ening
Don Wright

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Calabria

Member of Session

DEACONS

Class of 2017

Vivian Smith
Mary Stevens
Maureen Lange

Class of 2018

Linda Fredricksen
Dawn Syvertsen
Carrie Smith

Class of 2019

Joanne Ward
Sandy Smidt

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