



Wentz's United Church of Christ

November 2018

Faith, Media, & Culture

The media has a transcendent quality to it. Its immenseness and ability to rouse, elicit, and change behaviors of individuals, communities, and even nations, is astonishing.

In democracies, virtually all public, political, economic, and social decisions go through the media. It is so powerful and so vital in political life that its utilization requires careful regulation and monitoring. This is not a new concept by any means. Leaders, politicians, and corporations have long recognized that control over the media is indispensable. This has often led to undemocratic use and misuse of the media in both repressive regimes and democracies.

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Sunday Gatherings in November

8:30 & 10:45 am

November 4	—	All News That is Fit for Print	Lovaas
November 11	—	You Can't Watch Enough Television	Lovaas
November 18	—	A _____ is Forever!	Lovaas
November 25	—	Information vs. Knowledge	Lovaas

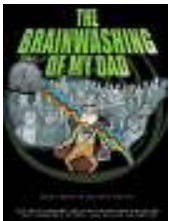


(cont.) For the month of November, we are going to examine Faith, Media, & Culture. As people of faith it is vital that we understand the institutions that shape and influence our world.

Finally, the November Media Challenge! Try not watching television for a week or two, of the whole month. Are you able to live without television?

Scott Lovaas

Movie and Discussion Sunday, November 11 at 7:00 pm Guild Room



The Brainwashing of My Dad: The truth behind the right-wing media machine that changed a father and divided the nation

Right-wing cable news and 'conservative' talk radio attract older Americans like graying moths to angry flame. But why would someone who was either apolitical or a Democrat in younger days become addicted to conservative talk shows in their twilight years?

Filmmaker Jen Senko wondered how her WWII veteran and Kennedy Democrat father had been transformed into a Fox News fanatic, suddenly and inexplicitly railing against minorities, homosexuals, poor people and Democrats. Using her dad as an entertaining example, Senko pulls back the curtain to expose the tools and tricks of the wizards behind the right-wing media revolution. And in discovering what happened to him, Senko reveals, the all-too-chilling bigger picture of what's happening behind—the scenes to influence our national discourse. Join us as we view and critique this film.

Questions can be directed to Scott Lovaas 484-433-1318.

Proverbs 3:13
"Blessed is the one who finds wisdom, and the one who gets understanding."

Sunday Morning Faith Exploration

VIDEO SERIES

9:30 am in Fellowship Hall.

October 21—November 18

Leader—Art Bustard

Ray Vander Laan Series—*Cultures in Conflict: Paul Proclaims Jesus as Lord* which studies Paul's missionary journey in Greece.

SUNDAY MORNING CAFÉ

9:30 am in Meeting Room 1

Leader—Scott Lovaas

Intellectual Self Defense

A central theme in the gospels is that of liberation. In the past it was liberation from illness and afflictions, while that is still the case, we need to liberate our minds from ideological systems.

Moreover, the ability to think critically and independently is becoming a rare commodity within society. There are fewer and fewer public intellectuals who are willing and able to question basic assumptions, biases, and conventional wisdom. Critical thinkers dispel illusions and pull the curtain back to expose hypocrisy and fraud. As people move beyond the rhetoric and develop skills and learn they know how to navigate information whether it is about religion, politics, or world affairs. Intellectual self-defense is needed to protect ourselves from manipulation and control.

Join us at 9:30 in Meeting Room #1, off the Guild Room, to discuss the mass media from a critical point of view. This series dovetails with the sermons on Faith, Media & Culture.

November 4

Intellectual Self Defense

November 11

Print Media

November 11 at 7 pm

Watch and discuss

The Brainwashing of My Father.

November 18

Television

November 25

Advertising



Wentz's on Tap

Thursdays at 7:30 pm
Pizza Time Saloon, West Point

Reaganomics, Southwest Airlines, Pet Rocks, the Protestant Reformation. All these things can trace their origins to a good conversation in a pub. Join us at Pizza Time Saloon, 1900 West Point Pike, in West Point and see what we come up with next.

Come in for a pint and good conversation at our weekly gathering.



COOKIE BAKING & PACKING

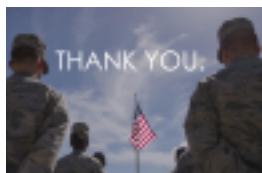
We continue baking and packing on the following dates: **November 5, 7, 12, 13,** and possibly the **14** if needed. Please contact Rita Cipriano if you are interested in volunteering .
rjcup@yahoo.com

Cookie baking 8 am—noon
Cookie packing 6:00—7:30 pm



Designer Bag Bingo
Michael Kors, Kate Spade, Coach & Vera Bradley
Friday, November 2
Doors open at 6 pm
Game begins at 7 pm
Tickets are \$30 thru Eventbrite. Extra cards, special games, raffles, 50/50 can be purchased at the door. Delicious food.

Questions: Please see Karen Rader.



PATRIOTIC CONCERT November 11 at 3 pm Wentz's UCC

Join us in the Sanctuary and listen to inspirational music as we honor our Veterans.

**Congregational Budget Meeting
November 18—**
immediately following the 10:45 am Service of Worship

All members of Wentz's are invited to attend the Annual Congregational Meeting as we review and approve the 2018 Budget.

BRIDGEBUILDER

The Congregation is invited to attend an oral presentation by Rev. Peter Steinke on **Friday, November 16 at 7 pm**. This report is a plan of action for our church and is based on the Saturday, October 27 workshop we have been invited to attend and the interviews with various members of Wentz's. Copies of the report will be provided. After the presentation, an Action Planning Team will meet to begin the process of moving the plan forward in making a healthy congregation.

On Saturday, November 17, from 9 am until noon the Action Planning Team will meet at Wentz's as they begin implementation of Peter Steinke's recommendations.

We hope that you will participate in this exciting time at Wentz's as this as a positive step in moving our church toward a vibrant and thriving ministry.





Please keep in your Prayers

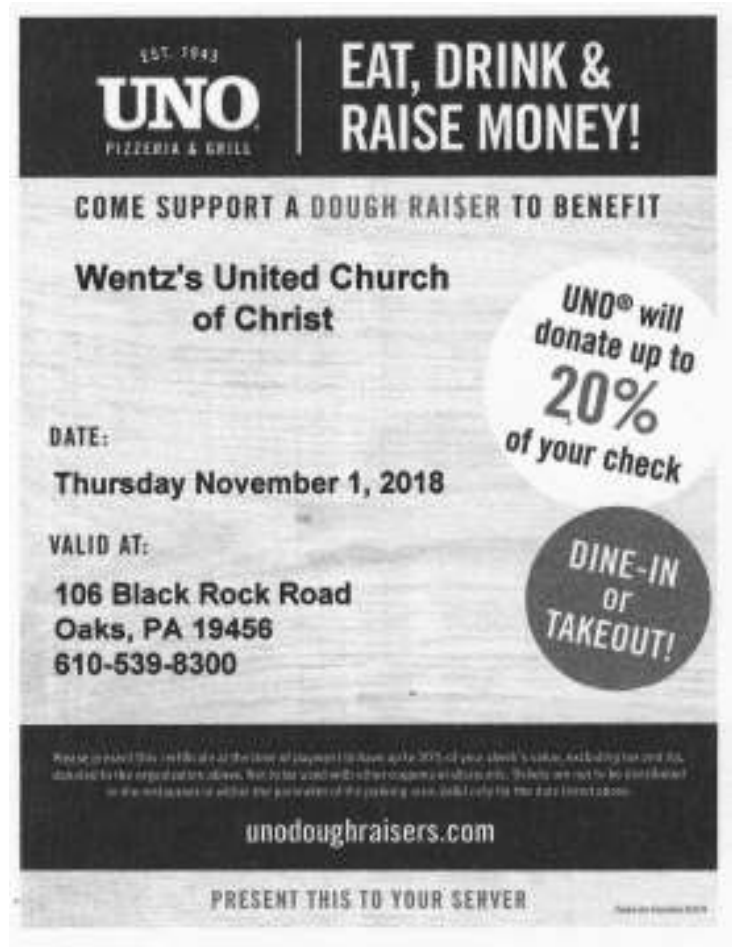
Robert Darde
Bill Detwiler
Nancy Domurat
Jay Fenstermacher
Donna Kriebel,
Claire Metzger
Pauline Thacker



DINING-OUT at Uno
Pizzeria & Grill
Thursday, November 1
106 Black Rock Road
Oaks, PA 19456

Uno will donate up to 20% of your check to Wentz's. Please present the flyer to your server. Family & Friends Welcome.

Flyers can be found on the Welcome Desk at church.



Youth Group News

All youth group members need to complete the Wentz's UCC Information Sheet with your insurance information in order to participate in youth group events. This form can be found online at: www.wentzsucc.org and on the youth group bulletin board outside of Fellowship Hall.

The Youth Group will meet on **Sunday, November 4 at 6:30 pm** and **Sunday, November 18 at 6:30 pm**. Come and join us as we make plans on upcoming Youth events and fundraisers.

The Youth will be helping set-up for the Christmas Bazaar on Sunday, November 25, immediately following the 10:45 Worship Service.

Please contact Chip Kinsky: chip8691@gmail.com if you have any questions.

*Wentz's UCC
Annual Christmas Bazaar
December 1, 2018*



Shoppes Open 9:30 am-2:00 pm

Jewelry
Christmas Past
Book Nook

Attic Treasures
Baked Goods
Boutique Gifts

Plus!

Original Recipe Homemade Cookies

Cafe Open 10:00 am-1:30 pm

Soup
Hot dogs/chicken salad
Hoagies
Chips, Pretzels
Pie
Eat in/ Take out



**Inspirational Christmas Concert
11am-12 pm**



ALL NEW Kids Zone

Ages 3-10 years

Crafts, Movies,

Face Painting and Play Area

Leave your child in a safe area with qualified adults to have a good time while you shop!

Don't miss out on a special visit from Santa!



VOLUNTEER FOR THE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Bazaar Set-up: Help is needed to help set-up for the Bazaar immediately following the 10:45 Service of Worship on November 25. Lunch provided.

Christmas Boutique: Linda Yoworsky (610.222.9388) is looking for items for her booth at the Wentz's Christmas Bazaar. Homemade jams, jellies, candies, holiday craft items, and lightly used quality handbags. Please price your donated items and deliver them by November 30.

Jewelry Booth: Please remember there is a box in the Guild Room for costume jewelry donations for the Christmas Bazaar. Any condition of jewelry is accepted as we can sell broken things or single earrings to crafters. Old jewelry boxes in any condition sell well, along with men's jewelry. We have also had good luck selling evening bags. Time to clean out! We will also pick up items if needed. If you want some of your jewelry evaluated we will tell you what the value is before you make the decision to donate. Any questions call Ann Kulp.

Attic Treasures: Please place your donations in the Trolley Shed. We ask that the items be clean. If you have any questions about what sells, please see Hilda McFarland. Help is needed on November 17 around 9am to unload the Trolley Shed. Coffee and donuts provided.

Bake Booth: Linda Gregory and Barbara Taragna want you to know that they look forward to your delicious baked goods you make for the Bazaar Bake Booth. If you are struggling with what to bake, here are some suggestions: Brownies, LOTS of pies, cakes, muffins, breads, and cupcakes. NO COOKIES PLEASE. You may deliver your goodies Friday OR you may drop them off before 9am on Saturday (the day of the bazaar). Thank you in advance for helping us make our booth a success!

Book Nook: Books can be placed in the Trolley Shed.

Christmas Past: Gently used Christmas decorations can be placed in the Trolley Shed.

If you would like to help out the day of the Bazaar, please see Hilda McFarland. Thank you.

Christmas Eve Services

*Monday, December 24 ~ Christmas Eve
Services with Communion
at 5, 8, & 10:45pm*



2018 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR COOKIE ORDER FOR

WENTZ'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

3246 Skippack Pike, Worcester

Lansdale, PA 19446

WENTZ'S 68TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2018

Name _____ (_____ Pre-Order Chairman Use Only _____)
 Telephone _____ (Grand Total \$ _____)
 E-Mail _____ (Paid By: (Name) _____)
 Date _____
 () Cash () Check No. _____ () Cr. Card

COST: 1 Pound Boxes @ \$10.00 Each

<u>BOXES</u>	<u>WENTZ'S</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>TOTAL \$</u>
<u>ORDERED</u>	<u>HOMEMADE COOKIES</u>			
_____	Chocolate Chip	1 Lb.	\$10.00	_____
_____	Choc. Peanut Butter	1 Lb.	10.00	_____
_____	Coconut	1 Lb.	10.00	_____
_____	Cream Cheese	1 Lb.	10.00	_____
_____	Mrs. Cliffords	1 Lb.	10.00	_____
_____	Peanut Butter	1 Lb.	10.00	_____
_____	Pecan Balls	1 Lb.	10.00	_____
_____	Pressed Butter	1 Lb.	10.00	_____
_____	Russian Tea	1 Lb.	10.00	_____
_____	Sandies (Red & Green Mix)	1 Lb.	10.00	_____
_____	Snickerdoodles	1 Lb.	10.00	_____
_____	Oatmeal Raisin	1 Lb.	10.00	_____

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Total Boxes Ordered Total \$ Enclosed

To place Cookie Pre-Orders – Please E-mail Betty Wilkie at bwilkie22@aol.com --- Indicate in Subject: Cookies
 Or Call: 610-489-1545 – Please leave a message and return call number, if no answer.
DEADLINE: FOR PLACING Pre-Orders is: Monday, November 26th.
 Cookie Order Forms are obtainable at Wentz's U.C.C. Welcome Desk. You may also MAIL your Pre-Order Cookie Forms to: Betty Wilkie, 4317 Perkiomen Creek Road, Collegeville, PA 19426.
 PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO: WENTZ'S U.C.C., when mailing orders.
**** Note:** All Cookie Pre-Orders are to be **Picked Up** at the church on Friday, November 30th before 3:00 p.m. **
 Or we will hold your cookies for pick-up if you wish to attend our FAMOUS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR on Saturday.
 WENTZ'S 68TH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR is held on Saturday, December 1, 2018, from 9:30 a.m. till 2:00 p.m.
 THANK YOU for your continued support of the non-profit Benevolences to which Wentz's contributes.



Christmas Poinsettia Order 2018

The poinsettias are in 6" pots and cost \$10.00 for each plant you order. *Please return this order form along with you payment to: **Wentz's United Church of Christ, 3246 Skippack Pike, Lansdale, PA 19446***

Deadline is Monday, December 3, 2018.

Checks made payable to: Wentz's United Church of Christ

Your Name: _____
Please print your name(s) exactly the way you wish it to read in the bulletin. Use the back of order if necessary.

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

(In the space below, please place the number of plants you want to order)

_____ Red _____ Pink _____ White _____ Marble

In Memory of In Honor of

I will pick up my plant(s) after the _____ service.

Thanks, but I prefer to make a special Christmas gift to one of the special funds at Wentz's United Church of Christ.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Endowment Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Music Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Handbell Fund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Improvement Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Memorial Fund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Retreat Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> General Fund | <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic Equip Fund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OCWM | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Guild | <input type="checkbox"/> Benner Endowment Fund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In Memory of | <input type="checkbox"/> In Honor of | |

Received \$ _____ Cash _____

Check # _____

We do not deliver flowers.

**PLEASE PRINT THE NAMES EXACTLY HOW YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR IN THE BULLETIN.
USE BACK IF NECESSARY.**

☼ 8:30am & 10:45 a.m. Worship Service
 9:30am Sunday School 9am Saxophones
 Cherub Choir/Junior Choir/following Children's Message at
 the 10:45am Service of Worship; 10:30am Prelude chimes
 & Allegro Ringers
 †Summer Schedule: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service

November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Uno Dining Out 7:30pm Chancel Choir 7:30pm AA	2 6pm Designer Bag Bingo 8pm AA (Men)	3
4☼ 6:30pm Youth Group Meeting <i>Daylight Saving Time Ends</i>	5 8am Cookie Baking 6pm Cookie Packing 6:30pm AA (Women Only)	6 6pm Flute Choir 7pm Resounding Ringers 7:30pm AA	7 8am Cookie Baking 6pm Cookie Packing 7pm Consistory Budget Mtg 8pm AA	8 7:30pm Wentz on Tap 7:30pm Chancel Choir 7:30pm AA	9 8pm AA (Men)	10
11☼ 3pm Patriotic Concert at Wentz's 7pm Movie & Discussion	12 8am Cookie Baking 6pm Cookie Packing 6:30pm AA (Women Only)	13 8am Cookie Baking 6pm Cookie Packing 6pm Flute Choir 7pm Resounding Ringers 7pm Confirmation 7:30pm AA	14 Possible Cookie baking & Packing 6pm Elders Mtg 7:00pm Consistory Mtg 8pm AA	15 7:30pm Wentz on Tap 7:30pm Chancel Choir 7:30pm AA <u>Articles for December Newsletter Due</u>	16 7pm Bridgebuilder Program 8pm AA (Men)	17 9am Bridgebuilder Program meeting for the Action Plan Team 9am Trolley Shed Volunteers
18☼ Congregational Budget Meeting 6:30pm Youth Group Mtg	19 6:30pm AA (Women Only)	20 6pm Flute Choir 7pm Resounding Ringers 7:30pm AA	21 8pm AA	22 Thanksgiving -Office Closed 7:30pm AA	23 Office Closed 8pm AA (Men)	24
25☼ Bazaar Set-up after church	26 6:30pm AA (Women Only)	27 6pm Flute Choir 7pm Resounding Ringers 7pm Confirmation 7:30pm Christian Ed 7:30pm AA	28 8pm AA	29 7:30pm Wentz on Tap 7:30pm Chancel Choir 7:30pm AA	30 8pm AA (Men)	