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WELCOME!

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“In Christ there is neither Jew nor Gentile, male nor female, slave nor free.” We invite people of every age, race, marital status, sexual orientation, means, ability, and spiritual tradition to join with us in the love of God and neighbor: through worship, dedication to education and commitment to service.

If you are new . . . allow us the opportunity to answer your questions and provide any needed information. Please identify yourself to one of our ministers, sign the Fellowship Pads, with your address, email, & phone number, so that we may send you our newsletter.

Welcome families with children! If your child requires special attention during worship, please make use of the Boardroom (located at rear of Sanctuary, adjacent to the north narthex). There is a rocking chair, a flood of natural light, and speakers so you can continue to listen to the service.

Childcare for children under three is available in the 3rd floor Nursery (Room 356). Children are invited to meet in Wallace Chapel at 10 am for worship followed by an outdoor church school experience. If you are new to us, an usher will gladly walk with you to Wallace Chapel.

The North Narthex into the Sanctuary is **fully accessible**. While our 1903 Meeting House and its many additions have many stairs, the building has been retrofitted with elevators and lifts. For example, if you exit the sanctuary through the door in the front to the left of the chancel, there is an elevator to access all floors.

Large-print bulletins and hearing devices are available from ushers.

CURRENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Hour – Please join us following worship for refreshments and conversation on the South Lawn.

Please wear your Nametag – Nametags are in the North Narthex. If you need one made, please put your name on the list, and be patient as they are made in groups of six.

Facebook – “Liking us” <https://www.facebook.com/wellesleyhillschurch> helps us to expand our reach. Even better, if an event or post excites you, causes you to smile, recalls a memory, or offers a glimpse of the Holy, please “share” it on *your* Facebook page.

November Clothing Drive – Clothing of any size, Accessories, Shoes, Coats, Purses, Handbags. Please put the donations in a plastic bag and deliver them to the covered porch at the home of Donna and Gary McCabe, 124 Washington Street, Wellesley Hills.

Family Promise is holding their “Keep The Promise” Holiday Concert and Auction online again this year on December 4 at 7 pm. Details are in our newsletter on our website.

Christmas Gifts for Low-Income Families – For many years members of this congregation have generously shopped for Christmas gifts for low-income families. Complete details of this annual outreach opportunity are in the Events newsletter.

Advent Bible Study – Join the clergy after worship each week for an hour long Bible Study. Our Advent devotional, lets scripture and Oliver’s poetry be our guides, together pointing us toward weekly practices that can help deepen and enrich our experience of the season – a perfect way to prepare for the hope, peace, joy, and love of Christmas day.

Lay Led Service – Join us for the first of four services. Sadly, covid restrictions prohibit us from offering dinner (this time) before the service. Please join us on December 1 at 7:00pm in the Wallace Chapel. Whether you have been a loyal member of the Lay-Led Service group for fifteen years, or would like to attend for the first time you will receive a warm welcome. I look forward to seeing you in December. ~ *Jim McKinney*

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

[FOR COMPLETE DETAILS OF ALL EVENTS, VISIT OUR WEBSITE](#)

Sunday, November 21, 10:00 am: Stewardship/Thanksgiving Sunday

We are happy to have you with us today, as we commit our gifts and celebrate the future of the Hills Church.

Monday, November 22, 7:00 pm: Zoom Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

Wellesley area clergy invite you to join them in fellowship. Our clergy will lead us in prayer, scriptural readings, song, and words of comfort. We hope this service (approx. 45 minutes on Zoom) will help you feel connected in faith and thanksgiving.

Wednesday, November 24, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm: Red Cross Blood Drive

A day of giving to honor the memory of Dan McCabe. Complete details of this annual outreach opportunity are in the Events newsletter. Appointments are required.

Thursday, November 25: Thanksgiving ~ church office closed today and Friday

Join us this year for the Turkey Trot, 5K fun run held right in Wellesley. Details of this event are in our newsletter on our website.

Saturday, November 27, 1:00 pm: Hanging of the Greens

Please join us for an afternoon of hanging of the Christmas greenery and decorating the tree at the church. Help us transform our building and worship space for the season of Advent. All materials will be onsite, so just bring yourself! And dress warmly to hang the wreaths outside. Contact Elaine Vildzius with any questions.

Sunday, November 28: First Sunday of Advent: HOPE

11:30 am: Poetry of Advent Bible Study

3:00 pm: Advent Kickoff

4:15 pm: Tree lighting

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