Senior Adults

Sixth Day

Sixth Day for Sage & Spirited Seniors is a monthly gathering for senior adults offering opportunities for fellowship and sharing a meal together. Sixth Day meets on the second Friday of each month October through May in the Fellowship Hall from 10:00 am to noon.

October 10 — Meet & Greet: Katie & Kira

As the newest addition to our pastoral staff, Kira Stringer brings a wide variety of gifts and interests to our church family. Katie Robb Davis joined our Wellshire staff in the spring — here is your chance to get to know her up close and personal. The musical talents of the Rev. Bill Davis will compliment this opportunity to meet and greet our two new Associate Pastors.

November 14 - John Fielder: Colorado Photographer

John Fielder has been capturing the beauty of Colorado for 40 years. From majestic sunrises over the Rockies to colorful Colorado wildflowers bordering alpine lakes, his photos portray Colorado in all its glory. You won't want to miss this one-of-a-kind show from THE Colorado photographer in person!

December 12— The Firesign Vocal Quartet

Firesign Vocal Quartet is a Denver-based professional vocal quartet performing everything from Renaissance madrigals to jazz to its original compositions. Our own Donna Wickham, director of Confluence worship band and member of Firesign, will join the other three members to bring us beautiful holiday music.

Meridian Bible Study

Join the staff of Wellshire Presbyterian to study the scripture on the first Monday of each month from 10:00 to 11:00 am at the Meridian Retirement Community, 3455 South Corona Street, Englewood, 80013.

The Parables: Stories for Life in God's Word October—April

Many people think of Jesus' parables as brief stories with simple, moral lessons. This study attempts to open the richness of the parables by looking at what a parable is and how it functions as we appreciate the way these stories can continue to speak to our lives.

Leaders: The Revs. John H. Bell, Jr.; Kira Stringer; and Katie Robb Davis; as well as Church Educator Dr. Holly Inglis and Ministry Intern Olivia Hudson-Smith

Sunday Morning: Topics in Faith

Topics in Faith classes explore a variety of topics relevant to post-modern adult faith, utilizing experts trained and skilled in the field of study.

Man's Search for Meaning

September 7 – 21 | 9:55 am

Psychiatrist Viktor Frankl's memoir *Man's Search for Meaning* describes his spiritual survival in the Nazi concentration camps and tells the story of his and others' suffering in order to provide a first-hand account of the thoughts and behaviors a person goes through when confronted with such misery. As we study this classic work, we will learn to increase our empathy and understanding of others, as well as to be inspired to find significance in the very act of living.

Pre-reading is suggested but not required. Books will be available for purchase prior to the class for \$10, or the book is available on Kindle for approximately \$5.

Leaders: Ted Kempton and Nan Willett

MOMS: Moms Offering Moms Support

September 7-November 9 (no class September 28) | 9:55 am

MOMS is a gathering time for moms in all ages and stages of life where we read devotions from Jen Hatmaker's book *Out of the Spin Cycle - Devotions to Lighten Your Mother Load*. No preparation required. Books will be available for purchase prior to the class for \$10, or the book is available on Kindle for approximately \$9. *Leaders: Abby Krause and Angela Duggan*

Jesus, Bombs, and Ice Cream

September 7 – October 12 (no class September 28) | 9:55 am

Author Shane Claiborne joins forces with the founder of Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream, Ben Cohen, to help us envision a way to interrupt injustice and to build the kind of world we are proud to pass on to our kids— a world with fewer bombs and more ice cream— in this DVD based study. If you are a young adult, this is the place to connect with other 20-somethings, but ALL ADULTS ARE WELCOME! No preparation required. Ice cream will be served!

Leaders: David and Loretta Graham Frees

Embracing Spiritual Awakening

October 5-November 9 | 9:55 am

Explore what Christianity may look like "beyond religion and beyond the church" in this DVD based study with author and cultural observer Diana Butler Bass, who claims that both culturally and spiritually we are in the midst of another of history's "great awakenings."

Leader: TBD

TheoAcademy

October 5, 12, 26 and November 2 and 9 (no class October 19) 9:55 am

To be Presbyterian is to join a way of life informed by a particular rhythm: God calls us in grace and love; we respond in gratitude. This video and discussion series will focus on the Foundations of Presbyterian Discipleship. The series is designed for new members or those considering membership but is open to all who may wish to review, reconsider, or share what it means to be particularly Presbyterian.

Leader: Rev. Katie Robb Davis

Sunday Morning: Topics in Faith, cont'd.

What Do Other Faiths Believe and Why Is It Important?

October 19-November 9 | 9:55 am

In this pluralistic world in which we live, it is likely that you work with, live next door to, hang out with, or do business with members of other faiths. Join practitioners of Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Islam as they articulate their lived faith and invite you to articulate your own faith. If you are a young adult, this is the place to connect with other 20-somethings, but ALL ADULTS ARE WELCOME! No preparation required.

Leaders: TBD

Sunday Morning: Bible Study

'Clif'Notes Bible Study

September 7- October 26 (no class September 28) | 9:55 am

Plumb the depths of the Gospel of Luke, the longest of the four gospels. Discover who Theophilus is and explore the author's understanding that God's purpose is seen in the way God has acted, and will continue to act, in history. Leader: Clif Carey

Mid-week Classes

Six Steps to a Generous Life

Tuesdays September 16—October 21 | 6:15—7:30 pm

Would you like to increase your 'generosity quotient?'
Generosity is a spiritual practice and a way of life. Cultivating a thankful heart through prayer, worship, witness, serving, and study will lead us to giving more than we can ever imagine in more ways than we can imagine. Join us as we practice generosity together! Pre-registration required by email to hinglis@wpcdenver.org.

Leaders: Chuck Sparks and Holly Inglis

<u>halom</u>

Mondays September 29—November 17; January 5—February 9 (including Martin Luther King, Jr. Day) | 6:30—8:00 pm

Shalom shines biblical light on the issues and unsettled mood of our times in a culture where peacemaking is a central concern of the church and our world. Today, more than ever, we cry out for shalom. Old Testament scholar Donald E. Gowan unravels the multiple biblical threads of this eternal quest in this masterful exploration of the Hebrew concept "shalom" and the Greek "eirene." Pre-registration required by email to hinglis@wpcdenver.org.

Leaders: The Revs. John H. Bell, Jr.; Kira Stringer; and Katie Robb Davis; as well as Church Educator Dr. Holly Inglis and Ministry Intern Olivia Hudson-Smith

Chapel Presentations

Привет из России (Greetings from Russia) September 7 | 9:55 am

Sochi... Crimea... Ukraine... Moscow... Golgotha... How do these places, nearly 12 time zones away, matter to us? Come hear Ellen Smith, PCUSA Mission Co-worker supported by Wellshire, discuss how the events since the Winter Olympics have a local

Chapel Presentations, cont'd.

impact on our ministry in Moscow. Ellen was instrumental in helping Wellshire establish a relationship with Golgotha Baptist Church in Moscow ten years ago. Why do we have a partnership with a Baptist church in Moscow? Why does Ellen conduct her ministry from a home base in Berlin? How is this ministry relevant twenty years after Glasnost and Perestroika?

Warren Village: Dana Ruby September 14 | 9:55 am

This fall, Dana Ruby, high school senior and Wellshire member, will complete her Girl Scout Gold Award, the highest award a Girl Scout can earn. To earn this award, Dana chose to focus on the issue of children and homelessness and particularly on the work of Warren Village, a transitional housing organization in Denver. Her project provides clothing, shoes and coats for the children of Warren Village. Come support Dana and learn about the story of Warren Village, its work with homeless families, and the issue of homelessness in America.

<u>Table Talk: Helping Your Child Come to the Lord's Table</u> September 21 | 9:55 am

What is the appropriate age for a child to receive communion? How can I explain this to my child? The Rev. John H. Bell and Dr. Holly Inglis lead a workshop for parents seeking to fulfill their responsibility to nurture their child in understanding of the Lord's Supper. Children in elementary school are invited to participate.

Building Bridges

October 5 | 9:55 am

Building Bridges - Conflict Resolution in Israel, Palestine, and Beyond

Conflict is everywhere in our world, but right before our eyes as it breaks out into war in Israel/Palestine. What steps can we take toward greater understanding and less violence? Building Bridges, a Colorado and Jerusalem-based organization, believes it starts with personal relationships across boundaries of difference. They work to bring together high school students to work across their differences, learn leadership skills, and create circles of change in the world. Hear from a panel of program participants and leaders and see how Wellshire is supporting this good work of peacemaking in our world.

Project Vote Smart

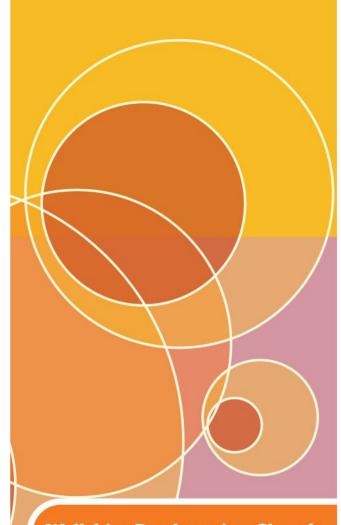
October 12 | 9:55 am

Bob Dey, Wellshire member and ambassador for Project Vote Smart, presents information on this non-partisan, nonprofit educational organization whose purpose is to provide access to information for voters. As we come to the mid-term 2015 elections and anticipate the 2016 elections, come learn what Project Vote Smart can do for you!

Resumé Writing: Surviving the 13-Second Scan October 26 | 9:55 am

Learn what four details the hiring manager wants to know about you within the first 8-13 seconds of reading your resumé. If you don't know them and what other key details your resumé should include, your resumé won't survive the initial read. Led by Packard Brown, Wellshire member and Director for Career Services at Iliff School of Theology.

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Midweek: Studies and Groups

Wellshire Book Club

1st Mondays | 7:00 pm

Do you enjoy reading? Then join the Wellshire Book Club: men and women who like to read and discuss a wide variety of literature from a Christian perspective. For more information or the current book, contact Nancy Carlson at chearlso@du.edu. Note: due to the Labor Day holiday, the September meeting will be held on Monday, August 25.

Christian Women's Crossing

1st & 3rd Mondays | 7:00 pm

A Bible study and book discussion group for young and middle-aged women. Leadership is shared, and the group chooses its own study material. Prayers and mutual support are an important part of this group. Contact J'ne Day-Lucore at imdaylu@comcast.net for details.

Tuesday Morning Manna Bible Study

Tuesdays | 9:30 am

In-depth study that uncovers the cultural, historical, and theological influences on the scriptures and explores the depth of Christian literature. Beginning Tuesday, September 9: *Three Faiths, One God: Judaism, Christianity, Islam.* A DVD and study guide will lead us through some of the current struggles of the three faiths' attempts to find the possibilities for peace and coexistence. We will compare some founding tenets of Islam and Christianity and discuss similarities and distinctions of faith and behavior so that we may become familiar with and understand a religion that is growing in popularity around the world, confirming our own beliefs while being neither intimidated nor frightened by others' beliefs. Contact Jackie Burghardt at jaburghardt@comcast.net for information.

Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays | 6:30 am

All men are invited to join weekly for an hour of study, fellowship, coffee, and a light breakfast. Starting in September, the group will start a new book, *The Acts of the Apostles* by William Barclay. For more information, please email men@wpcdenver.org.

Presbyterian Women of Wellshire

Presbyterian Women of Wellshire is open to all women of Wellshire. Our purpose is simple: to provide personal growth through Christian fellowship, worship, Bible study, and service. Contact Dr. Holly Inglis at hinglis@wpcdenver.org for more information on the Presbyterian Women of Wellshire.

Ruth + Sarah Circle 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 9:15 am Rachel Circle 3rd Thursday of each month @ 9:00 am

Women of Wellshire Bible Study — Reconciling Paul: A Contemporary Study of 2 Corinthians

1st Tuesdays | 9:30 am

All women are invited to this study led by Dr. Holly Inglis, Church Educator, as we read Paul's letter afresh in light of today's issues. Concepts include shared partnership, power in weakness, healing, reconciliation, love, and a new apostolate. Leaders of PW circles will find this study helpful as they prepare to lead their group study.

Fellowship Groups

YAX (Young Adult Christians)

A group of active, enthusiastic 20-somethings, eager to gather wherever food, friends and fun are on the agenda. Contact Kira Stringer for more at kstringer@wpcdenver.org.

CORE

CORE is an important connection for singles or marrieds in the late 20s and 30s. It's a vibrant group that gathers for fellowship, conversations, meals, community service and fun activities relevant to members' lives. Contact Terri Kipple Shaffer for more information at tkipple@hotmail.com.

Family Ties

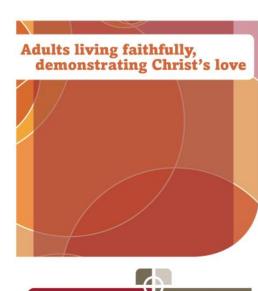
Families with children up through 5th grade meet at Wellshire on the 1st & 3rd Sunday evenings from 4:30 to 6:00 pm for fabulous and lively discussions (childcare provided). Special "parent-only" evenings are scattered throughout the year as well as service and mission opportunities for families. Contact Jll McLain at illmclain@hotmail.com for more information.

<u>Pioneers</u>

Folks with children in their teens through college, empty nesters, and adults 50+ gather at Wellshire on the 2nd and 4th Sunday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 pm for fellowship, mission, and study and occasionally off-site for social connection and fellowship. Parents of Middle and High School youth are especially welcome! For details, contact Martha Cearley at martha@cearley.us.

<u>Schooners</u>

Are you in your fabulous 50s and beyond? If so, join the Schooners for monthly fellowship and service. For more information, contact Janet Frantz at janetefrantz@gmail.com.





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