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WELCOME TO THE ADVENT AND WINTER SEASON AT WCC

Dear Church Family,

As winter settles in, Advent invites us to slow down and make room for hope. This year, we begin our journey together with the sermon series **What Do You Fear? Insisting on Hope This Advent**, exploring how God meets us in uncertainty and gently leads us toward courage and peace.

We hope you'll join us for meaningful worship throughout the season, including **family-friendly Advent services**, **Christmas Eve worship**, and a **joyful Christmas Morning service**. These gatherings remind us that we are never alone—God arrives right where we are.

Winter brings music, joy, and connection—welcoming the **St. Olaf Choir** in January and a wonderful **Coffeehouse Music Series** lineup for 2026. Our **Family Ministry team** also offers a rich season of gatherings to play, serve, learn, and celebrate together.

Wherever this season finds you—hopeful, weary, joyful, or searching—there is a place for you here. May the light of Christ meet you and warm your spirit.

With gratitude for this journey we share,
The Clergy & Staff of Wayzata Community Church



ADVENT SERMON SERIES

Luke's Gospel begins, "In the time of Herod..."—a fearful world of oppression, disparity, and uncertainty. Yet again and again, angels whisper a surprising message: "Do not fear."

This Advent, we'll reflect on the fears that shape us—and how, like Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, and the magi, we can move through fear toward faith. What if naming our fears could open us to courage, compassion, and hope?

Join us as we insist on hope and trust that the good news of Christ's birth still breaks through the world's fear with light and love.

November 30: In the Time of Herod, We Long for God to Break In

December 7: When We're Running out of Hope, God is at Work

December 14: Even in our Fear, We are Called Forward

December 21: When You're Afraid, Give Me Your Hand

SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:00 a.m. Communion Service: This service includes traditional music, an inspiring message, and communion.

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship: Experience uplifting music from our worship band and Celebration Choir, an engaging message, and joyful celebrations of our life together in faith.

10:15 a.m. Parables Worship: Parables is uniquely designed for people with disabilities and their families, welcoming everyone just as they are with music, an inspiring message, communion, and community.

10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship: This service is grounded in beloved hymns and a rich liturgical tradition. Each week, an uplifting sermon is complemented by organ and choral music spanning Bach and Handel to spirituals and jazz.

* Join us online—services (except 8 a.m.) are livestreamed and recorded on our YouTube page.

SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES IN ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

Blue Christmas

Thursday, December 18

12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. • WCC Chapel

The holidays can be difficult for those experiencing grief or loss. Blue Christmas is a gentle, contemplative worship service co-led by Rev. Lindy Purdy and Rev. Danielle Jones, offering space for comfort, reflection, and hope during the season.

Christmas Vespers: A Service of Light and Hope

Sunday, December 21

6:00 p.m. • Sanctuary

Step out of the holiday rush and into the quiet beauty of Christmas Vespers. This peaceful candlelit service weaves together scripture, carols, and reflection on the wonder of Christ's birth. A meaningful experience for all ages—come as you are to rest, reflect, and let the hope of the season fill your heart.

The Sunday After Christmas

Led by Joel Hanson

Sunday, December 28

10:00 a.m. One Service Only in the Sanctuary

(No Sunday School or Childcare)

We're delighted to welcome Joel Hanson as worship leader for this special final Sunday service of 2025, held at 10 a.m. only. A gifted singer-songwriter and worship leader for nearly four decades, Joel brings an authentic spirit of faith and hope wherever he goes. Rev. Dustin Moretz will preach and introduce a meaningful new tradition as we begin the new year together. Join us for this uplifting service to close out 2025 and look ahead with faith and hope!



CHRISTMAS EVE

Celebrate the coming of Christ at one of six Christmas Eve worship services on December 24. Most Sanctuary services will include an overflow option in Wakefield Chapel, with doors open 30 minutes before each service. Once the Sanctuary is full, guests will be seated in the Chapel to view a livestream of the service.

Build Your Own Nativity

10:00–11:00 a.m., Sanctuary

Kids of all ages help bring the Nativity story to life by dressing up as shepherds, angels, animals, and kings—costumes are provided! A joyful, family-friendly service featuring giant king and shepherd puppets.

Traditional Chapel Worship

11:00 a.m., Chapel

A classic *Lessons and Carols* service with organ, soloists, and a Christmas message.

Contemporary Candlelight Worship

1:00*, 3:00 & 5:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Experience **uplifting contemporary worship** led by our choirs and Contemporary Worship Team, along with a **children's moment** and an **inspiring sermon**. Each service will conclude with **candle lighting** (battery candles available) as we sing *Silent Night* together. Childcare provided for birth through Pre-K. *Livestream available.*

*The 1:00 p.m. service will also feature our **Children's Choir, Parables Disability Choir**, and guest musician **Charles Lazarus**.

Lessons & Carols Traditional Worship

9:00 p.m., Sanctuary

A traditional *Lessons and Carols* service with the **Chancel Choir**, brass ensemble, and scripture. *Livestreamed.*

CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP • DECEMBER 25

10:00 a.m. in the Chapel

Rev. Lindy Purdy preaching

Continue the joy of Christmas morning with a cozy worship service in the Chapel. We'll sing beloved carols and hear a special Christmas story written and shared by Rev. Lindy Purdy.

WINTER SPECIAL EVENTS



Carols, Candles and Cheer: Preparing the Way

Thursday, December 4

Doors open at 6:15 p.m.

Program begins at 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

Savor the sights, sounds, and tastes of the season at this joyful Advent kickoff celebration! Sing along to your favorite Christmas carols, and enjoy music from **special guests Alison Scott and Autumn Toussaint**, with **storytelling by Rev. Lindy Purdy** in the Sanctuary. After the program, gather in Founders Hall for a festive dessert buffet featuring sweet holiday treats, coffee, tea, and cider.



This all-church celebration is the perfect way to usher in the Advent season. All ages welcome—come ready to sing your favorite Christmas songs! Please bring a dessert for the buffet—scan the QR code to sign up.



Christmas Soup, Salad & Song

Thursday, December 11

11:30 a.m. in Mithun Hall

The mighty WCC Soup Team will provide a variety of soups and salads for our Christmas luncheon. If you are able, please bring an item to share—dessert, salad, bread, appetizers, or any favorite of yours! Bring a friend to enjoy the fun and sing along with beloved Christmas carols. If you need a ride or can provide a ride, please contact Vicki Thompson at 612-270-4458. Questions? Contact Sandy Seibert at 952-334-2840.

Galentine's Night: Fondue & Friends

Saturday, February 1 • 4:00 p.m.

At Wayzata Community Church

Celebrate the joy of friendship this Galentine's Night! Join us for sweet connection, laughter, and a cozy Hallmark Valentine's movie. Chocolate fondue will be flowing—just bring your favorite treat to dip (fruit, cookies, pretzels... anything goes!). We'll provide the chocolate; you bring the dippers. Together we'll share a night of warmth, community, and plenty of sweetness. Galentine's is for every generation of gals—come solo or bring your mom, daughter, god-daughter, aunt, niece, or best friend. There's a place at the table just for you!



WCC 2025-26 MUSIC SERIES



A Season of Music at Wayzata Community Church

Music has a unique way of opening our hearts, lifting our spirits, and bringing us together in shared joy. Experience an unforgettable lineup of performances—from classical masterpieces and family-friendly concerts to the soulful jazz of Charles Lazarus. Join us for a season where every note inspires, and every concert brings us closer together.

Sunday, January 25, 2026 • 3:00 p.m.

St. Olaf Choir

General Admission, \$35; Student (10-17) Admission, \$10

This influential a cappella choir from Northfield, Minnesota, was founded in 1912 and is known for its sacred music. It has been directed by Dr. Anton Armstrong since 1990. Tickets: bit.ly/stolafchoir



Sunday, February 15, 2026 • 3:00 p.m. (Free Will Offering)

American Nomad and the Modern Hymn Project

Acclaimed Minnesota Orchestra trumpeter **Charles Lazarus** and organist **David Cherwien** perform a genre-blending concert featuring the classical/jazz hybrid concerto "American Nomad" by Steve Heitzeg, alongside modern hymns and originals.

Sunday, May 31, 2026 • 3:00 p.m.

Lazarus Brass

Led by Charles Lazarus, this all-star brass and percussion ensemble will perform classics and feature works by Leonard Bernstein, Paquito D'Rivera, and original compositions.



Tuesday, June 23, 2026 • 7:30 p.m.

WCC Chamber Choir

In collaboration with **Violins of Hope**, the choir presents music by composers from the Holocaust era, including Marcel Tyberg's *Mass in F Major* and Zoltan Kodaly's *Missa Brevis*, highlighting resilience amidst tragedy.

Thursday, June 25, 2026 • 7:30 p.m.

Minnesota Sinfonia

Conducted by **Jay Fishman**, in conjunction with **Violins of Hope** international touring exhibit, this concert features compositions that the owners of these instruments could have performed before they were killed in the Holocaust. This program emphasizes Jewish music and its universal emotional impact.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION



What Do You Fear?

Insisting on Hope this Advent

Wednesdays, December 3, 10, 17

4:00 & 6:30 p.m. in the Colonnade

Led by Rev. Dan Stark

This Advent, join us for a three-week series that explores the anxieties of the season and helps us uncover gritty, resilient hope. Luke's Gospel begins in a fearful world—one marked by oppression and uncertainty, not unlike our own. Yet even in the chaos, angels whisper a timeless message: "Do not fear." Grounded in the Sanctified Art theme, this class invites us to:

- Acknowledge our fears without letting them freeze us.
- Learn from Mary, Joseph, and the shepherds who moved through fear to say, "Here I am, Lord."
- Discover how naming our fears opens our eyes to where God is breaking in with good news of great joy.

Fear can divide and paralyze—but what if we could transform it into love and action? Let's insist on hope together, remembering that even hope that trembles is still hope.



Beyond Resolutions:

Epiphany's Call to True Transformation

Wednesdays, January 7, 14, 21, 28

4:00 & 6:30 p.m. in the Colonnade

Led by Rev. Dan Stark

Tired of New Year's resolutions that fade before February? This Epiphany, discover transformation that truly lasts. Join Rev. Dan Stark to explore how God's revelations—from the Magi's journey to Jesus' first miracles—invite us into genuine spiritual renewal. This class isn't about quick fixes or surface-level goals, but about awakening to God's purpose and power for real, lasting change.

Each session stands alone—join us for one or all four!

Thursday Bible Study

10:30 a.m. in the Colonnade

December 4 & 11

January 8, 15, 22 & 29

February 5, 12 & 19

Join members of our clergy team—Dan Stark, Dustin Moretz, and Lindy Purdy—for a thoughtful and engaging study of Scripture. Bring your curiosity and your questions as we explore the Bible together in a spirit of openness and discovery. All materials are provided (though you're welcome to bring your favorite Bible). All are welcome!



Cultivating Holy Curiosity with Rev. Steve Wiens

February 4 & 11

4:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel

It can feel risky to question what we've always believed about God, the Bible, or our faith tradition. But as Rev. Steve Wiens reminds us, faith often grows deepest when we dare to ask hard questions.

In this two-week class, Steve will share the questions that have shaped his own spiritual journey and the new insights that emerged along the way. Together, we'll explore tools and practices to help you cultivate holy curiosity—a faith that welcomes wonder, honesty, and growth.

FAMILY MINISTRIES

SPECIAL ADVENT EVENTS

Breakfast with Santa!

Saturday, December 6 • 8:30–11:30 a.m.

Mithun Hall • \$25 per person

Kick off the holiday season with pancakes, crafts, and Christmas cheer at our annual Breakfast with Santa! Kids can meet (and snap a photo with) Santa, enjoy festive activities, and enter our holiday raffle—all while supporting the WCC Nursery School. Pancakes are served up fresh by Bill Boulware and his A-Team volunteers, with proceeds benefiting special school enhancements. Scan the QR code for tickets.



Advent Workshop

Sunday, December 7 • 2–4 p.m.

Graceland Gym • \$15 per crafter

Kick off the Christmas season with an afternoon of creativity and community! All children and families are invited to make and take home over 25 different ornaments, decorations, and handmade gifts to celebrate the holidays. Enjoy festive music, fellowship, and even some fresh greenery to create your own holiday swags and centerpieces. Registration encouraged — scan the QR code to sign up!



Calling all Middle & High Schoolers Helper Elves!

We need cheerful “Helper Elves” to assist younger crafters, restock supplies, and spread Christmas joy. Volunteer shifts run from 1:45–4:15 p.m., and it’s a fun way to earn service hours while getting in the holiday spirit! Sign up to volunteer at bit.ly/adventelf

Advent Workshop





SUMMER CAMP 2026

Mark your calendar for
the best week of summer
at Camp Chi Rho!

CAMP KICK OFF
SUNDAY, JANUARY 11

REGISTRATION OPENS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13

- Children's Camp Session #1: June 15-18, 2026 (\$495)
- High School Camp: June 21-26, 2026 (\$630)
- Children's Camp Session #2: July 7-10, 2026 (\$495)
- Middle School Camp: July 12-17, 2026 (\$630)

As always, friends are welcome—so spread the word!

www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/camp



HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY



Youth Group

Wednesdays 7:30 - 9 p.m.

Wednesday nights in The Loft are the heart of High School Ministry at WCC. Come for big fun, bold music, goofy skits, and real conversations. Stay for the radically inclusive love of God, a caring community, and a space to grow in faith and justice.

See you on the 3rd floor!

Christmas Party

**Wednesday, December 17
7:30–9:00 p.m. in The Loft**

Celebrate the season with Christmas games, cookies, carols, and a festive twist on the Christmas story! Come ready to laugh, connect with friends, and soak up the holiday spirit—no registration needed.



High School Bake Sale Weekend: Giving Back with Sweetness

**Saturday, December 13 &
Sunday, December 14**

Join us for a weekend filled with flour, frosting, and faith in action as our High School Ministry bakes, sells, and shops to support families in need through the Salvation Army Toy Shop.



Saturday, December 13 • 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Mithun Kitchen

Small Groups will gather for a festive day of baking, team work, and laughter as we prepare delicious treats for Sunday's sale.

Sunday, December 14 • 8:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • WCC

Students will sell their homemade baked goods throughout the church, raising funds to bring Christmas joy to local families.

Sunday, December 14 • 12:00–1:30 p.m. (Meet in Colonnade)

After the sale, students will head out together to purchase toys using the bake sale proceeds—then deliver them directly to the Salvation Army Toy Shop. A meaningful way to experience generosity and community in action!

Come for one part or all three—every bit of time and effort helps make a big impact.



Mike Solberg
Director, High School Ministry
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Tubing Night for HS and MS Ministries

Wednesday, January 28

6:30–9:30 p.m.

Elm Creek Park Reserve

\$20 — Pre-registration required

We're hitting the slopes for an epic night of snow tubing at Elm Creek! Students will meet at WCC and ride together on the bus for an evening of laughter, thrills, and winter fun. Space is limited—register early to secure your spot and get ready for a night of snowy adventure! Scan the QR code to register.



Sundays in The Corner

9:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

On Sunday mornings, Middle Schoolers can come hang out with Ann during the Contemporary service (9 a.m.) for games, Bible study, and good conversation. We'll occasionally attend worship together as well, and don't you worry, there will always be some delicious breakfast treats to help perk us up! We will not meet on December 28 or January 4.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY



WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

4:00-6:15 p.m. **Homework & Hang**

5:15-6:15 p.m. **Community Meal**

5:45-6:15 p.m. **Disciples Plus Choir**

6:30-8:00 p.m. **Middle School Youth Group**

Wednesdays are made for connection! Middle schoolers are invited to come anytime after school to study, eat, sing, and grow together. Start with Homework & Hang, enjoy a community meal, and join in choir and youth group—come for one part or stay for it all! Middle School Youth Group is like a slice of camp every week, complete with music, skits, games, messages, and small group conversations led by our amazing adult leaders. It's the perfect midweek boost of faith, friendship, and fun. No programming on December 24 or 31st.



Church Lock-In!

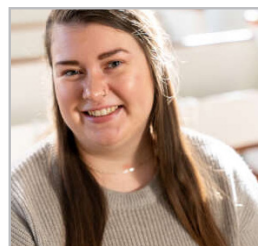
Saturday, February 7 @ 6:00 p.m.

– Sunday, February 8 @ 10:00 a.m. (after the 9:00 a.m. worship service).

Drop-off & pick-up in The Corner. Cost: \$32 —

Pre-registration required.

It's the ultimate all-night church sleepover! Join your friends for an unforgettable night packed with food, games, crafts, movies, and more. Theme coming soon... but one thing's certain: you won't want to miss it! Scan the QR code to register.



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EARLY CHILDHOOD & ELEMENTARY MINISTRY

WEDNESDAYS

Faith and Fun Wednesdays

(Preschool through 5th Grade)

6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Gym

Join us each week starting for games, activities and fun as we explore our faith together.

Open Gym

5:15-6:30 p.m. in the Gym

Kids age K-5th grade are invited for free play in the Gym every Wednesday evening. We have a hired high schooler watching over kids to make sure they play safe, but we rely on parents to keep track of their own kids.

Cherub Choir (Ages 2-5)

5:00-5:30 p.m. in the Community Room

Join Jodie Nyberg for another great year of singing, dancing and moving to the spirit! Each week we'll explore our faith through music and movement while playing rhythm instruments and more. All preschoolers are welcome— and invite your friends!

Open Gym for Tiny Tots

Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Community Room

Stay and play after Cherub Choir each week in our kid-friendly Community Room! Little ones can ride trikes, climb, run, jump, and laugh while parents connect and build community. It's the perfect midweek energy outlet for our tiniest friends. Parent supervision required.



SUNDAYS

Littlest Angels Sunday School

9:00-10:00 a.m. and 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Birth through Pre-K

Our exciting fall program kicks off on September 7. Join us as we explore our faith through hands-on activities and lots of fun! Each week Lilli O'Brien and team will create exciting lessons and fun crafts to make faith come alive! No child care on December 28.

Sunday School for K-5th graders

9:00-10:00 a.m. (Graceland Gym)

Join us Sundays! Parent partners are a big part of our Sunday program and help lead our Sunday morning programs. No Sunday School on December 28 or January 4.

Volunteer with

Children's Ministry!

Our Wednesday leaders are volunteers dedicated to leading kids and building relationships all year long. We ALWAYS need new leaders who feel called to this ministry. Parents are also encouraged to choose a few Sundays to help throughout the year. If you are interested, please reach out to Jodie Nyberg at jnyberg@wayzatacommunitychurch.org.



Jodie Nyberg

Director, Elementary and Early Childhood Ministry

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Christmas Kids' Night Out

Friday, December 12

5:30–9:00 p.m.

Graceland Gym

\$20 per child — Pre-registration required

Parents, enjoy a night out while your kids have a holly-jolly good time! All children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited for a festive evening filled with games, pizza dinner, Christmas crafts, and a movie on the big screen. Spots fill quickly—register early to save your child's place! Scan the QR code to register.



Beach Bash Kids' Night Out

Friday, January 16

5:30–9:00 p.m.

Graceland Gym

\$20 per child — Pre-registration required

When it's cold outside, we're bringing the sunshine indoors! Kids ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to our tropical-themed night of fun—complete with beach ball games, luau music, pizza dinner, crafts, and a beachy Disney movie on the big screen. So grab your shades and flip-flops (well, maybe over your socks!)



and join us for a warm, joy-filled winter escape. Scan the QR code to register.

PARABLES

DISABILITY MINISTRY

WEDNESDAYS



POW: Parables on Wednesdays

Wednesdays 6:20–7:30 p.m. • Gym

Each Wednesday, youth are invited to come together to explore the Bible in a fun, hands-on way. We start with open gym from 4:00–4:15 p.m., then dive into our Bible

story and wrap up with a creative craft.

Parables Choir

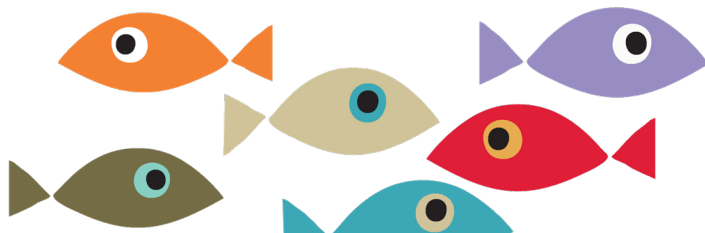
Wednesdays • 5:50–6:20 p.m. • Chapel

All ages and stages are welcome to join this joyful, energetic choir led by Kiki & Mike Webert and Cayla Worner. We sing, sign, march, and dance to uplifting music, performing the second Sunday of each month in Parables Worship and on Christmas Eve at the 1:00 p.m. Candlelight Service.

AWE: Adults on Wednesday Evenings

Wednesdays • 6:20–7:30 p.m. • The Corner

AWE is a midweek faith formation gathering for adults centered on growing in faith and community. Sessions typically run in 3–4 week themed series, featuring a short message, small group conversation, music, and even the occasional snack or craft. Come experience connection and inspiration in the middle of your week! *No regular programming on December 24 or 31.



Michele Ramert

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Parent/Caregiver Christmas Party

Friday, December 5

6:00–9:00 p.m., The Toussaint Home

Join us for a festive evening of fellowship and holiday cheer! Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

Family Christmas Party

Sunday, December 14

Immediately following

Parables Worship in Mithun Hall

Celebrate the season with us at the Parables Family Christmas Party! Enjoy lunch, crafts, games, cookie decorating, and a visit from a very special guest.



Please pre-register to help us plan for food and activities. Scan QR code to register.



Parent/Caregiver Support Group

December 18, January 15

6:00–8:00 p.m., The Corner

For those walking alongside a loved one with a disability, this group offers a safe and supportive space to share the journey—the highs, the lows, and everything in between. Come to open up, listen, encourage, and be reminded that you are not alone. This group meets monthly on the third Thursday of each month.

Friendship Group (Respite)

Friday, January 10 • 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. • The Corner

Three hours of fun for all ages! Enjoy gym time, games, crafts, music, movies, and lunch. \$20 per participant. Registration required.



Pizza and Movie Night

Friday, February 13 • 5:00–8:00 p.m. • The Corner

An evening to relax and hang out with friends—watch a movie, share some pizza, and enjoy time together. \$10 per participant. Registration required.



PARABLES SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:15 a.m. Parables Worship in the Chapel

Parables is a worship experience crafted for and led by people with disabilities and their families. Everyone is welcome — just as they are — to a service filled with joyful music, marching, an inspiring message and meaningful community connections. Stay after for fellowship, coffee, and sweet treats in the Colonnade! Can't join in person? Parables Worship is also available via livestream on our website and on-demand on our YouTube channel.

ENGAGEMENT MINISTRY

Young Adult Events

WCC Night Out: Young Adult Edition—Happy Hour & Coffeehouse Concert

Friday, January 16 • 5:30–6:30 p.m.

Wayzata Bar & Grill ("The Muni"), 747 Mill Street, Wayzata, followed by the Coffeehouse Music Series featuring PowerTap at WCC

Kick off your weekend with other young adults for a laid-back happy hour before heading over to enjoy live music at WCC! Come early to connect with old friends (and meet some new ones) over drinks, apps, and good vibes at The Muni — then we'll head over together for an unforgettable Coffeehouse concert featuring the high-energy band PowerTap. Pre-registration encouraged (but not required).



WCC Young Adults on Ice: Curling Night

Saturday, February 21 • 4–6 p.m.

Chaska Curling Center, 3210 Chaska Blvd., Chaska. Optional food & drinks after at Crooked Pint Brewing

Ever wanted to try an Olympic sport while the Winter Games light up the world stage? Now's your chance! Join WCC young adults for a beginner-friendly curling experience — no experience or equipment required. We'll start with a quick intro lesson, then hit the ice for a lighthearted game full of laughs, connection, and friendly competition.



Afterward, we'll warm up next door at Crooked Pint for a cozy post-game hangout. Pre-registration is required for this event.



Thimble Bees

All are welcome! Join WCC members and friends to craft lovely, hand-made items for charity. No experience necessary! Whether you sew, knit, crochet, or have no craft skills at all, you can enjoy the fellowship of working together to help people in need of encouragement, love, and support in their everyday lives. **All meetings are held Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m.-12 Noon in Mithun Hall.** Contact: Kathy Smith at ksmith3600@aol.com.

Advent & Winter Dates:

December 9, January 13 & 27, February 10 & 24

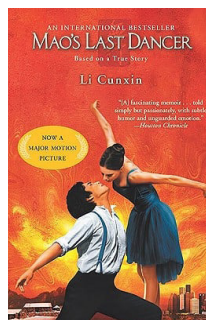
WISH Group — Widowed In Social Harmony

WISH is not a grief group, but a welcoming community for women and men who have lost a spouse or significant other and want to connect through friendship, service, and shared experiences with others who understand the journey of healing. Recent activities have included the Long Lake Blessing of the Hounds, Big Stone Putt-Putt Golf, and Pretzel Making with Bricks to Bread!

WISH Coffee Gatherings are held the 4th Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m. in the Holmes Room.

Upcoming dates: December 22 and January 26

Find WISH on WCC Connect, or contact Laura Lagenaur at lclag@comcast.net to learn more.



Third Thursday Readers

Thursdays

1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Onan Room

Join a welcoming group for lively fiction & nonfiction discussions—come monthly or whenever you can. Questions? Contact Margaret Green, margyg63@gmail.com.

- **January 15:** *Mao's Last Dancer*, by Li Cunxin
- **February 19:** *The Anxious Generation*, by Jonathan Haidt

WAYZATA COMMUNITY CHURCH

COFFEE HOUSE

MUSIC SERIES 2026

Four unforgettable Friday nights of live music at Wayzata Community Church! Enjoy an incredible lineup of talented musical guests while savoring coffee and delectable desserts—all included with your ticket. Invite your friends for great music, sweet treats, and an unforgettable evening!

Sanctuary doors open at 6:30 p.m. | Music begins at 7:15 p.m.

Tickets available at the door — cash, check, or Venmo.



Friday, January 9

The Belfast Cowboys • \$20

A nine-piece, horn-driven band from Minneapolis specializing in the music of Van Morrison. Entering their third decade, The Belfast Cowboys masterfully mix rock, blues, roots, and soul sounds for an energetic and unforgettable night.

Friday, January 16 — PowerTap • \$15

The premier Twin Cities event band celebrating 20 years of playing together! PowerTap covers every decade and genre—from Bruno Mars to Johnny Cash—and brings the energy to every performance.



Friday, January 23 — The Shabby Road Orchestra • \$20

A 12-piece Minneapolis ensemble dedicated to recreating the Beatles' late-period recordings, note-for-note, as heard on their final five albums. Every show is unique, featuring a rotating mix of beloved and rarely performed songs.

Friday, January 30 — LVDY (pronounced "Lady") • \$15

This Colorado-based duo blends indie-folk melodies with heartfelt storytelling and ethereal harmonies. Inspired by artists like Maggie Rogers and Trevor Hall, LVDY's music radiates warmth, hope, and connection—an intimate and inspiring close to our 2026 Coffeehouse Series.



SPECIAL COFFEE HOUSE CONCERTS



Wayne Anthony: The Sinatra Experience

Friday, February 6

Sanctuary

Doors open at

6:30 p.m., concert

begins at 7:15 p.m.

\$20 at the door

Special Fundraiser for "Mary Poppins,"



Good Works Community Theater

The consummate crooner, entertainer, and storyteller, Wayne Anthony takes you on a musical journey through the timeless songs of Frank Sinatra. "Wayne Anthony's voice and

his profoundly musical performances are always a must-hear and see!" — Ricky Peterson, Musician & International Producer



Coffeehouse for Kids: Featuring the Teddy Bear Band

Saturday, February 14 • 10:00 a.m. in Mithun Hall

Free-will donation

Bring your favorite teddy bear and get ready to sing, dance, and laugh with the award-winning Teddy Bear Band! Designed for kids (and kids-at-heart), this interactive concert features developmentally appropriate music, fun, and participation. Coffee for the grown-ups, kid-friendly drinks and treats for the little ones.

This collaborative event is presented by the Board of Fellowship, Family Ministries (Elementary, Early Childhood, and Parables Ministries), and WCC Nursery School.



Good Works Community Theater Presents: Mary Poppins!

March 11–15, 2026

Wayzata Community Church Sanctuary

Set in 1910 London, Mary Poppins follows the whimsical chimney sweep Bert as he introduces us to the troubled Banks family. After sending many nannies packing, Jane and Michael Banks meet the magical Mary Poppins, who helps them rediscover love, laughter, and the meaning of family.

Experience the magic of this full-scale musical filled with wonder, imagination, and joy — a "jolly holiday" for the entire family!

Performances

- Wednesday, March 11 • 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, March 12 • 7:00 p.m.
- Friday, March 13 • 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, March 14 • 2:00 p.m. (Disability-friendly & ASL interpreted)
- Saturday, March 14 • 7:00 p.m.
- Sunday, March 15 • 2:00 p.m.

Tickets: All performances are free, but reservations are required. Ticket link available January 2026.

Volunteers Needed!

No experience required — help with set building, painting, costumes, props, and more. Contact **Autumn Toussaint** at atoussaint@wayzatacommunitychurch.org or 612-251-3396 to get involved.



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