



May 19
Graduation Sunday/Youth Group Pool Party
June 2
VBS Training Part I
June 12
VBS Training Part II
June 14-Summer RSVPs Due
June 17-21

Vacation Bible VBS



May 4
Angelica Nassar (13)
May 21
Samantha Harmeson (14)
May 24
Griffin Seel (15)
June 16
Pastor Emily
June 23
Owen Edwards (16)



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It's going to be a busy summer!

Call me crazy, but there is a part of me that always looks forward to our Youth Group Mission Mornings, even if it means waking up early! There is something special that happens when we get together to serve others. There is a special fellowship that is born out of wanting to serve. (And gathering together around a table for food afterwards doesn't hurt either.)

This year I am especially excited because of the wonderful places that we will be serving and the work that we will be doing! In addition to serving here at the church through programs like *Vacation Bible School,* this year we will be going to *Hope Helps* and returning to *Give Kids the World.* 

Give Kids the World is a favorite organization of the Youth Disciples located in Kissimmee Florida. This organization is aimed at supporting the families of children who have terminal diseases or life-long physical challenges as they come to Orlando to enjoy our attractions. Since my arrival at WPPC there is no other organization the youth have asked me to serve at more. It is always our joy and delight to be able to take a shift at Give Kids the World. We spend our time working in a cafeteria called Nancy's Kitchen, serving food, cleaning tables, and getting drinks. The goal is to help in any way we can to provide a fun filled experience that allow families who experience the most difficult of lives, have a week of simple family time.

This year we will be adding a new organization to our wheelhouse: *Hope Helps*. *Hope Helps* is located in Oviedo and their mission is to prevent and reduce homelessness in Central Florida. They do this through housing, feeding, and education programs. Over the summer they run a program called *Kids of Hope*, an enrichment program for children living below the poverty line

who need lunch when school is not in session. This year we will gather for a special afternoon session (going to get lunch beforehand) to help them pack non -perishable food items for the *Kids of Hope* Program.

Vacation Bible School, Give Kids the World, Hope Helps: these are three very special programs that we will be blessed to work with this summer. Please watch for the Summer Mission Mornings RSVP form, put the dates on your calendar, and be sure to join us on these very important days!



LET NO ONE DESPISE YOU FOR YOUR YOUTH, BUT SET THE BELIEVERS AN EXAMPLE IN SPEECH, IN CONDUCT, IN LOVE, IN FAITH, IN PURITY.

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## **UPCOMING DATES**





No Youth Group on Mother's Day

On May 19th we will be celebrating two very special events - Graduation Sunday as well as our final Youth Group of the year, which will be a Pool Party immediately following the reception for Graduation Sunday.

Graduation is a very important milestone in the life of every Youth. Graduation Sunday is our opportunity as a Church Family to celebrate our graduates and all that they've accomplished during this chapter of their life. It is our job as members of their youth group to send them off to the next chapter knowing they have our full support as well as many happy memories. This year we are lucky to have two graduates - Justin Marzlock and Ethan Thomas.



On May 19th please bring your swimsuit, towel, and a change of clothes with you to church. Following the service we will meet in Fellowship Hall to celebrate our Seniors, then get changed and load up in the bus to go to the pool. Lunch will be served during this time and we will be back at the church office for pick up by 4:00PM. Please RSVP for the Pool Party by Friday, May 17 so we can be prepared for lunch.



Due to the nature of our summer service projects, I need a projected number of volunteers who are willing to serve. Volunteers can be youth but parents are welcome as well. Please RSVP with your Summer Activity Dates by June 14th so you don't get left out of any awesome opportunities for service and fellowship!

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**



The week of June 17-21 Winter Park Presbyterian Church will host Vacation Bible School! Youth are an essential piece of the VBS volunteers. Without you we would never be able to accomplish the huge task in front of us. If you are available during June 17-21, please notify Emily Wasser immediately.

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In addition please save Sunday, June 2 from 5:00-7:00PM for youth volunteer training and June 12 from 6:00-7:30PM for the final VBS walk through where youth will meet the leaders they are going to work with. Service hours are available for volunteering. I look forward to seeing you there and carrying on with this wonderful tradition at Winter Park Presbyterian Church!

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to our Seniors Justin David Marzlock and Ethan Thomas!



Justin David Marzlock has grown up in this church family ever since preschool. He always had leadership skills, as Mrs. Seel can attest to, the day she stopped his attempt to lead a group of his peers off the playground pirate ship to go for a walk. These days his leadership skills can be found leading the Medical Club at his school or being Parliamentarian on the National Honor Society at Winter Park High school, where he has honed his public speaking skills. He volunteers at the Winter Park Hospital, YMCA, and at VBS. Here at WPPC he participated in choir with Mrs. Davis, Art, and VBS. He was active in teen group in middle school with Mr.

Suereth and in high school with Emily Wasser. Justin works as a life guard for the City of Winter Park. He enjoys basketball and lacrosse. He is graduating from the IBC Biomedical program at WPPH this May 2019 and will continue his passion for Biology and Business at the University of Florida where he plans to pursue the Health Care Medical field.

Winter Park Presbyterian Church has been a part of Ethan's life since he was born. Ethan was baptized at WPPC when he was a baby and was confirmed here when he was in middle school. Ethan sang in the WPPC Children's choir throughout elementary school and still plays his violin for Sunday church service from time to time. Ethan has been a member of the WPPC Handbell Choir, participated in Vacation Bible School, participated in Youth Group, and was a regular at Sunday School through much of high school. Ethan continues to contribute to our weekly Sunday service, either as one of the Audiovisual Technicians, or as a liturgist. Ethan has



excelled academically and has been on the Trinity Prep School Honor Roll every semester since the sixth grade. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, co-captain of FRC Robotics team, a member of the school's Competitive Programming Team, and Trinity Varsity Bowling Team. In addition, Ethan has achieved the level of black belt in Taekwondo and has received the rating of "Superior" almost every year for his violin solos at the Federation of Music Clubs competition. Ethan's volunteer activities include participating in a VOSH Southeast trip to Dominican Republic, volunteer computer programming teacher assistant, and volunteer Taekwondo teacher assistant. Ethan has been accepted to the University of Central Florida Honors College where he plans to study Computer Engineering. Ethan was awarded the prestigious UCF Provost Scholarship for academic achievement.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS 2019-2020



Attention all 9th graders and above! Starting in Fall of 2019, Winter Park Presbyterian Church will have a Confirmation Class for all unconfirmed 9th and 10th graders, as well as anyone older who has not been confirmed. Please pay close attention in the coming months for more information. In the meantime, if you are a 9th or 10th grader, or an older unconfirmed youth, please contact the office to be sure you are on the list to be contacted for updates concerning Confirmation! Every little bit of information helps!