



May 12, 2024

# The Wallingford Page

## This Week at Wallingford

<p>Sunday, May 12</p>	<p>9:00 a.m..... Adult Education            10:00a.m. ....Worship            7:00 p.m.....Men’s Group            Happy Mothers Day/Festival Of The Christian Home</p>
<p>Monday, May 13</p>	<p>9:30a.m. ....Circle Of Trust</p>
<p>Tuesday, May 14</p>	<p>7:00 p.m. ....Child Care Board Meeting</p>
<p>Wednesday, May 15</p>	<p>7:00 a.m. ....Circle of Trust            12:30 p.m.....Purple Group            7:00p.m. ....NA</p>
<p>Thursday, May 16</p>	<p>7:00 p.m. ....AA            7:30pm. ....Choir Rehearsal</p>
<p>Sunday, May 19</p>	<p>9:00 a.m..... Adult Education            10:00a.m. ....Worship            11:00 a.m.....Board Games In Taylor Hall            11:15 a.m.....A-Team Meeting in Adult Ed.            5:00 p.m.....Women’s Group</p>

### Board Game Gathering

May 19<sup>th</sup> 11am to 1pm

Let’s play games after church! On May 19th bring your favorite board or card game and a snack to share if you like. Drinks provided. We’ll gather together downstairs in Taylor Hall after Sunday worship till 1pm.

All are invited! Bring a snack and a game.

## **YOU ARE INVITED TO THE WUMC/WCCC MAY WORK PARTY!**

**What:** Church Member and Childcare Parent Community Work Party

**Where:** Arrive in Taylor Hall/Rocket Room to get your Assignment

**When:** Saturday, May 18, from 9am to 1pm

**Who:** Church and Parent Volunteers

**Work Party Description:** We have a traditional joint work party between the church and childcare community scheduled for Saturday, May 18 from 9am to 1pm. This day usually ends up being a fun time when we bring community members together and form a critical mass of volunteers. Some people spend the entire time there and some come for just an hour or two. You can arrive anytime during that timeframe and try to complete items on the wish list of repairs and cleaning. The hope is that by working together, we can check off many items on the “to do” list and have the center in better shape when school and church open on Sunday and Monday.

**How it Works:** When you are ready to start work, you look at the job task board and select something from the list that you (or you and others together) can achieve. Skill levels vary so there are things from cleaning to light repairs, to more skilled tasks.

**Food:** We will have coffee and treats for those that arrive early. We will have pizza brought in for lunch.

**Should Children Attend?** It’s usually more effective to get the work done without kids in tow, so if you can attend without bringing your children that is optimal for this particular event. However, if you can’t attend unless you can bring them, we can ask some parents to keep them entertained during that time. For More information: Please contact Work Party Coordinator - Pam Xander at [PJ1000@aol.com](mailto:PJ1000@aol.com) or 206-734-1800 for more information or if you have questions.

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### **Purple Group:**

“Have patience with all things, but first of all with yourself.” - Saint Francis de Sales  
We hope you’ll join us **Wednesday, May 15 at 12:30** for a brownbag lunch with Marie Coon at Bayview Manor on Queen Anne. Thanks for hosting, Marie! We’ll kick-off with reflections on patience and – as is our tradition – share our questions and personal updates. RSVP’s are helpful but definitely not required.

Everyone on the Purple email list will receive an update with details, including the address and parking information, on May 14. If you would like to learn more about Purple or be added to the Purple email list, please connect with Sue at [ssherbrooke@outlook.com](mailto:ssherbrooke@outlook.com). WUMC’s Purple Group is for people who wish to discuss aging, mortality, and late-in-life or end-of-life care. Whether you want to talk about these topics as they relate to you or you are caring for another person, you are welcome.

## Order Your Pride T-Shirt!

Are you ready for Pride? June is Pride month, and this year's Pride Parade is scheduled for Sunday, June 30. Whether you're marching in the parade, cheering from the sidelines, or staffing our booth at Pridefest you'll want to dress the part. This year, more than ever, we want to share the message "All Are Welcome!"

An order form for Pride shirts can be found online at <https://tinyurl.com/UMCPrideShirts> and in the narthex. **Deadline for shirt orders is Friday, May 31, 2024.** Questions? Contact Nancy Speer ([nancyspeer@comcast.net](mailto:nancyspeer@comcast.net)).

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## General Conference Update

**REMOVAL OF ANTI-LGBTQ POLICY & LANGUAGE:** GC voted overwhelmingly in support of policy changes that neutralized anti-LGBTQ+ discrimination. Now, the language that LGBTQ+ people are "incompatible with Christian teaching" is gone - as is the prohibition on "self-avowed and practicing homosexual" clergy and candidates. In addition, performing a same-sex wedding is no longer a chargeable offense.

**ADOPTION OF THE REVISED SOCIAL PRINCIPLES:** The Revised Social Principles undergird the purpose of the UMC's ministries in the world. They represent values and ideals that the Church has agreed to live up to, including the advancement of social progress and the well-being of people and planet. This updated set of social principles not only writes in protections for people who are LGBTQ+; they also challenge the Church to address economic injustice, racism, colonialism, reproductive health, the death penalty, disability injustice, and much more.

**REGIONALIZATION:** GC approved 8 pieces of legislation that will work together to reconstitute the global structure of the Church. The Church's current U.S.-centric approach, calls all non-U.S. regions of the Church "central conferences." If ratified, the resulting structure would make all conferences into regional conferences. The U.S. regional conference would be allowed to contextualize the Book of Discipline for its own cultures, just like central conferences currently do.

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## Summer's Coming – Let's Picnic – Saturday, June 1

**Carkeek Park Accessible Shelter #1. Everyone Welcome – All Church, All WUMC**  
**Adjacent and Curious 10:00 am – 2:00 pm Lunch starts at 11:30 Campfire Fun at 1:15** (S'mores, Singing, and Story-Telling Likely) Snacks and Beverages Always Available  
Games for All Ages – Beach Walks – Lots of Conversation Fun things to bring: portable camp chairs, marshmallow roasting sticks, games to share **RSVP's helpful but not required** – Email [office@wallingfordumc.org](mailto:office@wallingfordumc.org)

## Essential Information

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### Monday All Church Email

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When you send it, the post should be "ready to go," written up with the wording you hope to see in the newsletter. Please keep short & sweet.

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**WUMC is seeking applicants  
for a Music Director**  
to replace Justin following his graduation  
and move to Alaska. The job  
announcement and job description will  
be posted on our website, Please share  
with anyone who may be interested.